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DEAR MEMBERSHIP: I FIRST WOULD WISH TO APOLOGIZE FOR THE LATENESS OF THIS ISSUE DUE TO A VARIETY OF REASONS, MAINLY "HOUSEHOLD" CHORES!!! THOSE OF OUR MEMBERSHIP WHO ARE MARRIED WILL WELL APPRECIATE THESE MOMENTS!!

**ITEM 1:** OUR USUAL WELCOME INTO THE MCA IS EXTENDED TO MR. PAUL WALDOSKI (BILOXI) AND MR. "BLITZ" OF HATTIESBURG. YES, YOU ARE RIGHT IF CONNOTATIONS OF COMPUTERS COMES TO MIND! THIS PROGRAM, DEVELOPED AT THE COMPUTER SERVICES AT THE UNIV. SOUTHERN MISS., WILL, I'M TOLD, BE FITTED AGAINST US POOR HUMANS AT OUR STATE CHAMP. THIS YEAR! SINCE IT IS A "CARD-CARRYING?" MCA MEMBER IT WILL HAVE THIS RIGHT, I AM SURE THAT THERE WILL BE DISCUSSION AT THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING ABOUT THIS "FELLOW"!!!

**ITEM 2:** THE 1977 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP AND BUSINESS MEETING WILL BE HELD THIS YEAR AT THE STUDENT UNION BLDG., USM CAMPUS, HATTIESBURG. OPEN TO MS. RESIDENTS ONLY. ENTRY FEE: \$12. MCA MEM. REQ. (\$5). \$\$ 100-, 50-, CLASS PRIZES PER ENTRIES, BOOK TO UPSHOT, SHORTEST MATE. REG. SEPT. 3 12-12:30 PM, REGS: 1-6PM, SEPT. 4- 9AM, 6PM, SEPT. 5-8:30AM, 2PM. THE BUSINESS MEETING WILL BE HELD THE 4TH AT 3PM, AND REMEMBER, THIS IS YOUR MEETING SO BE THERE AND MAKE YOURSELF HEARD!!

**ITEM 3:** THE MISS. VS. LA. MATCH HAS BEEN SET AND WILL TAKE PLACE JULY 23-4 AT THE PRENTISS HOTEL, HIGHWAY 61 SOUTH IN MATCHEZ IN TWO SECTIONS; OUR TOP TEN BOARDS AND A RESERVE SECTION, WHICH WILL BE OPEN TO ANY MS. MCA MEMBER. RD. 1- 10AM, 2-3PM, 3-9AM and RD. 4- 1:30PM. TIME CONTROL: 45/2hrs, 10/30. THERE WILL BE NO ENTRY FEE AND THE PRIZES WILL BE TWO EXCELLENT TRAVELING TROPHIES. OUR TOP TEN REGS: 1. J. SENTER, 2. W. PORTER, 3. A. CRAWLEY, 4. R. WILLIAMS, 5. J. POOLE- D. JONES, 6. G. WOODARD 7. E. BONNEN 8. J. MASTERS, B. WATSON, E. ISSA OR S. PERKINS 9. K. KILLGHEASE 10. P. CROWDER. THE RESERVE SECTION WILL BE OPEN TO ALL OTHERS AND PAIRINGS TO BE MADE SORT-OF SWISS-STYLE IN THAT WINNERS PLAY WINNERS OF THE OPPOSITE STATE, ETC. THE LA. ORGANIZER, MR. KOHLER, TELLS ME THAT THEY WILL HAVE ABOUT 20 -25 players IN THE RESERVE SECTION, SO WE WILL NEED A SIMILAR NUMBER. PLEASE! CONTACT ME IF YOU INTEND ON PLAYING IN THIS SECTION SO I MAY CONTACT HIM ON OUR EXACT NUMBER!!

**ITEM 4:** OUR ERSTWHILE INDEPATIGIBLE JACKSON SECRETARY HAS, ALAS, LEFT OUR CITY TO PURSUE A DEGREE IN MATH WAY UP IN OREGON, AND, THIS ISSUE WILL BE REDICATED TO RICK JOHNSON. SOME OF HIS GAMES APPEAR IN THE LATER PAGES.

**Item 5:** The U.S. OPEN AT COLUMBUS, OHIO, WILL BE HELD AUGUST 7-19 AND YOUR PRES-EDITOR WILL BE ATTENDING AND WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM ANYONE ELSE IN OUR AREA WITH A VIEW TO SHARING EXPENSES THERE. THINK ABOUT IT!!!!

**ITEM 6:** THIS SUMMER, JUNE 22, TO BE EXACT, IS THE 140th ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF PAUL CHARLES MORPHY AND, AS A TRIBUTE, HAVE INCLUDED SOME OF HIS GAMES AND BACKGROUND IN THIS ISSUE, TAKEN FROM THE RECENT PUBLICATION "PAUL MORPHY, THE PRIDE AND SORROW OF CHESS" BY DAVID LAWSON.

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**SOME OVERDUE TOURNAMENT RESULTS:**

Triskaidekatwister  
Starkville, Miss.  
March 13, 1977

	<u>Rtg</u>	<u>Rd 1</u>	<u>Rd 2</u>	<u>Rd 3</u>	<u>Rd 4</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Solk.</u>
1 Joseph Sentef.....	2216	W 5	W 9	W 4	W 6	4 - 0	
2 Gunnar Woodard....	1638	W10	L 4	W 3	W 8	3 - 1	8½
3 U.J. Gilbert.....	1374	W 6	W 7	L 2	W 9	3 - 1	8
4 Peyton Crowder....	1773	W 8	W 2	L 1	D 5	2½-1½	11½
5 Larry Wright.....	1452	L 1	W11	W 7	D 4	2½-1½	9½
6 Ed Issa.....	1696	L 3	W10	W 9	L 1	2 - 2	9
7 John Gray.....	1692	W11	L 3	L 5	W10	2 - 2	7½
8 Gordon E. Scott...1459		L 4	W12	W11	L 2	2 - 2	6½
9 M.A. Farrell.....	1520	W12	L 1	L 6	L 3	1 - 3	9
10 Bill Salmon.....	1258	L 2	L 6	W12	L 7	1 - 3	7
11 Roger Mathes.....	1319	L 7	L 5	L 8	W12	1 - 3	6½
12 John S. Hartin....	942	L 9	L 8	L10	L11	0 - 4	

Tournament Directors

Larry Wright  
Peyton Crowder

Prize Winners

First Place.....Joseph Sentef...\$ 9.00  
Best Performance  
Above Rating.....U.J. Gilbert....\$ 9.00

Dixie Trio  
Starkville, MS  
Jan.-April, 1977

	<u>Rtg</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Score</u>
1 Robt. B. Williams...	1779	xx	W2	W3	2-0
2 Larry M. Wright.....	1435	L1	xx	W3	1-1
3 Peyton Crowder.....	1723	L1	L2	xx	0-2

L. WRIGHT - J. GRAY: SICILIAN, 1.P-K4,P-QB4 2.N-KB3,N-QB3 3.P-Q4,PIX 4.NXP,P-KN3 5.N-QB3, B-N2 6.B-K3,Q-N3 7.N-N3,Q-B2 8.B-K2,N-B3 9.P-B3,P-QB3 10.Q-Q2,P-N4 11.B-R6,BXB 12.QXB,P-N5 13.N-B4,N-R4 14.N(4)-B5? NXN 15.NXN,QXBP 16.Q-N7? R-KN1 17.Q-R6,QXNP 18.K-B2,Q-K4 19.Q-K3, P-Q3 20.QR-Q1,N-Q2 21.N-Q4,Q-B3 22.N-B6,P-QR4 23.B-N5,B-R3 24.B-R4,K-B1 25.KR-K1,N-B4 26. P-K5 Q-R5+ 27.K-N1,NXB 28.PXP! PXP 29.B-Q4,Q-B3 30.R-KB4 QXB (only move since 30....Q-B6 allows mate in two) 31.QIQ,N-B6 32.QXP+K-N2 33.Q-K5+,K-B3 34.Q-B4+,P-N4 35.QXBP,N-K7+ 36.K-B2,QR-KB1 37.Q-K6+,R-N3 38.Q-Q7,N-B5 39.R-K7! N-Q6+ 40.K-K3,R(3)-N1 41.Q-R3+,K-N3 42. QXP+,K-B3 43.Q-R6+, resigns; best alternative as white has a choice of four possible mates.

L. WRIGHT - J. SENTEF (SICILIAN) 1.P-K4,P-QB4 2.N-KB3,N-QB3 3.P-Q4,PIX 4.NXP,P-KN3 5.N-QB3, B-N2 6.B-K3,N-B3 7.P-B3,Q-N3 8.N-R4,Q-B4+ 9.P-B3,O-O 10.NXN,NPXN 11.B-QB4,P-Q3 12.O-O,P-B4 13.P-K5,N-K1 14.P-B4,PIX 15.PXP,BXP 16.Q-Q5,N-Q3 17.RXP,BXR 18.R-KB1,QXN 19.P-QN3,Q-K1 20. BXR,NXR 21.QXR,BXP 22.B-K6,B-Q2 23.BXN+,KXB 24.Q-B3+,B-B3 25.Q-Q5+,B-K3 26.QXP,P-QR3 27. P-N3,Q-Q2 28.K-B2,Q-N2 29.Q-B1,B-R6 30.Q-B4+,K-N2 31.Resigns.

DIXIE TRIO, R. WILLIAMS-L.WRIGHT (Sicilian) 1.P-K4,P-QB4 2.N-QB3,P-Q3 3.P-KB4,N-KB3 4.N-KB3, P-K3 5.P-KN3,B-K2 6.B-N2,Q-N3 7.P-Q3,B-Q2 8.O-O,N-B3 9.K-R1,O-O-O 10.P-K5,N-Q4 11.NXN,PIX 12.PXP,BXP 13.N-N5,B-K3 14.P-B5,P-KR3 15.PXB PXN 16.PXP,P-B5 17.BXNP,N-K4 18.BXR,QXB 19. P-Q4,N-Q2 20.K-N1,N-B3 21.Q-B3,R-R4 22.QR-K1,B-K2 23.Q-K2,BXP 24.KXR,Q-R1+ 25.B-R3+,K-B2 26.QXB+,K-N3 27.B-K6+,K-R4 28.Q-B5+,P-QN4 29.Q-R3 mate.

MAGNOLIA OPEN  
May 13-15, 1977  
Starkville, MS

	Rtg.	1	2	3	4	5	Score	M.	S.
1 Anthony Crawley.....	1804	W10	W 9	W 8	W 3	D 4	4 1/2 - 1/2		
2 Peyton Crowder.....	1723	L 5	W10	W11	W 3	W 6	4 - 1		
3 Donny Gray (Ark).....	1755	W 7	D 5	W 9	L 1	W 8	3 1/2 - 1 1/2	6	12
4 Robt. B. Williams...1779		L 9	W11	W 7	W 5	D 1	3 1/2 - 1 1/2	6	11
5 Larry M. Wright.....1485		W 2	D 3	D 6	L 4	D10	2 1/2 - 2 1/2	9 1/2	
6 John Gray.....1692		W11	L 8	D 5	W 9	L 2	2 1/2 - 2 1/2	5 1/2	10
7 Gordon E. Scott.....1459		L 3	Bye	L 4	D10	W11	2 1/2 - 2 1/2	5 1/2	9
8 John F. Barrett.....1268		Bye	W 6	L 1	L 2	L 3	2 - 3	10	
9 M. A. Farrell.....1529		W 4	L 1	L 3	L 6	Bye	2 - 3	9 1/2	
10 Thomas Schrade.....1534		L 1	L 2	Bye	D 7	D 5	2 - 3	8 1/2	
11 Travis H. Bryant....Unr		L 6	L 4	L 2	Bye	L 7	1 - 4		

Tournament Directors

Larry M. Wright  
Peyton Crowder

Prize Winners

First.....Anthony Crawley.....\$ 34.38  
Second....Peyton Crowder.....\$ 20.62  
Class B...Donny Gray.....\$ 10.31  
Class B...Robt. B. Williams...\$ 10.31  
Class C...Larry M. Wright.....\$ 10.31  
Class C...Gordon E. Scott.....\$ 10.31  
Class D...John F. Barrett.....\$ 13.75

As can be seen, this year's Magnolia Open had a rather low turnout, but did not alter some interesting games being produced:

P. Crowder-L. Wright 1. P-Q4, N-KB3 2. I-QB4, P-KN3 3. N-QB3, B-N2 4. P-N4, P-Q3 5. P-KB4, O-O 6. N-B3, P-R3 7. P-KR3, QN-Q2 8. B-K3, N-R4 9. K-B2, N(4)-B3 10. P-KN4, Q-Q3 11. Q-Q2, P-QB4 12. P-Q5, Q-N5 13. Q-B2, Q-N3 14. P-KR4, NXP+ 15. K-K2, NXR 16. KXN, N-B3 17. B-Q3, N-N5+ 18. K-K2, N-B3 19. P-B5, N-R4 20. QR-KN1, N-B5+ 21. K-K3, N-R4 22. N-Q1, B-Q2 23. B-K2, B-R3+ 24. K-B2, B-N2 25. K-B1, P-QR4 26. N-N5, N-B3 27. P-R5, B-K1 (Black makes 14 moves in 10 min.) 28. BXP, BXP 29. N-K6, B-B2 30. NXR, RXN 31. B-B3, B-K1 32. Q-R2, Q-R3 33. P-N3, P-R5 34. Q-QB2, PXP 35. PXP, P-QN4 36. N-K3, PXP 37. PXP, B-R5 38. Q-N1, B-K1 39. N-N4, QXP+ 40. K-K1, Q-B6+ 41. K-K2, Q-B5+ 42. Q-Q3, Q-R7+ 43. Q-Q2, B-N4+ 44. K-K1, Q-N8+ 45. K-B2, NXP+ 46. BXN, QXB 47. N-K3, B-Q5 48. R-R3, RXP+ 49. K-K1, Q-N8+ 50. N-Q1, R-K4+ 51. R-K3, RXR+ 52. Resigns.

M.A. Farrell-R. Williams 1. e4 e5 2. Ne3 d6 3. g3 f5 4. d3 Nf6 5. Bg2 Be7 6. e4 e6 7. N(1)e2 O-O 8. O-O fe 9. Ne4 d5 10. Nf6+ Bf6 11. Qc2 Be6 12. R(a)h1 Nd7 13. B4 Be7 14. e5 a5 15. Bd2 ab 16. Bb4 Ra6 17. d4 Bf5 18. Q-B4 Bd1 19. Rb1 Qa8 20. a3 ed 21. Bd5+ ed 22. Qd5+ Rf2! 23. Qd7 Be5 24. Qb5 Bb4 25. ab Bb1 26. Qd3 Rb1+ 27. Qb1 Qd8 28. Qd3 Rd7 29. Nf4 Qe7 30. Qc4+ Qf7? 31. Qc8!! Qf8 32. Qd7 Qb4 33. Qe8+ Qf8 34. Qf8+ Kf8 35. Ne6 Ke7 36. Nd4 g6 37. f4 Ka6 38. Kf2 Ke5 39. Ke3 b5 40. g4 Resigns, notes by the winner.

T. Schrade- L. Wright 1. P-KB4 P-QB4 2. N-KB3 P-Q3 3. P-Q4 PXP 4. NXP N-KB3 5. N-QB3 P-QR3 6. P-QR4 P-K3 7. B-KN5 B-K2 8. B-QB4 QN-Q2 9. BXP! N-K4 10. BXB RKB 11. P-KB4 N-N3 12. B-B5 K-B1 13. NXB QXN 14. Q-B3 P-R3 15. BXN QXB 16. O-O Q-Q5+ 17. K-R1 N-K2 18. QR-Q1 Q-N3 19. P-K5 N-B4 20. Q-N4 P-N3 21. PXP K-N2 22. P-Q7 QR-Q1 23. P-QN3 N-K6 24. Q-K2 NXR(Q1) 25. RXN Q-QB3 26. Q-K5+ Q-B3 27. Q-B7 Q-B3 28. Q-K5+ Q-B3 29. Q-B7 Q-B3 30. Draw agreed.

From the last MS. HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIP: S. SPENCER- L. WILSON 1. P-Q4 P-Q4 2. P-QB4 P-K3 3. N-KB3 PXP 4. P-K4 P-QB4 5. BXP PXP 6. QXP QXQ 7. NXX B-B4 8. B-K3 N-Q2 9. O-O P-QR3 10. N-QB3 P-QN4 11. B-N3 B-N2 12. QR-Q1 KN-B3 13. P-K5 N-N5 14. B-N5 N(5)XKP 15. BXP PXB 16. NXXP K-B2 17. NXB NXN 18. P-B4 N-B3 19. P-QN4 NXP 20. KR-K1 KR-K1 21. R-KB1 P-R3 22. B-R4 N(5)-Q6 23. B-N3 QR-Q1 24. B-R4 R-Q2 25. R-Q2 K-K1 26. P-B5 R-KB1 27. P-KR3 N-K5 28. NXN BXN 29. P-N4 N-B4 30. R-K2? B-Q6 31. RESIGNS.

## CAPITAL "J" ROUNDUP

## Jackson Championship

Player	Rtg.	1	2	3	4	5	Score	TB
1 Dale Jones	1830	W14	W18	W 5	W 2	W 3	5	27*
2 Keith Killcrease	1644	W11	W 6	W12	L 1	W 5	4	21*
3 Charles Dean	1626	W10	W17	W 9	D 4	L 1	3*	18*
4 Bill Sierichs	1436	W16	L 5	W14	D 3	W 6	3*	17*
5 Clarke Harrell	1492	W18	W 4	L 1	W10	L 2	3	16*
6 Rick Johnson	1520	W 7	L 2	W11	W 9	L 4	3	15*
7 L. Judson Farmer	1185	L 6	bye	W16	L11	W15	2*	11*
8 Robert Horton	1453	bye	L 9	L10	W13	W18	2*	10*
9 Paul Dorocke	unr.	W13	W 8	L 3	L 6	L12	2	10
10 A. R. Burford	1459	L 3	W16	W 8	L 5	L13	2	9*
11 Gary Ladner	1457	L 2	W15	L 6	W 7	-	2	9
12 M. A. Farrell	1517	-	-	L 2	W15	W 9	2	7
13 Gordon Scott	1421	L 9	L14	bye	L 8	W10	1*	7*
14 Paul Knight	unr.	L 1	W13	L 4	-	-	1	3*
15 George Chamberlain	new	L17	L11	W18	L12	L 7	1	3
16 Travis Bryant	new	L 4	L10	L 7	D18	bye	1	3
17 Paul Newson	1598	W15	L 3	-	-	-	1	2*
18 John Barrett	1276	L 5	L 1	L15	D16	L 8	*	1

## Wins on Capitol Hill

Player	Rtg.	1	2	3	4	Score	TB
1 Joe Sentef	2216	W10	W 3	D 6	W 7	3*	14**
2 Warren Porter	1856	W18	D 7	W 8	W 6	3*	14**
3 Edward Boeren	1672	W16	L 1	W14	W 8	3	13
4 M. A. Farrell	1520	W19	L 6	W16	W12	3	12
5 John Gray	1692	W14	L 8	W13	W 9	3	11*
6 Gunnar Woodard	1688	W 9	W 4	D 1	L 2	2*	12**
7 Paul Newson	1630	W17	D 2	W12	L 1	2*	11**
8 Thomas Schrade	1536	W11	W 5	L 2	L 3	2	10
9 Bill Sierichs	1454	L 6	W17	W15	L 5	2	8
10 Rick Johnson	1518	L 1	L13	W17	W14	2	7*
11 Robert Horton	1233	L 8	L14	W18	W15	2	6
12 Keith Killcrease	1639	D13	W18	L 7	L 4	1*	6
13 Tommy Davis	1313	D12	W10	L 5	-	1*	5*
14 Gordon Scott	1459	L 5	W11	L 3	L10	1	4*
15 Gary Ladner	1476	-	W16	L 9	L11	1	3
16 A. R. Burford	1356	L 3	L15	L 4	W17	1	2*
17 John Barrett	1268	L 7	L 9	L10	L16	0	-2
18 George Brooks	1490	L 2	L12	L11	-	0	-2*
19 Joe Scanlon	new	L 4	-	-	-	0	-3*

Standings of the Jackson club ladder after the 34th round:  
 1 Rick Johnson, 2 Keith Killcrease, 3 John Quisenberry, 4  
 Robert Horton, 5 M. A. Farrell, 6 Bill Sierichs, 7 Dale  
 Jones, 8 John Barrett, 9 Clarke Harrell, 10 Paul Dorocke.

Johnson's race to take first from the hands of Kill-  
 crease is elsewhere in this issue. Horton, the other erst-  
 while tailender beat Jones (who was placed at the bottom  
 to start off) during his meteoric rise. Quisenberry plays  
 a nice game, but his work keeps him away from the club much  
 of the time. He was placed at the top so we could see him  
 play Killcrease.

SOME GAMES FROM THE "WINDS.....":

W. PORTER - T. SCHRADE 1. e4 Nf6 2. Ne3 g6 3. e4 d6 4. d4 Bg7 5. Be2 O-O 6. Nf3 Ne6 7. O-O Bg4 8. Be3 e6 (Black is playing an unusual idea in a usual position.) 9. Qd2 Ne7 10. Bg5 Nd7 11. Rf1 f6 12. Bh6 Rf7 13. Bg7 Kg7 14. Ng5 Be2? (fg 15. Bg4 loses at least a pawn) 15. Ne6, Resigns.

G. Woodard- W. Porter, Philidor 1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 Nd7 4. Bc4 Be7 5. Ne3 e6 6. O-O h6 7. Qe2 Qc7 8. h3 Nf8 9. Be3 g5 10. de de 11. Rfd1 Ng6 12. Ne1 Nf6 13. Nd3 g4 14. hg Ng4 15. Be5 Be5 16. Ne5 Qe7 17. Qf3 Nh4 18. Qg3 Rg8 19. Rd2 (Bd3) Ng2 20. Kg2 Nf6 21. Rad1 Rg3;+ 22. fg Qc5; 23. Resigns.

Dr. E. Boeren-J. Sente, Benko Gambit 1. P-QB4 N-KB3 2. P-Q4 P-QB4 3. P-Q5 P-QN4 4. PXP P-R3 5. PXP BXP 6. N-QB3 P-KN3 7. N-KB3 B-N2 8. N-Q2 O-O 9. P-K4 BXB 10. NKB P-Q3 11. N-N3 N-Q2 12. O-O Q-N3 13. P-KB4 P-KR4 14. Q-B3 Q-N5 15. R-N1 R-N1 16. K-R1 N-N5 17. N(N3)-K2 R-R2 18. P-R3 N-B3 19. B-K3 R(2)-N2 20. KR-B1 Q-B5 21. P-QN3 Q-Q6 22. R-Q1 Q-R3 23. KR-B1 R-N5 24. R-B2 NXP 25. R-Q1 N-N 26. N-N B-N 27. R-XB QXRP 28. K-R2 RXP 29. R-XB R-XR 30. Q-K5?? Q-K7 31. RESIGNS.

J. Sente-G. Woodard, Kings Indian 1. P-QB4 N-KB3 2. N-QB3 P-KN3 3. N-KB3 B-N2 4. P-KN3 O-O 5. B-N2 P-Q3 6. P-Q4 QN-Q2 7. O-O P-K4 8. Q-B2 P-QB3 9. R-Q1 Q-K2 10. P-N3 P-KR3 11. P-QR4 P-QR4 12. PXP PXP 13. B-R3 P-B4 14. R-Q2? (P-K4!) P-K5 15. N-K1 P-K5 16. PXP QXP+ 17. K-R1 N-N5 18. N-Q1 N-B7+ 19. N-N BXR 20. N-N4 Q-N4 21. P-KR3 N-B3 22. N-B3 Q-N4 23. N-N+ B-N 24. R-Q5 P-KN4 25. PXP BXP 26. K-N1 BXB 27. KXB KR-K1 28. P-K4 Q-N5 29. P-K5 Draw agreed....

J. Barrett-W. Sierichs, Nimszovich Attack 1. N-KD3 P-Q4 2. P-QN3 P-QB4 3. B-N2 N-KB3 4. P-K3 P-K3 5. P-QB4 P-KN3 6. P-Q4 QN-Q2 7. BXP KXP 8. B-N5 B-N2 9. N-K5 P-QR3 10. B-N+ N-N 11. O-O B-Q3 12. Q-N4 B-N 13. PXB O-O 14. P-K6 N-B3 15. PXP+ RXP 16. B-N RXP 17. P-KB4 P-Q5 18. Q-Q1? (Q-K2) R-N3 19. P-KN3 Q-Q4 20. R-B3 QXR 21. QN1 BQ 22. N-Q2 B-K7 23. PXP BXP 24. K-N2 R-K1 25. P-KR4 R-K6 26. Time forfeit; 0-1..... ah, well, the game was rather boring anyway... ed.

T. Schrade-J. Gray, Sicilian 1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 ed 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Ne3 a6 6. a4 Ne6 7. f4 e5 8. Ne6 bc 9. fe Ng4 10. Bf4 g5 11. Bg3 Qb6 12. hbl de 13. Be4 Ne3 14. Bf3+ Kf7 15. Qf3+ Kg6? 16. h4 Ne2+ 17. Kd2 g4 18. h5+ Kg7 19. Bh4+ Kh5 20. Bd6+ Kg6 21. Qf6mate.

A. R. Burford-G. Ladner 1. d4 Nf6 2. e4 g6 3. Ne3 Bg7 4. e4 O-O 5. f4 d6 6. Nf3 e5 7. d5 e6 8. Be2 ed 9. e5 de 10. fe Nf7 11. Bg5 Qb6 12. Nd5 Qb2 13. Ne7 Ne5 14. Ne5 Be5 15. Na8 Bc3+ 16. Kf1 Qd1 17. Qd1 Bc1 18. Be7 Be8 19. Be5 Be5 20. Be7 Nd7 21. Nf6 Nb6 22. Bb6 Re6 23. Bf2 Ra6 24. g5 Ra2 25. h4 Be6 26. e5? Ra1+ 27. Kg2 Bd4+ 28. Bf3 Bf3 29. Kf3 Rh1 30. Resigns.

W. Porter-P. Newsom 1. e4 Nf6 2. Ne3 g6 3. e4 d6 4. d4 Bg7 5. Be2 O-O 6. Bg5 H6 7. Be3 e5 8. f3 Nh4 9. de de 10. Qd8 Bd8 11. Nd5 Bd7 12. O-O-O Nc6 13. Q4 Nf4 14. Nf4 Rd1 15. Bd1 ef 16. Bf4 Be6 17. b3 Nb4 18. Nh3 Na2 19. Kbl N3+ 20. Ke2 a5 21. Bd2 Na2 22. Nf4 Nb4 23. Bb4 ab 24. Ne6 Ra2 25. Kd3 fe 26. Bc2 Bc1 27. Bc1 Bc1 28. f4 e5 29. e5 Bd4 30. Bd1.... Draw agreed

R. Johnson-G. Scott, Sicilian 1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 a6 3. a4 d6 4. d4 Nf6 5. Ne3 ed 6. Nd4 e5 7. Nb3 Be6 8. Bg5 Nbd7 9. Be2 Bb3 10. ob Qa5 11. O-O Qb4? (Queen has no business here) 12. Nd5 Nd5 13. Qd5 Ne5 14. Bc4 Ne6 15. Be3 Ne8 16. Nc1? (wrong rook, if Rf1 the threat of a5 and Ra4 wins the queen) Re4? 17. Rc4 Ne7 18. Rc7 Be7 19. Rb7 Qb7 20. Qb7 and wins..

From the JKN LADDER: R. Johnson-C. Harrall: Alekhine's Defence 1. e4 Nf6 2. e5 Nd5 3. d4 Ne6 4. e4 Nb6 5. f4 d6 6. d5 Na5 7. Na3 de 8. b4 N5e4 9. Be4 Ne4 10. Ne4 ef 11. Bf4 e6 12. d6 b6 13. Qf3 Ba6 14. Qe6 Qd7 15. Qa8 Qd8 16. Qe6 Qd7 17. Qd7 Kd7 18. Ne5 Ke8 19. d7, resigns..

From the JKN VS GREENVILLE MATCH: E. Issa-R. Johnson, Grunfeld reversed e1. g3 e6 2. Bg2 d5 3. Nf3 e5 4. O-O Nc6 5. d4 Nf6 6. c4 Be7 7. dc Bc5 8. Ne3 d4? 9. Na4 Be7 10. Bf4 Qa5 11. a3 e5 12. b4 Qc7 13. Ne5 Ne5 14. Qe4 Nc6 15. Qf6 Bf6 16. Be7 Ba1 17. Ba1 Bd7 18. Bd1 Re8 19. Bd6 Nb4 20. Bb4 Ba4 21. Bd4 Be6 22. Be6 Re6 23. f4 Re7 24. Bd6 Rd7 25. Be5 b6 26. Re4+ Kd8 27. Bd4? f6 28. Bc3 Re8 29. Re4+ Ke8 30. Kf2 Re7 31. Re3 Re4 32. Kd3 Ra4 33. Bb4 a5 34. Bd6 f5 35. h3 Kd7 36. Bf8 b5 37. e3 g6 38. g4 b4 39. ab ab 40. Ke4 Ra3 41. Bb4 Re3 42. gf gf 43. Kd5 Bb3 44. Ke5 Bb3 45. Bd2 Bb5+ 46. Kf6 Re5 47. Kg5 Ke6 48. Bb4 Re2 49. Bf8 Rg2+ 50. Kh4 Rg4+ 51. Kh3 Rf4 52. Resigns

\*5. This was a surprise. Issa counting on a white d3, e4, e5 and I'm in the French #8. I'd planned 9... b6 10. Nc5 bc 11. Nd4 Nd4 12. Ba8 Ba6 13. Bg2 Bc4 because I thought pressure at e3 get me back the xh with interest. Whether it does or not is a moot point because 12. e3 spoils all my fun! Notes by Johnson..

## BLITZ V and the ACM Invitational Computer Tournament.

by

Warren Porter

One of the highlights of the Assn. of Computer Machinery conference held in Biloxi during April and hosted by USM was a tournament of computers. Participating in the tournament were DUCHESS a program from Duke University, the Greenblatt program from Ole Miss, and BLITZ V from USM. When Blitz wasn't playing other programs it played against people who wanted to take it on during the conference.

BLITZ V was written by Robert M Hyatt, Chief of Systems Programming at USM. Dr. Hyatt's own introduction to the program, taken from the Proceedings of the 15th Annual Southeast Regional Conference is as follows:

BLITZ V is the latest of a two year old series of chess programs. The strength of the program has increased gradually as the program has been developed; it currently wins over 90% of the games played with non-chess club players, where the program plays in "blitz" move (15 sec/move) against unlimited time for the human.

In tournament play against humans, the program is currently winning about 50% of the games playing against players rated 1500-1700. The play of the program is actually much better but various hardware problems and programming bugs have occurred to cause problems. In the last tournament entered, the program was substantially ahead in material in every game (at least a piece) but finally won two and lost two. In tournament play against other programs the program has fared much better. It finished in a three-way tie for second place at the Seventh US Computer Chess Championship in Houston, Texas in October 1976 with a score of 3-1. It also qualified for participation in the Second World Computer Chess Championship held in Toronto, Canada in August, 1977.

The main reason for the strength of the program's play is the human-like approach to analyzing moves. These techniques allow the program to analyze a small tree of moves and search deeper than most programs and humans. In this way many traps and sacrifices are found that result in a material gain.

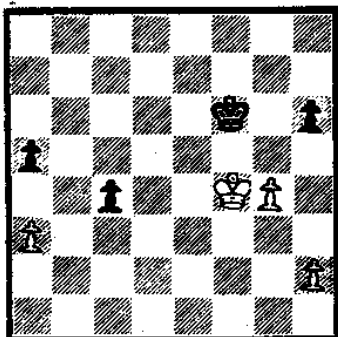
When I played BLITZ before the tournament, I wanted to steer into a positional game as I felt I would have a better chance than in a game which would lead to a number of small tactical skirmishes. In chronological order here are some games played by BLITZ.

Porter - BLITZ V 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 g3 d5 4 cd Nd5 5 Ne3 Nc3: (At this point Dr. Hyatt told me that Levy in his book of last year's computer tournament condemned this move in Sicilians and Englishes because it strengthens the other side's center. Black hasn't heard the last of White's new c pawn.) 6 bc Nc6 7 d3 Bc5 8 Bg2 00 9 Qb3 (One of those "What do you do when there's nothing to do?" situations I wanted to give my opponent. Re8 and Be6 were ruled out while the KB and N were well placed already.) 9 .. a5 10 Qb5? (Just a cheapo.) 10 .. Qd5 11 c4 (I had originally planned 11 .. Qd6 12 Ng5?? Qd4!. An unhappy best for White would be 12 00 Bd7!) 11 .. Bb4+?? (The only move White was prepared for.) 12 Qb4:1 Nb4: 13 cd Nc2+ 14 Kd2 Nal: 15 Bb2 (After I played this I was mad that I hadn't played Ne5: since the Nal wasn't going anywhere. As it turned out Black could have played 15 .. a4 16 Bb2 Nb3 17 ab ab and Black has an open file for his rooks.) 15 .. f6 16 Ral: Bf5 17 Rcl Rf7 18 Nel Rd7 19 Nc2 Ra6? (A blunder since Black must lose another pawn. Best is .. g5 giving the rook a retreat on the 7th rank.) 20 Ne3 Bg6? (It would be better to give up the g pawn with g6 21 Nf5 gf 22 Bh3 than the pawn that he does lose.) 21 Bh3 Re7 22 Ba3 Re8 23 Rc7: Bb8 24 d6 Rc6 25 Nd5 f5?? 26 Ne7+ 1:0

Greenblatt Program (Ole Miss) - BLITZ V (USM) 1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-KB3 3 P-Q4 PxF 4 P-K5 Q-K2 5 QxP? (Loses a pawn. Encyclopedia of Chess Openings quotes a game, Mieses-Grob, Zurich 1934 which went 5 Be2 Ne4 6 Qd4 Qb4 7 Nbd2 Nd2 8 Bd2 Qd4 9 Nd4 a6 10 Bf4 Nc6 11 Nc6 dc6 slightly favoring White.) 5 ... N-B3 6 Q-K3 N-KN5 7 Q-K2 QNxP 8 N-Q4 Q-N5+ 9 P-B3 Q-K2 10 B-B4 N-Q6+ 11 K-Q2 KNxBP? 12 R-N1? (Lets Black get away with a second pawn. Better is 12 QxQ BxQ 13 BxN NxB 14 K-K2 etc. Blitz won't fall for the Fischer trap (BxRP, P-N3) but overlooked getting a knight trapped at R8 in consecutive games.) 12 .. QxQ+ 13 KxQ NxB+ 14 KxN B-B4 15 B-B4 00 16 N-Q2 P-Q4 17 B-N5 P-QB3 18 B-B1 BxN+ 19 PxB R-K1 20 K-B3 N-K3 21 N-N3 P-QN4 22 R-Q1 R-K2 23 B-K2 N-N4+ 24 K-B2 RxB+ 25 KxR B-N5+ 26 K-Q2 N-K5+ 27 K-B2 BxR+ 28 RxB R-K1 29 R-KB1 P-QR3 30 R-B3 N-N4 31 R-N3 P-B3 32 N-R5 R-K7+ 33 K-N3 N-K5 34 R-N4 N-Q7+ 35 K-B3 N-K5+ 36 K-N3 P-QB4 37 PxF P-R4 38 R-R4 NxF+ 39 K-R3 RxBP 40 RxF P-Q7 41 P-N3 P-N3 42 R-R4 P-Q5 43 R-KB4?? (I wondered if Blitz would see the following combination since it was looking only two moves deep at this time and the rook falls on the third move. Mike Penny told me that all forcing moves are searched further like a human would.) 43 .. P-N5+! 44 KxF N-Q6+ and wins in a few moves.

DUCHESS	BLITZ V
Duke	USM
1. Pe2-e4	Pe7-e5
2. Ng1-f3	Nb8-c6
3. Bf1-b5	Bf8-c5
4. Pc2-c3	Pf7-f5
5. Pd2-d4	Pf5-e4:
6. Bb5-c6:	Pd7-c6:
7. Nf3-e5:	Bc5-d6
8. 0-0 (a)	Ng8-f6 (b)
9. Bc1-e5	Bc8-e6
10. Nb1-d2	Ph7-h6
11. Bg5-f6:	Qd8-f6:
12. Qd1-h5+	Be6-f7
13. Ne5-f7:	Qf6-f7:
14. Qh5-g4 (c)	Bd6-f4
15. Nd2-e4:	0-0
16. Pg2-g3	Bf4-d6
17. Ne4-d6: (d)	Pc7-d6:
18. Pb2-b3	Ra8-e8
19. Pc3-c4 (e)	Re8-e6
20. Pd4-d5	Pc6-d5:
21. Pc4-d5:	Re6-e5
22. Qg4-d4	Pb7-b6
23. Ra1-d1 (f)	Rf8-e8
24. Qd4-c4	Re5-e2
25. Qc4-c6	Qf7-f6
26. Pa2-a3	Qf6-g6
27. Qc6-a4	Re8-e7
28. Qa4-c4	Re2-c2
29. Qc4-b4	Re7-e4
30. Rd1-d4	Re4-e2
31. Rd4-f4	Rc2-d2
32. Qd4-c4	Rd2-c2
33. Qc4-a4	Rc2-c7
34. Qa4-d4	Rc7-c2
35. Rf4-g4	Qg6-f7
36. Pb3-b4	Rc2-d2
37. Qd4-c3	Rd2-d5:
38. Rg4-f4	Qf7-e7
39. Qc3-c6	Rd5-d2
40. Qc6-a8+	Kg8-h7
41. Rf4-f8	Rd2-a2
42. Qa8-f3	Qe7-e5
43. Rf8-d8	Ra2-d2
44. Qf3-f7	Pa7-a5
45. Qf7-g8+	Kh7-g6
46. Pb4-a5:	Pb6-a5:
47. Rd8-d7	Qe5-f6 (g)
48. Rd7-a7	Qf6-e5
49. Qg8-a8	Qe5-d4
50. Qa8-b7 (h)	Re2-f2:
51. Qb7-g7:+	Qd4-e7:
52. Ra7-g7:+1)	Kg8-g7:
53. Rf1-f2:	Rd2-d1+
54. Ke1-g2	Rd1-d4
55. Rf2-e2 (j)	

- a) MCO suggests 8 Q-R5+ P-N3 9 Q-K2 Q-R5 10 P-KR3 B-K3 11 N-Q2 BxN 12 PxB Q-N4 13 O-O BxKRP 14 QxP B-B4 15 Q-B3 O-O-O
- b) 8 ... Q-R5 gives Black better chances--MCO. Now he can't support the KP.
- c) White should trade queens since he would have no problems going into the endgame. As it is Black will have compensation for the pawn with pressure on f2 and command of the e-file.
- d) I like 17 b3 here followed by Rael. The knight's protection of f2 would give White time to challenge the e-file.
- e) If 19 f4 to relieve pressure on f2, 19 ..Re3 20 Rac1 Rfe8 and Black will monopolize the e-file. White opens other lines for his Ra1 but will obtain a weak d-pawn in return.
- f) White could defend the d pawn .... this time.
- g) At this point Black should look into the idea of h5-h4xg3. Blitz, which automatically looks at all captures, would certainly have found the mate in 4 if White should ever play h3?? or h4??.
- h) Only move but good enough. Both machines and spectators had been looking at the tactical melee which follows. Instead of Black's next move it might still not be too late for .. h5 followed by either ..Kh6 or ..h4.
- i) Fortunately this move is with check, otherwise Black has a mate in three.
- j) This was about 12:45 am and I went to bed after DUCHESS printed the game history for me. The rest of the game was 55 ... K-B3 56 R-K8 R-Q6 57 R-KR8 R-Q7+ (...K-N2 and ... RxB draws easily.) 58 K-R3 K-N3 59 R-R8 R-Q4 60 R-K8 R-R4+ 61 K-N4 R-N4+ (61 ... RxB 62 R-K6=) 62 K-B4 K-B3 63 P-N4 R-QB4 64 R-K4 P-Q4 65 R-B4 R-B5+ 66 RxB PxB ~~###DIAGRAM HERE###~~ 67 K-K3? (Best is 67 P-KR4 P-B6 68 K-K3 K-K4 and after the BK mops up the K-side he can still get back to c8 in time to draw. Black can win here with 67 .. K-N4! and after both kings have wined out their opponent's pawn majorities and stepped aside, Black's h pawn will promote, preventing White from Queening on a8.) 67 .. K-K4? 68 P-QB4 K-Q4 69 P-R4 K-B4?? (Should lose to 70 P-N5 PxB 71 PxB K-Q4 72 P-N6 K-K3 73 K-Q4 K-B3 (...P-B6 saves no time) 74 KxB KxB 75 K-N5 K-B3 76 KxB K-K2 77 K-N6 K-Q2 78 K-N7+ or 71 .. K-N5 72 P-N6 P-B6 73 K-Q3 K-N6 & White queens with check. Best is 69 .. K-K4 and if 70 P-N5 Black will be able to get back to Qb1 in time to draw.) 70 K-K4 K-N5 71 K-Q4? (Loses a tempo and should lose the game. With 71 .. P-B6! 72 K-Q3 K-N6 Black's new queen could stop the KNP. Best is 71 P-N5 which transposes back into what turned out to be the game continuation after Black's next.) 71 .. K-N6? 72 P-N5 PxB 73 PxB P-B6 74 P-N6 P-B7 75 P-N7 P-BB/Q. At about 3 am the computer at Duke went down and the game would be resumed only if necessary. Blitz predicts 76 P-N8/Q+ KxB Q-R2+, but of course the easiest draw is 77 Q-B4+. Ole Miss beat DUCHESS the next day so this game was 1/2-1/2.



Our thanks to Robert Hyatt, Ken Breland, Mike Penny and the rest of the USM CC for their help in this article and preparations for the 77 Miss. Championship.

Like any player you may meet at a rated tournament, Blitz has strengths and weaknesses. Treat it with respect and heads up play and your chance to score against it is greatly improved.

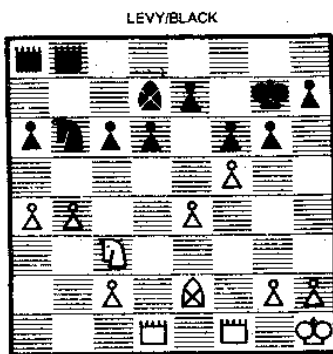
BLITZ V	USM	x	1	1/2
Greenblatt Pgm	Ole Miss	0	x	1
DUCHESS	Duke	1/2	0	x

Some other games played by Blitz at the ACM Conference:

Marilyn Berger - BLITZ V 1 P-Q4 P-Q4 2 N-KB3 N-KB3 3 P-QB4 B-B4 4 N-B3 P-B3 5 PXP NXP  
6 Q-N3 P-QN3 7 P-K3 P-K3 8 B-K2 Nxn 9 Pxn N-Q2 10 O-O P-QR3 11 R-Q1 B-Q3 12 B-R3 P-B4?  
13 PXP BxBP 14 N-K5! Nxn 15 RxD+ RxD 16 BxB PxB 17 BxP?! (Q-R4+ or R-Q1) O-O 18 B-K2  
R-Q7 19 Q-N5 N-Q2 20 B-B3 R-N1 21 Q-B6 R/N-N7 22 Q-B8+ N-B1 23 QxBP B-N8 24 P-QR4  
R/Q-B7 25 P-R3 R-B8+ 26 K-R2 RxBP 27 P-R5 N-N3 28 B-K4?? (Q-B8+ & P-R6) BxB 29 Q-QB8+  
N-B1 30 RxD RxD+ 31 K-R1 R-QB7+ 32 K-N1 RxD+ 33 K-B2 R-KR8 34 P-R6 RxD 35 P-R7 R-R7+ unfin.

BLITZ V - Steve Chase 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 N-KB3 3 N-B3 N-B3 4 B-N5 N-Q5 5 P-K5 NxB  
6 Pxn Nxn 7 PxnP BxP 8 QPxn P-QN3 9 O-O B-N2 10 B-K3 Q-B2 11 R-K1 O-O-O 12 N-N5 Q-B3  
13 Q-B3 QxQ 14 NxQ KR-N1 15 N-N5 B-KB3 16 P-KB4 P-KR3 17 NXP RxD+ 18 K-B1 QR-N1  
19 R-K2 B-R3 20 R-K1 O:1

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE APPEARED IN SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN RECENTLY AND WILL GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF THE RELATIVE STRENGTH OF ONE OF THE STRONGEST PROGRAMS DEVELOPED TO DATE. GO, HUMANS!!!!



CHESS 4.5/WHITE POSITION AFTER 26. P-QR4??

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|------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| 1. P-K4    | P-QB4    | 23. R-QN1   | N-N3     |
| 2. N-KB3   | P-Q3     | 24. R/B3-B1 | R/B-QN1  |
| 3. P-Q4    | PXP      | 25. R/N-Q1  | P-B3!    |
| 4. NXP     | N-KB3    | 26. P-QR4?? | P-QR4!   |
| 5. N-QB3   | P-KN3    | 27. P-N5    | PXP/N4   |
| 6. P-B3    | B-N2     | 28. PXP/N5  | R-OB1    |
| 7. B-K3    | O-O      | 29. R-Q3    | R-B4     |
| 8. Q-O2    | N-B3     | 30. R-N3    | R/R-OB1  |
| 9. B-QB4   | P-QR3    | 31. R/1-B3  | P-R5     |
| 10. NxN?   | PxN      | 32. P-R4    | P-R6     |
| 11. O-O    | N-Q2     | 33. PXP     | PXP      |
| 12. P-B4   | N-N3     | 34. R-K3    | B-K3     |
| 13. B-K2   | B-K3     | 35. P-R5    | P-N4     |
| 14. P-QN3  | N-B1     | 36. N-Q5    | P-R7     |
| 15. P-QR3! | Q-R4     | 37. R-QR3   | BxN      |
| 16. P-QN4  | Q-B2     | 38. PxB     | RXP/B7   |
| 17. P-B5!  | B-Q2     | 39. B-Q1    | R-Q7     |
| 18. B-R6   | Q-N3 chl | 40. K-R2    | R-B8     |
| 19. K-R1   | Q-Q5     | 41. B-N3    | P-R8=B-Q |
| 20. QxQ    | BxQ      | 42. RxQ     | RxR      |
| 21. R-B3   | B-N2     | 43. Resigns |          |
| 22. BxB    | KxB      |             |          |

Chess 4.5 (White) v. David Levy (Black)

Good Try

In August, 1968, David Levy, then the chess champion of Scotland and subsequently an international chess master, made a bet of 1,250 pounds (about \$2,100) with four computer scientists that no computer would be able to beat him in a chess match of an even number of games within the next 10 years. The first official game was played this spring in Pittsburgh, when Levy sat down across the board from Chess 4.5, holder of the U.S. computer-chess title and generally considered to be the best chess program yet devised. Chess 4.5 was programmed to run on the world's most powerful commercial computer, the Cyber 176 built by the Control Data Corporation. After three and a half hours of close play and Levy's 42nd move the machine "resigned." The actual decision to resign was made by the program's developers, Lawrence R. Atkin and David J. Slate of the Computation Center at Northwestern University, who took turns transmitting Levy's moves to the Minneapolis-based computer through a terminal at Carnegie-Mellon University, where the game was played.

Chess 4.5 is the latest version of a program Atkin and Slate began developing in their spare time in 1969 (with early help from Keith Gorten). Last summer the Chess 4.5-Cyber 176 combination won the Paul Masson Class B Championship, the first victory of a computer in a human tournament. In March, 1977, Chess 4.5 won the Minnesota Open Championship, in which the computer's

opponents were ranked either Class A or "expert." On the official ranking scale a Class A player has a numerical rating between 1,800 and 1,999; an expert has a rating between 2,000 and 2,199. The rating of Anatoly Karpov, the current world chess champion, is 2,690. Levy's rating is 2,325.

The Atkin-Slate team thought the time had come for Chess 4.5 to challenge Levy, even though the odds of its winning a two-game match were reckoned to be no better than one in 100. The following account is based on an analysis made by Hans Berliner, a computer scientist at Carnegie-Mellon and a former holder of the world correspondence-chess championship. Berliner described the moves on a demonstration board during the game. The players were required to make 40 moves in two hours, which are the usual conditions for match play.

Levy won the toss of the coin and elected to play Black. Atkin informed the computer it was playing White and asked it to make the first move. The move was pawn to king 4 (P-K4); Levy responded with a variation of the familiar Dragon variation, which normally leads to a good battle (see illustration on this page). In selecting its early moves the computer chooses from a "book" of standard openings stored in its memory. Move No. 9, bishop to queen's bishop 4 (B-QB4), was added to Chess 4.5's book just before the match because a more familiar move (castling on the queen side) had occasionally given the computer trouble.

Chess 4.5's capture of Levy's knight on move No. 10 (Nxn) was a serious error because it strengthened Black's center. Move 15 (P-QR3) was awarded an exclamation point by Berliner because it correctly anticipated and blunted the effect of Levy's threat in moving his queen to rook 4 (... Q-R4). By the 17th move Chess 4.5 had gained a slight upper hand. With move No. 18, bishop to rook 6 (B-R6), however, Chess 4.5 misjudged the situation and allowed the exchange of queens two moves later, considerably relieving Levy's position. At this point the game was even. Chess 4.5 could have retained its advantage at No. 18 by moving its rook to bishop 3 (R-B3), thereby preparing the way for a strong attack by moving its bishop to rook 6 (B-R6).

On the 26th move Chess 4.5 made a grievous error (P-QR4??), which ruined its pawn structure on the queen side. After that the outcome was no longer in doubt. With 17 more moves Levy forced the resignation.

AHA! A VACANT SPACE! While recently looking through a copy of Horowitz's "THE GOLDEN TREASURY OF CHESS", I came across the following game played in JACKSON, MISS "about 1892"

WHITE: John A. Galbreath BLACKY H. Harding  
1. P-K4 P-K4 2. N-KB3 N-QB3 3. B-B4 B-B4 4. P-QN4 BXP 5. P-B3  
B-B4 6. O-O B-N3 7. P-Q4 Q-B3 8. B-KN5 Q-N3 9. PXP QXP 10. QN-Q2  
Q-N3 11. R-K1 P-KR3 12. B-B4 KN-K2 13. N-K4 O-O 14. N-B6+ PKN  
15. BXP N-B4 16. B-Q3 Q-B4 17. P-K4 QXP+ 18. K-R1 BXP 19. R-K4  
Q-R6 20. Q-N1+! N-N6+ 21. QN+ BXP 22. R-KN1 P-Q3 23. RIB+ QXR  
24. PXR B-B4 25. R-KR4 BXB 26. BXP B-B2 27. N-N5 NXP 28. BXB  
N-N3 29. R-N7+ K-R1 30. RIN mate!

If anyone has any games played in Miss. in earlier years I'm sure our membership would be pleased to see them....Send them on to me for future inclusion....



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4 Anthony Crawley....1804	L. Judson Farmer....1185
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6 David Carr.....1781	Duke Fleckenstein...1149
* 7 Demetrius L. Hale...1726	Hugh Fortner.....1296
8 Gunnar Woodard.....1711	Mabry Fowler Jr.....1322 *
9 Jack O. M. Dunne....1695/4	Mario Galicia.....1346/4
10 Mir Alavi-Tabari....1676/5	U. J. Gilbert.....1398
11 Matt C. Hunter.....1664	Walter G. Gilbert....1005/17*
12 Edward G. Boeren....1658/22	Bruce A. Gray.....1183/22
13 John E. Masters....1653	Clarke Harrell Jr....1492
14 W. Keith Killcrease.1644	John S. Hartin Jr.... 955/21
15 John C. Bales.....1643	Sterling Herbert....1319/5
16 L. Peyton Crowder...1642	Vernell Herbert.....1181
17 Claude A. Jackson..1640	Robert Horton.....1453 !!!
18 Ed Issa.....1635	Lemuel Doty Jackson..1278/4
19 John Gray.....1630	Rick Johnson.....1520
20 Larry Wilson.....1621/14	L. Allen Kerr.....1286
21 Michael J. Penny....1608	Harold L. King.....1311/8
22 Richard Carter.....1607	Gary L. Ladner.....1457
23 Alvin D. Watts.....1603 *	Mark Alvin Latham....1176/23
24 Paul Newson.....1598 *	James Lee.....1518 *
25 Jerry Joyner.....1593	Ken Mahaffey.....1296/7
* Oppal 7. Byron Watson.....1755	Vaughn L. Martin....1139/4
	Roger W. Mathes.....1392
L. Gayle Baker.....1209/22	Michael McCullar....1575/11
Wyatt Baker.....1239/18***	Stephen V. Rey.....1347/6
Ludis Barenis.....1553	Edsel Robinson.....1378
John F. Barrett Jr..1276	Terrence Rutkowski...1484
Harry Ed Basset....1307/5	Bill Salmon.....1246
Marilyn Berger.....1490	Thomas G. Schrade....1582
Jerry B. Blake.....1161/18	Gordon E. Scott.....1421
Blitz.....1470/7	Bill Sierichs.....1436
Kenneth E. Breland..1530	Allyne L. Smith II...1536
George L. Brooks...1454	Stephen D. Spencer...1396
A. R. Burford.....1459 **	Charles Turner Jr....1044/4
Elizabeth Carpenter. 842/5	Dwight K. Weaver....1418
W. A. Carter.....1523/13*	Lesley S. Widerynski.1514
Rick Clawson.....1134/23	Edward Williamson...1185/13
Terry L. Collins...1415 **	Gerald R. Wilson Jr..1396
Joseph Datlof.....1510	Larry M. Wright.....1564 *

\* Gained 40 points in the June Supplement.  
 \*\* Gained 80 points in the June Supplement.  
 \*\*\* Gained 120 points in the June Supplement.  
 !!! Gained an incredible 249 points in the June Supplement.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Perhaps I should call this article something else, but if I can type this title "just for fun," Dr. Barrett can type it for real in future issues.

After the financial statements in the last MCL came out, I was asked why my postage bill was so much larger than the President, and why the Secretary didn't have one at all. To answer the first question most of my mailings are MCA cards to new or renewing members. Another \$1.00 of my expenses was for "Address Correction Requested" cards on a previous MCL (4 @ 25¢). Other than that I spent about as much on other MCA correspondence as Dr. Barrett did.

The next question is, "What about the Secretary?". This year Rick Johnson worked hard and enthusiastically in running the Jackson Chess Club and its ladder, as well as typing a number of games and articles for the Chessletter. However he was doing the same thing last year without an MCA office.

Paradoxically, since the MCA is basically a correspondence organization, there is little for a secretary to do. There is only one business meeting a year (normally!) to take the minutes of. Other officers handle their own correspondence. If the President & Secretary lived in different cities would there be any reason why the President should write to the Secretary, asking him to write to the USCF for example and then forward the reply back to the President? On more than one occasion I couldn't sign up a new or renewing member when I didn't know that another MCA officer had the member's check and address.

I would like to invite any former MCA Secretary and/or Treasurer as well as anyone else with an opinion on this to discuss it in the next Chessletter.

Warren Porter  
Treas.

Comment: A point well taken by Warren, please send me YOUR comments as well...ed.

THE DIAGRAM (WHICH I HOPE WILL REPRODUCE AT THE PRINTERS) HERE IS TAKEN FROM MR. LAWSON'S BOOK AND ORIGINALLY APPEARED AS THE FRONTISPICE TO THE FIRST AMERICAN CHESS CONGRESS BOOK IN 1857... MORPHY'S SCORE AT THIS TOURNAMENT WAS AN INCREDIBLE 14 WINS, 1 LOSS (TO PAULSEN) AND 3 DRAWS!!! JUST IN CASE THE INSTRUCTIONS TO THIS POSITION DO NOT REPRODUCE.. "WHITE TO PLAY AND FORCE BLACK TO MATE IN SIXTY-EIGHT MOVES"!!!! THE SOLUTION IS WELCOMED FROM ANY OF YOU DIE-HARD PROBLEM SOLVERS OUT THERE!!!!

ONE OF THE FAMOUS GAMES WITH PAULSEN PLAY-NOV. 3, 1857.. THE FOUR KNIGHTS GAME

WHITE (PAULSEN) BLACK (MORPHY):  
1. P-K4 P-K4 2. N-KB3 N-QB3 3. N-B3 N-B3 4. B-N5 B-B4 5. O-O O-O 6. NXP R-K1 7. NXP QPX  
8. B-B4 P-QN4? 9. B-K2 NXP 10. NXP RXN 11. B-B3? R-K3 12. P-B3? Q-Q6 13. P-QN4 B-N3 14. P-QR4 PXP 15. QXP B-Q2 16. R-R2? QR-K1 17. Q-R6 QXB!  
(Morphy took 12 min. for this move) 18. PXP R-N3+ 19. K-R1 B-B6 20. R-Q1 B-N7+ 21. K-N1 BXP dis. + 22. K-B1 B-N7+ 23. K-N1 B-B6 dis. + 24. K-R1 BXP 25. Q-B1 BXP 26. RXB R-K7 27. R-B1 R-B3 28. P-Q4 B-K6 29. Resigns



AS YOUR EDITOR IS REALLY PRESSED FOR TIME ON THIS ISSUE PLEASE BEAR WITH ME AN INDULGENCE IN PRESENTING ONE OF THE BEST PHOTOGRAVURES TAKEN OF PAUL MORPHY BY THE CIVIL WAR PHOTOGRAPHER, MATTHEW BRADY..



A PARTING THOUGHT: "YOU OUGHT NOT TO ENDEAVOR TO AMUSE AND DECEIVE YOUR ADVERSARY, BY PRETENDING TO HAVE MADE BAD MOVES, AND SAYING YOU HAVE NOT LOST THE GAME, IN ORDER TO MAKE HIM SECURE AND CARELESS, AND INATTENTIVE TO YOUR SCHEMES; FOR THIS IS FRAUD, AND DECEIT, NOT SKILL IN THE GAME"...."MORALS OF CHESS"....BEN FRANKLIN,1779.

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