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ERIC BONE WINS BRAZOS OPEN

There were 18 players competing in the Brazos Chess Event, held September 23 and 24 in the Memorial Student Center at Texas A&M. Eric Bone, who gave a Simultaneous before the tournament, continued his exhibition of fine chess play, with a perfect 5-0 score, winning from his main rivals, David Willis, Steven Pejovich (an expert from Minnesota, who is now a professor of Economics at A&M.), and Ray Schutt.

David Willis placed Second with 4 wins. Robert Chalker showed great improvement by taking Third place with a 3-1/2 - 1-1/2 score. John Zammito won the Handicap prize, which is given to the player with the highest handicap score (actual score minus expected score). The expected score is a calculation based on the ratings of a player and his opponents.

This tournament was produced and directed by Fred R. Crowds.

OFFICIAL HANDBOOK EXPLAINS LAWS OF CHESS

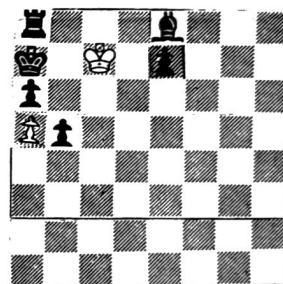
A new edition of the Official Chess Handbook by Kenneth Harkness is at your bookstore. Perhaps you have purchased a copy from the Dallas Chess Book Club? To test your knowledge of chess laws, consider the following amusing situations. Suppose that you are the tournament director. At the time of adjournment, one player seals the move "Resigns". Upon resumption of the game, only the player who sealed the move is present. What happens?

Answer: Article 16 of the FIDE laws of chess states, "If the player having the move (the player who must reply to the sealed move) is absent,

LAWS OF CHESS - Cont'd

his clock shall be started, but the envelope shall be opened only at the time of his arrival." Article 17 says "A game is lost by a player who arrives at the chessboard more than one hour late." Imagine the headlines in the newspaper - "Player Resigns Crucial Game and Wins Tournament!".

Consider the following case: This position is recorded on the sealed move envelope.



Black's last move was ... P-N4. White sealed the move "Stalemate". Upon resumption of the game, both players are present. What is the result? Answer: White did not play his only legal move Pxp e.p. Mate. His Stalemate claim is not valid. White forfeits the game, because he sealed an illegal move.

RUSSIAN SOLVERS CONTEST

J. E. Peckover of New York recently furnished your editor with some novel information. An endgame solvers competition limited to chess players in Russia only, is now underway. The competition, known as the First Werner-Peckover Russian Endgame

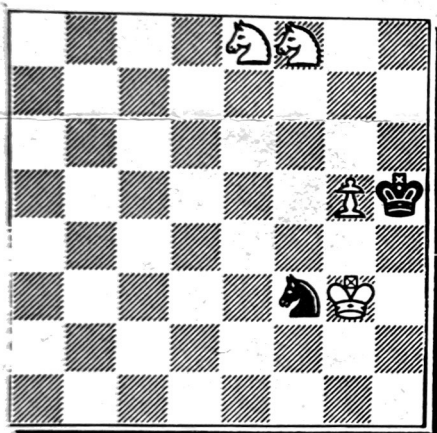
Solvers Competition was made possible, thanks to generosity on the part of Mr. Harold Werner. Prizes in the form of chess books and magnetic chess sets are being donated to the winning competitors.

Composed Endings Become Game Positions

Mr. James Schroeder, who is an excellent chess player (and a fine editor) has made the idiotic statement that composed studies are not practical.

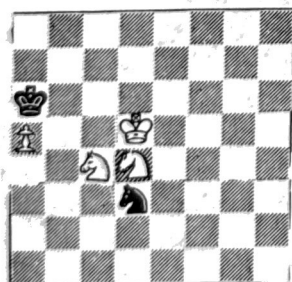
To show how mistaken he is, we give two endgame positions. One ending is composed, and the other was played in a tournament game. It is difficult to tell which is which. Furthermore, if the player had ignored Schroeder's bad advice and studied composed endings, he would not have failed to win the game.

Ending composed by T. B. Gorgiev, which won First Prize in 1928:



Solution: 1. g6, Nh4! 2. Ng7ch, Kg5! 3. N(g)e6ch, Kh6! 4. g7, Nf5ch; 5. Kg4, NxP; 6. Nd4, any; 7. Nf5 Mate.

Tournament game played in 1967 U.S. Open.



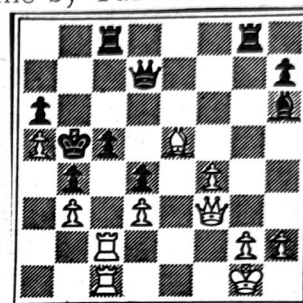
White to move

In the actual game, Jack Shaw, versus New York Master, Paul Brandts, played 69. K-Q6? then N-N7! 70. NxN, KxP; and the game was drawn. White could have won with 69. N-N3! for example K-N4; 70. N-Q6ch, K-R3; 71. N-K8! N-N5ch; (If 71..N-B8; 72. N-B7ch! K-N2; 73. NxN wins.) 72. K-B5, N-Q6ch; 73. K-Q6, N-N5; 74. K-B7, N-Q4ch; 75. K-N8, N-N5; 76. N-B7 Mate.

To acquire the ability to win such a difficult ending, one must do more than merely play over master games. Study studies!

Did you solve this problem?

Endgame by Tarrasch.



White Wins

Solution: 1. B-B7!! a beautiful move, sacrificing the Bishop on the critical square, which is the intersection of (cutting point) the Black Rook line and the Black Queen rank. After 1...RxB; 2. Q-N7ch! a deflecting sacrifice against the overworked Rook which interferes with, and prevents the Black Queen from capturing. 2...RxQ; then 3. RxP Mate. Another variation occurs after 1..QxB; 2. RxPch, now the Black Queen interferes with the Black Rook. So, 2...QxR; then 3. Q-N7ch KxP; 4. R-R1 Mate.

E.G. is a quarterly chess magazine devoted exclusively to the endgame study. Every issue contains at least thirty-six studies in diagram form, and accompanied by the solutions. In addition there are articles editorial comment, contest announcements and any other material of interest to study enthusiasts.

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STUDY OF CHESS TRAPS IS MOST REWARDING.

Book critic, James Schroeder, who writes for the Cleveland Chess Bulletin, says that "Winning Chess Traps" and "1000 Short Games of Chess" are worthless. To show just how wrong he is, we publish two short games from actual tournament play, which the winners would never have created without reading those books of traps!

1967 U.S. Open Chess Tournament - Atlanta.

White: R. Steele Black: R. Chalker

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| 1. P-K4 | P-K4 |
| 2. N-KB3 | N-QB3 |
| 3. B-B4 | N-B3 |
| 4. N-N5 | P-Q4 |
| 5. PxP | N-Q5! Fritz Variation |
| 6. P-Q6 | QxP |
| 7. NxBP? | Q-B3! |
| 8. NxKP | QxP |
| 9. B-B7ch | K-K2 |
| 10. R-B1 | Q-K5ch |
| 11. Q-K2 | QxQ Mate |

Southwestern Chess Tournament - Houston.

White: DeJuan Leggett Black: R. Brieger

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| 1. P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| 2. N-KB3 | P-K3 |
| 3. P-Q4 | PxP |
| 4. NxP | N-KB3 |
| 5. N-Q2? | N-QB3 |
| 6. N/4-B3 | B-B4 |
| 7. B-K2 | BxPch! |
| 8. KxB | N-N5ch |
| 9. K-N3 | N-K6 |
| 10. Q-N1 | Q-B2ch |
| 11. K-R3? | Q-B5! |
| 12. P-KN4 | P-KR4 |
| 13. P-N5 | P-K4 |
| 14. N-R4 | P-Q4ch |
| 15. N-B5 | PxP |
- Resigns

BRAZOS OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

1. Eric Bone	W10 W12 W5 W2 W4	5
2. David Willis	W13 W9 W4 L1 W5	4
3. Robt. Chalker	L4 D5 W18 W10 W11	3-1/2
4. Ray Schutt	W3 W7 L2 W8 L1	3
5. S. Pejovich	W17 W15 L1 W14 L2	3
6. R. Bynum	L7 D3 D10 W12 W9	3
7. D. Djuric	W6 L4 L9 W16 W14	3
8. James Campion	L15 W17 W12 L4 W13	3
9. J. Zammito	W16 L2 W7 D11 L6	2-1/2
10. J. Moffitt	L1 W18 D6 L3 W16	2-1/2
11. Alan Laverty	L12 W14 W13 D9 L3	2-1/2
12. David Line	W11 L1 L8 L6 W17	2
13. R. Rodgers	L2 W16 L11 W15 L8	2
14. Mark Levin	W18 L11 W15 L5 L7	2
15. N. Gabitzsch	W8 L5 L14 L13 W18	2
16. Daryl Hanks	L9 L13 W17 L7 L10	1
17. L.A. Rice	L5 L8 L16 W18 L12	1
18. D.M. Pais	L14 L10 L3 L17 L15	0

One of the decisive games by the winner of the
Brazos Chess Tournament -

White: Eric Bone

Black: Ray Schutt

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| 1. P-K4 | P-QB4 | 21. P-B4 | B-R5 |
| 2. N-QB3 | N-QB3 | 22. QR-KB1 | B-B6 |
| 3. P-KN3 | P-KN3 | 23. Q-B1 | B-K4 |
| 4. B-N2 | B-N2 | 24. BxN | RxB |
| 5. P-Q3 | P-Q3 | 25. N-B4 | R-K2 |
| 6. B-K3 | P-K4 | 26. N-Q5 | R/2-N2 |
| 7. N-Q5 | N-B3 | 27. B-B4 | B-B7ch |
| 8. NxNch | BxN | 28. QxB | P-N6 |
| 9. P-KR4 | N-Q5 | 29. PxP | RxP |
| 10. P-QB3 | N-K3 | 30. BxB | PxB |
| 11. N-K2 | O-O | 31. Q-B2 | R/1-N2 |
| 12. Q-Q2 | R-K1 | 32. R-R2 | R-R5 |
| 13. O-O-O | R-N1 | 33. N-K7ch | RxN |
| 14. P-R5 | P-KN4 | 34. PxR | R-N2ch |
| 15. P-R6 | P-N4 | 35. K-R2 | Resigns |
| 16. P-KB4 | KPxP | | |
| 17. PxP | Q-R4 | | |
| 18. PxP | B-R1 | | |
| 19. K-N1 | B-Q2 | | |
| 20. B-R3 | P-N5 | | |

If you want to see more chess games published in TEXAS KNIGHTS, then send the score of one of your games! It doesn't have to be brilliant, but short games are interesting. A game in which the underdog wins from a high rated player will

raise the morale of every amateur.

Address your contribution to:

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FOR FAST CHESS, TRY TORNADO
TOURNAMENTS IN DALLAS, CHESS
METROPOLIS OF TEXAS.

Five round Swiss event played in one afternoon from 2:00 to 6:30 P.M. Place is the Dallas Chess Club located at 5513-1/2 E. Grand Avenue, Sunday, November 5, and Sunday, December 3. Time limit is 20 minutes per player for each game. Entry fee is \$1.00, prizes as entry permits. Bring clocks, sets and boards.

November 4-5
CAPITAL CITY CHESS OPEN

Five round Swiss tournament will be directed by USCF Expert Jack Hardy, to be played at the Downtowner Motor Inn, 11th and San Jacinto Streets, Austin, Texas. Time limit is 45 moves in two hours, and 20 moves per hour thereafter. Temporary adjudication for pairing purposes after each round, permanent adjudication after the 4th round.

Prizes: \$100 guaranteed First Prize. Other money prizes as entry permits. Generous Class prizes have been donated by Hemphill's Book Stores of Austin. Two prize winners in each of the Classes A, B, C, and D, also Unrated. Entry Fee is \$5. USCF and TCA membership required. Register at the tournament before 9 A.M. Saturday, November 4, or send advanced registration to:

Denver L. Delman
P.O. Box 8397
Austin, Texas, 78712.

November 25-26

TEXAS OPEN AND TEXAS CANDIDATES
CHESS TOURNAMENTS

Five round Swiss System events to be held at the Worth Hotel in Ft. Worth, Texas. The time limit is 45 moves first two hours, and 15 moves per 1/2 hour thereafter. Prizes:

	<u>Texas Open</u>	<u>Texas Candidates</u>
1st	\$70	\$60
2nd	\$40	\$30
3rd	\$20	\$10

Entry fee is \$10. USCF and TCA membership will be required. Ft. Worth Chess Club host. Texas Chess Association is Sponsor. The Non-Playing Tournament Director will be Kenneth R. Smith. Registration 8-9 A.M. Saturday, November 25. First round begins at 9 A.M. Three rounds to be played on Saturday, and two rounds on Sunday. For further information, write: Kell Terry, 802 Water St., Weatherford, Texas.

December 30-31

NORTH TEXAS OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

Five round Swiss event to be played at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel in Dallas, Texas. Time limit will be 45 moves in 2 hrs. and 20 moves per hr. thereafter. Prizes:

	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Runner-Up</u>
First	\$100	\$60
Class A	\$ 40	\$10
Class B	\$ 30	\$10
Class C	\$ 20	\$10
Unrated	Trophy	

Entry fee is \$10. USCF and TCA needs your membership. Registration 8-9 A.M. Saturday, December 30. Dallas Chess Club is Sponsor. James T. Campion will direct this tournament. For further information, write: Dallas Chess Club, 5513-1/2 E. Grand, Dallas, Texas 75223

In 1968, Dover Publications will reprint the classic book, "1234 Modern End-Game Studies" by Sutherland and Lommer. Buy it!

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