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CHESS DIGEST MAGAZINE - A new publication!

Theoretical Opening Articles: "Shakhmatny Bulletin" and other Russian, Yugoslavian, German, Hungarian sources. Current information!

Great Games Section: A minimum of 50, mostly up-to-date tournament games. Smaller section on rarer openings such as the Vienna, King's Gambit, Blackmar-Diemer, Scotch, Morra Gambit, etc., played within the last two years.

Accumulative Opening Index: broken down into variations for easy reference.

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For subscription or information write:

Chess Digest, Inc. Ken Smith, Editor

P. O. Box 21225, Dallas, Texas 75211. We haven't seen it yet, but it should be good; the editor, a USCF Master, is doing it as a hobby.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE U. S. CHESS FEDERATION - dated December 11, 1967:

"Confirming our Dec. 7 wire to FIDE, the USCF is delighted to host the tie-breaking competition between Grandmasters Hort, Reshevsky and Stein for 6th Place in the Interzonal Tournament and qualification into the Candidates' Matches. Location: Herman Steiner Chess Club, Los Angeles, Calif. Tournament Director: Isaac Kashdan. Proposed dates: Rd. 1, Sunday, February 18; Rd. 12 adjournments (if any) Monday, March 4. On behalf of American Chess, I wish to express our sincere appreciation for the opportunity to host this special FIDE event. We extend a warm welcome to Grandmasters Hort and Stein and assure them that we shall do everything within our power to provide ideal conditions for this important play-off".

(signed) E. B. Edmondson
Exec. Director, USCF

TEXAS CANDIDATES AND TEXAS OPEN TOURNAMENTS

Winners reported last month. Cross tables on page 3.

ROY DEVAULT AND KENNETH SMITH BEST IN NORTH TEXAS

There were 44 players in the North Texas Open at the Sheraton-Dallas Hotel on December 30-31.

Kenneth Smith, Texas Champion, ($4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$) failed to attain a perfect score, when he was held to a draw in the last round game with Jude Acers (4-1). Roy DeVault also scored $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ by winning his fifth round game.

Not everyone who takes the fifth is a winner. (A sober thought: You can't have your case and drink it). Other players with 4-1 scores were: Gary Simms of Amarillo, Tom Buckley from Krum, George Hulburt and Joe Hill from Oklahoma.

Next with $3\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$ were Dallas players, Larry Ware, and J. M. Moulden; also, Karl Cavanaugh of Baton Rouge, La. A complete cross table will definitely be published in the next issue of TEXAS KNIGHTS. We hope that the director will send us a list of the Class Prize winners. No, Mr. Champion, you don't have to send us a profit and loss statement. Chess enthusiasts are more interested in the game than in money. Jude would rather get the practice, than receive a third prize. Tis better to be a poor Master, than a prize winner who belongs to the rich Class. (Isn't that right, comrade?)

TEXAS KNIGHTS needs more instructive and entertaining games (high quality). Non-playing directors are in a good position to select the best tournament games for publication. Your editor keeps running out of material. You can help. Send your best game, today!

Ken Smith asks the question, "Should the official organ of the T.C.A. be used to attack clubs, and individuals?" Of course not, but I believe that poor policies and bad practices should be criticized. Would you prefer a newspaper without criticism? An editorial is just one man's opinion. You have the opportunity to express your opinion in a letter to the editor. Here is one letter.

Dear Bob,

Concerning your editorial:
When a Chess Club "Sponsors" a Tournament and "Guarantees" a prize fund, they are usually backing the event with their club's treasury fund. Therefore, the "Treasury" should be entitled to some portion of the Excess entry money which can be used to promote a bigger and better tmt next time. Remember, some clubs lose money on their events, and I've never seen anybody beat a path to their door to reimburse the club. In most cases, only a club with a "Treasury" behind it is in a position to really promote a good event. In any case, announcements should specify what is to be done with the excess --- such as: XXX Dollars Guaranteed Minimum Plus X % of excess entry money.

Yours truly,

Bill Rathbone

Director, Clear Lake Chess Club

Editor's remarks-

I think that a chess club "Sponsor" seldom backs an event with their treasury. They usually just lend their name to make the tournament look good. If the Ft. Worth club guaranteed the \$350 prize fund (\$230 cash plus \$120 trophies), they would need only 35 players at \$10 each, to break even. The fact that a club takes a small risk does not give them the license to make a large profit! The biggest chess tournament ever held in Texas will be the Southwestern Open, HemisFair 1968 at San Antonio in September. This event was financed by "donors", and not backed by the San Antonio Chess Club treasury.

Available publications: Great Tournaments Series;
All the games, English descriptive notation.
Cross-table and diagrams. Opening index.

Winnipeg 67, Larsen 7, Darga, Spassky	\$1.60
Beverwijk 67, Spassky, Larsen, Darga	\$1.80
Tunis Interzonal 67, All great games	\$2.95

Send to: Kenneth Smith, P. O. Box 21225
Dallas, Texas 75211

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551 3/2 E. Grand, Dallas, Texas
Meets Tuesday evenings. Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

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1913 West McKinney, Houston, Texas
Every Tuesday night 7:30 P.M. - 12:00
Saturdays and Sundays after 2 P.M.

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Unitarian Church Bldg., Denton, Texas
Meets Monday evenings.

DENTON KNIGHTS

Holiday Inn, Denton, Texas. Meetings
announced in local newspaper.

BAYTOWN CHESS CLUB

Civic Center, 2407 Market, Baytown, Texas
Every Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

CLEAR LAKE CHESS CLUB

Clear Lake Recreation Center
Friday nights 7:30 P.M.

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Hancock Recreation Center, Austin, Texas
Meets Monday evenings.

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Lions Field Recreation Center,
2809 Broadway, San Antonio, Texas
7:00 P.M. each Thursday.

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Central Y.M.C.A., 701 Montana Street
Meets Thursday nights at 7:30 P.M.

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Los Vecinos Community Building
Filmore and "M" Streets, Harlingen, Texas
Thursdays 7:00 - 11:00 P.M.
Sundays 2:00 - 6:00 P.M.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHESS CLUB

Westside Recreation Center, 842 Erwin
Meets Wednesdays at 7:30 P.M.

TO ALL CHESS CLUB DIRECTORS:

To have your club listed, please send name, address, and meeting time to:

TEXAS KNIGHTS Editor, 220 West 18th St.
Houston, Texas 77008.

Also write to correct any errors printed in the above listings. We hope that your chess club does not fold.

TEXAS CANDIDATES CHESS TOURNAMENT

1. John Hall	W11 W16 W6 W5 L2	4
2. Ray Schutt	W13 D4 D3 W12 W1	4
3. Tom Cunningham	D9 W13 D2 W6 D4	3½
4. Gary Simms	W17 D2 D5 W7 D3	3½
5. Eric Bone	W15 W7 D4 L1 W10	3½
6. Jerry Milburn	W14 W12 L1 F3 W8	3
7. J. W. Hardy	W10 L5 D8 L4 W12	2½
8. R. R. McCready	L12 W9 D7 W16 L6	2½
9. John Dunning	D3 L8 W14 L10 W16	2½
10. Fred King	L7 W18 D16 W9 L5	2½
11. Ed Caruthers	L1 W17 L12 D14 W18	2½
12. Alan Leonard	W8 L4 W11 L2 L7	2
13. Bill Wheeler	L2 L3 D17 W15 D14	2
14. Lewis McClary	L6 W15 L9 D11 D13	2
15. Donald Haffner	L5 L14 W18 L13 W17	2
16. Thomas Snow	W18 L1 D10 L8 L9	1½
17. DeJuan Leggett	L4 L11 D13 W18 L15	1½
18. Gary Wilson	L16 L10 L15 L17 F11	0

INTERESTING GAMES

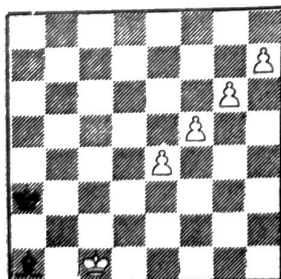
Texas Candidates - November 25, 1967

White: T. Cunningham (1868)

Black: Bill Wheeler (2056)

1. P-Q 4	N-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-KN3
3. N-QB3	B-N2
4. P-K4	O-O
5. P-B3	P-Q3
6. B-K3	QN-Q2
7. Q-Q2	P-B3
8. KN-K2	P-QR3
9. P-KN4	P-QN4
10. N-N3	N-N3
11. B-R6	P-K4
12. Bx3	KxB
13. O-O-O	B-N2?
14. P-KR4	Q-K2?
15. P-R5	R-R1
16. RPxP	RPxP??
17. N-B5ch!	Resigns

Chess Ending Composed by M. Kalgin



White to play and win.

Solution to be published next month.

TEXAS OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

1. Donald Hegele	W45 W10 D2 W9 D4	4
2. John Rausch	W20 W15 D1 W11 D3	4
3. B. B. Udd	W32 W17 W14 D4 D2	4
4. G. Hulburd	W21 W26 W16 D3 D1	4
5. Tracy Watson	W31 D11 D8 W13 W15	4
6. John Steele	W33 D8 D13 W16 W17	4
7. R. Pelaez	D40 D13 W29 W26 W14	4
8. Ronald Clark	W44 D6 D5 W18 D9	3½
9. B. Douglas	W30 W12 W28 L1 D8	3½
10. Sam Lovett	W25 L1 D12 W27 W24	3½
11. R. Bynum	W46 D5 W27 L2 W21	3½
12. C. B. Lucas	W41 L9 D10 W39 W22	3½
13. Robert Bond	W35 D7 D6 L5 W31	3
14. Lynn Green	W22 W29 L3 W20 L7	3
15. R. Underwood	W36 L2 W19 W28 L5	3
16. Neal Walters	W43 W18 L4 L6 W33	3
17. David Goble	W42 L3 W30 W23 L6	3
18. V. Gracia	W19 L16 W31 L8 W30	3
19. Robert Jones	L18 W43 L15 W35 W26	3
20. Olin Chism	L2 W39 W41 L14 W28	3
21. M. R. Utt	L4 W35 D23 W32 L11	2½
22. Ray Rodgers	L14 W38 D24 W25 L12	2½
23. O. Burnett	W34 L28 D21 L17 W29	2½
24. C. McLaughlin	L28 W42 D22 W34 L10	2½
25. James Bolen	L10 D34 W32 L22 W39	2½
26. W. Fanning	W37 L4 W33 L7 L19	2
27. Herman Scott	D39 W40 L11 L10 D34	2
28. Englebreton	W24 W23 L9 L15 L20	2
29. Frank Carter	W38 L14 L7 W36 L23	2
30. Dr. John Bean	L9 W37 L17 W41 L18	2
31. M. Hazlewood	L5 W46 L18 W42 L13	2
32. Geo. Somers	L3 W36 L25 L21 W40	2
33. Pat Stewart	L6 W44 L26 W38 L16	2
34. D. Dolman	L23 D25 W45 L24 D27	2
35. John Scully	L13 L21 W44 L19 W45	2
36. Gale Nicolet	L15 L32 W37 L29 W43	2
37. V. Butler	L26 L30 L36 W44 W42	2
38. G. Zuniga	L29 L22 W46 L33 W41	2
39. Daniel Brown	D27 L20 W40 L12 L25	1½
40. John Mandl	D7 L27 L39 W45 L32	1½
41. P. Hallmark	L12 W45 L20 L30 L38	1
42. Tom Atkins	L17 L24 W43 L31 F37	1
43. S. Johnson	L16 L19 L42 W46 L36	1
44. D. Teitelbaum	L8 L33 L35 L37 W46	1
45. Denis Quane	L1 L41 L34 L40 L35	0
46. R. Angell	L11 L31 L38 L43 L44	0

HOUSTON PLAYERS IN CORRESPONDENCE MATCH WITH HUNGARIANS

Eric Bone and Master Ray Schutt head a ten-man team of Houstonians who are engaged in a chess match by mail with the best of the Hungarian Steelworkers (International Masters). Each player plays two games with his opponent (one with White, one as Black). Results of this match will be published in a future issue of TEXAS KNIGHTS.

January 27-28

ALAMO OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

Five round Swiss event to be played at the Bluebonnet Hotel in San Antonio. Time limit will be 45 moves in two hours. Open to all chess players. Top three from Region VI will qualify for the Texas Candidates in November, 1968, from which the top five meet for the Texas State Championship with reigning champion (6-man round robin). Register 8-9 A.M. on Saturday, January 27. First round begins at 9 A.M. Three rounds Saturday, two Sunday. Entry fee \$5.00, plus USCF and TCA membership. USCF rated. Trophies to top three, and Class A, B, C, D, and Unrated. Cash prizes as entry permits. Write W. N. Wells, TCA Vice-President, 2711 Briarfield, San Antonio, Texas 78230.

February 23-25

EL PASO OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

5-round Swiss System, U. S. C. F. rated, to be played at the beautiful Sheraton Motor Hotel at 4151 N. Mesa in El Paso. Time limit is 45 moves in 2 hours, and 25 moves per hour thereafter. First round to start at 7 P.M. Friday, February 23. Two rounds on Saturday, Feb. 24, and two rounds on Sunday, Feb. 25, 1968. George Koltanowski will be tournament director. First Prize, guaranteed \$150 and trophy. Second Prize, \$100 and trophy. Third Prize, \$50 and trophy. Class Prizes: Best "A", \$50 and trophy; Second "A", \$25. Best "B", \$50 and Lapel Pin; Second "B", \$20. Best "C", \$40 and Lapel Pin; Second "C", \$20. Best Woman, \$20 and trophy; Best Junior, \$20 and Lapel Pin; Unrated, \$20 and trophy. Entry fee \$12.50 plus USCF dues if not a member. Entry fee \$10 for Juniors under 19 years old. (Each according to his need?) Register on or before 6 P.M. Friday, February 23, Sheraton Motel. Advance Registrations can be sent to: Chess Club of El Paso, Hector Fabela, Treas. 5904 Delta Dr., El Paso, Texas

February 3-4

OKLAHOMA OPEN ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

5-round Swiss System, USCF rated, to be held at the Exhibit Rooms, OSU Student Union, Stillwater, Oklahoma. Time limit is 40 moves in two hours. Prizes: Trophies to Oklahoma Open Champion and State Champion, plus trophies to top in Class A, B, C, and unrated. Cash prizes after expenses: First, 50% of entry fees; Second, 35%; Third, 15%. (Note: Tournament meeting room, director and promotional expenses are being met by the OSU Chess Club; commercial donors of trophies are probable. Therefore, virtually all of the entry fee will be used for cash prizes). Ft. Worth, Dallas take heed! Entry fee is \$6 plus USCF membership. Registration 8-9:30 A.M. Saturday, Feb. 3. First round begins at 10 A.M. Three rounds on Saturday, and two rounds on Sunday. An unrated Junior Tournament will be held concurrently with the Open event. Anyone 17 or younger is eligible to enter. Trophies. Entry fee will be \$1. Inquiries: Director Richard Dermer, 121 S. McFarland, Stillwater, Oklahoma.

February 23-25

FAYETTEVILLE OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

5-round Swiss system, USCF rated, at the University of Arkansas, Student Union Bldg., Room #220, Fayetteville, Arkansas. Time limit is 45 moves in 1½ hours. Unfinished games will be adjudicated. First round may be played at 6 P.M. Friday, February 23. Prizes: Top three places will receive trophies. Entry fee \$3. Register before 8:30 A.M. February 24. Out-of-state entrants not required to join the Arkansas Chess Association or Fayetteville Chess Club. Tournament Director: Frank Thorpe. Bring sets, boards, and clocks. This is your chance to meet and play against many of the strongest players in this area. For further information write Frank Thorpe, City Housing, Apt. 7, Fayetteville, Ark. 72701

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