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The membership and the new administration they elected have brought in several changes to Mississippi chess. The most important one is the dues reduction: it is now \$3/year for adults, \$1/year for juniors under 18 and free for anyone playing in his first tournament.

The other changes are in the Chessletter. We will put out six issues during this year, once every two months. The issue will be in the mails by about the 10th of the month or earlier and the deadline for each issue will be the 15th of the previous month.

We are also introducing the regional editor concept (which the central editor greatly appreciates!). This means that a local chess-player would send in a report of his club's tournament, games, what his club's ladder is doing, or what the club is doing as a whole to promote chess. Thus far Clayton Rowland has volunteered for Oxford, Larry Wright has Starkville, with Rick Johnson covering Jackson. We still have a lot of places not accounted for so if you're interested, please write to Ed. Of course anyone is welcome to submit material to the Chessletter, as always.

Our ad rates are \$30/full page, \$15/1/2 page, \$10 for inserts. We will give free tournament ads to MCA affiliated clubs (\$3/year) which require that all participants be MCA members or members of their home state's chess organization. It is not necessary that the tournament be a one section, 5-SS that is also eligible for Qualifying Points. We also give free tournament ads to out-of-state events which will respect your MCA card in lieu of membership in that state's organization. For others the above ad rates will apply. Since the Gulf Coast tournament was organized while MCA requirements were rather high we will, as a good faith gesture, publish a tournament report if they send us one, but it will be the last time a serious non-MCA event gets coverage from us.

Our thanks to Larry Wright for the crosstables of the Championship, to Rick Johnson for typing a number of games from the Chess Congress, and to Richard Price for his annotations of games from the Championship and other recent events.

Oct 11-12 Baton Rouge Open 5-SS 45/2 & 15/30 Old State Capitol, North Blvd. at St Philip EF \$12 if over 17 or rated over 1599, \$8 others \$100, 30 or 46% EF's after expenses if greater. Classes 54% per entrants each class. ENT Ron Braud, BRCC, Box 64686 Baton Rouge 70806.
Nov 8-9 2nd Starkville Open 5-SS, 50/2, Alumni House, MSU Starkville EF \$12 +MCA \$100 1st, trophies to 2nd, top A B C D E unr, + books. Reg 9-10am (or 6-7:30pm 11/7), rds 10-3-8, 3:30-1:30 (or rd 1 at 8pm on //17.) ENT Dr. Peyton Crowder, Drawer EB, Miss State 39762

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MISSISSIPPI CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIP
Starkville, Aug 16-17, 1975

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|----|-------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|--------|
| 1 | Warren B Porter | 1908 | w11 | d3 | d2 | w8 | w6 | 4 | 8 | |
| 2 | Richard G Price | 1983 | d8 | w9 | d1 | w6 | w7 | 4 | 7½ | |
| 3 | Gary M Gray | 1725 | w12 | d1 | d6 | d7 | d5 | 3 | 8 | col |
| 4 | L Peyton Crowder | 1862 | L6 | d8 | w12 | d5 | w9 | 3 | 7 | |
| 5 | John E Masters | 1526 | L7 | w10 | w11 | d4 | d3 | 3 | 6½ | col |
| 6 | John Gray | 1565 | w4 | w7 | d3 | L2 | L1 | 2½ | 10 | col |
| 7 | Michael D Greco | 1831 | w5 | L6 | w9 | d3 | L2 | 2½ | 8½ | +6 |
| 8 | Anthony L Crawley | 1706 | d2 | d4 | w10 | L1 | d11 | 2½ | 8½ | +5 col |
| 9 | M A Farrell | 1487 | w10 | L2 | L7 | w12 | L4 | 2 | | |
| 10 | Stan Perkins | 1743 | L9 | L5 | L8 | d11 | w12 | 1½ | | |
| 11 | Ed Issa | 1593 | L1 | L12 | L5 | d10 | d8 | 1 | 7 | |
| 12 | Gordon E Scott | 1432 | L3 | w11 | L4 | L9 | L10 | 1 | 6½ | |

MISSISSIPPI CHESS CONGRESS

| | | | | | | | | SCORE | Med. | |
|-----|-----------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|------|-----|
| 1. | Peter K. Shirley (Ark.) | 1510 | w8 | w5 | L3 | w16 | w6 | 4 - 1 | 10½ | |
| 2. | Harold E. Brown, Jr. (Ala.) | 1776 | D10 | w18 | w7 | w3 | D4 | 4 - 1 | 10 | |
| 3. | Richard Carter | 1509 | w22 | w13 | w1 | L2 | w8 | 4 - 1 | 9½ | col |
| 4. | Mike Vague | 1457 | D7 | w19 | w17 | w11 | D2 | 4 - 1 | 7½ | |
| 5. | Allyne L. Smith | 1482 | w25 | L1 | w22 | w9 | w11 | 4 - 1 | 7 | col |
| 6. | Robert B. Williams | 1639 | w16 | w9 | D11 | w12 | L1 | 3½ - 1½ | | col |
| 7. | William K. Killcrease | Unr | D4 | w15 | L2 | w18 | D12 | 3 - 2 | 9 | col |
| 8. | Roger W. Mathes | 1239 | L1 | w25 | w13 | w17 | L3 | 3 - 2 | 8½ | |
| 9. | Rick Johnson | 1507 | w24 | L6 | w20 | L5 | w16 | 3 - 2 | 7½ | hs |
| 10. | Kim Hunt | 1353 | D2 | L17 | D23 | w21 | w19 | 3 - 2 | 6 | hs |
| 11. | Larry M. Wright | 1471 | w26 | w12 | D6 | L4 | L5 | 2½ - 2½ | 10 | |
| 12. | John Ivey | 1512 | w20 | L11 | w18 | L6 | D7 | 2½ - 2½ | 7½ | col |
| 13. | Tom Halton | 1402 | w21 | L3 | L8 | D22 | w23 | 2½ - 2½ | 6½ | col |
| 14. | Bob Hovious | New | L18 | w24 | L16 | w20 | D17 | 2½ - 2½ | 6 | col |
| 15. | Wilk Dedwylder | 1268 | D17 | L7 | D19 | D23 | w22 | 2½ - 2½ | 5½ | col |
| 16. | Ron Davis | 1306 | L6 | w23 | w14 | L1 | L9 | 2 - 3 | 9½ | col |
| 17. | Keevin Lee | 1548 | D15 | w10 | L4 | L8 | D14 | 2 - 3 | 8½ | |
| 18. | John F. Barrett, Jr. | 1380 | w14 | L2 | L12 | L7 | w24 | 2 - 3 | 8 | |
| 19. | Clayton Rowland | 1361 | D23 | L4 | D15 | w24 | L10 | 2 - 3 | 7 | |
| 20. | Bill Salmon | 1246 | L12 | w26 | L9 | L14 | w25 | 2 - 3 | 6 | |
| 21. | James W. Smith | New | L13 | L22 | w25 | L10 | w26 | 2 - 3 | 5 | |
| 22. | Mark Alvin Latham | 1205 | L3 | w21 | L5 | D13 | L15 | 1½ - 3½ | 9 | col |
| 23. | Billy R. Parks | New | D19 | L16 | D10 | D15 | L13 | 1½ - 3½ | 7 | col |
| 24. | L. Judson Farmer | 1189 | L9 | L14 | w26 | L19 | L18 | 1 - 4 | 7½ | |
| 25. | Mary Gray | 1071 | L5 | L8 | L21 | w26 | L20 | 1 - 4 | 7 | hs |
| 26. | John S. Hartin, Jr. | 849 | L11 | L20 | L24 | L25 | L21 | 0 - 5 | | |

- First Place.....Shirley
- Miss. Amateur Champ....Carter
- Top Class B.....Brown
- Top Class C.....Vague
- Top Class D.....Mathes
- Top Class E.....Farmer
- Top Unrated.....Killcrease
- Top College.....A. Smith
- Top High School.....Johnson

Tournament Directors

Larry M. Wright
Clayton Rowland

Masters-Issa 1 c4 g6 2 Nc3 Bg7 3 d4 i6 4 e4 Nd7 5 Nf3 c6 6 Re2 e5 7 Rb1 Ngf6
 8 00 Qe7 9 Re1 00 10 Bf1 ed 11 Nd4: Nc5 12 b4 Ne6 13 Be3 Ng4 14 Qg4: Nd4:
 15 Qd1 Nf3+ 16 Qf3: Bc3: 17 Red1 Bg7 18 c5! Rd8 19 cd Rd6 20 Bc5 Rd1: 21 Rd1:
 Qc7 22 Bc4 Be5? 23 Bf7:+! Qf7: 24 Rd8+ Kg7 25 Bf8+ Kg8 26 Bh6+ Qf8 27 Rf8 1:0

Gray-G Gray 1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 B-N5 P-QR3 4 B-R4 N-B3 5 00 P-QN4
 6 B-N3 B-K2 7 R-K1 00 8 P-B3 P-Q4 9 PxP NxP 10 NxP NxN 11 RxN N-B3 12 P-Q4
 B-Q3 13 R-K1 N-N5 14 P-KR3 Q-R5 15 Q-B3 P-KR4 16 B-N5 QxB 17 QxR Q-B5 18 BxP+
 QxB 19 Q-B3 1/2: 1/2

John Gray-Porter 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 Bb5 Bd7
 7 Be3 e6 8 Qd2 Qc7 9 f4 Be7 10 Be2 a6 11 00 b5 12 Bb5: ab 13 Ndb5: Qb8
 14 f5 Ne5 15 fe? Bb5: 16 ef+ Nf7 17 e5 Ne5 18 Rf6 Bf6 19 Qd5 Bc4 20 Qe4 00
 21 Nd5 Qb2! 22 Bd4 Qd4:+ 23 Qd4 Nf3+ 24 gf Bd4:+ 0:1

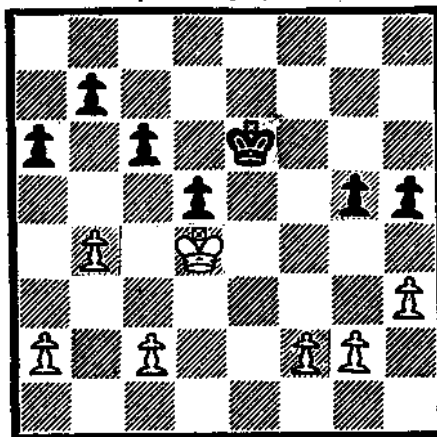
Porter-Crawley 1 c4 g6 2 Nc3 Bg7 3 d4 c5 4 Nf3 cd 5 Nd4 Nc6 6 Nc2 Nf6 7 e4 d6
 8 Be2 00 9 00 Be6 10 Ne3 Rc8 11 Ned5 Qd7?! [11 .. Ne5 is better.] 12 Be3 Ng4?!
 13 Bg4 Bg4 14 f3 Be6 15 Rcl Ne5 16 b3 Rfe8? 17 Ba7: Qc6? 18 Be3 Ra8 19 a4 Nd7
 20 Nb5 Rac8 21 Na7 1:0

Issa-Perkins 1 c4 g6 2 Nc3 Bg7 3 d4 d6 4 Nf3 Nf6 5 e4 Bg4 6 Be2 Nbd7 7 00 00
 8 h3 Bf3 9 Bf3 e5 10 d5 Ne8 11 Be2 Nc5 12 b4 Nd7 13 Be3 f5 14 ef?!(f3) gf
 15 Rcl f4 16 Bd2 Nef6 17 Qc2 Qe7 18 Bf3 Rae8 19 Ne4 Ne4 20 Be4 Qh4 21 c5 f3
 22 Bf3 Rf3 23 gf -+ Qh3 24 cd e4! 25 fe? Qg4+ 26 Kh1 Qh4+? (..Re5! -+) 27 Kh1
 Re4? 28 Qe4 Qe4 29 dc Qg4+ 30 Kh1 31 Kgl 1/2:1/2

Crowder-John Gray 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 a3 Bc3 5 bc c5 6 Nf3 Nc6 7 e3 d5
 8 cd Nd5 9 c4 Nf6 10 Be2 b6 11 Bb2 cd 12 ed Ne7 13 Ne5 00 14 Bf3 Rb8 15 00 b5
 16 c5 Bb7 17 c6 Ba8 18 Rcl Rc8 19 Rc5 Nfd5 20 Rb5 f6 21 Nd7 Bc6 22 Nf8 Bb5
 23 Ne6 Qd6 24 Rel Bd7 25 Nc5 Bf5 (Moves 26-30 consist of dubious ideas, exchange
 of the white bishop should not have been taken into consideration due to white
 square weaknesses. The good position of the Black Nights was the result of
 this exchange.) 26 Bg4 Rb8 27 Bf5 Nf5 28 Qd2 Nf4 29 Bc3 Nh4 30 Qa2+ Kh8 31 Qf7
 Qc6 32 d5 Nd5 33 Ne6 Rg8 34 Bd4 Nc3 35 Nf4 Ne2+ 36 Kf1 Nd4 37 Qh5 Qc4+ 38 Kgl
 g5 39 Nh3 Qc6 40 f3 Qc2 0:1 time

Issa-Porter 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 Bg5 e6 7 Qd2 a6
 8 000 Be7 9 f4 00 10 Nf3 Qc7 11 Bf6 gf 21 Bd3 b5 13 f5 Nb4 14 Rhf1 Bb7 15 Kb1
 Rfc8 16 a3? (Qh6) Nd3 17 Qd3 d5?! 18 ed Ba3 19 d6 Qa5 20 d7 Rd8 21 ba b4 22 ab
 Qb4+ 23 Kcl Bc6 24 fe + fe 25 Qd6? Qc3 26 Qe6+ Kh8 27 Rd3? (Rd4! Rf8 28 Qb3+)
 27 .. Qal+ 28 Kd2 Bd7 29 Ral Be6 30 Rel Bf5 31 Rd8+ Rd8+ 32 Kcl Kg8 = 33 Rd1??
 (33 Re7) 33 .. Rd1 34 Kdl Bg4 35 c4 Kf7 36 Kd2 Bf3 -+ 37 gf Ke6 38 Kc3 f5
 39 Kb4 Kd6 40 f4 Kc6 41 h4 h5 42 c5 Kd5 43 c6 Kc6 44 Kc4 a5 45 Kb3 Kd5 0:1

Crawley-Perkins 1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-KB3 3 P-Q4 P-Q4 4 PxKP NxP 5 B-Q3 B-KB4
 6 00 B-B4 7 QN-Q2 N-QB3 8 Q-K2 NxN 9 BxN BxB 10 QxB P-kr3 11 P-K6 00 12 PzP+
 RxP 13 QR-K1 Q-Q3 14 R-K2 R/1-KB1 15 R/1-K1 R-K2 16 RxR NxR 17 Q-K2 P-B3??



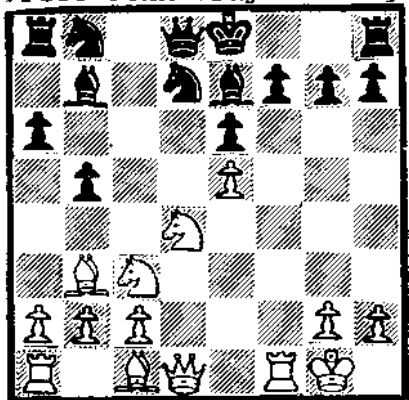
18 Q-K6+?? (18 b4! wins) QxQ 19 RxQ K-B2 20 R-K2
 N-N3 21 N-K5+ NxN 22 RxN R-K1 23 RxR KxR 24 K-B1
 K-Q2 25 K-K2 K-K3 26 B-B3 P-KN3 27 B-N7 P-KR4
 28 K-B3 B-Q3 29 B-Q4 P-R3 30 P-KR3 B-K4 31 K-K3
 P-KN4 32 P-QN4 BxB 33 KxB [#1] (A very interest-
 ing endgame to study. Since white has a smaller
 majority he should be able to create a passed
 Pawn faster than Black and then leave it while
 his King munches on Black Pawns, but his Pawns
 on the K-side can't advance without support.=)
 33 .. P-N3! (Black can't afford to yield King
 position with 33.. P-R5?) 34 P-QB4? (Should have
 been the losing move. He gives Black a passed
 Pawn and gives Black the chance to permanently
 cripple his K-side majority.) 34 .. PxP?? (No,
 let White exchange first. 34 .. P-R5!!) 35 KxP K-K4?? (P-R5 still holds the
 36 P-QB4 P-N4+?? 37 P-DRD-BL 38 K-R5L K-K5 39 K-N6 K-O5 40 K-PP K-R5

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let White exchange first. 34 .. P-R5!!) 35 KxP K-K4?? (P-R5 still holds the

41 K-R5 P-N5 42 PxP PxP 43 P-B4 K-Q5 44 KxP K-K5 45 K-B4 KxP 46 P-N5
 K-N6 47 P-N6 KxP 48 P-N7 P- N6 49 P- N8/Q K-R8 50 Q-N1+ (after loop-
 ing around the P at g3) K-R7 51 Q-R7+ K-N8 52 K-Q3 P-N7 53 K-K3 1:0

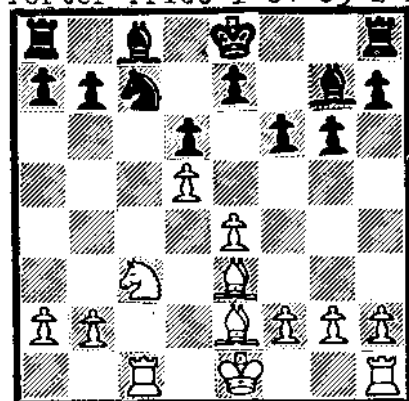
Price-John Gray 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd4 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bc4 e6



Price-Gray [#2]

7 00 Be7 8 f4 b5 9 Bb3 Bb7?! [9 .. 00: 10 e5?:
 de5 11 fe5 Nfd7 12 Qh5 A) Nc6! 13 Nc6 Qb6+
 14 Be3: Qc6: 15 Rf3 Bb7 16 Kh1 b4: ∞/4, or
 B) 12 .. Bc5 13 Be3 Qb6 14 Rf4 Nc6 15 Rh4 h6
 16 Rd1 Nd4 17 Rdd4!+- . Students should find
 improvements on move ten for White after
 9 .. 0-0] 10 e5 de5 11 fe5 Nfd7 [#2]
 (11 .. Bc5: 12 Be3 Nc6 13 ef6 Bd4 14 fg7 Be3+
 15 Kh1 Rg8 16 Be6: ∞) 12 Be3: Ne5?: (12..00
 13 Qh5 Bc5 14 Rf4 Qb6 15 Rh4 h6 16 Kh1:±)
 13 Qh5 Ng6 14 Rf7:±- (With the threat of
 15 Ne6:±-) 1:0 (14 .. Kf7 15 Ne6 Qc8 16 Ng7
 Kf8 [16 .. Kg7 17 Bh6+ Kf6 18 Qg5X] 17 Rf1+
 Bf6[..Kg7 18 Bh6X] 18 Rf6 Ke7 [18 ..Kg7 19
 Bh6 Kf6 20 Qg5X] 19 Rf7+-)

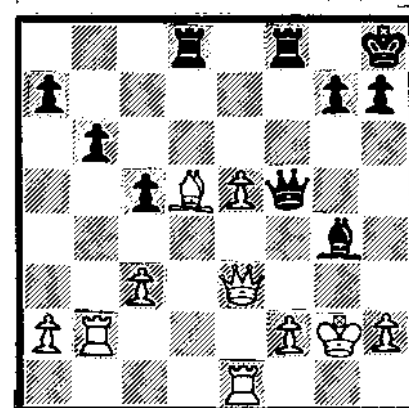
Porter-Price 1 c4 c5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 d4 cd4 4 Nd4 g6?!(e6!) 5 Nc3 Bg7



Porter-Price [#3]

6 e4 Nc6 7 Be3 Ng4 8 Qg4 Nd4 9 Qd1 Ne6 (e5?.)
 10 Qd2 (Larsen-Petrosian, Santa Monica 66) Qa5
 11 Rcl d6 12 Be2 f6: (Bd7: 13 00 Korchnoi-
 Petrosian Match 74 13 .. Rc8= The move played
 is not bad due to the idea Kf7 Bd7 & Rhc8)
 13 Qd5 (Does not refute the twelfth move of
 Black yet takes away any winning tries giving
 White a small initiative to a drawn ending -
 observation - good for match play) 13 .. Qd5
 14 cd5 Ne7: [#3] (From now through move 40
 Black must play carefully to achieve the draw:
 move four is dubious because it offers minimal
 winning chances for Black while 4 .. e6 does.)
 15 Nb5 Nb5 16 Bb5 Bd7 17 Bd7 Kd7 18 Kd2 f5
 19 ef5 gf5 20 Rc2 Rhc8 21 Rhcl Rc2 22 Rc2 b6
 23 Kd3 Rg8 24 g3 Be5 25 Rc4: b5:= 26 Rc2= Ra8 27 b3 h5: 28 Rc6 a6
 29 Bb6 (An advance of the White a Pawn deserves consideration at
 this point.-WP) f4 30 Rc7+ Ke8 31 Ke4? fg 32 fg Kf7: 33 Ra7 Rc8:
 34 Rc7: Rg8 35 Be3 h4 36 gh Rg4+ 37 Kf5 Rh4 38 Re7+: Ke7 39 Bg5+ Kd7
 40 Bh4 Bh2: 1:1

Greco-Price 1 g3 f5 2 Bg2 Nf6 3 d3 e6 4 Nc3?: d5: 5 Nh3 d4 6 Nbl Bd6



7 Nd2 00 8 Nc4 Nbd7 9 Nd6 cd6 10 c3 dc3 11 bc3 Nc5 12 00 Bd7 13 Be3
 Qc8 14 Nf4 Kh8: 15 Rbl Rb8 16 Qcl e5: 17 Nd5
 Nd5 18 Bd5 f4: 19 gf4 Bh3 20 fe5: Qg4
 21 Kh1 Qe2: 22 Rel Qd3 23 Rd1 Af5 24 Bc5
 dc5 25 Qe3 b6: 26 Rb2 Rbe8 27 Rel Bg4:
 28 Kg2 Rd8: [#4] 29 c4 Rd5 30 cd5 Bf3+ 0:1

In addition to his annotations, we would also like to thank Mr. Price for preparing many of the diagrams in this issue. Except for the Crawley-Perkins endgame all notes in this section are by Price.

Games from the Mississippi Chess Congress

I arranged the games I submitted by openings so the enterprising reader can study them and try to find some common ideas. I also inserted some comments where I thought they would be useful. Rick Johnson.

Vague-Brown 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 N:d4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Be3 Bg7 7 f3 00 8 Bc4 Nc6 9 Qd2 Bd7 10 000 Rc8 11 Bb3 Ne5 12 h4 Nc4 13 B:c4 R:c4 14 Bh6 Qb6 15 B:g7 K:g7 16 h5 N:h5 17 g4 R:d4 18 Q:d4+ Q:d4 19 R:d4 Nf4 20 e5 Ne6 21 Rd2 Bc6 22 Nd5 Re8 23 Rdh2 Rh8 24 c4 de 25 Rf2 Nd4 26 Re1 e6 27 Nc3 N:f3 28 Re3 e4 29 N:e4 Ne5 30 Nd6 f6 31 Rf4 g5 32 Rd4 h5 33 gh R:h5 34 Ne4 Rh4 35 N:g5 fg 36 R:h4 $\frac{1}{2}:\frac{1}{2}$

Lee-Mathes 1 PK4 PQB4 2 NKB3 PQ3 3 NB3 NKB3 4 PQ4 PXP 5 NXP PKN3 6 BQB4 BN2 7 PB3 NB3 8 BK3 BQ2 9 QQ2 00 10 000 QR4 11 BN3 KRB1 12 NXP RxN 13 PN4 QRB1 14 PKR4 RxN 15 PXR NXP 16 PxN BXP 17 QxB RxQ 18 BQ2 QR6+ and wins. 0:1

Wright-Ivey 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 N:d4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 f3 Bg7 7 Be3 00 8 Qd2 Nc6 9 000 d5 10 ed N:d5 11N:c6 bc 12 Bc4 e6 13 B:d5 ed 14 Bd4 Qa5 15 B:g7 K:g7 16 Qd4 Kg8 17 g4 Bb6 18 h4 c5 19 Qa4 Q:a4 20 N:a4 c4 21 Nc5 Rab8 22 Rhe1 Rb6 23 Re3 Rfb8 24 b3 h5 25 gh gh 26 Rg1+ Kh7 27 Re5 Kh6 28 Reg5 cb 29 ab Bh3 30 Nd3 Rb4 31 N:d4 and wins 1:0

Williams-Wright 1 PK4 PQB4 2 NQB3 PK3 3 PKB4 NQB3 4 PKN3 NK2 5 BN2 NN3 6 PQ3 PN3 7 NB3 BK2 8 00 BR3 9 PQR3 BN2 10 BQ2 PB3 11 BR3 QB1 12 RK1 00 13 PB5 NK4 14 NR4 NQ5 15 BB4 PB5 16 PXP KNXP 17 RN1 NXP 18 RxN QxN 19 RR2 BB4 20 KR1 QB5 21 RR1 QXP 22 RQB1 QxQ 23 RxQ PK4 24 BQB1 KRQ1 25 BKN2 NB7 26 RK2 NXP 27 R/2Q2 BB3 28 BB3 NB5 29 RQ3 BQ5 30 NN2 BR5 31 RxB BxR 32 RxB PQN4 33 NK3 NN3 34 NQ5 NR5 35 BK2 NB4 36 BXP NXP 37 RK1 NQ3 38 BR4 NXP 39 BR3 QRN1 40 PN4 QN5 41 KN2 PQ3 42 PRa NK3 43 NK7+ KB2 44 NB6 NB5+ 45 KN3 KRB1 46 NXR RB6+ 47 KR2 RxB 48 BB6 RR7+ 49 KN1 Draw $\frac{1}{2}:\frac{1}{2}$

Shirley-Williams 1 PK4 PQB4 2 PKB4 NQB3 3 NKB3 PK3 4 BQN5 PQR3 5 BxN QPxB 6 00 NKB3 7 PQ3 PQB5 8 PK5 NQ4 9 PQ4 QR4 10 QK2 QN5 11 PQB3 QQR5 12 QNQ2 NXPBP 13 QXP QxQ 14 NxQ PKR3 15 BxN 1:0

Mathes-Shirley 1 PK4 PK3 2 PQ4 PQ4 3 PK5 PQB4 4 PXP BXP (NQB3) 5 NKB3 (QN4) NQB3 6 BQN5 QN3 7 BxN+ PxB 8 00 BR3 9 RK1 BXP+ and wins 0:1

Brown-Killcrease 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 c5 4 c3 cd 5 cd Bb4? In the French, with its well-defined pawn structure, it is imperative to have a strong grasp of bishop play. This, being the same color as the opposing pawns and the opposite of its own, is Black's good bishop, and shouldn't be traded. 6 Bd2 B:d2 7 Q:d2 Qc7 8 Nc3 a6 9 f4 Ne7 10 Bd3 Nbc6 11 Nf3 Nf5 12 B:f5 ef 13 N:d5 and wins 1:0

Brown-Carter 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 c5 4 c3 a6 5 f4 Nc6 6 Nf3 b5 7 Be3 Qb6 8 Be2 b4 9 Qd2 a5 10 a4 Ba6 11 00 Nh6 12 Bf2 f6 13 Rc1 c4 14 Nh4 Be7 15 Qe3 000 16 ef B:f6 17 Q:e6 Kb7 18 Nf5 N:f5 19 Q:f5 bc 20 bc Qb2 21 Na3 Q:e2 22 Rab1+ Ka8 23 Rb6 Ne7 24 R:a6+ Kb7 25 Qb1+ 1:0

Dedwylder-Rowland 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 e5 Nd7 5 Nf3 c5 6 Bd3 c4 7 Be2 h6 8 Bf4 Qb6 9 Qc1 Nc6 10 a3 f6 11 ef N:f6 12 Ne5 N:e5 13 B:e5 Be7 14 00 00 15 Rb1 Bd6 16 B:d6 Q:d6 17 Bf3 Bd7 18 Re1 Nh7 19 Be2 Rf7 20 Bf1 Raf8 21 Re2 Nf6 22 g3 Re7 23 Bg2 Bc6 24 Qd2 b5 25 Rbe1 Rfe7 26 h3 a5 27 Qe3 b4 28 ab ab 29 Nd1 Bb5 30 c3 b3 $\frac{1}{2}:\frac{1}{2}$

Smith-Wright 1 PQ4 PQ4 2 NQB3 NKB3 3 BN5 PK3 4 PK4 BK2 5 PK5 KNQ2 6 PKR4 BxB 7 PxB QXP 8 NR3 QK2 9 NB4 NQB3 10 QN4 PKN3 11 000 NB1 12 BQ3

12...KQ1 (Another idea here is PN3, BN2, and 000) 13 RR6 QK1 14 QRR1 NK2
15 QN5 PQB3 16 QB6 RKN1 17 NR4 PN3 18 PB4 KB2 19 PxP BPxP 20 KN1 BQ2 21
NB3 PR3 22 RQB1 KN3 23 PR4 RB1 24 KRR1 BB3 25 QN5 RB2 26 RB2 NB4 27 BxN
QPxB 28 QNxP QB1 29 PB3 (NxR) BxN 30 Rxx+ QxR 31 NxB QQ2 32 NB3 NK3 33
QB6 NxP 34 Rxx RKB1 35 RR1 NK7 36 Nxx QQ6 37 KR1 RQB1 38 NB1 and wins 1:0

Carter-Shirley 1 PK4 PK3 2 PQ4 PQ4 3 NQ2 NKB3 4 PK5 KNQ2 5 PKB4 PQB4 6
PQB3 PxP 7 PxP NQB3 8 NKB3 QR4 9 BK2 PQN3 10 00 BR3 11 NN3 QR5 12 BxB
QxB 13 BK3 NN5 14 PQR3 NQ6 15 QQ2 QB5 16 NB1 Nxx 17 QRxx QR3 18 RB7 BK2
19 PKN3 BQ1 20 RB3 PQN4 21 QB1 00 22 QB2 NN3 23 RB6 RB1 24 Rxx Nxx 25
RB1 NN3 26 NQ2 NB5 27 Nxx QPxN 28 PB5 BN3 29 PxP PxP 30 RB1 Rxx 31 Kxx
QN2 32 QB2 QB2 33 KK2 QR4 34 KB1 QB2 35 KK2 QxQ 36 BxQ KB2 37 KQ2 KN3
38 KB3 KB4 39 KN4 PQR3 40 PQR4 KK5 41 PxP PxP 42 PQ5! PxP 43 BxB 1:0

Davis-Shirley 1 PK4 PK3 2 NQB3 NKB3 3 NKB3 PQ4 4 BQ3 NQB3 5 PQR3 PQ5 6
NK2 PK4 7 00 BKN5 8 NN3 NR4 9 Nxx BxN 10 BK2 BQ3 11 PQN4 QB3 12 BN2 000
13 PB3 BK2 14 PQ3 PxP 15 BxP BxN 16 BxB NQ5 17 BN4+ KN1 18 RR2 RQ3 19
QB1 KRQ1 20 BxN RxB 21 RB2 PB3 22 RQ1 Rxx 23 R2Q2 Rxx 24 Rxx Rxx 25 Qxx
QQ3 26 QB3 QQ5 27 QB2 PKB4! 28 BB3 PxP 29 BxP QR8+ 30 QN1 QxP 31 PN5
PxP 32 QxP QB8+ 33 QB1 QxQ+ 34 KxQ PKR3 35 PB3 PN4 36 KK2 PQR4 37 KQ3
KB2 38 PN3 KQ3 39 PB4 KPxx 40 PxP KB4 41 BR7 BQ3 0:1

Hunt-Brown 1 e4 e6 2 d3 d5 3 Nd2 c5 4 Ngf3 Nc6 5 g3 Nf6 6 Bg2 Bd6 7 00
00 8 Re1 Bc7 9 c3 de 10 de e5 11 Qc2 Qe7 12 Ne4 Be6 13 Ne3 h6 14 Rd1
Rfd8 15 Nh4 R:d1 16 Q:d1 Qd7 17 Q:d7 N:d7 18 Nd5 Bd8 19 Nf3 b5 20 b3 a5
21 Ne3 (Bd2) a4 22 Rb1 ab 23 ab B:b3 24 R:b3 Ra1 25 Bh3 R:c1+ 26 Kg2
Nf6 27 Bc8 b4 28 ab cb 29 Bb7 Be7 30 B:c6 R:c6 31 N:e5 Re6 32 f4 N:e4
33 Nd5 Bf8 34 Nd7 Rd6 35 N:f8 R:d5 36 R:b4 Nc3 37 Rb8 f6 38 Ne6+ Kf7 39
Nd8+ Kg6 40 h4 h5 and drawn on the 54th move $\frac{1}{2}:\frac{1}{2}$

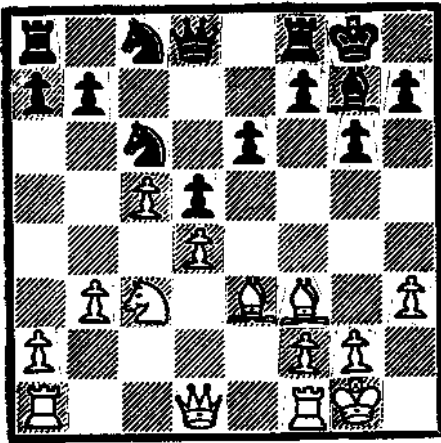
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QK1 13 PN3 PQN4?! 14 PxP BxP 15 Rxx BxN 16 NPxB NN6 17 RR3 NxB 18 Rxx
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25 RN8 PB5 26 Rxx+ Kxx 27 KB1 $\frac{1}{2}:\frac{1}{2}$

Davis-Parks 1 NKB3 NKB3 2 PKN3 PKN3 3 BKN2 BKN2 4 00 00 5 NB3 PQ4 6 PQ3
NQB3 7 BB4 BB4 8 QQ2 RK1 9 NN5 PR3 10 NB3 PK4? 11 BxxP NR2 12 NKR4 BK3
13 PK4 PxP 14 Bxx QQ2 15 Nxx PxN 16 Bxx BxB 17 QxB RKB1 18 BxN 1:0

Davis-Johnson 1 Nf3 d5 2 g3 Bf5 3 Bg2 Qc8 4 Nc3 c6 5 d3 Bh3 6 Nh4 B:g2
7 N:g2 e5 8 f4 Qh3 9 Nh4 Bd6 10 Nf3 f6 11 Bd2 Nd7 12 e3 g5 f3 Qe2 Ne??
(...g4) 14 fg e4 15 de B:g3 16 Kd1 fg 17 N:g5 Qh6 18 ed cd 19 e4 Qh4 20
ed Be5 21 Ne6 Re8 22 Qg2 Qb4 23 Rb1 B:c3 24 B:c3 R:c3 25 Qg7 N:d5 26
Q:h8+ Ke7 27 Q:h7+ K:e6 28 Re1+ Kd6 29 Qg6+ Kc7 30 Re4 Ne3+ 31 Ke2 R:c2+
32 K:e3 Qd2+ 33 Kf3 Qd3+ 34 Kf4 Rf2+ 35 Kg5 Rg2+ 0:1

Parks-Dedwylder 1 PK4 PKN3 2 NKB3 BN2 3 PQ4 PQ3 4 BK3 NKB3 5 NQB3 00 6
BQB4 QNQ2 7 00 PK4 8 PxP PxP 9 PKR3 NK1 10 QK2 NQ3 11 BN3 PQN3 12 BQ5
RN1 13 QRQ1 PKR3 14 QQ2 KR2 15 QK2 QK2 16 RQ2 NKB3 17 NR2 BN2 18 BxB
RxB 19 PB3 PB3 20 KRQ1 RQ1 21 PQN3 QRQ2 22 RQ3 $\frac{1}{2}:\frac{1}{2}$ This is the game
between the two "Kings of the Draw" in this section.

Rowland-Vague 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 a3 B:c3+ 5 bc 00 6 e3 b6 7
Bd3 Bb7 8 f3 Nh5 9 Qe2 d6 10 e4 c5 11 Nh3 Nd7 12 00 Nhf6 13 Re1 Re8 14
Bg5 h6 15 Be3 Qc7 16 Qf2 Rad8 17 Re2 e5 18 Qg3 Nh5 19 Qf2 cd 20 cd ed
21 B:d4 Ne5 22 B:e5 de 23 Rd2 Rd4 24 Rc1 Qc5 25 f4 Red8 26 Rd1 B:e4
27 Kf1 B:d3 0:1



Two Snapshots - Alyekhin Defense by Ed Issa

When USCF master Ken Smith (2399) met Louisiana Expert Tom Amburn (2062) at Hot Springs, Ark. earlier this year, the result was an exciting Alyekhin Defense game which Smith almost lost. The opening was the exchange variation, and it was (through move 15) identical to a game I played against Eddie Vollman of Arkansas at the 1973 Mid-South Open in Memphis.

After 1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.c4 Nb6 4.d4 d6 5.e:d, B must choose between KPxP or BPxP. The KP capture is more solid and leads to a symmetrical pawn structure. The BP capture is dynamic, but B takes a calculated risk that he can hold off W's Q-side pawn majority, which can be mobilized before B's K-side majority.

5. . .c:d 6.Nf3 g6 7.Be2 Bg7 8.O-O O-O. Although other White systems are possible, this is the main line. Now W must decide if Black's . . .Bg4 should be prevented by 9.h3.

9.Be3 Nc6 10.Nc3 Bg4 11.b3. Should B break with 11. . .e5 or 11. . .d5? After 11. . .e5 12.d5 B:f3 13.B:f3 Nd4, W looks better, but there is no practical experience to support this conclusion.

11. . .d5 12.c5 Nc8. The beginning of a re-routing maneuver which occurs in both Smith-Amburn and Vollman-Issa. Now best for W is 13.b4!, getting his majority rolling and daring B to play 13. . .N:b4 14.Rb1 Na6 15.B:a6! with a plus. However, both Smith and Vollman played 13.h3?! This move is condemned in the books as a wasted tempo. After 13. . .B:f3 14.B:f3 e6, the trails split. [Diag top of page]

Smith-Amburn: 15.Qd2 N8e7 16.Ne2 (16.Nb5 Nf4 17.Bg4 a6 18.B:f4 a:b5 19.Bc2 b4! and Fischer says B is on top.) Nf5 (the re-routing is complete.) 17.g3 Qf6 18.Rad1 Nf:d4!? 19.N:d4 N:d4 20.B:d5! (Oh, those desperados!) Nf5 21.B:b7 Rad8 22.Qc1 N:e3 23.Q:e3 R:d1 24.R:d1 Rd8 25.Rc1 Qe7 26.c6 Bd4 27.Q:d4?! (Is this really necessary?) R:d4 28.c7 Rclch! (Sometimes a R is worth more than a P.) 29.R:d1 Q:c7 30.Be4 Qa5 (B is the equivalent of a pawn ahead in material.) 31.Bb1 Qh5 32.Rd8ch. Kg7 33.Kg2 Qe2 34.Bd3 Q:a2 35.Bc4 a5 36.Ra8 Qd2 37.Ra7 Qb4 38.h4 (38.B:e6? Qe4ch.) Qb6 39.Ra6 Qc7 40.Kf3 e5 41.g4 f5 42.g:f g:f 43.h5 e4ch. 44.Kg2 Qf4 45.h6ch. Kf8 46.R:a5 Qg5ch. 47.Kf1 Qclch. 48.Kg2 Q:h6 51.R:f5ch. Kg7 52.Re5 Qg6ch. 53.Kf1 ½-½. A fascinating endgame.

Vollman (1496)-Issa (unr.): 15.a3? (unnecessary preparation and another lost tempo.) N8e7 16.b4 Nf5 17.Ne2 b6? (Played under the influence of Spassky-Fischer, G19, 1972. The correct way to oppose W's majority is 17. . .a6.) 18.Qd2 b:c 19.b:c (W now has a dangerous passed QBP.) Qa5!? 20.Q:a5 N:a5 21.g4 N:e3? (A positional error of which B is unaware. 21. . .Ne7 with the idea of Ne7-Nc6 looks better.) 22.f:e3 Rab8 23.Rab1 Nc4 24.Kf2 Nd2?! (I knew this didn't win material, but I thought B was ahead in position.) 25.R:b8 R:b8 26.Rc1 Nc4 27.Rc3 Rb2?! (This almost loses.) 28.Kg3?! (This move is the cause of W's trouble later. But W understandably wanted to unpin himself.) Ra2 29.R:c4!? (What's this, I said.) d:c4 30.c6 Bf8 31.c2?? (In his haste, W overlooks the following check.) Bd6ch. 32.Kf2 B:c7 (B escapes by the skin of his teeth.) 33.Kel R:a3 34.Kf2 Ba5 35.Be4 Bd2 O-1.

The US Chess Federation is pleased to announce a new service to chess journalists. Grandmaster William Lombardy has undertaken to provide, under the auspices of the USCF, sets of unannotated master games on a regular basis for publication in local and regional chess publications. These sets will include the better games submitted for Grandmaster Lombardy's CHESS LIFE & REVIEW column which, owing to space limitations, could not be published in that column.

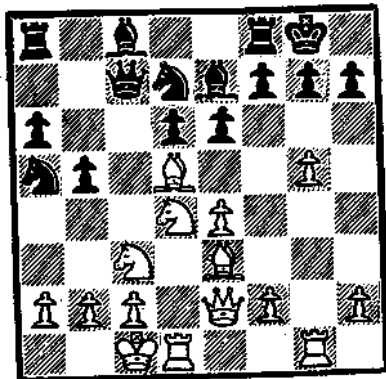
The first installment of this new service is enclosed. Unlike the sets of unannotated games to come, this first installment consists of a game from the 1975 US Championship, with annotations provided by Grandmaster Lombardy. It is being sent to all non-national chess magazine editors on the USCF's Press Release List.

There is no fee or restrictions on publication of this annotated game in local or regional chess magazines. The only stipulation is that the annotations be credited to Grandmaster Lombardy and that the USCF be credited as the source.

The USCF hopes, by this service, to assist the growing number of local and regional chess publications in their efforts to provide information and instruction to their readers.

US CHAMPIONSHIP 1975 Oberlin, Ohio A Short lesson in the Velimirovic Attack: 6 B-QB4 7 B-K3 8 Q-K2 9 0-0-0

Tarjan-Mendis 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 P-Q4 PXP 4 NXP N-B3 5 N-QB3 P-Q3 6 B-QB4 P-K3 7 B-K3 P-QR3 8 Q-K2 Q-B2 9 000 B-K2 (9 ... N-QR4!?



Diag after 14 B-Q5

11 .. N-QR4 12 P-N4 P-QN4 13 P-N5 N-Q2 (#13 .. NxB+ RPxN N-Q2 15 N-B5 leads to a very wild game, e.g. 15 .. Pxn 16 N-Q5 Q-Q1 17 PXP! If one likes to defend with a piece ahead, fine! If one prefers to attack, naturally the White pieces will more than do for that purpose.) 14 B-Q5!?

[Diag] (Analygous situations make chess ever more fascinating, even to the lowest level player. As if he had cooked up the position at home, Mednis sacrificed the exchange without the slightest hesitation. Perhaps his "idea" is the "refutation" of the Velimirovic Attack. Certainly his sacrifice takes the starch out of White's kingside attack, while Black retains considerable pressure on the opposite flank. The game becomes extremely sharp!) 14 .. N-N3! (Naturally Black cannot indulge in 14 .. PxB? 15 NxQP Q-Q1 16 P-QN4. 16 N-B5 R-K1 17 B-Q4 or 17 N/BxB+ RxN 18 N-B6+ are lines well worth considering for White.) 15 BxR NxB 16 P-B4 P-N5 17 N-N1 R-K1 18 N-Q2 N-N3 19 P-B5 P-N3! 20 PXP PXP 21 P-KR4 N/3-B5 22 P-R5 P-K4! 23 PXP PXP 24 R-R1 B-B1 25 NxN NxN 26 N-N3 B-N5! 27 Q-R2 .. (White has nothing after 27 QxB? NxB 28 Q-K2 NxR 29 QxN R-K2) 27 .. B-R4 (27 .. NxB?? or BxR?? 28 Q-R8+ K-B2 29 R-R7+ K-K3 30 Q-B6X) 28 R-Q3 R-B1?! (After the game Bisguier exonerated Black's sac: 28 .. P-Q4 29 RXP? NxB; 29 PXP B-Q3 (threat .. P-K5). White can play 29 Q-N2 Q-QN2 [30 N-B5? NxB] but Black has a fine game.) 29 B-N1 Q-B3 30 Q-N2 B-K2 31 R/3-R3 P-QR4 (31 .. Q-K1

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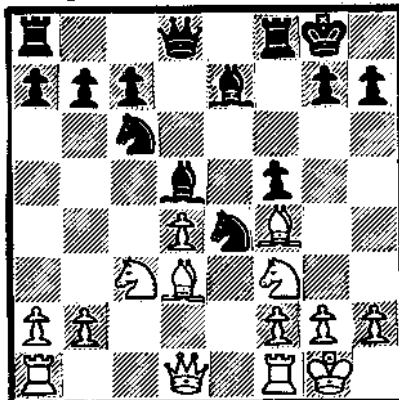
The following is a list of the ratings of all active MCA members. Persons outside the state, non-MCA members (or membership has been expired for a few months), and players who were not listed in the 1974 annual list and have not played in a rated tournament this year are not listed.

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| Price Richard | 2062 | Gorove Stephan | 1344 |
| Bowe Bruce | 1962 | Gray Mary | 1071 |
| Crowder Peyton | 1865 | Guthrie Charles | 1478 |
| Porter Warren | 1865 | Hayes David | 1425 |
| Greco Michael | 1847 | Hedman John | 1256 |
| Doredant Richard | 1797 | Hill John | 1380 |
| Krouse Jerry | 1782 | Huddleston Paul | 1186 |
| Gray Gary | 1769 | Hunt Kim | 1323 |
| Perkins Stan | 1743 | Ivey John | 1410 |
| Watson Byron | 1730 | Johnson Ben | 1195 |
| Crawley Anthony | 1705 | Kerr L Allen | 1280 |
| Woodard Gunnar | 1690 | Killcrease William | 1487 |
| Jackson Claude | 1681 | Latham Mark | 1205 |
| Harrell Clarke | 1635 | Lee Kevin | 1504 |
| Brown Sam P | 1632 | Loftin Lavon | 962 |
| Robbins Jimmy | 1619 | Lundquist Steve | 1391 |
| Farris Joe | 1603 | Mandley Charles | 1303 |
| Dishough Clark | 1560 | Mathes Roger | 1239 |
| Williams Robert | 1558 | McGuire Roy | 950 |
| Myers Leo | 1553 | Murphy Henry | 1354 |
| Issa Ed | 1545 | Oehms Clinton | 1462 |
| Gray John | 1536 | Penny Michael | 1477 |
| McDonald Bill | 1534 | Rowland Clayton | 1361 |
| Masters John | 1514 | Salmon William W | 1246 |
| Johnson Rick | 1513 | Scanlon Kevin | 1281 |
| | | Scanlon Leo | 948 |
| | | Schrade Tom | 1453 |
| | | Scott Gordon | 1477 |
| Barrett John | 1398 | Sirucek Gary | 1205 |
| Beal Reginal | 1296 | Smith James | 1456 |
| Burford A R | 1289 | Smith Michael | 1203 |
| Cabaniss Mike | 1176 | Spencer Stephen | 1317 |
| Cadden Ernest | 1284 | Trimm Bill | 1303 |
| Carter Richard | 1458 | Watson Victor | 1123 |
| Carder George | 1367 | Weaver Dwight | 1467 |
| Cox Ivey | 1408 | Weed Duane | 1320 |
| Datlof Joe | 1401 | Weeks John | 1224 |
| Davis Ron | 1306 | Whitehead Walter | 1291 |
| Dedwylder Wilk | 1254 | Wilmore Chuck | 1485 |
| Farmer Judson | 1225 | Wilmore Michael | 1185 |
| Farmer Larry | 1063 | Woodard Laird | 1289 |
| Farrell M A | 1507 | Wright Larry | 1476 |
| Fortner Hugh | 1176 | | |
| Gary Howard | 1486 | | |
| Germany A H | 1463 | | |

Tarjan-Mendis, continued

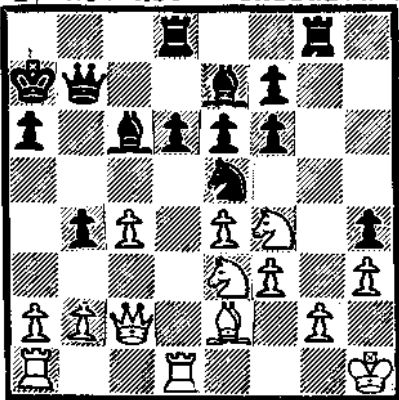
slows down the breakthrough.) 32 RxB PXR 33 RXP R-B1 34 N-Q2 (34 Q-R1
 K-B2: 35 P-N6+ K-K1 and White's attack is nullified by the mate threat)
 34 .. NxN KxN Q-B5 36 Q-R1 K-B2 (Even here .. Q-K2 offers some hope.)
 37 P-N6+ K-K1 38 P-N7 R-N1 39 R-R8 B-N4+ 40 K-K1 1:0 time (41 Q-R7)

Richard Price-Stan Perkins Jackson vs Greenville Match, Russian Defence
 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 Ne5 d6 4 Nf3 Ne4 5 d4 d5 (5..Be7 6 Bd3 Nf6 7 h3 00
 8 00 c6 unclear) 6 Bd3 Be7 7 00 (7h3!? 00 8 00 Bf5 [8 .. Nc6 9 Re1 Nd6
 10 c3 Bf5 11 Bf4 Parma-Paoli, '73] 9 Re1: Nd7 10 c4 c6 11 Nc3 Nc3 12 bc3
 Bd3 13 Qd3 dc4 14 Qc4 Mendis-Paoli, '73-'74) 7 ... Nc6 (7..Bg4!?) 8 c4:
 (8 Re1 Bg4 9 c3 f5 10 Qb3 00 11 Nbd2 Kh8 12 h3 Bh5 [12 .. Bf3 Nf3, plus
 for White] 13 Qb7 Karpov-Korchnoi (6) 1974; 13 .. Na5: Qb5 14 c5 with
 compensation for lost material.) 8 .. f5 (8..Nb4 9 cd5 Nd3 10 Qd3 Qd5
 11 Re1 Bf5 12 Nc3 Nc3 13 Qc3 c6? [13 .. Be6: 14 Qc7 Bd6] 14 Bh6!! Browne-
 Bisguier, '74) 9 Nc3 Be6 10 cd5 Bd5 11 Bf4 00 [#1] 12 Nd5: Qd5 13 Bc7



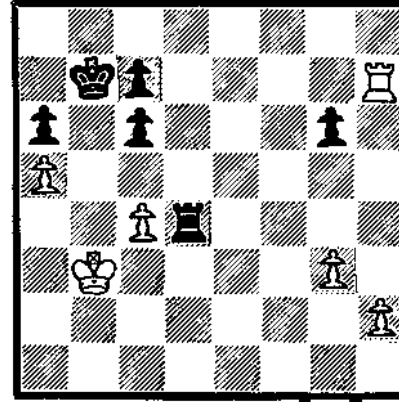
Bf6 14 Re1 Kh8 (14 .. Nd6!? a most unclear position occurs, Black must not play automatically.)
 15 Bc4 Qd7 16 Be5 a6?: (16 .. Rad8!? Plus to White) 17 Re1: Rfe8 (17 .. b5 18 Bd3+-) 18 Bf6
 Nf6 19 Ne5 Ne5 20 de5 Qd1 21 Rcd1 Ng4 22 f4 Re7
 23 h3 Nh6 24 Kf2 g6 25 Rd4 Rc8 26 Red1 Rcc7
 27 Rld2 Kg7 28 Bb3 Nf7 29 g4: fg4 30 hg4 Nh6
 31 Kf3 g5 32 e6: gf4 33 Rd7 Ng8 34 Rc7 Rc7
 38 Rd7 (35 .. Rd7 36 ed7 & d8Q) 1:0

Price-Perkins 11.00 #1 (7 Nd6 Ke7 8 Bf4 e5 9 Nf5 Kf8 10 Bg5 Price-
 Wingard, 1970, Mobile Bc3: =+) 7 .. Bc3 8 Nc3 d5 9 ed5 Nd5 10 Bd2 Qh4
 11 Qf3: Nd4 12 Qd3 e5 13 000: Bf5 14 Qg3 Qg3 15 hg3 000: 16 Re1: f6
 17 Ne4 Kb8+= Ghizdavu-Ilijin 73] 7 Bg5!?: [Better is 7 Bf4 e5 8 Bg5 a6
 9 Bf6 gf6 10 Na3 b5 11 Nd5 f5 12 Bd3 Be6 13 00
 Bg7 14 Qh5 f4: 15 c3 00 16 Nc2 f5 17 Ncb4 Nb4
 18 Nb4 d5: =oo][7 a4?: a6 8 Na3 Be7 9 Be3 b6:
 10 Nc4 Rb8: =+Watson-Price, PCO 75] 7 .. a6
 8 Bf6 gf6 9 Na3 [A try is 9 Nd4 with a Richter-
 Rauzer a tempo down, but a solid position. =+]
 9 .. b5: 10 Ne2 Qb6 11 Ng3 h5: 12 Be2 [12 Nh5
 Be7 13 Be2 Bd7?] 12 .. h4 13 Nh5 Be7 14 h3 Bd7
 15 00 [15 Ng7 Kd8: idea of 16 .. Kc7, 17.. Kb7?]
 15 .. 000: 16 Kh1 Kb7 [16 Kb8:?] 17 Nf4 [17 f4
 Qc5: 17 .. Rhg8 18 c4 b4 19 Nc2 Ne5 20 Ne3
 Bc6 21 Qc2 Ka7: 22 Rfd1?+ [22 Racl?] 22 .. Qb7
 23 f3 [#2] f5: + 24 ef5 Bg5 25 fe6 Bf4 26 ef7
 27 Nd5 Bd5: 28 Rd5 Qg7 29 Bd1? [g4 hg3 ep
 30 Kg2 Rh8: idea of Rh3-+] 29 Qg3 0:1



Issa-Price 23 f3 #2

Price-Fred Allsbrook, Southern Open, B'ham 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd4
 4 c3 d5: 5 ed5 Qd5 6 cd4 Bg4 7 Be2 Bb4 8 Nc3 Bf3! (Tarjan's line, equal-
 izes easily.) 9 Bf3 Qc4 10 Bc6 (10 Qb3) bc6=



11 Qe2 Qe2 12 Ke2 000 13 Be3= Bc3? (13 .. Ne7)
 14 bc3 Nf6 15 Rab1 Rd5 16 Rb2 Rb5 17 Rnb1 Nd5
 18 Kd3 Ne3?: 19 fe3 Rb2 20 Rb2+ f5 21 Rf2 g6
 22 e4: fe4 23 Ke4 Re8 24 Kd3 Re7 25 a4 Kb7
 26 Kc4 Re3 27 g3 Re6 28 a5 a6 29 Kd3 Re7 30 c4
 Re6 31 Kd2 Rd6 32 Kc3 Re6 33 Kb4 Re1 34 Kc5 Rb1
 35 Rf7 Ra1 36 Kb4: Rb1 37 Kc3 Rcl 38 Kb3 Rd1
 39 Rh7: Rd4 [#3] 40 Rh6: Rg4 41 Rh4 Rg5 42 Kb4
 c5 43 Kc3 Kc6 44 Re4: (idea of g4 & h4+-) Rh5
 45 h4 Kd6 46 Rg4 Rh6 47 Kd3 Ke6 48 Rg5 Kd6
 49 Ke4 Kc6 50 Ke5 (Normally that would be enou-
 gh, but I've a few more lines to fill up before
 the diagram runs out so ..) 50 .. Rh7 51 Rg6 Kb7
 Price-Allsbrook [#3] 52 Kd5 c6 53 Kc5 Rh5 54 Rg5 Rh7 55 h5 1:0

Price-Joe Mark Bradford (2200+) Southern Open 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6
 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 d4 ed4 6 00 Be7 7 Re1 00 8 e5 Ne8 9 c3 d6 10 cd4 Bg4
 11 Bc6 bc6 12 Nbd2 Qd7 1/2 1/2 Diag on back.

To the Editor "British Chess Magazine" Sep 59

I have to report [the Scotch Chess postal tourney held this year] was won by Mr. Joseph P Ford with straight wins. These games are so interesting that I hope they may be put on record--

I. Ford vs MacBrayne 1 P-K4; P-K4 B-K2; 2 B-B4 Q-B3 QxPX
II. MacBrayne vs Ford 1 N-KB3; P-K4 P-K5 2 N-Q4 P-K3 K-K2;
B-K2 B-R5 Q-B3 QxBPX
III Ford vs A Boyce 1 P-Q4; P-K4 PxP; 2 QxF Q-B6 QxQ+;
KxQ B-R6 BxP BxB; 3 P-K4-K5-K6xBP-B8/QX
IV Boyce vs Ford 1 P-K4; P-K3 B-K2 2 P-KB4 P-Q4 N-KB3;
B-B4 Q-B3xQP-B7X
V Ford vs P.Coast 1 P-K4; P-Q4 PxP; 2 P-Q3xP QxQ+; KxQ
P-K4 P-KR4 B-N5+ 3 N-B3 B-Q2 B-QN5 000 B-N5X
VI Coast vs Ford 1 P-Q4; P-Q4 N-KB3 2 P-KR4 P-KN4 N-KR3;
BxPxPxQ-R4; 3 B-K2xB B-B4 BxBP BxQ; KxB N-B3xB P-K4 PxP B-N5+;
4 P-B3xB-N5xNxP P-B3 PxR/Q+; K-K2 N-N6-K5 P-Q6 R-QB1-B8X
VII Ford vs C.Duffield 1 P-K4; P-K3 B-K2 2 P-Q4 B-N5 BxB;
QxB Q-Q3 QxQp QxQ+; 3 KxQ P-KR4 N-QB3 N-N5 NxBP+; K-Q1xN P-QN3
B-R3 BxB BxP; 4 K-Q2 N-K2 P-R5 P-R6 PxP PxR/Q Q-B3+; K-N2 BxR
P-QR4-R5-R6xPxR/Q QxQ+; 5 KxQ-N4-N5 P-R4-R5xP N-N3-B5-Q6X
VIII Duffield vs Ford 1 P-K3; P-K3 B-K2; 2 P-KB4 B-K2 P-B4;
P-QN3 B-N2xNP B-R5X

On these games Mr. Ford comments "a study of problems would seem to be an asset to anyone playing this game--thus III shows the Excelsior theme, IV is an unusual type of Turton, V has an ambush followed by the firing of a battery, while the mating combinations in VII and VIII have a distinctly Bohemian air about them... Scotch chess is certainly the most interesting variant of the normal game I have encountered so far, and I am surprised it is so little played. In view of its strategic qualities it should have a strong appeal to problemists."

Yours faithfully,

ETO Slater

Those who feel that the champion should have to beat the best were disappointed at Starkville as upsets and draws reigned supreme. Of the six possible pairings between the four "A" players, only two pairings were actually made. John "Giant Killer" Gray was in a position of having to win the State Title in order to win the College Crown. He managed to play the top five seeded players and broke even with them, an accomplishment in itself, but in order to win the title of College Champion he had to do as well as the best player in the other section. . . 4 points.

A lack of prizes undoubtedly kept some qualifiers away from Starkville as five players were missing. Either you win the State Championship or you "also played".

MISSISSIPPI POSTAL CHESS

Eight players entered this year's event, which began Feb 21, 1975. Their names and MPC beginning ratings are given below.

| | |
|--------------|------|
| Jimmy Aden | 772 |
| Charles Dean | 621 |
| Ed Issa | 545 |
| Gordon Scott | 466 |
| David Hayes | 425 |
| Roger Mathes | 252 |
| Byron Watson | Unk |
| M A Farrell | Unk. |

Game results to date Dean 1 Mathes, Dean 1 Aden, Farrell withdrew.

New ratings: Aden 749, Dean 646, Mathes 250.

This second annual state postal championship sponsored by the MCA is moving along very well, and we hope we will have an even larger turnout for next year's tournament. We will receive entries beginning Nov 1, 1975 and ending about Jan 15, 1976. Entry fee \$2.50 with a trophy and the title, Miss. Postal Champion, will be awarded to the winner.

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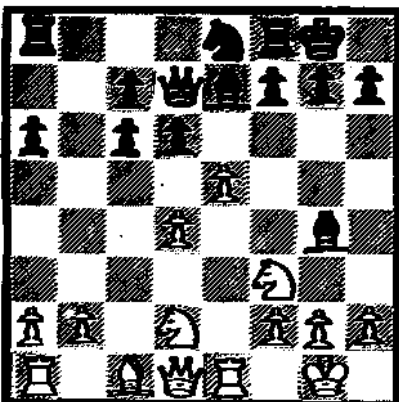
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"Where were you when the lights fell out?"
- Rick Johnson



Final Position
Price-Bradford

