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Some time ago L Allen Kerr sent me a column by Ross Williams in the Times Picayune along with his letter to Williams in response to that column. Mr. Williams chess column had been in descriptive notation, but he wanted the reader's response on a proposed change to algebraic. In my own letter to Mr. Williams I commented that we did not have a chess column in any Jackson paper. Subsequent letters from Mr. Williams and from John Moon of the Copley News Service of San Diego indicated that the Clarion-Ledger receives this column on a regular basis but does not use it. The address of the Sunday paper is The Clarion-Ledger Jackson Daily News, P.O. Box 40, Jackson 39201. We encourage all readers who can obtain a copy of this paper to write to it to request a chess column now while it is still on your mind.

By the way his column will remain in descriptive notation. If anyone has an opinion on AN vs DN or any other chess topic, we will be happy to publish it.

Three MCA officers were trying to interest the Gulf Coast Chess Club in the MCA at their GC Classic, but none knew what the others were doing. Had the editor known, the invitation to the GCCC to submit their crosstable would have been worded differently. We didn't want to appear snobbish, but were trying to state that we were not setting a precedent. It isn't necessary for a club to affiliate with the MCA (\$5/yr) since they can mail announcements at their own expense. But once they do they can announce or report anything through their regional editor: ladder, tornados, 30/30, quads, or cake sales. Jan 10-11, 50/2, Alumni House, Miss. State University, Starkville. EF \$12, Prizes (based on 40 entries) \$100 1st, trophies to top 2, top B,C,D,E, Unr, + book prizes. Reg 6-7:30 pm 1/9 or 9-10am 1/10, rds 10-3-8 (or 8pm 1/9), 8:30-1:30, HR 8-10.50. ENT Dr. Peyton Crowder, Drawer EB, Miss State 39762.

MCA dues are waived for persons playing in their first tournament. Otherwise each player must be a member of the chess organization of his home state or join the MCA. USCF membership required.

2nd Starkville Open

Nov. 7-9, 1975

	Rtg.	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Score	M.	S.	S.D.
1. Anthony Crawley.....	1729	W15	W 2	W14	W 4	W 3	5 - 0			
2. Richard Price.....	2018	W13	L 1	W 6	W14	W 4	4 - 1			
3. Brian Wiggin (Ala)....	1791	W12	D11	W18	W 8	L 1	3½ - 1½			
4. John E. Gray.....	1587	W 9	W 5	W19	L 1	L 2	3 - 2	10		
5. Peyton Crowder.....	1824	W 6	L 4	W13	D 7	D10	3 - 2	9		
6. Larry Wright.....	1489	L 5	W 9	L 2	W18	W15	3 - 2	8	13½	
7. Joe Brown (Ala).....	1584	W20	L14	W12	D 5	D 8	3 - 2	8	12	6.50
8. Robt. B. Williams.....	1637	W21	D19	W11	L 3	D 7	3 - 2	8	12	5.75
9. Philip Maclin (Tenn)...	1383	L 4	L 6	W17	W16	W18	3 - 2	7	11½	
10. Rick Johnson.....	1500	L19	W20	W15	D11	D 5	3 - 2	7	11	
11. James C. Little (Tenn)...	1554	W17	D 3	L 8	D10	D12	2½ - 2½	8½		
12. W. Greg Hood (Tenn)....	1487	L 3	W16	L 7	W20	D11	2½ - 2½	7½		
13. Roger S. Rowlett (Ala)...	1501	L 2	D18	L 5	W22	W21	2½ - 2½	5		
14. Richard Doredant.....	1797	W16	W 7	L 1	L 2	LF	2 - 3	9		
15. Gordon E. Scott.....	1412	L 1	W22	L10	W17	L 6	2 - 3	8		
16. Roger Mathes.....	1325	L14	L12	W22	L 9	W20	2 - 3	6		
17. L. Judson Farmer.....	1160	L11	W21	L 9	L15	W22	2 - 3	5½		
18. M.A. Farrell.....	1526	W22	D13	L 3	L 6	L 9	1½ - 3½	8½		
19. Warren B. Porter.....	1843	W10	D 8	L 4	LF	LF	1½ - 3½	6		
20. Bill Salmon.....	1234	L 7	L10	W21	L12	L16	1 - 4	7½		
21. John F. Barrett.....	1401	L 8	L17	L20	Bye	L13	1 - 4	5		
22. Michael Duffy.....	Unr.	L18	L15	L16	L13	L17	0 - 5			

Tournament Directors

Larry Wright
Peyton Crowder

Prize Winners

1st Place....Anthony Crawley \$ 100
 2nd Place....Richard Price Trophy
 Class A.....Peyton Crowder Trophy
 Class B.....Brian Wiggin Trophy
 Class C.....John E. Gray Trophy
 Class D.....Philip Maclin Trophy
 Class E.....L. Judson Farmer Trophy
 Unrated.....Michael Duffy Trophy

Book Winners

Upset Win...Anthony Crawley
 Upset Draw..Rick Johnson

Games from 2nd Starkville Open

Crawley-Price 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 PxQ4 PxP 4 NxP N-KB3 5 N-QB3 P-QR3
 6 B-N5 P-K3 7 P-B4 B-K2 8 Q-B3 Q-R4 9 B-Q3 Q-R4 10 R-KB1 N-B3 11 N-N3 Q-B2
 12 000 P-KR3 13 B-R4 NxP 14 NxN BxB 15 Q-N4 B-B3 16 NxB+ PxN 17 Q-N7 K-K2?
 18 B-N6 KR-KB1 19 PON4 N-N5 20 P-QR3 B-R5 21 K-N1 N-Q4 22 RxN PxR 23 R-K1+ K-Q2
 24 N-Q4 Q-B5 25 U-B5+ K-B2 26 N-K6+ K-N3 27 NxR R-QB1 28 BxR QxP+ 29 K-R1 QxB
 30 QxBP/6 QxN 31 Q-Q4+ 1:0

Little-Johnson 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 d6 4 Nc3 g6 5 Bd2 Bg7 6 e4 00 7 Be2 Na6
8 a3 Nc7 9 Nf3 a6 10 Qc2 Bd7 11 b3 b5 12 Rb1 Re8 13 00 Ng4 14 Bf4 bc 15 bc Rb8
16 h3 Nf6 17 Rfel Rb1: 18 Rb1: Nh5 19 Bg5 Qa8 20 Nd2 Nf6 21 Na4 Ba4: 22 Qa4: Rb8
23 Qc2 Rb7 24 Bd3 Qb8 25 Rb7: Qb7: 26 Qb1 Qb1:+ 27 Bb1: h6 28 Be3 Nd7 29 Nb3 Kh7
30 Kf1 Bb2 31 Bc1 Bc1: 32 Nc1: Ne5 33 Bd3 g5 1/2:1/2

Scott-Crawley 1 P-QN3 N-KB3 2 B-R3 P-KN3 3 N-QB3 N-N2 4 R-N1 P-Q3 5 P-K3 P-QR3
6 P-Q4 QN-Q2 7 B-Q3 P-QN4 8 Q-B3 R-QN1 9 P-QN4 B-N2 10 P-K4 00 11 KN-K2 Q-B1
12 B-N2 P-QB4 13 QPXP PXP 14 PXP QNXP 15 00 NxB 16 PxB R-Q1 17 QR-B1 Q-K3
18 B-R3 Q-Q2 19 KR-Q1 P-QR4 20 B-N2 P-N5 21 N-N1 BXP 22 Q-B4 B-B3 23 B-K5 QR-B1
24 BxN BxB 25 P-KR3 Q-Q4 26 P-B3 B-N4 27 Q-K4 QcQ 28 QPXP BXR 29 RxB B-N4
30 RxB RxB 31 K-B2 R-B7 32 P-R3 RxB+ 33 K-N3 R-N7 34 PXP PXP 0:1

Farrell Wright 1 P-Q4 N-KB3 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 P-K3 P-KN3 4 P-KN3 B-N2 5 B-N2 00
6 00 QN-Q2 7 QN-Q2 P-B3 8 P-B4 N-N3 9 P-N3 B-N5 10 B-N2 Q-B2 11 Q-B2 QR-B1
12 P-K4 P-B4 13 P-Q5 P-K4 14 PXP BXP 15 P-K5 N-K1 16 PXP QXP 17 BxB NxB
18 N-K4 Q-K2 19 QR-Q1 B-X 20 KR-K1 KR-K1 21 KN-Q2 QR-Q1 22 Q-B3 R-Q5 23 NXP
QxN 24 RxB+ NxB 25 Q-K3 N-N2 26 R-K1 Q-Q3 27 B-Q5 R-Q6 28 Q-K2 NxB 29 PxB QXP
30 N-B4 b-R6 31 N-K3 Q-K5 32 P-B3 Q-Q5 33 R-Q1 RxB+ 34 QxR QxN+ 35 K-R1 K-N1
36 P-R4 Q-B7 0:1

Wiggin-Hood 1 P-K4 P-K3 2 N-KB3 P-Q4 3 P-K5 P-QB4 4 P-Q3 N-QB3 5 P-KN3 Q-B2
6 B-B4 KN-K2 7 B-N2 N-N3 8 Q-K2 B-K2 9 00 B-Q2 10 R-K1 NxB 11 PxB P-KR3 12 N-B3
P-R3 13 P-B5 P-KN4 14 PXP PXP 15 QR-B1 P-KN4 16 N-Q2 000 17 BXP PxB 18 NXP Q-R4
19 N-QB4 Q-N4 20 P-QR4 N-Q5 21 NxB+ K-N1 22 PXP NXP+ 23 RxB QXP 24 N-Q6 B-B5
25 R-K4 B-B6 26 R-K3 1:0

Crowder-Rowlett 1 e4 c5 2 c3 d5 3 ed Qd5: 4 d4 e6 5 Nf3 Nc6 6 Be3 cd 7 cd Nf6
8 Nc3 Qa5 9 a3 Be7 10 b4 Qd8 11 Bd3 00 12 Rcl Bd7 13 00 Rc8 14 Ne4 Ne4: 15 Be4:
a5 16 b5 Na7 17 a4 Rcl: 18 Qc1: b6 19 Bf4 Nc8 20 Bc7 Qe8 21 Qf4 Bd8 22 Rcl Ne7
23 Bh7:+ Kh7; 24 Qh4+ 1:0

Gray-Crowder 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 5 a3 Bc3:+ 6 bc Ne7 7 Qg4 Nf5 8 Bd3
h5 9 Qh3 cd 10 Bf5: ef 11 cd Qc7 12 c3 Nc6 13 Qg3 Be6 14 Bg5 f6 15 ef Qf3: 16 hg g6
17 Ne2 Kf7 18 Nf4 Rhe8 19 00 Na5 20 Rabl Rad8 21 Rfel b6 22 Ne6: Re6: 23 Re6: Ke6:
24 Rel+ Kd6 25 f7 Rc8 26 Re8 1:0

Barrett-Rowlett 1 Nf3 c5 2 b3 d5 3 e3 Nc6 4 Bb2 e6 5 Bb5 Bd7 6 Bc6: Bc6: 7 00 Nf6
8 c4 dc 9 bc be7 10 d3 00 11 Ne5 Rc8 12 Nd2 Qc7 13 f4 Rfd8 14 Qe2 Nd7 15 Qg4 Bf6
16 Ndf3 Bf3: 17 Rf3: Be5; 18 Be5: Ne5: 19 fe5 Qe5: 20 Raf1 Qf4; 21 h4 f5 22 Qf4 Qf4
23 ef4; Rcd8 24 Rd1 Rd4 25 Kf2 Rc4: 26 re3 Rc2+ 27 Kf3 Kf7 0:1

Doredant-Brown 1 P-KN3 P-KN3 2 B-N2 B-N2 3 P-K4 P-Q3 4 P-Q4 P-K4 5 B-K3 N-K2
6 N-K2 N-Q2 7 QN-B3 P-QB3 8 00 00 9 P-B4 P-KB4 10 P-Q5 P-B4 11 N-B1 N-N3 12 N-Q3
N-Q2 13 Q-Q2 P-QR3 14 P-QR4 P-N3 15 BXP NXP 16 NxB BxB 17 B-R6 R-B2 18 P-KN4
B-KN2 19 BxB RxB 20 P-K5 PXP 21 P-Q6 P-K5 22 PxB QXP 23 Q-Q5+ 1:0

Crowder-Brown 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 5 a3 Bc3: 6 bc Qc7 7 f4 Ne7
8 Nf3 cd 9 cd Nbc6 10 Bd3 Bd7 11 00 Nf5 12 Bf5; ef 13 Qd3 Na5 14 Bd2 00 15 Rabl
Nc4 16 Bb4 Rfe8 17 Nd2 Nd2: 18 Qd2; Bb5 19 Bd6 Qd7 20 Rf3 Bc4 21 Rh3 b6 22 c3
Re6 23 Qc2 g6 1/2 : 1/2

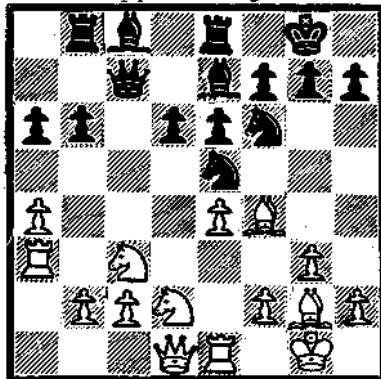
Price-Wright 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bc4 e6 7 Bb3 Be7 8 00 b5
9 f4 Bb7 10 e5 Nd5 11 Nd5: ed5 12 Qh5 g6 13 Qh3 de 14 fe Bc8 15 e6 Bd6: 16 Nc6 Qb6:+
17 Nd4 Qd4:+ 18 Be3 Qe5 19 Qc8+ Bd8 20 Bh6 Qd4+ 21 Kh1 f5 22 Rael+ 1:0

Wiggin-Williams 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-QR3 3 P-Q3 P-Q3 4 P-KN3
P-KN3 5 B-N2 B-N2 6 00 P-K3 7 R-K1 N-QB3 8 QN-Q2 KN-K2 9 N-B1 00
10 P-KR4 P-QN4 11 N/1-R2 R-N1 12 N-N4 P-KR4 13 N-R6+ K-R1 14 P-KN4
PXP 15 NXP N-N1 16 N-N5 N-B3 17 NxB QxN 18 P-KB4 B-Q2 19 P-R5 B-R3
20 R-K3 K-N2 21 R-N3 Q-Q5+ 22 B-K3 QxNP 23 PXP PXP 24 P-K5 P-Q4
25 R-N1 QxRP 26 R-R1 Q-N7 27 RXP QR-B1 28 Q-N4 BxB 29 QxB Q-N8+
30 Q-N4 BxB 31 B-R3 QXP+ 32 R-N2 RxB+ 33 KxR R-R1+ 34 K-N3 QXP
35 Q-B6+ K-N1 36 R-R8+ 1:0

The above report on the Starkville Open was submitted by Larry Wright.

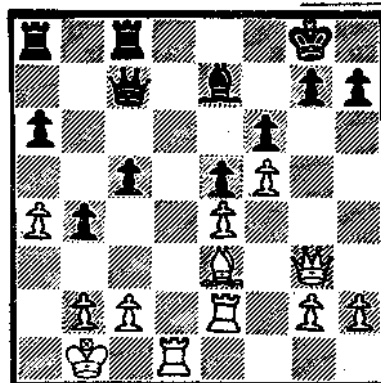
Miss. Championship, 1975 Price-Crawley [Crawley submitted the following game. Except for one point all notes are his.] 1 P-K4 P-QB3
2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 PXP PXP 4 B-Q3! (This was a surprise! Of course I had expected after 3 PXP the Panov Attack. However as present day theory regards it, Black can secure equality and if White tries for too much, the advantage. Also I had noticed in Richard's games, e.g., Price-Crowder 5th rd. Jackson Open that Richard likes the d4, c3, b2, a2 Pawn structure for White. Perhaps this is because he is a positional player. However, people witnessing the 4th round massacre, Price-J. Gray would hardly believe it.) 4... N-QB3 5 P-QB3 N-B3 6 B-KB4
B-N5 7 Q-N3 Q-B1 (7 .. N-QR4 8 Q-R4+ B-Q2 9 Q-B2 P-K3 10 N-B3 Q-N3
11 P-QR4! Fischer's improvement vs Petrosian USSR vs Rest of the World 1970) 8 N-Q2 P-K3 9 KN-B3 B-K2 10 00? (Heubner-Smyslov Hastings 68-69 went 10 N-K5! NxN 11 Pxn? N-Q2= Price's move is an attempt to maintain more pieces, and thus more pressure for White)[Price believes that Heubner captured the wrong way and suggests 11 BxN is better, provoking a weakness in the Black Pawn structure. The ? on White's 10th is his.] 10 .. 00 11 KR-K1 P-QR3 12 P-QR4 B-R4 13 N-K5 N-Q2
14 Q-B2! N/3xN 15 BxN B-N3 16 BxB RxB 17 N-B3 NxB 18 NxN B-B3
19 Q-K2 Q-B2 20 Q-N4 R-K1 (For a few moves here Black plays planlessly. Luckily I escaped punishment.) 21 P-KB4! (Now Black can never play BxN for after BxB the pressure down the KB file would become unbearable. So ..) 21 .. Q-K2 (Continuing the policy of drifting. Immediate evacuation of the King from the Kingside may have been better.) 22 R-K3 K-R2!? (A unique defensive idea as far as I know. Black wants to keep White from having both Rooks doubled on the King's file for reasons that will become apparent in a few moves.)
23 R-R3+ K-N1 24 N-B3 Q-B2 25 N-N5! K-B1 26 R-K1! Q-Q3 (26 .. K-K2?
27 RXP+ ?) 27 N-R7+ K-K2 28 NxB Pxn 29 R-R7 R-R1 30 R-R4 (QxNP? RxB
31 QxR QxP and Black's pieces which have been passive become friendly
32 Q-N5 RxR 33 QxR Q-K2 (The White attack is finally over and Black can look to the ensuing Q & R play with confidence.) 34 Q-K1 R-R1
35 P-N3 Q-Q3 36 Q-Q1 Q-N3 37 P-QN4 (The idea of Q side expansion with the Pawns is probably wrong here. It allows Black a tactical shot at move 44 which, possibly due to slight time pressure, he misses.) 37 .. R-QB1 38 Q-N3 Q-B3 39 K-B2 R-KR1 40 K-N2 R-QB1
41 P-R3 Q-B2 42 K-B3 R-KR1 43 P-R4 R-QB1 44 K-K2? Q-B5+? (44 ..
R-R4! Both 45 PXP and 45 P-N5 lose a Pawn to Q-B5+. So White is
left with only K & Q moves which appear unsatisfactory according
to my analysis, e.g. 45 Q-N2 PXP 46 PXP Q-B7+ 47 QxQ RxQ+ and wins
a Pawn. or 45 K-Q2 PXP 46 PXP Q-B8+ with decisive penetration.)
45 QxQ RxQ 46 P-QR5! (Of course.) K-Q3 47 K-Q3 K-B3 48 R-KB K-Q3
49 R-QN2 K-B3 50 R-KR2 K-N4 51 K-B2 K-R5 52 R-R1 K-N4 53 K-N3 R-B1
54 P-R5 PXP 55 RXP R-B2 56 R-R7 R-Q2 57 R-R8 R-B2 58 R-KN8 R-B5
59 R-N7 R-B2 60 P-N4 PXP 61 RXP K-B3 62 P-B5 PXP (62 .. P-K4 should
have been considered.) 63 R-B4 K-Q3 64 RXP K-K3 65 R-B3 P-B4? (A
mistake, exposing the Pawn to attack by both King and Rook.)
66 K-B2 R-B2 67 K-Q3 R-B2 68 R-R3 R-B2 69 K-K3 R-K2 70 K-B4 R-KB2
71 R-R6+ K-Q2 72 R-N6 K-B2 73 R-K6 R-R2 74 R-K3 K-B3 75 KXP K-N4
76 R-K8 R-QB2 77 R-K3 K-B5 78 R-R3 R-B3 79 K-K5 P-N3 80 PXP RXP
81 R-N3 R-QB3 82 R-B3 R-QN3 83 R-K3 R-QB3 84 R-K1 R-QN3 85 R-QB1
R-QB3 86 R-QR1 R-QN3 87 R-R3 R-R3! (87 .. R-QB3?? 88 R-R5 KXP
89 R-B5+ +/-) 88 K-B4 (Here the game was adjourned. I sealed
88 .. R-R6 which draws easily. Later outside the tournament hall
[safe from falling light fixtures it was discovered later], Price
and I agreed to a draw without resuming play. An exhausting game: ♠♠

Price-Appleberry Gulf Coast Classic 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd4



4 Nd4 Qc7 5 Nc3 e6 6 g3 a6 7 Bg2 Nf6 8 00
 Be7 9 a4? (9 Re1?) 00 10 Be3 Ne5 11 Bf4?
 (11 Qe2, 11 Re1) d6 12 Nb3 b6 13 Re1 Rb8
 14 Nd2 Re8? (.. b5: 15 ab5 ab5 16 Nf1:=)
 15 Ra3! [Diag] b5 16 ab5 ab5 17 b4: Bd7
 18 Bf1 (Rb3?!) Rec8 19 Rb3 Bc6 20 Nf3: Nf3
 21 Qf3 ooh6: 22 h4 e5 23 Bcl: ooh6 24 Bg2
 Rd8: 25 Qe2: d5: ooh6 26 ed5 Nd5 27 Nd5 Bd5
 28 Bd5 Rd5 29 Bb2 Bf6?: (29 .. f6:)* 30 c4?:
 (30 Rbe3: +/+ - Missed it; tic toc) .. bc4
 31 Qc4= Qb5 32 Qb5 Rdb5 33 Rbe3 Rb4 34 Be5
 Be5 35 Re5 *:* This fourth round game
 split the championship as both players won
 all their other games.

Price-Parsons GCC 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd4 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6

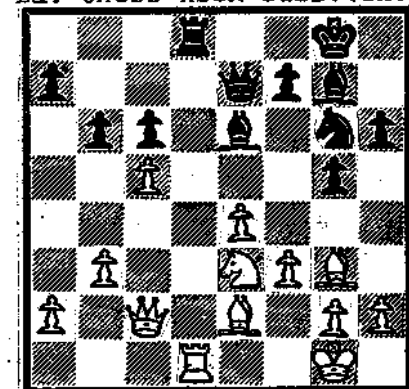


6 Bc4 e6 7 Be3 Be7 8 Qe2 a6 (.. 00 9 000?
 d5:?, 9 Bb3!) 9 000 Qc7 10 Kbl: (Other moves
 do not mean much.) Bd7 (10 .. 00 11 Bb3
 b5 12 Nc6 Qc6 13 Bd4: Bb7 [13.. b4 14 Nd5:]
 14 Rhe1 Qc7 15 a3? Velimirovic-Csom'74)
 11 Rhe1? (11 Bb3: 00 g4: Nd4 13 Bd4 e5 14 g5:)
 11 .. 00 12 f4?: (12 Bb3 A g4:?) b5: 13 Bb3
 Na5 (13 .. b4? 14 Na4 Ne4? 15 Ne6 Be6 16 Bb6)
 14 Qf3? Nb3 15 ab3: b4 16 Na4 Ba4?: (Rfc8)
 17 ab4 Nd7 (Rfc8) 18 f5: e5 19 Nb3? Rfc8
 20 Re2: Ne5?: (Nb6) 21 Nc5 dc5 22 Qg3? f6?
 [Diag] (22.. Rd8 23 Red2 Rd2 24 Rd2 Rd8 25 Bh6
 g6 26 Rd8 Bd8 27 Qd3?) 23 Bh6 Bf8 24 Red2+
 Rd8 25 Rd8 Rd8 26 Rd8 Qd8 27 Qb3 Kh8 28 Be3
 Qd1+ 29 Ka2? (Bcl A 30 Qd3 31 Qd8 32 Qd5+)

33 Qf7) 29 .. Qe2? (Qd7: 30 Kbl Qd1 31 Bcl) 30 Qf7: 1:0 It is a
 good lesson for the student to work out the superior Bishop win
 for White if Black trades Queens in the above line.

Eva Aronson-Keith Killcrease (skittles) 1 P-Q4 N-KB3 2 P-QB4 P-B4
 3 P-Q5 P-Q3 4 N-QB3 P-K4 5 P-K4 B-K2 6 B-Q3 QN-Q2 7 KN-K2 P-QR3
 8 00 00 9 P-B4 PxP 10 BxP N-K4 11 P-QN3 B-N5 12 B-B2 B-R4 13 P-KR3
 B-N3 14 P-KN4 Q-Q2: 15 N-N3 P-QN4 16 P-N5 QxP: 17 PxN?: N-N5
 18 Q-K2 BxBP 19 R-B3 B-Q5+ 20 B-K3 NxB 21 RxN QxN+ 22 Q-N2 BxR+
 23 K-B1 QxQ+ 24 KxQ B-Q5 25 R-QB1 BxN 0:1

One of my most memorable tournaments was the 1974 Louisiana Profes-
 sional Championship, restricted to players rated above 1800.
 I only won two games, but they were against Louisiana's top two
 experts. My last three games ended in draws, including a board
 #1 encounter with fellow Mississippian Bruce Bowe in round 4.
 Annotations are by Selby Anderson, reprinted from the July 74
 La. Chess Assn Bulletin. Porter(1915)- Joe Katz(2115) Rd 1

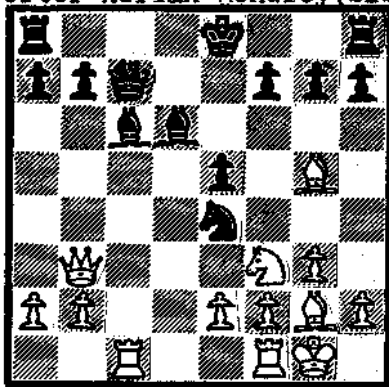


1 c4 g6 2 Nc3 Bg7 3 d4 d6 4 e4 Nf6 5 Be2
 00 6 Nf3 Nbd7 7 00 e5 8 de de? (The source
 of Black's future troubles. After 9 Bg5
 he can hardly afford the normal .. c6
 because of 10 Qd6: Perhaps he can get
 away with 9 .. Qe7, and if 10 Nd5 Qd8:
 and 11..c6. Still 8 .. Ne5: would have
 made development simpler.) 9 Bg5 h6
 10 Bh4 g5 11 Bg3 Qe7 12 Qc2 c6 13 Rfel
 b6 (Alas 13..Nh5 is refuted by Be5:)
 14 Rad1 Rd8? (A gross oversight, Bb7
 is correct.) 15 Ne5: Bb7 16 Nd7: Rd7:
 17 Rd7: Nd7: 18 f3 Ne5 19 Nd1 (Already
 eyeing the weakened f5 square.) Rd8
 20 Ne3 Bc8 21 Rd1 Be6 22 b3 Ng6 23 c5:

(White frees c4 for his pieces and threatens the Pawn at c6. Black's

best chance to draw seems to be to trade rooks and dark square bishops [to prevent occupation of d6] and then close up with .. b5 restricting White's pieces. With 25 .. Qc5, however he gives White the blockade square c4 and an easier win.) 23 .. Rd1;+ 24 Nd1; Bd4+ 25 Bf2 Qc5; 26 Qc5; bc 27 Ne3 Nf4 28 Ba6 Kf8 29 Nc2 Bf2; 30 Kf2; Ke7 31 g3 Ng6 32 Ne3 Kd6 33 Be4 Bc4; 34 Nc4;+ Ke6 35 Ke3 f6 36 f4 gf+ 37 gf Nh4 38 f5+ Kd7 39 Kf2 1:0

Porter-Adrian McAuley(2125) 1 e4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 g3 c6 4 Nf3 d6



After 16 Racl

(Another oversight. 23 .. Rb8 suggests itself. 1/24 Qc2 Nd5; 2/Qc4 Rb2; 25 Rc8 Qd8+ 26 Kg2+- 3/24 Qc4 Rb4 25 Qc2+-)[McAuley played Qd7 like he expected it to win a piece, but I had long since seen that Qc2 holds. But when you see a good move look for a better one so ..] 24 Nh6;+ [More demoralizing since it appears White lucked out.] gh 25 Rf6; Bg7 26 Ra6 Rc8 (This and what follows is desperation.) 27 Ra7; Qf5 28 Qd3 Qf6 29 Ra6 e4!; [Best try hoping for 30 Rf6; ed 31 Rd6 de 32 Bd2 Rc2 33 Ba5 Bc3] 30 Qb5 Qd8 31 Bh6; Qd1+ 32 Kg2 Bd4 33 Qg5+ Kh7 34 Bf8 1:0

Jackson Rated Ladder

Here in Jackson we have a perpetual ladder going with one round every other Tuesday. In a ladder all contestants are ranked and in the first round #1 plays #2, #3 plays #4, etc. In the second, and all even-numbered rounds #2 plays #3, #4 plays #5 etc. Odd rounds are paired as the first. If the lower ranked player wins the two switch rankings, otherwise not.

The order after the ninth round is: 1 Gunnar Woodard; 2 Laird Woodard; 3 Richard Price; 4 Keith Killcrease; 5 Rick Johnson; 6 Dr. John Barrett; 7 M.A. Farrell; 8 A.R. Burford; 9 Dr. Ben Johnson. Gunnar has continued his dominance over the state co-champion with a win and a draw in their two encounters, running his lifetime record to 3½-½. Laird has acquitted himself excellently with only one loss OTB and a win by default over Richard in the last round. Striking to this writer has been Laird's strong drive for rated competition whenever his opponent doesn't show. In addition to serving as tournament director I have played an early Santa, losing 8 of 9 games.

Jackson Tornado

1 Gunnar Woodard	W9	W8	W2	D3	Due to the failure of the publicity committee (me) to get the news releases out in time and some unavoidable conflicts the tournament had but nine participants. I was unable to track down any scoresheets in time for publication. Below are some games of the ladder.
2 Richard Price	W4	W3	L1	W5	
3 Keith Killcrease	W6	L2	W6	D1	
4 Laird Woodard	L2	L7	W9	W8	
5 Dr. John Barrett	L7	W9	W8	L2	
6 A.R. Burford	L3	BYE	L3	W9	
7 Clarke Harrell	W5	W4	--	--	
8 Richard Parker	BYE	L2	L5	L4	
9 Gordon Scott	L1	L5	L4	L6	

Killcrease-Barrett 1 Nf3 Nf6 2 g3 b6 3 Bg2 Bb7 4 d3 e6 5 Nd2 d5 6 QO
Nbd7 7 c4 Bd6 8 cd ed 9 Nd4 00 10 f4 Bc5 11 Nb3 Re8 12 Nc5 Nc5 13 b4
Ne6 14 Nf3 d4 15 Bb2 c5 16 a3 Nf4 17 Bc1 Ne3 18 Be3 de 19 Rc1 cb 20
ab f5 21 Nh4 Bg2 22 Nc2 Nd4 23 Rc4 b5 24 Rc5 Qd7 25 Kh1 a5 26 ba Ra5
27 Nh4 Rea8 28 Rc1 Ba2 29 Nf3 Qd5 30 Rb1 Re2? (Rd2!) 31 Rb4! Rh2+ 32
Kh2 Ra2+ 33 Kh3 Qb5? (Nb5+) 34Nd4 Qb2 35 Qb3+ and wins.

L. Woodard-Rick Johnson 1 g3 e5 2 Bg2 d5 3 d3 c6 4 Nf3 Bd6 5 Nc3 f5
6 e4 Nf6 7 ed cd 8 Bg5 d4 9 Bf6 gf 10 Ne2 Qb6 11 Qc1 Be6 12 00 h5 13
Nh4 Ne6 14 Kh1 Rc8 15 a3 Kf7 16 f4 Na5? 17 Qd2 Nc6 18 fe N:e5 19 Nf5
Bf5 20 Rf5 Qb2 21 Raf1 Ng4 22 h3 Ne3 23 Rf6+ Ke7 24 Rf7+ Ke8 25 R1f2
Rc2?(25...Rf8 26 Rf8 Rf8 27 Qa5 Qa3 28 Qh5+ Kd8+) 26 Qa5 Re2 (26... a6
27 Qa4+ Qb5 28 Qd4 Qe5 29 Qe5 Be5 30 Bb7+-) 27 Qa4+ Kd8? 28 Qd7#

Barrett-R. Johnson 1 Nf3 d5 2 b3 c5 3 e3 Nc6 4 Bb2 f6 5 c4 d4 6 ed cd
7 d3 e5 8 g3 Qa5 9 Nd2 Bb4?! 10 a3 Bd2+ 11 Nd2 Bf5 12 Qe2 Ne7 13 Bg2
Qb6 14 00 a5 15 Rc1 Nd8 16 c5 Qb5 17 Rc4 Be6 18 a4 Qa6 19 Rc2 00 20
Nc4 Nc8 (I looked up here and found I had 10 minutes for as many moves)
21 f4 Bc4 22 Rc4 Nc6 23 Bd5 Kh8 24 fe Ne5 25 Qe5! Nb6 26 Qd4 Nc4 27
bc Rd8 28 Rf5 Re8 29 Qf4 Re7 30 Kf2 Rde8 31 Be4 Qe6 32 Rh5 Qd7 33 Rh7+
Kg8 34 Qh4 Qa4 35 Rh8+ Kf7 36 Qh5+ Ke6 37 Qd5#

Thank for reading. Rick Johnson

Editorial

Within the next two months the MCA Executive Committee will meet and will give the MSU Chess Club up to \$85 for their loss in holding the 1975 State Championship. The agreement to do this was made by the previous slate of officers back when our dues were \$5 a year and we could afford such an expence. This year a similar expence would amount to about $\frac{1}{4}$ of the dues of all MCA members. With rising postage rates it would be impossible to maintain our dues at \$3 and we lost too many members last year at the higher rate.

It is time we take a long objective look at both our calendar and our Qualifying Point system. For one thing our delegate at the US Open business meeting is selected months in advance. If we hold a business meeting in early or mid Summer the USCF will still recognize only the old officers at the US Open. If we actually send someone to the US Open, a business meeting in late Aug. or early Sep. would give him a convenient chance to report to the MCA members what went on.

At the least our Qualifying Point system will need revising to allow persons who played in multi-sectional tournaments, i.e. the Gulf Coast Classic, to receive QP's. Another thing, do we need a QP system at all? Our QP system originated when we had too few Miss. chessplayers to hold a decent Closed Championship. When "The Highest Scoring Mississippian" at the Miss. Open would win the title even though he may have met only one or two other players from his home state the playoff system was started. Now that we have enough Miss. chessplayers, why not go back to a Mississippians Only Open? We would have only one set of prizes (as noted we can't afford two) and contestants for the College or High School title would not have to do equally well against grossly mismatched sets of opponents as happened this year.

We urge the MCA President to hold a General Membership meeting as soon as possible after the Executive Meeting.

POSTAL CHESS

The revised ratings in the MCA 1975 Postal Championship, Nov 4

Jimmy Aden	753
Charles Dean	653
Ed Issa	515
Gordon Scott	464
David Hayes	434
Roger Mathes	262

The 1975 event is now down to the final three games, the outcome of which will determine the champion.

Entries are now being received for the 1976 Tournament, and no players have signed. The fee is \$2.50 plus MCA membership, and entries will be received until about Jan 15. If you plan to enter next year's postal tournament, please send your entries in soon.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM THE MCA

Overheard in a Baton Rouge tournament "I played a fish in the last round, his name was Jaws."

We note that Fischer made the AP wire with a \$20 million suit he is trying to win over Brad Darrach.

The Air Force team won the Armed Forces Championship with Army 2nd and Sea Services last. Charles D Unruh USAF took clear 1st with 10 1/2 out of 12.

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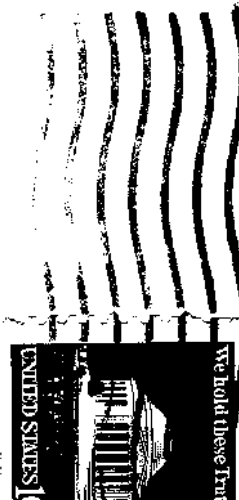
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