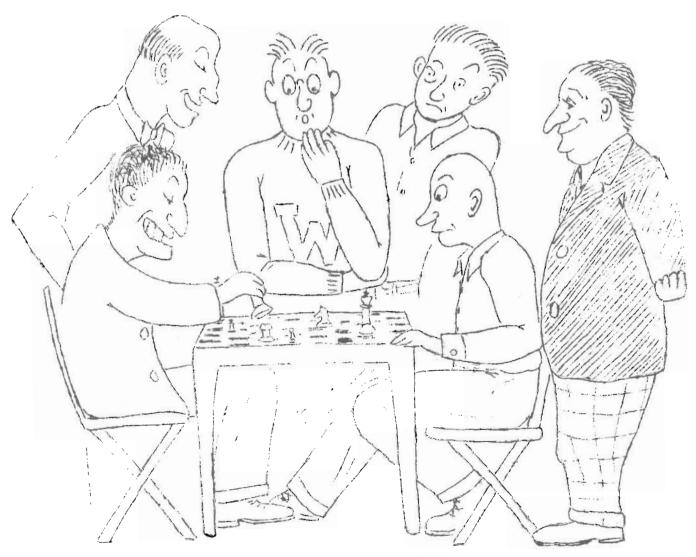
# WASHINGTON GHZSS LETTER



"THE KIBITZERS"

OGT. 1949

Dear WCL Editor -- Helloh Jack:

I read part of your WCL and of course stumbled over the thrilling "En Passant" of Dick Allens. Of course you know that I, as a non-smoker, have this smokescreen trouble all the time, and I've never seen a smoker dumb enough yet to blow the smoke into his own face. Those boys are clever, they blow it into their opponents face; simple enough why. They don't like it either but are always surprised when you ask them to blow it in another direction So much for the smoke though confidentially that is the only reason I ever lose against Ulvestad. The real reason for my writing, however, is that I want Dick to show me "A BRITISH ACCENT PRONOUNCED TWEEDS". What in the Dick's name is it? Could he have discovered the missing link, and possibly even in tweeds? nosey so please ask Dick, will you, Jack?

Best regards, Kilian Seekamp

We received quite a few comment letters on the time limit proposals. Here are a few excerpts from letters on this subject:

..... I firmly believe that the fast time limit in conjunction with play sans clocks is directly responsible for players not playing up to their natural and potential strength ..... A time limit of 40 moves in the first 2 hours and 20 moves per hour thereafter is the minimum required for serious chess. I know of no major tourney or match play that is played faster ..... If we want strong choss in Wash. ington we should be willing to give it the nocessary time required. ---- G.S.G. Patterson

.... I have long championed 40 moves per hour; I would suggest either a straight 40 mph or the following: 40 moves the

first hour and 20 minutes, 60 moves by the time the clock reaches 1 hr. and 40 min., and 80 moves by the time it reaches 2 hours .... hope this is some help to you, but don't take anyone's suggestions too seriously at present as the issue is merely a tempest in a teapot until the players are far better provided with clocks.

#### ---- Glenn Mullor

..... It is my firm conviction that a game played at a faster rate than 40 moves per hour is just pushing wood and can not be considered good chess; a lower time limit (30 mph) would be more adequate but is not practicable because of lack of time, especially for out-of-town teams. I suggest (and hope the teams agree) that the games should start at 1 o'clock which will give the traveling team an earlier start home than has been the rule in the past years. I am strongly opposed to adjudication --- an adjudicator might score a game as lost because he sees a winning continuation which the player would not have seen, or viceversa. The game is scored according to the interpretations of the adjudicators -- not of the players. ---- Chas. Joachim 

#### SEATTLE CHESS LEAGUE TO BE ORGANIZED

Mr. Charles Joachim, State Champion, is taking the lead in organizing a City Chess League for team tournament play during the coming winter. A tentative list of competing teams follows: West Seattle, Univ., Colored Mens Club, Seattle, YMCA, Seattle U.

It is suggested that the Seattle Chess Club select team players other than Puget Sound League players and that team players be rotated among the members. This should give all players a chance to engage in team competition and meet players from oth-

er clubs.

Editorial

by Jack Finnigan

With the approach of the Puget Sound Chess League Tournament (opening day: Oct. 16th), team players are brushing the dust off their old chess manuals and re-familiarizing themselves with their favorite openings. As far as this humble scribe is concerned it looks like a two-way tussle between the Seattle and Tacoma Chess Clubs. Seattle has bolstered its already strong team with the addition of G. S. G. Patterson, former Southern California Champion, who in our opinion, is as good if not better than any other player in this state (the great Ulvestad excepted).

The Seattle City Chess Championship has been concluded with Antone Walloch reigning as the new champ. The championship was decided by

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The championship was decided by a "marathon" playoff between the winners of the 2 sections, Glenn Muller and Walloch, Sunday, Sept. 25th. After playing on even terms for five games, Tony won the 6th and 7th which gave him the required two game margin. What a rugged afternoon that must have been! Congratulations Tony!

The Kitsap County Championship tournament is now going strong. It's a little too early to report much, except that our champion, Jack Nourse, took a couple on the chin, Gustafson winning in what was regarded as a big upset (but that "Gus" is getting real tough).

George Rehberg tried to set up business as a "bookie" at the start of the tourney, posting odds against the field on their chances of winning the tournament. Apparently there are few money gamblers in a gang of chess players, however, because George had to close down with nary a cash customer.

An excellent suggestion comes from Mr. Patterson: That we publish in the CHESS LETTER information on the various clubs in the state, addresses, meeting nights, etc. An effort will be made to provide this data in the near future.

Before signing off we would like to call your attention to your roving editors new address: Jack Finnigan, 2497 Snyder, Apt. #1, Bremerton, Wash. Thank you.

### ANTONE WALLOCH NEW SEATTLE CITY CHESS CHAMPION

Seattle City Chess crown The rests firmly on the brow of one Antone Walloch. But, to gain honor, he had to sweat it this through eight hours of the toughest kind of chess. Glenn Muller, the State Speed Champ, was Tony's antagonist. Although Glenn had tied with Chas. Joachim in Section 1, ho (Glenn) was deemed the winner of that section according to the tournament rules which stipulated that any ties within the sections be broken by the Gelbfuss Systom (much the same as the S. B.). Anyway, Glenn came out 3 points ahead by virtue of his la-a score against Joachim.

In the playoff, which was played in one sitting by agreement, everything was even-steven for the first five games. Then Walloch took two in a row clinching the title.

# Final Standings Section 1

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Carson ......

REHBERG SAYS:

Beyond a doubt some of you are wondering what has happened to your favorite writer. Well the truth is that I have been shunning publicity like the plague. Besides, I'm just naturally too modest. However, the deluge of letters, telegrams and telephone calls you have all sent my way has induced me to come out of retirement. I have been deeply touched, so much so, that even though the boss hasn't raised my salary (as I had hoped), I am writing again.

The Kitsap Co. Tournaments are again underway. We are having A,B,&C class tourneys this year. Class A entries include: Nourse, Blakefield, Gustafson, Christey, Patterson, Buher, Sanwick, Finnigan, Rehberg --- and one new man

--- Magerkurth.
Krehbeil, (last years Class B Champ) may also enter. Elmer Grankull, who I have insisted was the Class B winner over here last year, will not enter.

Most everyone seems to have forgotten the fact that Grankull won the Class B tourney that we held along with the Championship Tournament last year while Krebbeil won a second tournament sponsored by and held under the auspices of the local Shipyard.

In the tournament just getting underway, Nourse started the Class A doings with a bang by dropping two (2) games to Gustafson. Gus then lost one to Buher and Nourse evened his percentage by defeating Sanwick 2-0.

Sanwick is a former member of the Hollywood Chess Club (dues \$25 per year, fellas). The other night Dick Allen showed up at the Kitsap Club and a proposal which I made to raise the dues to \$50 starting that night was rejected.

Dick has regularly been with us of late and we had all hoped it would be a permanent arrangement but the Fates have apparently ruled otherwise as he is heading back to Seattle before too long.

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#### CHESS IN VIENNA by Charles Joachim

What's going on in Vienna's Chess Life now is beyond reach of my knowledge, but about Chess in ancient times, that is, when I was a boy and my brain was young and gay, I am now going to give a truthful report to the best of my knowledge and all concealment committed

herewith is just due to a lack of memory.

Let's begin with the golden school days. Amongst the high school students there was a good deal of enthusiasm and daydreaming of someday becoming a master. Between the schools fierce battles over chessboards aroso overy year. However, an organized high school Scores were kept by the winning teams, chess league did not exist. while the losers lost the evidence of their defeats relatively soon. At about 15 or 16 years the chess youngster joined one of the clubs where usually one of the club olders transplanted his wisdom and experience into the eager minds of the coming generation.

Naturally, the studying of books was emphasized and the Builger (the outstanding chess book), comparable to Fine's M.C.O. in an old costumo, enjoyed widespread popularity. I and many others however, preferred Dufresne, a protty good sized pocket edition of chess (which would have torn our pockets had we used this precious book in its literal sense). There was a good reason for reading Dufresne:

This book was much cheaper.

After the minds of the chess kids became broadened by theory and experience, the youngsters (who all played in the style of Morphy and Andersen) found out that it was much more profitable to sacrifice his opponent's pieces than his own and that his own Queen is more valuable than a chance to construct a mating net within the next 75 moves. In other words, while in high schools the gambits, especially the Kings and the Evans Gambit, were the dominating openings, the University age students switched over to more solid games and Reti, Capablanca and the other "Moderns" or "Hypermoderns" became their heroes.

Organized chess boomed at the Vienna Universities; the University with a Medicine, Law, Theology and Philosophy background was in front by virtue of the number and strength of its players; the Technik (for Engineers) was the second strongest crew; next came the Export Academy followed by the Agricultural University (Hoch Schule fuer Bodencultur).

The clubs also played a very important role. The number of clubs was so large that we were able to form 4 or 5 leagues, each league having from 10 to 12 clubs, the winner of the lower league changing

places with the loser of the next higher league.

The residence of the clubs and the places of all chess activities were the Coffee houses, which did not charge rent to the clubs, but were satisfied with compensation resulting from the chess players cating when they were hungry and drinking when they were dry (and not

all the drinks were non-alchaholic).

There was one Coffee house, "the Central Caffee", that without having a chess club on its promises, had the reputation of being the chess center of Vienna. Here gathered the chess professionals who made their living by teaching chess, writing for chess papers (the most important regular chess paper was "Wiener Schachzeitung"), and by playing for money.

The newspapers of Vienna took a much more interested attitude toward chess than the papers here in the States. They published games. and reported chess events. There was one nowspaper that even ran a

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#### CHESS INTEREST AT NEW PEAK IN EASTERN WASHINGTON

by Lawrence Allyn

At long last Eastern Washington chess is coming out of the

dormant stage.

The Wonatchee Chess Club, just organized last fall, journeyed to Yakima on Sunday, August 28th to play what is believed to be the first inter-city chess match held in Eastern Washington, marking the beginning of an active choss ore for this section.

Wenatchee downed Yakima 9 to 5 on seven boards, but the match was really much closer than the score indicates for they were all hard fought games.

The scoring ran as follows:

Wenatchee (9)		Yakima (5)
Shantz	1,	Hoge, W 1
Allyn, D	1,	Troisman 1
Allyn, L	2,	Fauverque 0
Millor	2,	Garcia 0
Lodgo	2,	Hogo, D 0
Zioton	1,	Schmid I
Lathrop	0,	Wischstadt 2

Yakima will soon have a chance to get revenge when they travel to Wenatchee for a return match. The date has not yet been set.

#### ULVESTAD AND JCACHIM TO CONDUCT CHESS LESSONS

Olaf Ulvestad, recognized intornational master, and Charles Joachim, State Champion announce that beginning Friday, October 21st they will conduct chess classes at the Scattle YMCA. Joachim will have the beginners class while Ulvestad will handle the advanced class. Those interested in studying chess theory and improving their game are invited to attend. More details can be had by contacting Chas. Joachim, 2712 E. Fir, Scattle 22 Phone: Ea 0258, or Olaf Ulvestad, 2113 41st Avc. S.W., Scattle 6.

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#### CHESS IN VIENNA --- Joachim (continued)

regular chess column every Monday, "the Sonn und Motagszeitung", and practically every periodical had a chess column.

There were a few Austrian masters of International reputation: Schlecter, Spielmann, Becker, Eliskases; some of lesser importance like Wolf, Hoenlinger, Marco, Mueller and a great number of national masters.

In regards to Vienna's chess tournaments, the Swiss system was totally unknown in those days and when the entry in a tournament was too large for a round robin, elimination tournaments were held. The losers were eliminated and players who drew had to play another game to reach a decision. Thus, a 64 player entry took only 6 rounds to determine the winner. In important tournaments however, the round robin system was used. The annual Trobitsch Tournaments ranked among the great chess events, with masters from all over the world participating.

This gives you a brief sketch of Vienna's Chess Life. If you'd

like more details, let me know.

Yours truly, Charles

#### WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION SCHEDULE 1949 - 1950

At this writing there are seven teams signed up for competition. Apparently Skagit and Bellingham have dropped out this year as Mr. Joachim (W. C. F. Tournament Director) has not received word from either club declaring their intention to participate. West Seattle may come in as the eighth team in which case they will meet the team scheduled with the bye.

Participants: Everett, Olympia, Tacoma, University of Washington, Seattle, Seattle YMCA, and Kitsap.

There will be 7 rounds, 40 moves per hour per player, 10 moves in 10 minutes thereafter. No adjudications!

If 2 or more teams tie in the final standings, the team having the highest total game point score will be adjudged the winner.

#### Round 1, October 16th:

Olympia at Everett; YMCA at Seattle; Tacoma at Kitsap; Univ.-bye.

Round 2, October 30th:

Olympia at Seattle; Kitsap at YMCA; Univ. at Tacoma; Everett-bye.

Round 3, November 13th:

Everett at Seattle; YMCA at Olympia; Kitsap at Univ.; Tacoma-bye.

Round 4, November 27th:

Univ. at Everett; Seattle at Kitsap; Tacoma at YMCA; Olympia-bye.

Round 5, January 8th:

YMCA at Everett; Olympia at Unive; Seattle at Tacoma; Kitsap-bye.

Round 6, January 29th:

Everett at Tacoma; Kitsap at Olympia; Univ. at YMCA; Seattle-bye.

Round 7, February 19th:

Everett at Kitsap; Tacoma at Olympia; Seattle at Univ.; YMCA-bye.

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Attention: Club Tournament Directors please keep this score sheet.

#### SCHEDULE OF CHESS EVENTS WASHINGTON STATE CHESS FEDERATION

## Chas. Joachim, WCF Tournament Director

Director	
October 16th to Feb. 19th, 1950 P	uget Sound League Play.
Dec. 3rd and 4th, 1949 S 9:30AM, 1:00PM, 5:30 PM	tate Championship. Six round Swiss. Place: Scattle Chess Club, 9th and Madison (in the Assembly Hotel). Entry: \$2.00.
Dec. 31st, 1949	Good Byo '49" tournament at the Scattle Club. Lowest scorer will receive a prize and the title of "First Mate".
March 4th, 1950 W	ashington State Junior Champion- ship. Qualifications: Age be- low 20, resident of Washington. Entry fee: 50%.
March 11th (Saturday), 1950 F	irst Washington Womens Champion- ship Scattle Chess Club, As- sembly Hotel. Entry: \$1.00.
March 19th, 1950 W	ashington State Speed Tournament, Everett, Wash.
Aprîl 15th-16th, 1950 P	uget Sound Open, 5 round Swiss, Tacoma, Wash.
April 29th-30th, 1950 F	our District Tournaments; Dist. 1: Morthwestern Champion— ship (all counties north of King), to be played at Everett. Dist. 2: Olympic Peninsula Cham- pionship, at Bremerton. Dist. 3: Southwest Championship (counties south of Pierce). Dist. 4: Eastern Wash. Champion- ship, at Wenatchee.
May 20th-21st, 1950 W	cst Coast Tournament (still ten- tative). Participants: All Washington experts, winners of the 4 district tournaments, 2 Oregonians, 2 Californians and

June 17th-18th, 1950 ........... City of Portland versus the City of Scattle (if Portland accepts).

2 British Columbia players.

# James

Played in the International Match between B. C., Canada and Washington State, July 3rd, 1949.

#### RUY LOPEZ

Jursevskis			Joachim
(B. C.)			(Wash.)
White			Black
(Notes	bу	Olaf	Ulvestad)

1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 B-N5 P-QR3 4 B-R4 B-B4

Indicating that he wishes to avoid the defenses in which this Bishop remains relatively inactive during the early stages. This line is aggressive but not popular today as it allows White an early center pawn advance with gain of time.

5 0-0

Preparing P-Q4 by an immediate P-B3 seems more to the point.

6 P-KR3

Here again: 6 P-B3, B-KN5; 7 P-Q4 would have given White a dangerous initiative. Many promising aggressive opportunities are lost because of excessive preparation.

B-Q2

Breaks the pin and indirectly strengthens the center.

7 P-QB3 KN-K2

This move takes the last sting out of the coming White center pawn advance. Bl ch now has an elastic position with a strong center and all of his pieces actively working tegether. White's hesitating opening play is refuted.

8 P-Q4 PxP?

But this exchange is weak and unnecessary. Black should not

yield the center unless forced. B-R2 is correct here.

9 PXP

B-N3

Instead, B-R2 is better on principle as it would maintain the option of playing P-QN4 in an emergency. (See note to move 13 in parenthesis).

10 B-KN5 11 R-K 0-0 Q-B1?

Joachim is not one to stand by and be crushed by a center pawn steam-roller. He looks for counter-play. His idea, though not quite sound, shows considerable ingenuity and foresight; and fortune favors the resourceful!

12 P-Q5

Apparently winning a piece thru the elementary tactic of driving off the guard. As the game develops, things prove not quite so simple.

13 BxN N-K4

Missing his way. Correct how is the gain of the exchange at follows: 13 HxN, BxB; 14 QxB, 14 KB3; 15 N-Q7 (This is the "gain mick"). Had Black played 9.... R2. he could play P-QN4 here are his idea would have been quitable.

14 QXB

A losing recapture. Black's esjective is to shatter the White K-side. Surprisingly enough, the only adequate way to prevent it is for White to play 14 P-QN3. After 14 P-QN3, NaNch; 15 Qan, R-K; 16 B-N5, B-Q5; 17 N-B3, B-Q2 and Black's two Bishops compensate for a somewhat cramped position.

15 PXN

N:Nch Q:P

Threatening a murderous check (continued next page)

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### Jursevskis-Joachim (continued)

at N6. Blacks attack is overwhelming.

16 R-K2 KR-K 17 B-N5

Returning the piece at N5 in order to get some rest from the harassing Black Queen. The rest is of short duration and Joachim finishes with neatness and dispatch.

	Q-N6ch
18 K-B	Q::B
19 N-03	Q-R5
20 K-K	Q-RSch
21 N-B	Q::P
22 QR-B	BxPch
23 K-Q2	B-R5
24 REP	- Q.z.N
25 Q-07	B-N5ch
26 K-B3	R-KB
And White	rosigns.
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#### SEATTLE CITY TOURNAMENT

#### RUY LOPEZ

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4 B-R4	1	N-I	33
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#### SICILIAN DEFENCE

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White	Black
1 P-K4	P-QB4
2 P-QB3	N-QB3
3 P-04	PXP
4 Pap	P-Q4
5 PXP	QXP
6 N-KB3	P-K3
7 N-B3	B-115
8 P-QR3	BxNch
9 PxB	N-B3
10 B-Q3	P-QN3
11 0-0	B-N2
12 P-B4	2-22
13 B-N2	R-Q
14 Q-B2	N-KS
15 N-K5	Q-B2
16 KR-K	N-N3
17 P-Q5	N-Q2
18 NxBP!	KXN
19 PxPch	K-N
SO BXN	QxP
21 B-B5	Q-B2
22 B-K6ch	$\mathbb{K}=\mathbb{B}$
23 Q-B5ch	K-K2
24 B-Q7ch	K-Q3
25 QR-Qch	Resigns
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#### PACIFIC NW MASTERS-EXPERT

PACIFIC NW	MASTERS-EXPERTS				
Arthur Dake	George Reddington				
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1 P-Q4	N-KB3				
2 P-QB4	P-K3				
3 N-QB3	B-N5				
4 P-K3	P-Q4				
5 P-QR3 6 N-B3 7 BXP 8 P-K4	B-K2 P*P P-B4				
9 NXP 10 B-N5ch 11 N-B5	PxP P-K4 B-Q2 O-0				
12 BxB	( <b>).N×B</b>				
13 B-N5	R-B				
14 Q-B3	R-K				
15 R-Q	Q-R4				
16 REN!!	BRP				
17 BXN	Resigns				

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49-A-8: Coubrough 1, Hellurs O; Bellantine 1, Coubrough O.

48-B-5: Cairneross 1, Herk 0.

48-B-7: Husby 1, Allen 0.

an individual round robin.

49-C-4: Sanford 1, Harshall O.