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EL PASO OPEN CHESS TIE

A bunch of players got together at the Plaza Hilton in downtown El Paso. What it was, was a chess tournament. Kenneth Smith and Ronald Lifson won most of their games. It is rumored that they tied for First place.

The tmt Director, George Koltanowski, made the El Paso officials promise to send a complete report to TEXAS KNIGHTS. The cross table will not be found on the inside page, because I am still waiting for it. (since February)

JOHN ROACH WINS SOUTHWEST INTERCOLLEGIATE

The 1969 Intercollegiate at U. of Houston on March 28-29 was filled with upsets. Tracy Watson and David Willis, two of the top ranking players, placed 12th & 13th respectively, (with 3-2 scores) while the winner, John Roach entered the tournament ranked 8th, (1679 rating), behind two experts. Congratulations to John Roach (4½ points) for a well played tournament, including an upset over David Levin from LSU. (4-1) Even more remarkable is the fact that the University of Texas "B" team, comprised of John Roach and James Musumeci, won the tournament, ahead of the University of Texas "A" team (which finished 4th). The Second place team was the LSU-NO team of David Levin and James Beck. The U. H. team of Carl Clayton and Tracy Watson was Third. The increased participation of colleges in this tournament is perhaps a harbinger of more chess activities in the Southwest. Not more than five years ago, the Intercollegiate usually had from 15 to 20 participants, whereas this competition had 30. The cross table will be published in the next issue of TEXAS KNIGHTS.

ERIC BONE WINS NEVADA STATE OPEN

Eric Bone of Texas scored 6½-1½ to win the Nevada State Open, completed early in March at Sparks, Nev. (When you got it, FLAUNT it!)

The tournament was played following a record snowfall, and the entry list of 85 was remarkable under the circumstances.

Jude Acers of San Francisco was in a tie for Second place with Clark Harmon of Oregon, and Walter Shipman of New York. Each scored 6-1.

Other Texans who played, were William Bills, Max Burkett, and Tyrell Harvey.

WESTBURY HIGH SCHOOL PROMOTES JUNIOR CHESS WITH INVITATIONAL

Fifty-eight players, representing twelve Senior High schools in the Houston area, participated in this tournament. Four rounds were played on Saturday, March 29, with each game taking less than 1 hour & 15 minutes. R. Brieger adjudicated a few games. Bellaire High School won the First place trophy with 14½-1½. Team standings (total scores of top four players): Second place-Kinkaid school 12-4; Austin 11½ Mount Carmel 10-6; Lee and Marian, each with 9-7; Westbury 8 San Jacinto 7 Sterling High 6½ Westchester and Milby tied with 6 and Wheatley had 2-14. The success of this event was due to the efforts of Becky Zuokero and Mary Mollhenny of Westbury.

FERNSCHACH

by Billy Patteson

That's what the Germans call it - Fernschach; literally, "distant chess" International postal chess is a lot of fun. Usually your opponents are interested in postage stamps about as much as they are interested in chess, and you can accumulate a nice collection of foreign stamps with just one section of six games.

One of my opponents in Moscow has sent me a chess book written by M. Botvinnik. He went to the Moscow Central Chess Club and had the book autographed for me by the author! For information on how you can play, write to James E. Warren, ICCF - USA Secretary, 5333 Woodland Ave., Western Springs, Illinois 60558.

Here is my first victory in foreign play. I could have won a pawn at move 10 with ... Q-Q5 and also at move 13 by ... N-Q6; but I was determined to get more from the position, and found the pretty bishop move. In the end, White is helpless against the forced removal of the knight defender at K3.

White: G. Selenius, Finland

Black: B. Patteson, U. S. A.

1. P-K4	P-K4	8. N-K3	O-O-O
2. N-KB3	N-QB3	9. P-QR4	B-QB4
3. B-N5	P-QR3	10. N-R3	N-K2
4. BxN	QPxB	11. P-QB3	N-N3
5. Q-K2	P-B3	12. O-O	N-B5
6. N-R4	B-K3	13. Q-K1	B-R6!!
7. N-B5	Q-Q2	14. PxB	QxRP

Resigns

U.S.C.F. Rated Match - 2nd Game

January 26, 1969

White: Carl Clayton

Black: Rolando Pelaez

1. P-K4	P-K3	18. BxP	QxP
2. P-Q4	P-Q4	19. QxQ	RxQ
3. N-QB3	B-N5	20. P-KR4	P-K4
4. P-K5	P-QB4	21. B-K2	R-N2
5. P-QR3	BxNch	22. B-R5ch	K-Q2
6. PxB	N-K2	23. R-QN1	K-Q3
7. Q-N4	Q-B2	24. KR-B1	N-Q5
8. QxNP	R-N1	25. R-B6ch	K-B4
9. QxRP	PxP	26. P-QR4	B-B4
10. K-Q1	QN-B3	27. R-B1	R-R1
11. N-B3	PxP	28. P-N4	R/2xB
12. N-N5	NxP	29. K-K1	R/4xB
13. P-B4	P-B3	30. PxR	RxP
14. Q-R5ch	N/4-N3	31. K-B2	RxP
15. B-N5ch	N-B3	32. R-QN1	R-B5ch
16. P-B5	PxN	33. K-N3	BxP
17. PxN	Q-N2		

White resigns

JERRY SPANN MEMORIAL Stillwater Okla

1. Ron Larsen	W21	W11	W8	W2	W10	5
2. Marvin Sills	W13	W18	W5	L1	W7	4
3. G. Hulburd	W36	W19	W9	D10	D4	4
4. D. Prichard	W30	W26	D7	W22	D3	4
5. Tom Amburn	W34	W29	L2	W19	W13	4
6. Dr. V. Gracia	L26	W38	W12	W18	W14	4
7. Jack Hardy	W24	W17	D4	W20	L2	3
8. Frank Berry	W41	W23	L1	W16	D11	3
9. Jim Berry	D15	W12	L3	W21	W22	3
10. D. Ballard	W35	W27	W20	D3	L1	3
11. D. Gittrich	W39	L1	W37	W24	D8	3
12. H. Thomas	W14	L9	L6	W36	W28	3
13. Dan Shaw	L2	W39	W29	W23	L5	3
14. Woody James	L12	W34	W25	W27	L6	3
15. Jim Tyler	D9	W33	L22	W29	D20	3
16. Olin Chism	L18	W30	W28	L8	W31	3
17. Carl Barlow	W42	L7	L18	W32	W27	3
18. J. Cserkuti	W16	L2	W17	L6	D25	2
19. C. McLaughlin	W38	L3	W31	L5	D24	2
20. J. Mouldan	W37	W28	L10	L7	D15	2
21. D. Millison	L1	W41	D23	L9	W26	2
22. Walt Gracia	D33	W36	W15	L4	L9	2
23. E. Amburn	W32	L8	D21	L13	W33	2
24. Joseph Bohac	L7	W42	W33	L11	D19	2
25. J. Patterson	L28	W32	L14	W30	D18	2
26. M. Krakower	W6	L4	L27	W35	L21	2
27. John Blair	W31	L10	W26	L14	L17	2
28. Z. Bessenyey	W25	L20	L16	W34	L12	2
29. Ed Sayre	W40	L5	L13	L15	W39	2
30. Frank Doonan	L4	L16	W41	L25	W37	2
31. G. Hlavacek	L27	W35	L19	W37	L16	2
32. L. Bloom	L23	L25	W38	L17	W36	2
33. Wm. Huckin	D22	L15	L24	W38	L23	1
34. V. Gracia III	L5	L14	W40	L28	D35	1
35. Tom Every	L10	L31	W42	L26	D34	1
36. F. Frazier	L3	L22	W39	L12	L32	1
37. R. Carter	L20	W40	L11	L31	L30	1
38. Mark Clark	L19	L6	L32	L33	W40	1
39. T. Hamilton	L11	L13	L36	W42	L29	1
40. H. Callaway	L29	L37	L34	W41	L38	1
41. Gary Howe	L8	L21	L30	L40	D42	1
42. S. Carpenter	L17	L24	L35	L39	D41	1

DENVER CHESS TOURNAMENT - Round 5

R. Wendling versus Bob Rader

1. e4	c5	11. fxe	fxe
2. Nf3	d6	12. Bc4	h6
3. d4	oxd	13. Be3	Ng4
4. Nxd4	Nf6	14. Bxe6	Nxe3
5. Nc3	a6	15. Qxe3	Nc6
6. Bg5	e6	16. Nxc6	Bh4ch
7. f4	Qb6	17. g3	Bxe6
8. Qd2	Qxb2	18. gxh4	bxh6
9. Rb1	Qa3	19. O-O	Rf8
10. f5	Be7		

Draw

This exciting game left both players tied for First Place with 4½ in the Al Wallace Memorial Tmt.

CAPITAL CITY OPEN (Baton Rouge, La.)

1. K. Fitzgerald	W27	W5	W6	W4	W3	5
2. W. Trosclair	W32	W20	D10	W16	W9	4½
3. R. Brieger	W22	W13	W9	W12	L1	4
4. J. Lewark	W15	W18	W19	L1	W11	4
5. F. Chavez	W34	L1	W25	W14	W12	4
6. R. Potter	W36	W23	L1	W13	W17	4
7. J. LeBon	L11	W29	W27	D17	W10	3½
8. R. Cote	W25	L9	D31	W23	W18	3½
9. W. Porter	W39	W8	L3	W15	L2	3
10. H. Thomas	W14	W11	D2	D18	L7	3
11. E. Hart	W7	L10	W22	W34	L4	3
12. R. Herstein	W26	W31	W17	L3	L5	3
13. E.T.C. Lewis	W35	L3	W26	L6	W19	3
14. J. Mack	L10	W34	W21	L5	W28	3
15. B. Burgess	L4	W40	W28	L9	W25	3
16. C. Smith	W40	L17	W33	L2	W26	3
17. R. Dean	W33	W16	L12	D7	L6	2½
18. R. Loomis	W29	L4	W20	D10	L8	2½
19. T. Broyles	W30	D21	L4	W32	L13	2½
20. C. Turner	W28	L2	L18	W36	D22	2½
21. W. Pourciau	W24	D19	L14	L27	W33	2½
22. C. Voorhies	L3	W39	L11	W37	D20	2½
23. E. Villavaso	W37	L6	D32	L8	W36	2½
24. A. Murla	L21	L32	W38	D33	W31	2½
25. R. Leeper	L8	W30	L5	W35	L15	2
26. J. Fritz	L12	W38	L13	W29	L16	2
27. A. Hymel	L1	W36	L7	W21	L35	2
28. D. Marcelle	L20	W35	L15	W34	L14	2
29. R. VandenBold	L18	L7	W39	L26	W32	2
30. M. Lovelace	L19	L25	L37	W39	W38	2
31. C. Applewhite	W38	L12	D8	L11	L24	1½
32. S. Anderson	L2	W24	D23	L19	L29	1½
33. P. Berthelot	L17	W37	L16	D24	L21	1½
34. G. Guillory	L5	L14	D35	L28	W37	1½
35. R. Johnson	L13	L28	D34	L25	W27	1½
36. J. Moses	L6	L27	W40	L20	L23	1
37. C. Jones	L23	L33	W30	L22	L34	1
38. R. Kennon	L31	L26	L24	W40	L30	1
39. J. Copponex	L9	L22	L29	L30	W40	1
40. J. Gullledge	L16	L15	L36	F38	F39	0

Dear Texans,

After publishing 12 issues in 1968, and with my first issue of 1969 in front of me, I have time to reflect on the success and failure of Chess Digest Magazine.

THE FAILURE - to contact you and see why you have not supported me. So many of you I know personally, or have seen you play in Texas tournaments and, yet, you have **not** taken the time to subscribe. I need the support of Texas, my home state, for this is a struggling magazine, and every one of you is important. Please don't keep me wondering why you have not sent in your subscription.

GAMES BY TEXANS (recent tmts)

Nevada Open - Round 6 (March 1)			
White: Bill Bills			
Black: Eric Bone			
1. P-K4	P-QB3	39. P-Q6	RxR
2. P-Q4	P-Q4	40. PxR	QxP3
3. N-QB3	PxP	41. R-Q1	P-N3
4. NxP	N-B3	42. K-N2	Q-N5
5. NxNch	NPxN	43. K-B2	Q-R6
6. B-QB4	B-B4	44. P-B5	P-R5
7. N-K2	P-K3	45. BxBP	PxP
8. N-N3	B-N3	46. PxP	QxP+
9. B-K3	N-Q2	47. K-N2	P-R6
10. Q-Q2	N-N3		ch
11. B-N3	N-Q4	Black wins.	
12. P-QR3	B-Q3		
13. B-R6	R-KN1		
14. O-O-O	Q-N3		
15. P-KB3	O-O-O		
16. N-K4	B-K2		
17. K-N1	K-N1		
18. K-R2	Q-R3		
19. P-QB4	B-N5		
20. Q-B1	BxN		
21. PxR	RxP		
22. K-N1	N-B6ch		
23. PxN	BxRP		
24. Q-B4ch	P-K4		
25. R-Q2	PxQ		
26. BxPch	B-Q3		
27. BxBch	RxB		
28. RxR	R-K3		
29. R-R2	Q-N3		
30. R-QN2	Q-R4		
31. P-Q5	PxP		
32. KPxP	R-R3		
33. R-QB1	Q-B4		
34. R-Q2	R-N3		
35. K-B2	P-B4		
36. R-Q4	P-QR4		
37. R-QR1	R-KR3		
38. P-R4	RxP		

THE SUCCESS- Chess Digest Magazine is now for players from Amateur to Master. This first issue of 1969 is, I believe, one of the greatest issues ever published on chess.

NOW- I don't want to sit down on you (and with my weight, that would be a disaster) the next time I see you; so, will you please subscribe now, by sending \$5.80 to P.O. Box 21225, Dallas, Texas 75211.

Yours truly, Ken Smith

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May 3-4
1969 DALLAS OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

5-round Swiss system, 45 moves in 2 hours,
to be played at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel.
Entry fee: \$10 plus TCA dues.
Prizes: First \$100. Second Place \$60.
Class A Highest \$40. Next \$10.
Class B Highest \$30. Next \$10.
Class C Best \$20. Another \$10.
Trophies to winners, and Best Unrated.
Registration to 9 A.M. Saturday, May 3.
First round 10 A. M. Saturday.
Inquiries to Dallas Chess Club,
5513¹/₂ East Grand, Dallas, Texas 75223.

Since Dallas tournaments are very popular
(at least 56 players are expected to
attend this one), it is a shame that the
guaranteed cash prizes remain a maximum.
While everyone hates an editor who
dictates, it is hoped that Dallas will
eventually conform to the standards set
by other tmt organizers across the nation.

WILL PROBLEMS IMPROVE MY PLAY?

Yes, problems will improve the play of a
beginner, at any rate, because they give
him exercises in visualizing moves of the
various pieces, and in that extremely
important part of chess, the final check-
mate. In solving a problem, an inexperienced
solver, particularly, must examine a
great number of moves on both sides, and
this helps to give him the seeing eye,
which is the foundation of chess skill.
Problems are not the best aids to learning
chess, but some people who would never get
around to playing over games the right way
(covering one side's moves with a card) do
find pleasure in solving problems, and so
for them, it is a good way of acquiring
moderate skill. But the problem art is
highly fascinating for its own sake. It is
a delightful hobby, with none of the
disappointments that beset the player.

TEXAS KNIGHTS will publish your composition.

May 30 - June 1
REGION VII OPEN CHESS TMT

6-round Swiss, 40 moves/2 hrs.
First round begins at 2 P. M.
on Friday, Memorial Day at the
Sheraton-Oklahoma Hotel in
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
Cash Prizes: \$200 minimum for
First in Open, \$100 minimum
for 1st in Reserve, cash for
2nd thru 5th Place in each
section as entries permit.
Trophies: First Place and top
in A, B, C, D & below, unrated
and Junior; trophies for top
Expert and runner-up in A, B,
and C, if entries permit.
Entry fee: \$12.50 for Open
section, \$10 for Reserve, with
\$2.50 discount for Juniors
under 21. The Reserve section
is restricted to players who
are rated below 1800 or unrated.
Further information from:
Richard Dermer, 121 S. McFarland
Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074.

July 4-6
PAUL MORPHY OPEN

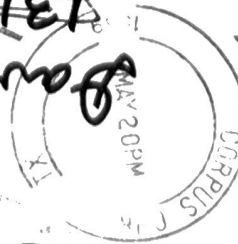
7-round Swiss, 45/2, at Capital
House Hotel, Baton Rouge, La.
First Prize \$125 minimum
Second Place \$60 minimum
Third! Place \$40 minimum
Best A, B, C, \$25 each.
Trophies D & E, Unrated, Upset.
Entry fee: \$12, (under 21 \$10.)
\$3 higher if received after
June 28. Registration closes at
1 P. M. Friday July 4.
Checks to Baton Rouge Chess Assn
Inquiries and entries to:
Charles Turner, 463 W. Chalfont,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

July 5-6 BIG "D" OPEN

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