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Dear Membership: With this issue we will round out the old year and bring in the new with greater expectations than ever before for the MCA. Lets hope amongst your New Years' Resolutions is one of increased support of chess in Mississippi and, of course, increases in the RATINGS!!!

Since the last Chessletter I have received contributions from some of our membership, but we STILL need information for publication from ALL parts of the State, particularly the southern portion. If you are contemplating holding a tournament OF ANY SIZE OR TYPE please do not hesitate to contact me or any other officer and we will HELP.

One item inadvertently left out of last Chessletter was that to be eligible for the State Championship next Labor Day one must have played in at least two(2) MCA associated events. This was voted unanimously on at the last business meeting.

Members whose dues are now payable to the treasurer will find last 4 digits underlined in red, hence 7701 = 1st month in 1977.

I have recently been in contact with Mr. John Parsons, president of the La. Chess Association concerning a REMATCH of the Miss.-La. match on the Coast and a tentative date of April 17 this year was mentioned. I would appreciate comments from those who participated in the first half on this date. Since it was held in Ms. last time, the venue would probably be New Orleans or Baton Rouge. The following is a listing of upcoming tournaments received so make your plans NOW and don't be left out!!!

Thanks, Dr. John Barrett

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Jan. 8-9, The 5th DIXIE OPEN, RAMADA INN (note change from CL&R), Starkville, 5-SS, 40/90, rds. 10-3-8, 8:30, 1:30 (rd. 1 8pm 1/7 optional) EF-\$12. Registration 9-10 am (7-8pm 1/7 optional) \$\$ (based on 25 entries) 75, B, C, D, E each 40, more per entries. MCA mem. requirement, others OK.

Feb. 19th, "Winds on Capital Hill" Tornado at Jackson, Univ. Medical Alumni House, 2500 N. State St. EF \$5, 4-SS 45/90 Reg. 8-9am Rds. 9:30, 1, 4, 7, 60% to 1st, 20% to 2nd, MCA req.

Jan. 16th, Jackson vs Greenville Chess Club @ M.P.&L. bldg (or Buster Brown Comm. Center), 2 rds, 10am-3pm, 45/2, 10(?) Boards. Should be some excellent games here.

Jan. 29-30, The I.C.I. Gulf Coast Open at Gulfport(not a MCA affiliated event).

March 12-16, The NATIONAL OPEN at Mobile, Ala. Details CL&R.

April 2-3rd, The 3rd GREATER JACKSON OPEN, 5-SS, 50/2, 15/30, EF- \$12, \$10(jr) Reg.:9-10AM
 Rds: 10:30, 2:30, 7; 8:30,1:30. \$\$ 1st-100, 2nd-25, A-50, B-40,10 C-40,10 D,E-30,10
 Top unrated- 25, book prizes. Site: Univ. Ms. Medical Alumni House,2500 N.State St, Jackson
 MCA event, Advance entries: Dr. J.Barrett, Univ. Ms. Med. Center,2500 N.State St. Jackson,
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April 17th- Miss. VS. La. MATCH?? Firm date hopefully by next issue.

Because of space limitations of last issue our State Championship was held to this issue and, as can be seen, Mr. Warren Porter and Mr. Anthony Crawley are our co-champions for 1976; congratulations to two very fine chess players!!! "Crawley Comments" and "Issa Idioms" next issue, we are really pressed this issue, AGAIN!!

MISSISSIPPI STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

	Rating	1	2	3	4	5	Score	TB
1 Warren Porter	1799	W8	W6	W9	L2	W4	4	21
2 Anthony Crawley	1826	W9	L3	W7	W1	W5	4	20½
3 Dr. Claude Jackson	1649	W5	W2	L1	L4	W10	3	16
4 Keith Killcrease	1554	L6	D5	W8	W3	L1	2½	13
5 Rick Johnson	1465	L3	D4	W10	W6	L2	2½	13
6 Byron Watson	1777	W4	L1	W9	L5	D7	2½	12½
7 John Masters	1645	W10	L9	L2	W8	D6	2½	11½
8 Ed Issa	1557	L1	W10	L4	L7	W9	2	10
9 Richard Carter	1593	L2	L7	L4	W10	L8	2	10
10 Gordon Scott	1433	L7	L8	L5	L9	L3	0	-2½

MISSISSIPPI CHESS CONGRESS

	Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score	TB
1 George Brooks	1448	W10	W13	D12	D3	W8	W5	5	31-2½
2 Laird Woodard	1547	D11	W9	L4	W10	W12	W6	4½	27-1½
3 Tom Schrade	1520	W6	W4	D8	D1	L5	W12	4	25½
4 Gary Ladner	1441	W15	L3	W2	L5	W10	W8	4	25
5 A.R. Burford	1278	L8	W16	W17	W4	W3	L1	4	24½
6 Sammy Liddell	1338	L3	W15	W9	W13	W11	L2	4	24½
7 Gayle Baker	1102	L13	L10	W15	D16	bye	W11	3½	17½-1½
8 M.A. Farrell	1441	W5	W14	D2	D12	L1	L4	3	19½+½
9 William Sierichs	1402	W16	L2	L6	wf	lf	W14	3	15
10 Tommy Davis	1302	L1	W7	D14	L2	L4	W16	2½	16
11 Dr. John Barrett	1353	D2	D12	D13	W14	L6	L7	2½	15½+1½
12 U. Jay Gilbert	1390	W17	D11	D1	D8	L2	L3	2½	15½
13 Steve Lundquist	1437	W7	L1	D11	L6	L14	W15	2½	15½
14 Robert Horton	941	bye	L8	D10	L11	W13	L9	2½	14
15 Dr. Ben Johnson	1234	L4	L6	L7	bye	W16	L13	2	10½
16 Wyatt Baker	1036	L9	L5	bye	D7	L15	L10	1½	7½+1½
17 Kenneth Thompson	unr.	L12	lf	L5	lf	lf	lf	0	-5

Some game scores and annotations from the Championship and Congress; notes by Rick Johnson

Jackson-Johnson 1 d4 e6 2 Nf3 f5 3 c4 Nf6 4 Nc3 Bb4 5 Bg5 00 6 e3 b6 7 Bd3 Bb7 8 00 Bc3. White has saved a tempo by not playing a3. 9 bc Qe8 10 Bf6. Dr. Jackson agrees that a knight controlling d5 and e4 unpinned is worth more than a bishop. 10...Rf6 11 d5?! ed 12 Qb3 Na6 13 Qc2 (:28) Qh5 14 Rfd1 (1:02) Nc5 (1:14) 15 Be2 de 16 Bc4 Kh8 17 Be2 d6 18 Ne1 Qh4 19 Bf3 Bf3 20 Nf3 Qe4 21 Qe2 Re8 22 Rd4 Qe7 23 Rad1 f4 24 Ng5 fe 25 f4 h6 26 h4 Ne6 27 Re4 (1:50) Nf4 (1:51) 28 Qe3 Ne6 29 Qd3 Qf8 30 Re6 R8e6?? (hg+) 31 Qh7# 1:0

Masters-Crawley 1 Nf3 g6 2 c4 f5 3 g3 Nf6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 d4 d6 6 Nc3 00 7 00 c6 8 Qc2 Qc7 9 b3 e5 10 de de 11 Ba3 Rd8 12 Rad1 e4 13 Ng5 h6 14 Nh3 Nh5 15 e3 Be6 16 Ne2 Nd7 17 Rf6 Nf8 18 Rfd1 Be5 19 R6d2 Bf7 20 Bb2 Ne6 21 Bc3 g5 22 Qb2 Bc3 23 Qc3 Rd2 24 Rd2 Rd8 25 b4 Rd7 26 Bf1 g4 27 Nf4 Ng5 28 Nd4 Qe5 29 Be2 Nf6 30 Qc2 Nf3 31 Bf3 gf 32 h3 Nh5? 33 Nf3 Qa1 34 Kh2 ef 35 Rd7 Qf1 36 Qf5?? (36 Rd1 Qc4 37 Qc4 Bc4 38 Nh5+-) 36...Qf2 0:1

Carter-Crawley 1 PK4 PK3 2 PQ4 PQ4 3 NQ2 PQ34 4 PQB3 PxQP 5 BPxP PXP 6 NXP BN5+ 7 NB3 NKB3 8 NB3 00 9 BKN5 QR4 10 QQ3 NQ4 11 BQ2 NQ2 12 PQR3 PQR3 13 BK2 N2B3 14 00 BK2 15 NK5 QN3 16 NR4 QQ3 17 NB5 PQN3 18 NK4 NXN 19 QxN BN2 20 BQ3 PB4 21 QK2 BB3 22 PKN3 NB2 23 BB3 KRQ1 24 BB4 QRB1 25 KRK1 PQN4 26 BN3 NQ4 27 NQ3 RK1 28 NB5 BR1 29 QRQ1 QB3 30 Q33 KR1 31 RQ2 Nx3 32 QxQ RxQ 33 PxN PKR3 34 RXP R1XR 35 BxR RQ3 36 BXP PQR4 37 RK2 RQ1 38 BN6 PN5 39 RXP PXP 40 PXP BB3 41 PR4 BXP 42 RQ2 BXP?! 43 RxB P28 44 KR2??? RR8# 0:1

Watson-Johnson 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7 5 Bd3 c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Ne2 Qb6 8 Nf3 cd 9 cd f6 10 ef (10 Nf4 fe 11 Ne6 e4 doesn't give White enough compensation.) 10...Nf6 11 00 Bd6 12 Re1 Qc7 13 Nc3 (:34) a6 14 Bg5 (1:10) 00 15 Bf6. This gives up the minor exchange, and gives Black the threat of 16...Rf3 17 Qf3 Bh2 and ...Nd4 with two pawns and a nice position for the exchange. 15...Rf6 16 Ne5 (1:44) Ne5 17 de Be5 18 Qh5 h6?? (Bd6) 19 Qe5 Qb6 20 Qe2? (20 Nd5 ed 21 Qe8 Rf8 22 Bh7 Kh7 23 Qf8*) 20...Bd7 21 b3 Rxf8 22 Rf1 Bc6 23 Rac1 e5 24 Nd1 e4 25 Bb1 Bb4 26 Qe3 Qe3 27 Ne3 Bf1 28 Kf1? Rf2 29 Kx1 Rf2 30 Rf1 d4 31 Rf8 Kf8 32 Nc4 Rd1 33 Kf2 Rb1 34 Nd6 Rb2 35 Ke1 d3 36 Ne5 Re7 37 Kd1 Re5 0:1

Crawley-Jackson 1 PK4 PK3 2 PQ4 PQ4 3 NQ2 PQ34 4 PxQP PxQP 5 KNB3 NQB3 6 BN5 PQR3 7 BxN PxB 8 00 NB3 9 RK1 BK3 10 NN5 QQ2 11 PXP BXP 12 NN3 BQ3 13 NQ4 00 14 N/5xB PxN 15 NXP KRK1 16 NQ4 RxB 17 QxR RK1 18 QQ1 NN5 19 PKR3 QK2 20 BQ2 BR7 21 KB1 NxBP 22 QK1 NK5 23 NB3 NN6 24 KB2 QB4 (QK71) 25 BK3 QxBP 0:1

Crawley-Porter 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bc4 Qc7 7 Bb3 e6 8 00 Nc6 9 a3 b5 10 Nc6 Qc6 11 Re1 Be7 12 Bg5 00 13 Nd5 Qb7 14 Nf6 Bf6 15 Bf6 gf 16 Qd6 1:0 Both co-champions lose a quickie.

Johnson-Killcrease 1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4 c4 Nb6 5 ed cd 6 h3 g6 7 Nf3 Bg7 8 Nc3 Nc6 9 Be3 00 10 Qd2 e5 11 d5 Ne7 12 c5?! de 13 Bc5 Re8 14 Be7 Re7 15 Rad1 Bd7 16 d6 Re6 17 Nd5 Nd5 18 Qd5 Bc6 19 Qc5 e4 20 Bc4 ef 21 Be6 fg 22 Bf7 Kf7 23 Rg1 Qe8 24 Kd2 Bh6 25 Kc3 Bg7 26 Kd2 Qe4 27 Rde1 Bh6 28 Kc3 Qf3 29 Kc4 b5 30 Kd4 Bg7? (Qf2) 31 Re5 Qf2 32 Kd3 Qf1 33 Kc2 Be5 34 Qe5 Qg1?? (Qf5 wins easily) 35 Qe7 Kx8 36 Qe6 Kx7 37 Qe7 Kg8 38 Qe6 Kg7 39 Qe7 Kh6 40 Qh4 Kg7 z:z

Championship(cont.);

Jackson-Scott 1 Pq4 Pq4 2 PqB4 PqB3 3 Nk33 PkR3 4 NqB3 Nk33 5 Bb4 Bb4 6 QN3 PQN3 7 PK3 NKR4? Black simply cannot afford to lose another tempo. His standard development of the QB with its two accompanying non-developing pawn moves must be considered doubtful against so fine a tactician as Dr. Jackson. The punishment is awful. 8 BxN RxB 9 PXP PXP 10 BN5 BQ2 11 BxR QxB 12 NK5 QK3 13 QN5 KQ1 14 NB6 KB2 15 NxQP KN2 16 NR5 KB1 17 QK8# 1:0

Some games from the Congress:

Schrade-Brooks 1 e4 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 Nf3 16 4 Nc3 Nf6 5 Be3 00 6 Bd3 Bc4 7 Bf2 Bf3 8 Bf Nc6 9 a3 e5 10 d5 Ne7 11 000 Nh5 12 Ne2 f5 13 Bb6 f4 14 Bg7 Kx7 15 Rg1 Nc8 16 R4 Nh6 17 Rg2 Qh4 18 Nxf7 There is no future for this knight on the kingside. Better is 18 Qb4 trying to force a black queenside weakness or penetrate to d7 (or c6 if black plays ...b6) by way of a4. 18...Nf6 19 Bf1 Nf7 20 Nh3 Kh8 21 Rg1 Rg8 22 Qc3 Rac8 23 Bg2 ½:½

Woodard-Sierichs 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 Bc4 g6 7 Be3 Bx7 8 f3 a6 9 a4 00 10 Qd2 Qa5 11 Nc6 bc 12 Bh6 Qc5 13 Bc7 Kg7 14 Bb3 Bb7 15 000 Rad8 16 h4 Qe5 17 f4 Qh5 18 Rdx1 e5 19 f5 d5 20 ed Qf5 21 h5 cd 22 Rf1 Ne4 23 Ne4 Qe4 24 hg Qg6 25 Rf3 f6 26 R3h3 R4h8 27 Qf2 Qe8 28 Rg3 Kf7 29 Qf5 h6 30 Qg6 Ke7 31 Qg7 Qf7 32 Rh6 Rh6 33 Qh6 Rg8 34 Rc3 Kd6 35 Qe3 Qd7 36 Qb6 Bc6 37 Qc5 Kc7 38 Bd5 Rh8 39 Qc6 Qc6 40 Rc6 Kd7 41 Rf6 1:0

Lundquist-Brooks 1 PqB4 Nk33 2 NqB3 PkN3 3 Pq4 Bn2 4 Nb3 00 5 Pk4 Pq3 6 Bk2 Nb3 7 Pq5 Nk4 8 Nxn Pxn 9 00 Pk3 10 Pk4 P4XP 11 BXP PXP 12 KXP PQR3 13 Bn5 PR3 14 BR4 PkN4 15 Bn3 Rk1 16 Qb2 Nn5 17 Bxn BxB 18 Nk4 BR4 19 Nb2 Bn3 20 Qq2 Pk4 21 Nq3 Rk5 22 QRB1 Bq5 23 Bb2 Qb3 24 Rb2 PQN3 25 PqN3 QRK1 26 R2B1 (Rk1) Rk7 27 Qq1 RXP 28 Nn4 BxB 29 RxB RxB 30 KxR PQR4 31 Nb6 Qq3 32 PkR3 Qb5 33 Kk1 Qk6 34 KR2 PR4 35 Nq4 PB5 36 Nk6 Qn6 37 Kk1 Rk2 38 Qb3 QxQ 39 PXP Bb4 40 NXP Rk6 41 PB5 RXP 42 PXP PXP 43 Pq6 Kk1 44 Rk1? 44 RB7 is much better. Black's best then seems 44...BXP 45 NxB RQ6 46 Pq7 Kk2 47 NXP RQ8 (if RXP 48 Nq5!) 48 KB2 PN4 with the better chances. 44...RN8 45 RxB BxB 46 Nk6 Kk1 47 NXP PQR5 48 Nq5 PR6 49 Nb3 PN4 0:1

Burford-Ladner 1 Pq4 Nk33 2 PqB4 PkN3 3 NqB3 Pq4 4 PXP NXP 5 Pk4 Nxn 6 Pxn PqB4 7 BqB4 Bn2 8 Nk2 Nb3 9 Bk3 00 10 00 Bn5 11 Pk3 NR4 12 Bq3 Bq2 13 Rn1 Pb5 14 Bb2 PQN4 15 Pq5 Nn2 16 Bq4 BR3 17 Pk4 PR3 18 Qq2 Pk4? 19 Pk5 Rb1 20 Bk3 Nb4 21 Pq6 Pk3 22 Nq4 Rk2 23 Qb2 QR4 24 Qq2 QRB1 25 Nb3 NR5 26 Bxn QxB 27 QN2 QR4 28 PQR3 Qq1 29 Qq2 Rn2 30 Nn5 Bxn 31 PxB Bb3 32 PkR4 Bk5 33 Rr1 Qr1 34 PR4 Bq6 35 Rb2 Qq4 36 Bq4 R2KB2 37 PXP QxNP 38 QN2 Qb3 39 QN6 Qk5 40 Pq7 Qr1 (RXP 41 QxKP R2B2 42 PR5 to be followed by RXP and, if ...NXP, Qr6 works up a strong attack.) 41 RXP Qq1 42 QXP QxQP 43 QxQ RXP 44 KRR2 Pk5? 45 RR8 RxB 46 RxB Kk2 47 RR6 Kk1 48 Kk2 RQ2 49 Kk3 Bb8 50 Rk6 Rq2 51 RXP Rk2 52 Rb6 Bq6 53 Pn4 Bb7 54 Kk4 RxB 55 NXP Kk2 56 Kk5 Bk5 57 PR5 PXP 58 PXP Bq6 59 PR6 Bk5 60 Kk4 Bq6 61 Bb5 Kk3 62 Kk3 Bn3 63 Kq4 Bb2 64 Bq6 Kk4 65 Kk5 Kk3 66 Bb8 Kk4 67 Kq6 Bn1 68 Kk7 Bq4 69 Bn7 Kk3 1:0

CLUB CORNER: After 26 rounds of the Jackson Ladder the standings are 1 Keith Killcrease, 2 M.A. Farrell, 3 Clarke Harrell, 4 Bill Sierichs, 5 Rick Johnson, 6 Robert Horton, 7 Harold King, 8 John Barrett. Farrell moved from last to second by a string of victories including one over Killcrease who had previously won eight straight!

Although a tournament conflict caused a light turnout at the DIXIE TWISTER on Sept. 25-6 last, some good chess was produced:

Dixie Twister Starkville, MS Sept. 26, 1976

	Rtg	Rd-1	Rd-2	Rd-3	Rd-4	Score	Med.	Sol.
1. John Gray.....	1553	W7	W2	W5	W3	4 - 0		
2. Joseph Sentef.....	2214	W8	L1	W7	W4	3 - 1	3 1/2	8 1/2
3. Brian Wiggin (Ala).....	1820	W6	W9	W4	L1	3 - 1	3 1/2	8
4. Peyton Crowder.....	1779	W5	W8	L3	L2	2 - 2	4 1/2	
5. Gordon E. Scott.....	1481	L4	W6	L1	Bye	2 - 2	3 1/2	
6. Larry Wright.....	1492	L3	L5	Bye	W9	2 - 2	2 1/2	
7. Philip Maclin, Sr. (Tenn)...	1432	L1	Bye	L2	D8	1 1/2 - 2 1/2	4 1/2	
8. John Ivey.....	1538	L2	L4	W9	D7	1 1/2 - 2 1/2	3	
9. John Hartin.....	883	Bye	L3	L8	L6	1 - 3		

MS Speed Championship Starkville, MS Sept. 25, 1976

	Rtg	L.W.	P.C.	B.W.	G.S.	Score
1. Larry Wright.....	1492	xxx	2-2	2-2	4-0	8 - 4
2. Peyton Crowder.....	1779	2-2	xxx	3-1	2-2	7 - 5
3. Brian Wiggin (Ala)...	1820	2-2	1-3	xxx	3-1	6 - 6
4. Gordon E. Scott.....	1481	0-4	2-2	1-3	xxx	3 - 9

MS H.S. Championship Starkville, MS Sept. 25, 1976

	Rtg	L.W.	S.S.	R.H.	Score	Tournament Directors
1. Larry Wilson.....	1590	xxx	2-0	2-0	4 - 0	Larry Wright Peyton Crowder
2. Stephen D. Spencer...	1392	0-2	xxx	2-0	2 - 2	
3. Robert Horton.....	978	0-2	0-2	xxx	0 - 4	

Gray-Maclin: 1.e4, c5 2. Nf3, d6 3. d4, cd 4. N:d4, Nf6 5. Nc3, e6
 b. Be3, ab 7. Qd2, b5 8. a3, Bb7 9. Bd3, Nc6 10. o-o, Be7 11. f4,
 N:d4 12. B:d4, d5 13. B:f6, Bc5+ 14. Kh1, Q:f6 15. ed, B:d5 16. N:d5,
 ed 17. Rfe1+, Be7 18. Qe3, Rd8 19. Re2, Rd6 20. f5, h5 21. Rael, Rd7
 22. Qc5, Rh6 23. Rie7+, Q:e7 24. R:e7+, Resigns

Ivey-Sentef: 1. P-QB4, N-KB3 2. N-QB3, P-QB4 3. N-KB3, P-KN3 4. P-KN3,
 B-N2 5. B-N2, O-O 6. O-O, N-QB3 7. P-QR3, R-N1 8. R-N1, P-QR3
 9. P-QR4, PXP 10. PXP, P-QN4 11. PXP, PXP 12. P-Q3, Q-B2 13. B-Q2,
 P-Q3 14. Q-B2, B-B4 15. KR-B1, KR-B1 16. N-Q1, Q-Q2 17. N-K3, NKNP
 18. Q-N3, N-B3 19. NXB, PXP 20. N-N5, P-Q4 21. N-B3, P-K4 22. N-R4
 N-Q5 23. RXR+, RXR 24. Q-Q1, P-K5 25. B-B4, N-R4 26. B-K3, N-B7
 27. Q-Q2, NXB 28. QXN, P-B5 29. PXP, Q-N5 30. Q-KR3, QXQ 31. BXQ, R-N1
 32. B-Q7, P-N5 33. PXP, NXP 34. P-K3, N-K7+ 35. K-B1, N-B6 36. R-N3, NXP
 37. K-K2, N-B4 38. Resigns

TWISTER, cont.

Scott-Crowder: 1. d4, d5 2. Nf3, Nf6 3. a3, Bf5 4. c3, h6 5. b4, e6
 6. Nbd2, Bdb 7. Qb3, 0-0 8. c4, b6 9. cd, ed 10. e3, c5
 11. bc, bc 12. dc, B:c5 13. Bb5, Nbd7 14. B:d7, Q:d7 15. Nc5,
 Qdb 16. Nxf3, Qab 17. Nd4, B:d4 18. ed, Rab8 19. Qg3, Ne4
 20. Qf4, Nc3 21. Kdz, Qe2+ 22. Resigns-

Wiggan-Crowder: 1. e4, e6 2. Nf3, d5 3. e5, c5 4. g3, Ncb 5. d3, Qc7
 6. Bf4, h6 7. h4, N8et 8. Nc3, ab9 9. Bg2, Ng6 10. 0-0, Nc:e5
 11. N:e5, N:e5 12. N:d5, ed 13. B:c5, Qcb 14. c4, Bcb 15. Re1,
 0-0-0 16. Qb3, Qd7 17. Qbb, Bdb 18. cd, B:d5 19. B:d5, B:e5
 20. R:e5, f3 21. Bcb, Q:e6 22. Q:e6, Resigns-

Spencer-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. NXQ, B-B4 8. B-K3, N-Q2 9. 0-0,
 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(s)xKP 15. BXP, PxB 16. NXP, 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(s)-Qb2 23. B-N3, QR-Q1 24. B-R4, R-Q2 25. R-Q2, K-N1 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

The Dutch defence has scored well in recent tournaments:

Oxford Open Ladner-Johnson 1 d4 e6 2 c4 f5 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 Nf3. The most effective way I've seen to play against a Dutch is to withhold this move and fianchetto the KB before Black can take control of that vital diagonal. 4...b6 5 Bg5 ab4 6 a3. This move is not good in this position because the QN, controlling f5 and e4, is worth more than the bishop. 6...bc3 7 bc Bb7 8 e3 00 9 Bd3 16 10 Rab1 Nbd7 11 Bc2 h6 12 h4 Qe8. This is played with two ideas: to unpin the KN to allow it to go to e4, and to perhaps later move the queen to h5. 13 d5 Ne4 14 Be4 fe 15 Bh6 gh 16 Nd4 Qf7 17 Qg4 Kh8 18 Rb2 ed 19 Rh3 Ne5 20 Qe2 Nd3 21 Kf1 Nb2 22 Qb2 a6 23 f4 Bc8 24 Rh2 Qg6 25 cd Qg3 26 c4 Kx8 27 Nf3 ef 28 gf Bh3 29 Qg2 Qg2 0:1

Jackson Ladder Farrell-Johnson 1 d4 e6 2 c4 f5 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 Bg5 Bb4 5 a3 Bc3 6 bc b6 7 Nf3 Bb7 8 e3 00 9 Be2 d6 10 d5 e5 11 Qc2 h6 12 Bf6 Qf6 13 e4 fe 14 Qe4 Nd7 15 00 Nc5. The recurring disadvantage to playing d5 as White is that it gives the black QN an easy route to e4. 16 Qc2 Bc8 17 Ne1 Bf5 18 Qd1 Ne4 19 Rc1 Rf7 20 Bd3 Raf8 21 Be4 Be4 22 Nd3 Qg6 23 Ne1 Rf4 24 Qe2 R8f5 25 f3 Qf6. Queens belong behind doubled rooks. 26 Nd3 Bd3 27 Qd3 Qh4 28 g3 Rg5 29 Rc2 Rf6. Not 29...Rc4? 30 f4. 30 Rg2 Qh3 31 g4 h5 32 Rg3 Qh4 33 Qe2 hg 34 fg Rf1? (Rfg6) 35 Kf1 Rg6 36 Kg2 Rh6 37 h3 Qe7 38 Rf3 Rf6 39 Kg3 Rf3 40 Qf3 g5 41 Qf5 Kg7 42 Kf3 Qf6 43 Ke4 Qg6 44 a4 a6 45 Ke3? Now the game can be held, but with some difficulty. White should initiate the exchange and keep his pawns sound. 45...Qf5 46 gf Kf6 47 Ke4 a5 48 c5 bc 49 c4 Kg7 50 Kf3 Kf7 51 Ke4?? White should only defend the pawn after it is attacked. 51...Kf6 52 Kf3 Kf5 53 Ke3 e4 54 Ke2 Kf4 55 Kf2 e3 56 Kg2 e2 57 Kf2 e1/Q 58 Ke1 Kx3 59 Kf1 Kh3 60 Kf2 g4 0:1

MISS. STATE RATINGS LIST

Tournaments Rated: Mississippi State Championship
Mississippi Chess Congress

- 1 Santef, Joseph.....2214
- 2 Poole, John R.....1910
- 3 Porter, Warren B....1881
- 4 Crawley, Anthony....1843
- 5 Carr, David.....1831
- 6 Crowder, Peyton.....1779
- 7 Watson, Byron M.....1732
- 8 Gray, Gary.....1732
- 9 Perkins, Stan.....1674
- 10 Williams, Robert....1666
- 11 Issa, Ed.....1662
- 12 Jackson, Claude A...1660
- 13 Masters, John E....1650
- 14 Hale, Demetrius....1646
- 15 Melvin, Harold.....1610
- 16 Harrell, Clarke....1604
- 17 Carter, Richard....1601
- 18 Schuster, Eugene....1591/9
- 19 Joyner, Jerry.....1581
- 20 Killcrease, Keith...1571
- 21 Smith, II Allyn...1569
- 22 Gray, John.....1553
- 23 Johnson, Rick.....1545
- 24 Berger, Marilyn....1531
- 25 Schrade, Thomas G..1527
- 26 Datlof, Joseph.....1520

- Gilbert, U.J.....1357
- Gilbert, Walter G.... 967/9
- Gray, Bruce A.....1216/13
- Harrison, Jay G..... 842/4
- Hayes, David L.....1464
- Herbert, Vernell....1147/12
- Hess, Randall G.....1302/23
- Hill, Jr. Lyle E.... 972/4
- Horton, Robert.....1208/24
- Hovious, Robert L....1307/15
- Hustead, Bruce H....1468
- Ivy, Stan.....1067/8
- Johnson, Ben B.....1203
- Jordan, Samuel C....1262/4
- Kerr, L. Allen.....1319
- King, Harold.....1308/4
- Ladner, Gary L.....1476
- Lee, Keevin R.....1504
- Lewis, Daniel J.....1395/11
- Liddell, Sammy Lee...1468/10
- Loftin, Lavon.....1088/9
- Lundquist, Steve....1393
- Mathes, Roger.....1319
- Merritt, Roy W.....1487
- Metts, Danny.....1349/22
- Michota, Sindi D....1048/10
- Parker, Joseph.....1351/18
- Parker, Richard E....1147/15
- Parks, Billy Ricky...1257/9
- Rutkowski, Terence...1437
- Salmon, Bill W.....1262
- Schonholz, John.....1106
- Scott, Gordon E.....1467
- Scott, Tony W.....1155/15
- Sierichs, Jr. Bill...1430/22
- Smith, James W.....1160/10
- Smith, Robert A.....1372/5
- Spencer, Stephen....1392
- Stewart, Roger A....1050/5
- Thompson, Anthony...1270/4
- Thompson, Sylvester.. 761/4
- Traxler, Isaac W.... 992/4
- Watts, Alvin D.....1460
- Weaver, Dwight K....1451
- Weeks, Jr. John L....1171
- Widerynski, Lesley...1474
- Williamson, Edward...1138/9
- Wilson, Jr. Gerald...1304
- Wright, Larry M.....1492
- *Wilson, Larry.....1590/10

- Baker, L. Gayle.....1216/18
- Baker, Wyatt.....1007/13
- Barenis, Ludis.....1479
- Barrett, John.....1337
- Bell, Jacob..... 903/4
- Britt, Paul Wayne...1408
- Brooks, George.....1519
- Burford, A.R.....1339
- Caldwell, Carlos.... 810/4
- Clawson, Rick.....1116/18
- Collins, Daryl.....1506
- Collins, Terry.....1343
- Cox, Ivey C.....1406
- Crowder, Laurin E... 908/21
- Davis, Ron.....1287
- Davis, Tommy.....1264/11
- Dribben, John S....1486/16
- Farmer, L. Judson...1217
- Farmer, Robert M....1225/5
- Farrell, M.A.....1427
- Fleckenstein, Duke..1174

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Loal Davis (≈2150) - Porter (1799)

- 1 e2-e4 c7-c5
- 2 f2-f4 d7-d6
- 3 Ng1-f3 Nb8-c6
- 4 c2-c3 d6-d5
- 5 e4-e5 d5-d4

Black wasn't prepared to play a French.
5 .. d4 gives Black his share of the center.

- 6 d2-d3 Bc8-g4
- 7 Bf1-e2 Bg4xf3
- 8 Be2xf3 Qd8-d7

Stops both 9 Bc6:+ and 9 e6, either of which could ruin Black's pawns.

- 9 c3-c4 e7-e6

White wanted to prevent .. dc opening the d file.

- 10 0-0 g7-g6
- 11 Nb1-a3

The plan N-d2-e4 looked better.

- 11
- 12 Na3-c2 h7-h5

Prevents g4 after .. Nf5 and comes in handy later.

- 13 Qd1-e1 Ne7-f5
- 14 Bf3-e4 Bf8-e7
- 15 Bc1-d2 Qd7-c7
- 16 b2-b4 Nc6xb4
- 17 Nc2xb4 c5xb4
- 18 Bd2xb4 Nf5-e3
- 19 Rf1-f2 Be7-h4

Forcing g3 and giving Black a handle to open the h file with.

- 20 g2-g3 Bh4-e7
- 21 Ra1-b1 Ra8-b8
- 22 Bb4xe7 Qc7xe7
- 23 Qe1-a5 b7-b6
- 24 Qa5-b5+ Ke8-f8
- 25 c4-c5

After the game White suggested 25 Qb4 trading Queens and obtaining a favorable endgame. When we tried that he got in c5 and eventually won the d Pawn and that round of the postmortem.

- 25
- 26 c5-c6 h5-h4

I wondered how white would answer the threat of 27 .. hg 28 hg Rh3 which either wins the g Pawn or if 29 Rf3 Rbh8.

- 27 Be4-g2

It won't be as easy as the above note.

- 27
- 28 Rf2-d2 h4xg3

Doesn't threaten anything ... yet, but prevents a lot of useful moves (Qb4,a4)

- 28 Rf2-d2 h4xg3
- 29 h2xg3 Ne3xg2
- 30 Kg1xg2 Qa3-c3

My opponent thought that 30 Rg2: might have been better. Here I thought I would win the c Pawn with 31 Rdb2 Rbc8 since 31 Rib2 would allow 31 .. Qc1 with an overwhelming King hunt.

- 31 Rb1-b2 Qc3-c1
- 32 Kg2-f3

Back to reality. 32 ... Qh1+ is simply answered with 33 Rg2.

- 32
- 33 Rb2-c2 Qc1-g1
- 34 Rd2-f2?

Possibly the losing move. (Rg2). Now Black has an extra tempo to get his Rooks into the game. Once his King gets to g4, White thought Black would have no checks on the d1-h5 diagonal.

- 34
- 35 Rf2-g2 Qg1-e3+
- 36 Kf3-g4 Rc8-h8!

The original idea was 36 c7 and the Pawn will cost Black his Rh3. Too late

he sees the threat is 37 .. R8h4+!
38 gh Qf3+ 39 Kg5 Qh5 mate.

- 37 Rc2-f2 Rh3xg3+
- 38 Rg2xg3 Qe3xf2
- 39 c6-c7

Desperation.

- 39
- 40 Rg3-f3 Qf2-h4 mate

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