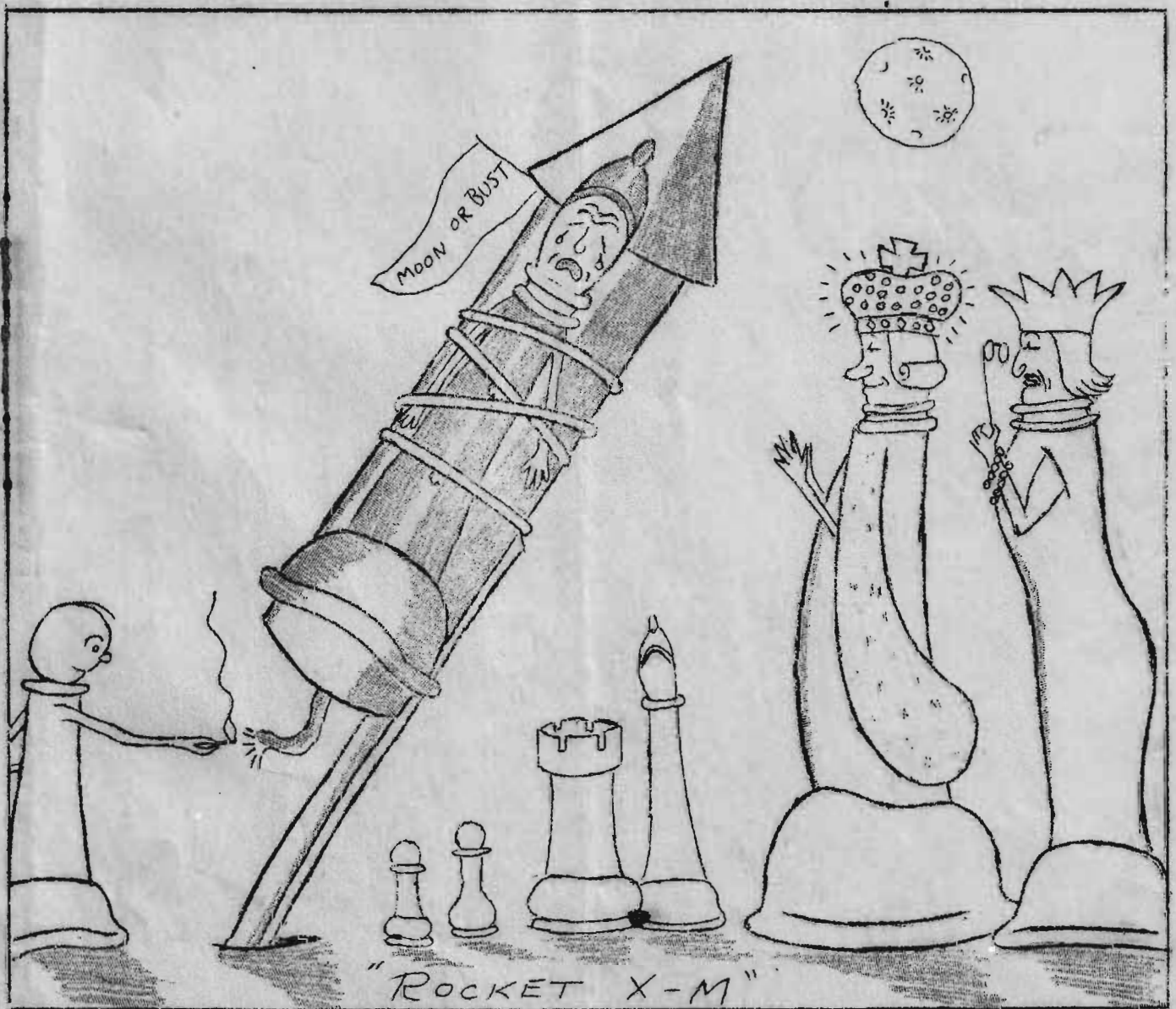


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EDITORIAL

July is the month in which constitutions are brought into the limelight. For this reason and because many of our members have not had the opportunity to read the Constitution of the Washington Chess Federation it will be published in this issue. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kenneth W. Mulford and Dick Allen for their excellent job of organizing the Constitution and By-Laws so that it could be printed at this time.

No doubt there are many chess players who have wondered at various times how the SONNENBORN-BERGER system functions. First I would like to state that it's main use is for tie-breaking in conjunction with the use of some other system. It is better explained by using a hypothetical tournament such as the following:

(name)	(score)	(Sonnenborn-Berger score)
PLAYER (A)	4 points	10
PLAYER (B)	4 points	9
PLAYER (C)	3 points	
PLAYER (D)	2 points	
PLAYER (E)	2 points	
PLAYER (F)	2 points	

(We can assume there are others playing in this tournament but it will not be necessary to list them as they do not enter into our calculations.)

PLAYER (A) and PLAYER (B) are tied for first place and the Sonnenborn-Berger system is to be used to break the tie. PLAYER (A) has played and beaten PLAYERS (B), (C) and (D) and drawn with PLAYER (E) and PLAYER (F). We now take 4 points from PLAYER (B) (which is the number of games that PLAYER (B) has won) plus 3 points from PLAYER (C) plus 2 points from PLAYER (D) and because he drew with PLAYERS (E) and (F) he is entitled to only half their score which is one point from each of them. This is a total of 10 points which is now considered the Sonnenborn-Berger score for PLAYER (A).

PLAYER (B) has played and beaten PLAYERS (C), (D), (E) and (F), and has lost to PLAYER (A). He is not allowed any credit for his loss to PLAYER (A) but using the same procedure as for PLAYER (A) we find that PLAYER (B) has only 9 Sonnenborn Berger points which adjudges PLAYER (A) as the winner.

You have no doubt all seen the membership list that was published several issues ago and perhaps some of you noticed how pitifully small it was. We have approximately a thousand chess players in the State of Washington and only a hundred odd of them are now subscribing to the Washington Chess Letter. Each time we can increase the circulation of the Washington Chess Letter we can improve it's quality, perhaps even be able to graduate into a printed publication at some later date. I would like to appeal to each of you readers to personally see that your chess playing friends are aware of the Washington Chess Letter, that they know how microscopically small the dues are compared to the amount of material brought to them in our publication, and that they know who to send their dues to if they wish to subscribe. Also I would like to mention that the \$1.50 which technically is Federation dues entitles them to the Washington Chess Letter and a 50% reduction in all tournament fees. Mr. W. E. Raleigh 4318 Densmore Ave., Seattle, Washington is WCF Treasurer and will accept subscriptions personally or by mail.

U.S.A. WINS BORDER MATCH

The U.S.A. won the Nation Wide Border Match from Canada with a score of 132 to 83 and with Washington turning out the second largest section.

The largest section of the match was the encounter of the combined forces of N. Y., Ohio and Pa. against those of Ontario. Their match was played at the Hotel Brock at Niagara Falls, Ontario with a total of 94 players participating for each side. The result of this section was a hard fought draw with each team winning 47 points. In this section, boards one and two the Canadian players Frank Anderson and Povilas Vaitonis respectively took victories from Glenn E. Hartleb and Roy Black, while on board three Canadian N. Glassberg drew with A. Nasvytis and on board four Erich W. Marchand of U.S. won from Canadian R. Martin.

The strength of the players in this section is indicated by the presence of Frank R. Anderson, Toronto Champion, Lithuanian Master Povilas Vaitonis and former Canadian Champion R. Martin. For the U. S. Hartleb, who finished fourth in the U.S. Open at Omaha, Roy Black a veteran returning to chess. A. Nasvytis who nearly won the Cleveland City Championship and the Rochester City Champion Erich W. Marchand.

Washington vs B.C. was the second largest section with a total representation of 53 players for each side. This ended in a triumph for Washington with a score of 34 to 17 awaiting adjudication of first and third boards for final scores. The adjudication results for these boards have not as yet been obtained from Chess Master George Koltanowski.

This Nation Wide Match is the second of its kind and was a complete success. Great credit for its organization goes to U. S. Team Captain Phil J. Mary of Buffalo and his Canadian associate D. M. McDain. Credit is also richly deserved by local Team Captains J. L. Finnigan assisted by R. P. Allen of Washington and Dave Greener of B. C.. Team Captains for other parts of the U. S. are Dr. J. Melnick, R. F. Eckhardt, H.M. G. Brandt, E. W. Marchand, G. A. Day, D. C. Macdonald, S. S. Keeney, G. E. Hartleb.

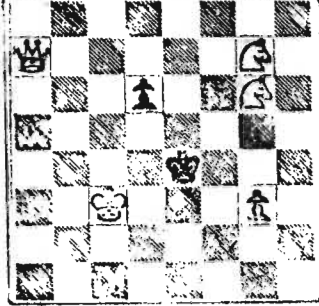
FINAL RESULTS OF THE USA CANADA MATCH

USA _____ 132		CANADA _____ 83	
Washington _____	30	British Columbia _____	16
	Played at Mount Vernon, Washington		
Washington _____	4	British Columbia _____	1
	Played at _____ Colville, Washington		
Minnesota _____	14½	Ontario _____	½
	Played at Grand Marais, Minnesota		
Michigan _____	6	Ontario _____	2
	Played at _____ Detroit, Michigan		
New York, Ohio, Pa. _____	47	Ontario _____	47
	Played at _____ Niagara Falls, Ontario		
New Hampshire _____	16½	Quebec _____	8½
	Played at _____ Berlin, New Hampshire		
Massachusetts _____	3	Quebec _____	4
	Played at _____ Montpelier, Vermont		
Vermont _____	2½	Quebec _____	3½
	Played at _____ Ferrisburg, Vermont		
Maine _____	8½	The Maritimes _____	½
	Played at _____ Bangor, Maine		

PROBLEM COLUMN

Answers on page 6

Black No. 1



White to mate in three

N-R4 K-K4
N-R4 K-K4
B-Q4 mate

Mr. E. A. Erickson of 911 Lakeview Blvd. Seattle, Washington has graciously accepted the invitation of The Washington Chess Federation to become Problem Editor.

Mr. Erickson has long been interested in problems and their intricacies and will be just the man for the job.

PROBLEM NO. 1

by E. A. Erickson

White has an overwhelming advantage but to mate in three is the problem. White has two knights, a queen, one pawn, and a king.

Black has only his king and one pawn.

PROBLEM NO. 2

by M. Major of Chess Life

White to move and mate in two. The numerical forces are approximately equal but the strategic position is in favor of white. An excellent example of positional play.

White has two bishops, one rook, a knight and a king.

Black has a queen, three pawns, and a king

PROBLEM NO. 3

by J. J. Butterfield

Mr. J. J. Butterfield dedicates this problem to C. R. Harmensen.

Black's last move has been P-KN4. Now white to play and mate in two.

White has a king, a queen, one rook, two knights, one bishop, and five pawns.

Black has a king, two bishops and four pawns.

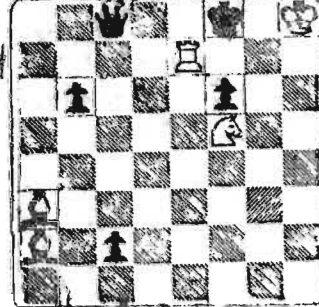
PROBLEM NO. 4

In this unusual problem black has obtained a terrific advantage and white is very much satisfied to obtain a draw.

White pieces are extremely cramped while blacks are not only free but in majority. Black has a pawn ready to queen and needs only a few moves to win if white will allow it. White has only one move with which to draw. Can you find it? White has a king, two rooks, two pawns and a bishop.

Black has a king, one rook, two bishops, two knights and four pawns.

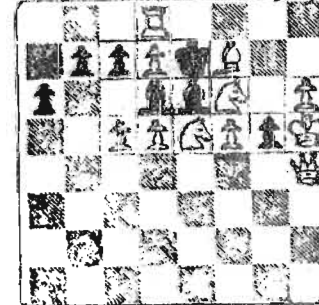
Black No. 2



White to mate in two

R-KN7+ Q-B4
R-KN8 mate

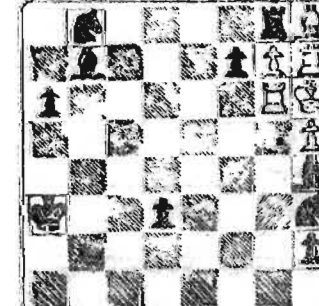
Black No. 3



White to mate in two

N-R4 K-K4
N-R4 K-K4
B-Q4 mate

Black No. 4



White to draw

RxRP + perpetual check
4. Black takes & white... it

POSTAL CHESS

NEIL F. POWER -- POSTAL CHESS EDITOR

Postal Chess Ratings - Big A's

Charles Ballantine	1591
J. A. Naas	1532
Neil F. Power	1479
L. H. Green	1397
E. Tweeddale	1375
Miss Alice Grey	1369
Leslie Coubrough	1361

Class A

Ballantine	1591
Bever	1229
Bushnell	1210
Cerretelli	1275
Christey	1261
Coubrough	1361
Dolle	1232
Gordon	1237
Greene	1397
Miss Grey	1369
Hardinge	1250
Harneson	1262
Hazen	1208
Kaffenberger	1236
Magerlarth	1294
Naas	1532
Norman	1167
Power	1479
Tweeddale	1375
Yocom, H. E.	1314

Class B

Allen	1021
Ansden	1132
Arntzen	1052
Baker	912
Blakefield	1044
Cairncross	1132
Cutshall	1054
Emerson	1046
Hellums	1167
Howard	1025
Husby	1140
Laudenberger	993
McCarthy	1148
McLartin	997
Merk	1163
Moore	1137
Mulder	1051
Orme	998
Parry	1012
Raleigh	959

Rich	1065
Roberts	875
Running	994
Sans	1074
Seekamp	1088
Taylor	1079
Yocom, C.	1007

Class C

Connell	822
Hiscox	829
Karch	746
Marshall	720
McCownell	850
Mrs. Moss	734
Neilson	805
Plume	732
Sanford	920

Section winners to date

<u>47-A1 A. G. Guthrie</u>	<u>47-A2 L. J. Taro</u>	<u>47-A3 J. H. Hellums</u>
<u>47-A4 J. A. Naas</u>	<u>48-A5 L. Coubrough</u>	<u>48-A6 J. A. Naas</u>
<u>47-B1 J. A. Naas</u>	<u>47-B2 Ray F. Hazen</u>	<u>48-B3 Chas. Ballantine</u>
<u>48-B4 G. L. Christy</u>	<u>49-B6 Thos. J. Dolle</u>	

Results

49-A9	Ballantine	1	Hellums	0	49-B8	Raleigh	1	Rich	0
48-B7	Allen	1	Roberts	0		Dolle	1	Howard	0
	Seekamp	1	Howard	0		Dolle	1	Rich	0
	Seekamp	1	Baker	0		Howard	1	Raleigh	0
	Husby	1	Seekamp	0		Merk	1	Rich	0
	Christy	1	Baker	0	48-C5	Sans	1	Connell	0
49-B9	Rich	1	Roberts	0		Sans	1	Marshall	0
	Rich	1	Sans	0	48-C4	Baker	1	Marshall	0
	Husby	1	Roberts	0		Sanford	1	Baker	0

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A HISTORY OF ORGANIZED CHESS IN WASHINGTON STATE by Jack Nourse

PART TWO cont.

Dear Bob,

---At Mt. Vernon, feeling very pleased at the magnanimous gesture of the Canadians in volunteering to come to Mt. Vernon, when they had the right to choose Vancouver or even Victoria, I felt that the occasion called for a reciprocal gesture. A quorum was called which voted in favor of the 1951 International Match being held at the Peace Arch in Blaine, Wash. I wish to go on record that the decision of the delegates at Mt. Vernon was legal and final.

I would like to start the approaching Puget Sound Chess League Tournament off with the official announcement that the Kitsap Co. Chess Club will definitely enter a team in the League this season. Our team will be selected from Rogberg, Magerkurth, Finnigan, Nourse, Christey, Patterson, Gustavson and others. We are hoping that Danskin and Dr. Almond will also be able to play this year.

Sincerely,

Jack N. Nourse.

ANSWERS TO PROBLEM COLUMN (from page 4)

Problem No. 1--- 1. Q-B2! K-Q4, 2. N-K7ch, and black can not avoid mate next move.

Problem No. 2--- 1. N-R4 closes the file and prevents a possible check by the black queen. Black has 16 queen moves at his disposal none of which can stop mate next move. This little miniature in the form of a chess problem was composed to serve as an object lesson to help the average player. It proves that an attack is not always a necessity.

Problem No. 3--- 1. PxP ep... a simple move yet often overlooked by many of us. Any move that black makes allows white to mate next move.

Problem No. 4--- 1. RxPch. if 1. ... BxR then white is in stalemate. If the black king moves then the white rook moves to a square adjacent to the black king and gives check and follows this procedure all over the board with a perpetual check.

Strange to say, no records are available about this unusual game and event.

King's Gambit Declined

White	Black	White	Black
C. B. Bagley		Frank Marshall	
1. P-K4	P-K4	21. Q-K3	R-N3
2. P-KB4	P-Q4	22. N-N3	KB-B1
3. PxQP	P-K5	23. N-KB5	Q-KR4
4. N-QB3	N-KB3	24. N-Q4	B-Q4
5. B-QB4	B-QB4	25. B-QN2	B-QB5
6. KN-K2	O-O	26. R-KB2	B-Q6
7. P-QR3	R-K	27. QR-KN	R-KN5
8. N-QR4	Q-K2	28. N-QB6	R-Q3
9. P-QN4	B-Q3	29. N-K5	R-KR5
10. O-O	P-QR3	30. P-KN3	R-KR6
11. B-QN5	P-QN4	31. R(KB2)-KN2!	R-KR3
12. N-QB3	P-QB3	32. Q-KB2	B-K7
13. PxP	NxP	33. P-KN4	QxN
14. N-Q5	NxN	34. QxB	QxBP
15. BxKN	B-N2	35. R-KB1	RxPch
16. P-QB3	QR-Q	36. RxR	RxRch
17. BxN	BxB	37. QxR	QxRch
18. K-R	Q-KR5	38. Q-N	Q-R
19. Q-K	Q-R3	39. Q-R2	QxNP
20. Q-N3	R-K3		and wins.

The P I chess editor observes that Mr. Marshall overlooked a beautiful mate in 5 moves at his 32nd move. Also White should have taken the Queen at his 34th move when he would have had an even game.

On this occasion, Marshall had just won the U. S. Championship, and was visiting the West Coast on his own, with no pre-arrangement of any kind. During his stay he was entertained by Mr. Bagley, who played host, and organized a simultaneous exhibition by the Master.

Money was obtained by passing the hat. The same procedure was repeated a few weeks later, when Capablanca arrived in Seattle and was entertained by Hugh Goodfellow, then Seattle's leading player.

JIM SCHMITT WINS OREGON OPEN

Jim Schmitt, 21 of Portland, won the 3rd ANNUAL OREGON OPEN undefeated and allowing only one draw. This victory by Jim is added to others which include first place in N W MASTER EXPERTS, 1950; ORE OPEN 1949 and PUGET SOUND OPEN 1948. He has also been POSTAL CHESS CHAMPION since 1948.

Svante Eikrem, also undefeated, took second place with two draws, and Dean Bollman placed third with $\frac{7}{8}$ - $\frac{1}{8}$.

Brilliancy prize was awarded to Jack Strong for the best played game against Donald Turner.

RESULTS OF OREGON OPEN

1st - Jim Schmitt	$4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$
2nd - Svante Eikrem	4-1
3rd - Dean Bollman	$\frac{7}{8}$ - $\frac{1}{8}$
4th - G. Tufts	3-2
5-6 - E. Bloomquist	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
5-6 - Jack Strong	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
7th - K. O. Skarsten	2-3
8th - Wm. Hoge	2-3
9th - T. Davidson	2-3
10th - Don Turner	$1\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$
11th - E. DuPraw	1-4

YAKIMA COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

The Annual Double Round Robin Tournament for the Championship of Yakima Co., was held in Yakima from March 20 to June 5, 1950. Play took place at the YMCA each Monday evening, which is also the regular meeting nite of the Yakima Chess Club.

Winner and new Yakima County Champion is Eli Treisman, a former New Yorker. Taking the lead almost from the start, he was never seriously challenged. He won his first 27 games and was stopped from making a clean sweep only on his 28th and final game, when runner-up Wm. Hoge (Club President) defeated him. Nineteen players competed in this affair which was directed by William Hoge.

Final Standings

	W	L	D	Pct.
1. Eli Treisman	27	1		96
2. William H. Hoge	27	2	1	92
3. Hal Dawson	10	3		77
4. A. H. Seubert	15	10	1	60
5. L. P. Puterbaugh	11	8	1	58
6. Richard Dexter	17	15	2	53
7. Abram Van Wyck	15	14		52
8. Ray C. Baker	11	11		50
9. Oliver LaFreniere	16	18		47
10. Ad Schmid	10	14	1	42.0
11. T. Albert Pool	12	17	1	41.7
12. Paul Sully	8	13		38.1
13. Emil Wischstadt	3	5		37.5
14. Levi Austin	2	4		33
15. James Garcia	7	18		28
16. Fred Morton, Jr.	4	12		25
17. Frank Rink	3	20		13
18. Gordon French	0	5	1	8
19. Thomas Hougan	0	8		0

On June 12, 1950, the Annual Meeting of the Yakima Chess Club was held. Wm. H. Hoge was re-elected President for another year and Eli Treisman was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

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GAMES

Pacific Northwest Experts, 1950

ENGLISH OPENING

J. Strong White	J. Schmitt Black
1 P-QB4	P-K4
2 P-Q3	N-KB3
3 N-KB3	N-B3
4 N-B3	P-Q4
5 PxP	NxP
6 P-KN3	B-K2
7 B-N2	B-K3
8 O-O	O-O
9 P-QR3	N-N3
10 B-K3	P-B4
11 Q-B1	Q-K1
12 P-QN4	K-R1
13 P-N5	N-R4
14 R-N1	B-Q3
15 P-Q4	P-K5
16 N-K5	BxN
17 PxB	N/4-B5
18 B-Q4	R-Q1
19 R-Q1	N-R4
20 BxN	BPxB
21 P-B3	RxRch
22 QxR	Q-B1
23 N-R4	R-Q1
24 Q-QB1	Q-Q2
25 N-B3	R-QB1!

Black threatens 26 ...Q-Q3 (ch). If now 26 R-N4, Q-QB2; or 26 P-K3, Q-Q6. White's next few moves are more or less forced.

26 Q-K3	N-B5
27 Q-B2	P-K6!
28 Q-K1	N-Q7!
29 R-B1	R-B2
30 N-N1

White can prevent the following combination with 30 N-R4, but why prolong the misery?

30	Q-B1!!
31 RxR	QxR

32 NxN

Black was threatening to win the Knight with 32 ...Q-B7.

32	Q-B6!
33 Q-Q1	PxN
34 Resigns	

NIMZO INDIAN DEFENSE

J. Schmitt White	G. Reddington Black
1 P-Q4	N-KB3
2 P-QB4	P-K3
3 N-QB3	B-N5
4 P-K3	P-Q4
5 P-QR3	B-K2
6 N-B3	QN-Q2
7 B-Q3	PxP.
8 BxBP	N-N3
9 B-Q3	P-B4
10 PxP	BxP
11 P-QN4	B-K2
12 B-N2	QN-Q4
13 O-O	O-O
14 Q-Q2	NxN
15 BxN	N-Q4
16 B-K5	B-B3
17 Q-B2	P-KR3
18 QR-B1	BxB
19 NxB	Q-B3
20 N-B4	B-Q2
21 N-Q6	P-QN3
22 KR-Q1	P-K4?
23 B-R7ch	K-R1
24 RxN	P-N3
25 N-K4	Q-B4
26 Q-N2	P-B3

A sad necessity. The alternatives are no better: 26 ...KxB? 27 RxP wins the Queen; or 26 ...QxN 27 RxP, Q-N2 28 BxP, PxB? 29 R-K7dis ch.

27 N-N3	Q-K3
28 RxB	QxR
29 BxP	QR-B1
30 B-B5	RxRch
31 QxR	Q-Q3
32 P-R3	R-KN1
33 P-K4	Q-B1
34 K-R2	Q-N2
35 P-KR4	R-Q1
36 Q-B6	Q-K2
37 P-R5	Q-Q3?
38 Q-N7	Resigns

QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED

G. Schain	R. Stork
White	Black
1 P-QB4	P-QB3
2 N-KB3	N-B3
3 N-B3	P-Q4
4 P-Q4	PxP
5 P-K4	P-K3
6 BxP	B-K2
7 O-O	QN-Q2
8 P-KR3	P-QN4
9 B-N3	B-N2?
10 P-Q5	BPxP
11 PxP	P-N5
12 PxP	PxP
13 N-QN5	N-Q4
14 QN-Q4	N-B4
15 B-R4ch	NxB
16 QxNch	K-B2
17 N-K5ch	K-B3?
18 R-K1	B-QB1?
19 B-N5ch	KxB
20 N-B7ch	K-B3
21 NxQ and wins	

NIMZOINDIAN DEFENSE

J. Schmitt	C. Crain
White	Black
1 P-Q4	N-KB3
2 P-QB4	P-K3
3 N-QB3	B-N5
4 P-K3	N-K5
5 Q-B2	P-KB4
6 B-Q3	P-Q4
7 N-B3	O-O
8 B-Q2	B-K2?
9 PxP	PxP
10 NxP!	P-B3
11 NxBch	QxN
12 O-O	N-Q2
13 P-QN4	N/2-B3
14 P-N5	PxP
15 Q-N3ch	B-K3
16 QxP	NxB
17 NxN	P-QR3
18 Q-N2	QR-B1
19 QR-B1	P-KM3
20 B-B4	P-QN4
21 BxBch	QxB
22 Q-N3	K-B2
23 QxQch	KxQ
24 N-N3	N-Q2
25 P-B3	K-Q4
26 K-B2	R-B5
27 N-Q2	R-R5

28 R-B2	N-N3
29 R/1-B1	N-B5
30 NxN	PxN
31 R-QN1	P-B5
32 R-N7	PxPch
33 KxP	R-K1ch
34 K-B2	KxP
35 R-Q7ch	K-B4
36 RxRP	R-Q1
37 R-B7ch!	K-N3

Black must lose a second Pawn since 37 ...K-N4?? loses a Rook after 38 R-N2ch.

38 R/7xP	RxR
39 RxR	R-Q7ch
40 K-N3	RxRP
41 R-KN4	P-R4
42 RxPch	K-N4
43 P-R4	R-QB7
44 P-R5	R-B4
45 K-N4	P-R5
46 P-R6	R-B7
47 P-N3	R-KR7
48 R-N5ch	Resigns

Puget Sound Open, 1950

ENGLISH OPENING

G. Schain	Dr. A. Murray
White	Black
1 P-QB4	P-K4
2 N-QB3	N-KB3
3 N-B3	N-B3
4 P-K3	P-Q3
5 P-Q4	B-N5
6 B-K2	PxP
7 NxP	BxB
8 QxB	NxN
9 PxNdis ch	Q-K2
10 B-K3	O-O-O
11 O-O	P-Q4
12 P-B5	P-B3
13 P-QN4	P-KR4
14 P-N5	Q-B2
15 PxP	QxBP
16 N-N5	Q-R3
17 P-B6!	B-Q3
18 KR-B1	N-K1
19 NxBch	RxN
20 QxQ	PxQ
21 B-B4	R-K3
22 QR-N1	N-B2?
23 R-N7	P-N4
24 RxNch	K-Q1
25 R-Q7ch	K-B1
26 RxRP	Resigns

REHBERG SAYS

Early up and to the pegs in Chess set tucked away in the living room desk. After a diligent search I find it and a book by one A. Alekhine of whom you may have heard. A short time passes, the 'phone (a devilish invention) rings and a feminine voice inquires somewhat testily if I plan on providing transportation for her from the market place before supper time. I had earlier given her a dime to visit the bazzars with. These places are many and varied and they have all manner of trade goods within to trap the unwary.

Can't seem to play as well after the second or third game in an evening. Any body else have the same trouble?

One of my opponents, lately hospitalized, is in the habit of accusing me by implication of playing 'by the book'. Now as a matter of fact I never take a book to the chess board when playing. His implications though are very subtle and I think somewhat entertaining. This player (a very good one too) always relaxes after the 10th move and mutters something about being happy that he doesn't have to play Alekhine for the rest of the game.

Thoughts while losing a game: "That sacrifice I made was no good, wonder if he knows it? He does, I can see him smirking to himself now. I'll have to bull thru it now somehow. Might as well throw another sacrifice his way might fool him. He thinks it's a trap and isn't going to take it. Maybe he doesn't see it. Yeh, he's playing like a master now. He takes the second 'sacrifice' methodically. Haven't got a chance with him. Guess I'll resign and get another game in before he heads for home.

Any of you ever read 'The Screwiest Game' ? I forget the author's name but the work appeared in every old issue of Esquire about 1936 I think. The author was apparently not an enthusiastic chess player.

I have just finished a little work entitled 'Thirty Basic Chess Tactics', quite short as chess books go. But believe it or not the hardest part of writing it was a short introduction in which I try to explain the bare fundamentals of chess. Found it difficult to define the game. For example it isn't correct really to say that the object of chess is to capture the King because the object of chess is to checkmate the King. And there resllu isn't a simple ten word description of checkmate written so that a person ignorant of chess could follow you.



ZYLOTHISM*

(* A new description of an old disease)

by Dr. Julius S. Weingart
Des Moines, Iowa

It is very strange that this malady, now existant for several centuries should have received no attention from the medical profession. Such a curious affliction has certainly deserved scientific observation and record, and this neglect on the part of my colleagues I now propose to remedy by describing, as accurately as possible, its incidence, its symptoms and its clinical course.

We note, to begin with, that this disease affects chiefly males, beginning usually in the second decade and continuing into middle life and beyond. Occasionally the female sex is attacked, but this occurrence is rather rare.

The earliest symptom is observed as a tendency on the part of the patient to foregather with some fellow sufferer and with him sit in a hunched position for hours at a time, in almost total silence and without uttering a word or engaging in any useful or entertaining conversation, and with the eyes constantly glued on one spot. At rare intervals a harsh, guttural sound will be emitted by one or the other victim, a noise somewhat resembling "chk", but even this may not be audible except to an acute observer.

As the disease progresses, these patients show a tendency to congregate together, not, as common sense would dictate, for the relief of symptoms, but instead, for their aggravation. Such meeting places may indeed be found in almost any city, constituting, as it would seem, sanatoria in reverse.

Individuals attacked by this virus gradually lose their liking for other activities, if indeed that in which they sit and glare and ponder and growl can really be called one. Wine, woman and song, the normal objectives of the male (according to Dr. Martin Luther and the German verse) no longer absorb their interest. Their wives sit at home in loneliness, wearily wondering what sort of Queen should have so much attraction for their mates. In truth, these poor, neglected creatures most hate the disease, but are powerless either to allay or cure it.

For it is my observation that of all sicknesses, this is by far the most chronic. Once contracted, it is apt to last for years and when the patient begins to have acute attacks which are, I believe, called by them "tournaments", there is no longer hope of relief or remedy.

The mania continues in its unvarying course and vision becomes so affected that the whole universe appears only as a checkered maze upon which curious figures move in interminable patterns. It seems that the power to resist this fatal attraction must become as weak as that of the opium addict or the dipsomaniac and the spell as strong as that which lured the ancient mariner to the Isle of Sirens.

I have searched medical and psychiatric literature in vain for a description of this malady and am convinced that heretofore it has neither been noted or even named. I have therefore decided to give it an appellation as is its due, in the approved scientific style, basing my term "zylothism" on the main symptom, with derivation from the Greek "ylon" (wood) and "othismo" (pushing).

E N P A S S A N T

by Dick Allen

Dr. David Slight, Chicago psychiatrist of some note, says that modern business executives are falling prey to colitis, peptic ulcers, high blood pressure, heart trouble, etc., from trying to be too nice.

"By nature," says Dr. Slight, "the successful executive is aggressive, a table pounding man of action who needs to express this innate drive and vitality in ways not recommended by Emily Post. He is taught that arrogance is a sin and compromise a virtue, and that diplomacy is a mandatory art. So he suppresses his natural inclinations, denies himself normal outlets and winds up a nervous and physical wreck. I have never believed that conflict was obnoxious in itself, nor is it bad for the community. We should have less restraint and more rambunctiousness. The willingness to fight out the issue of the day leads to better health for all concerned."

Obviously, Dr. Slight is not a chess player or he would realize the therapeutic value of the game in letting off some of this steam--this desire for combat, in a way which is socially acceptable and injures no one--provided, of course, the loser releases the emotional charge at the end of each game by using an appropriate excuse. Quick, Dr. Corbett!

The By-Laws Committee has completed the codification of all recorded amendments, bringing us up-to-date in the legal department. As chairman of the committee I should submit a report on the work of the committee. I think however, even in its present imperfect form, The Constitution & By-Laws of the WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION speaks for itself of the thought and effort which went into its development, and it is self-explanatory. Jack Nourse likes to think of our Constitution and By-Laws as the paving on the roads which were winding paths thru the forest a few years ago. I also like the analogy, that our Constitution and By-Laws are the foundation and steel girder framework respectively, of a building. The people who drive on the roads are just as important, in the general scheme, as those who build them; and the tenants of the building, likewise. Several tenants have papered the walls with their CHESS LETTERS, and some have found other uses for them.

One of the most important elements in the structure of any organization is the time-binding function of its publication and the faithful recording of its basic moves represented by the minutes of its business meetings. Our Constitution and By-Laws insure the survival of the WCF, and they must be supported, and enforced if necessary, by the executive officers first, and if they fail, by the membership at large. The upper slate could be wiped clean now, and the organization would go on with no more than a hiccup. We are going to have rule by law, not men. What happened to the Washington Chess Association???

LATE NEWS!! The Seattle Chess Club has just won the Seattle City League Tournament. This is the first year for the Seattle City League, which was organized by Charles Joachim to give those who do not get a chance to play on the PCA some excellent practice at tournament chess. This has also stimulated interest for a number of new teams that had not previously taken an active part in chess. Our hats off to Mr. Joachim and the Seattle Chess Club.

CONSTITUTION OF W.C.F.

Article I — Name

Section 1. The name of the organization shall be the Washington Chess Federation, a non-profit association of chess clubs in the state of Washington, U.S.A.

Article II — Objective

Section 1. The organization is dedicated to the propagation of Chess. In the pursuit of this objective it may maintain a treasury, acquire property, sponsor leagues, matches, tournaments, exhibitions, educational courses, issue publications, etc.

Article III — Membership

Section 1. There shall be two classes of membership in the Washington Chess Federation.

- (a) Personal membership of any individual.
- (b) Club membership of any organized chess club in Washington State.

Article IV — Management

Section 1. The control and management of all activities of the WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION hereafter also known as WCF and any property or monetary assets thereof shall be vested in the Board of Directors of the WCF.

Article V — Officers

Section 1. The officers of the WCF shall consist of a Director representing each organized chess club holding membership; a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Publicity Director, Publication Director, Tournament Director and Life Directors.

Section 2. The executive officers of the WCF shall be elected at the annual Directors meeting, and shall sit on the Executive Council.

Section 3. The term of office for all officers shall be one year from the time of election or until their successors are elected.

Section 4. In the event of a vacancy in any of the executive offices, caused by death, resignation, removal, or otherwise, the vacancy shall be filled by election at the next regular business meeting after the vacancy occurs.

Section 5. The duties of the executive officers shall be specified in the By-Laws and by the Board of Directors.

Section 6. Any director may be removed from office by a majority vote of the membership club which he represents, or any higher officer may be removed by the Board of Directors by a three-quarter vote of the WCF Board of Directors in a secret ballot election. Such election must be preceded by presentation to the Board of Directors of the club or of the Federation depending on which level the complaint arises, in writing, of a formal indictment of the officer concerned. The Board may not refuse to hold such an election, provided the indictment is signed by a majority of Directors in good standing. In the event of removal, the constituent club may retain such impeached executive officer on the Board as a Director.

Section 7. All elections by the WCF Board of Directors shall be conducted by an Elections Committee appointed by the President. This committee must consist of at least two individuals not on the executive council.

Section 8. Election of officers shall be by secret ballot, and new

elected officers shall take office on the next business meeting following election, except where a special election is held, to fill a vacancy, the elected officer shall take office immediately.
Section 9. Election to the position of president of the WCF shall carry a life - directorship unless the officer is impeached before his term expires.

Article VI - Meetings

Section 1. An annual business meeting shall be held for election of WCF executive officers, review of the accounts, etc.

Section 2. Special meetings of the WCF Board of Directors may be called at any time by the President or in his absence or refusal by any five Directors of the WCF; provided that the entire Board of Directors of the WCF be notified of such special meeting by mail, one week in advance of the set date.

Section 3. In the event that any Director is absent from a regular meeting, a complete report of the discussion, conclusions, and action must be made to the officer in question.

Article VII - Dues

Section 1. Dues shall be \$1.50 per calendar year for a personal membership in the WCF.

Section 2. Dues shall be \$5.00 per year for club membership in the WCF.

Article VIII - Amendments

Section 1. Amendments to this constitution may be made by a two-thirds vote of the Directors to be taken by secret ballot. The President cannot refuse to appoint an Elections Committee for this purpose, providing that a petition signed by 50% of the members of the Board is served him.

Section 2. Annual discussion and suggestions as to how the Constitution may be improved shall be called for by the presiding officer at the regular business meeting.

Article IX - Interpretation

Section 1. There is no appeal from the decision of the Board of Directors regarding the interpretation of the Constitution and By-Laws.

BY-LAWS

Section I - Duties of Officers

Par. 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the WCF to preserve order and enforce the Constitution and By-Laws. He shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Board, and appoint all committees not otherwise provided for herein. It shall also be his duty to delegate responsibilities to officers not specified herein. The Chairman votes only in case of tie.

Par. 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President, in the absence of the president, to preside and perform all the duties pertaining to the office of the President, and to render such assistance as may be required.

Par. 3. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all business meetings and take care of all correspondence of the WCF not otherwise provided for. He shall keep a membership roster.

Par. 4. The treasurer shall collect all moneys due the WCF and shall keep a correct record of the financial standing of each member, personal & club. He shall pay all bills authorized by the President. He will make an annual report at the annual business meet-

ing of all receipts and expenditures. He shall submit his books to the Audit Committee or any officer of the WCF upon request.

Section II -- Tournament Director

Par. 1. The WCF Board of Directors shall elect for the chess year a Tournament Director in charge of official WCF sponsored tournaments, matches, or leagues.

Par. 2. The tournament director shall decide such matters as tournament type, time rate of play, etc., subject to approval of the President, and shall appoint a committee if necessary to assist and advise in these matters.

Par. 3. He shall have games adjudicated when necessary and shall provide time clocks if one of two contestants so desires, if available.

Par. 4. The tournament director and his committee shall have authority to establish the time, place and date of the event for which they are responsible, and to report the result to the Publicity Director the day of the event so that proper publicity notices may be obtained.

Section III -- Publication Director

Par. 1. The WCF Board of Directors shall elect a Publication Director for the chess year.

Par. 2. The Publication Director shall act as Publisher for the WASHINGTON CHESS LETTER.

Par. 3. The publication Director may select a Circulation Manager to assist him in distribution.

Section IV -- Publicity Director

Par. 1. The WCF Board of Directors shall elect a Publicity Director for the chess year.

Par. 2. The Publicity Director shall act as Editor-in-Chief of the WCL and chairman of the Publicity Committee.

Par. 3. The Publicity Director may select Assistant Editors, Feature Writers and Reporters.

Section V -- Expenses and Disbursements

Par. 1. Officers of the WCF may incur certain expenses attendant the pursuit of their duties in service to the organization such as stationery and supplies, time clocks and equipment, vital telephone calls, vital telegrams, etc.

Par. 2. The Treasurer may refund only those expenses which are considered vital to the interests of the WCF. The Treasurer may refuse to refund doubtful expenditures and submit the bill to the President, Executive Council or the Board of Directors for the decision instead.

Section VI -- Committees

Par. 1. The following shall be permanent committees, holding meetings, and reporting to the Secretary of the WCF:

(a) The By-Laws Committee. This committee shall, at the direction of the President, formulate amendments and additions to the Constitution and By-Laws, and shall present them to the WCF for ratification.

(b) The Publicity Committee. This committee shall at all times endeavor to bring favorable mention of the WCF before the public and at the same time promote the spirit of chess wherever possible.

(c) Membership Committee. This committee shall work with the Publicity Committee for the end of acquiring new members and enlarging the Federation.

(d) Entertainment Committee. This committee shall be responsible for arranging parties, picnics, outings, and for the social life of the WCF generally. The tournament Director may call on this committee for assistance at any time.

Par. 2. One month before each annual election of officers, the President shall appoint an Audit Committee of three Directors who shall examine the books kept by the Treasurer, and shall report thereon to the Board. An Audit Committee shall be appointed for this purpose at any time that the office of Treasurer becomes vacant.

Section VII — Elections & Voting

Par. 1. WCF member clubs shall elect Directors on or before the first business meeting in February.

Par. 2. The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the WCF for the purpose of electing executive officers for the coming year shall be held the last Sunday in April.

Par. 3. Each WCF member club may exercise two votes at any business meeting. From the annual meeting until the end of the Chess Year, incumbent and Director-elect shall each have one vote if present. This is in addition to the vote of Executive Directors.

Par. 4. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the Board of Directors.

Section VIII — Official Organ

Par. 1. The monthly publication known as the WASHINGTON CHESS LETTER shall be controlled and subsidized by the WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION.

Par. 2. The editorial and management staff shall be composed of the Publication Director, Publicity Director, Assistant Editors, Feature Writers, and Reporters.

Par. 3. A financial report shall be furnished to the Board of Directors at the annual meeting by the Publication Director.

Section IX — Tangible Benefits of Organization

Par. 1. Individual members of the WCF shall receive free subscription to the Washington Chess Letter to keep them informed on chess activity such as tournaments, matches, exhibitions, etc.

Par. 2. Individual members shall receive a membership card entitling guest privileges in any "out-of-town" affiliated club in the Federation. This does not imply guest privileges in "home-town" clubs which are his moral responsibility to support.

Par. 3. Individual members may compete in any official WCF sanctioned tournament or match at a reduced rate.

Par. 4. Clubs holding membership in the WCF receive a distinguished looking certificate attesting to the fact.

Par. 5. Member clubs may enter tournament leagues sponsored and controlled by the WCF.

Par. 6. Member clubs receive a free subscription to the Washington Chess Letter.

Par. 7. Member clubs receive a free copy of the Washington Chess Letter Yearbook.

Par. 8. All members share in the many important intangible benefits which need not be enumerated.

Section X — Registration Fees

Par. 1. Puget Sound League \$3.00 per club.

Par. 2. Seattle City League \$1.00 per club.

Par. 3. Major Tournaments \$1.50 for members \$2.00 for non-members.

Par. 4. Regional Tournaments \$1.00 for members \$1.50 for non-members.

Par. 5. Minor Tournaments 50¢ for WCF members, \$1.00 for non-members.

Section XI Tournaments

Par. 1. The following MAJOR tournaments shall be sponsored annually by the WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION:

- (a) Master-Expert Tournament (Swiss System)
- (b) State Qualification Tournament (Swiss System)
- (c) State Championship Tournament (Round Robin)
- (d) Puget Sound Open Tournament (Swiss System)

Par. 2. The following REGIONAL tournaments shall be sponsored annually by the WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION:

- (a) Northwest Washington Tournament (Swiss System)
- (b) Northeast Washington Tournament (Swiss System)
- (c) Southwest Washington Tournament (Swiss System)
- (d) Southeast Washington Tournament (Swiss System)

Par. 3. The following MINOR tournaments shall be sponsored annually by the WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION:

- (a) Washington Woodpecker Tournament (Swiss System)
- (b) State Women Championship Tournament (Swiss System)
- (c) State Junior Championship Tournament (Swiss System)
- (d) State Speed Championship Tournament (Round Robin)

Section XII International Match

Par. 1. The International Chess Match between British Columbia and the state of Washington shall be held annually as a traditional cementing of the friendship between Canada and the United States.

Par. 2. The locus of the International Match shall alternate yearly between British Columbia and Washington, and the place shall not be north of Vancouver nor south of Seattle.

Par. 3. The time and place of the International Match shall be chosen by the host federation.

Par. 4. In the absence of a chess clock, a time limitation of three hours elapsed time shall be set for each game in the International Match.

Par. 5. With the use of chess clocks, a rate of 40 moves in $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours shall be set for each game in the Int. Match.

Par. 6. Only bona fide residents of Washington and British Columbia may compete in the International Match.

Par. 7. Registration fee for the International Match shall be \$1.00 for non-members and 50¢ for WCF members.

Section XIII Executive Council

Par. 1. The Executive Council of the WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION shall formulate policy, procedure and rules within the framework of the Constitution and By-Laws of the WCF.

Par. 2. The Executive Council of the WCF shall be composed of the following executive officers:

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| (a) President | (e) Tournament Director |
| (b) Vice-President | (f) Publicity Director |
| (c) Secretary | (g) Publication Director |
| (d) Treasurer | (h) Life Directors |

Section XIV Trophies

Par. 1. The International Chess Match Trophy for the Washington-British Columbia section shall be in two parts, permanent type; to be awarded annually to the winning team:

- (a) Model of the Peace Arch for Section A. (First 30 bds.)
- (b) Plaque for Section B (remaining boards in match).

Par. 2. The Puget Sound League Trophy is a permanent type to be awarded annually to the winner of each PSL tournament.

Par. 3. The Seattle City League Trophy is a permanent type to be awarded annually to the winning team of each SCL tournament.

Par. 4. Trophies shall be awarded in all WCF sponsored tournaments:

- (a) Trophy for first place except as provided in Par.5.
- (b) Plaque for second place in MAJOR tournaments.
- (c) Free year members in the WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION for second place in REGIONAL and MINOR events.

Par. 5. The winner of the ~~MAJOR~~-EXPERT tournament has the option of a cash prize.

Section XV Merit Awards

Par. 1. A symbolic statuette called an "OSCAR" shall be awarded each year to the individual whose efforts and activity are considered most outstanding in service to the WCF organization.

Section XVI Skill Recognition

Par. 1. Qualification for the rating of EXPERT in Washington State is based on performance as follows:

- (a) First place or tied for first in a MAJOR tournament.
- (b) Two second places in MAJOR tournaments.
- (c) Two first places in REGIONAL tournaments.

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Personal membership dues are \$1.50 per annum. Club membership dues are only \$5.00 per year. Remit to Mr. W. H. Raleigh, WCF Treasurer, 4318 Densmore Ave., Seattle 3, Washington.

LITTLE KNOWN FACTS ABOUT LITTLE KNOWN OPENINGS

By Charles Joachim

Nearly every player who enters a tournament does not undertake this strenuous task completely unprepared in regard to openings. On the contrary, everyone has a favorite opening pet which he wants to turn loose against an unwary opponent. In choosing a well known opening the chances are that your opponent knows your favorite as well, maybe even better than you. It is the moment of surprise by selecting a little known opening to lure your victim into the net and force him to go your way, at least to lose valuable time to find a correct answer.

It happened to me in Corpus Christi, when I played Gilbert, that my foxy opponent answered after 1. P-K4 P-K4 2. N-KB3 with P-KB4 and played against me a variation which I had prepared to use if I had been Black. According to the Book White's best answer was 3. KtXP leading to a position which is slightly in favor for White. Now the psychological and logical factor in playing chess appeared all of a sudden and demanded a speedy decision: I considered, when Black chooses a variation which is in favor of White he must have found a refutation of the mainline. Therefore I decided to run wild and to turn to an opening which I considered best, but which has not been tried out in tournament practice to the best of my knowledge. I made my third move: 3. B-B4 in anticipation of Black's answer 3. ... PXP which he actually did. Now I considered the proper time had come to play 4. KtXP threatening a variety of discomforts for Black. According to my analysis the best and only move for Black would be P-Q4 which would leave the advantage to White. But Black dished out another surprise without a second hesitation: He moved Q-Kt4 sacrificing a rook. I knew for sure his evil purpose. To play QxP(Kt7), but I was in condition to save my rook by moving to B1, and he could not. Therefore I thought one rook is better than no rook, I moved 5. Kt-B7 and saw myself already one point ahead on the tournament table. Some of the annotators of this game gave preference to P-Q4 attacking the Black Queen and protecting the Knight at the same time and still maintaining the threat Kt-B7. Black answered as expected with 5. ... QxP(Kt7) and I moved naturally 6. R-B1 a move for which I did not earn compliments from the annotator, who pointed out that to retreat the Bishop to B1 was the best move and his idea was so original that I can not dare to omit it now. Namely, if Black takes the White Rook, White takes the Black Rook and is supposed to be at an advantage. I played afterward four or five games with this improved variation but could not realize the fruits of this advantage. If one of the readers see it please let me know. Now let us go back to my main variation: After 6. R-B1 I received the shock of my life time that made my imaginary point on the tournament table walk the other way. Black played 6. ... P-Q4 uncovering the double threat of B-R6 making life uncomfortable for the Rook, or B-Kt5 strangling my poor Queen. After the latter and stronger move my best move P-KB3 would then be refuted by PXP threatening loss of the Queen by P-B7 check and attacking the Queen at the same time. If I did not move P-Q3 I would even be in eventual mate. Under these circumstances I could not take the pawn on Q5, but in efforts to catch up in combinations I raised the tension to a peak by a counterplay. I moved 7. Q-R5 if Black now moves B-Kt5 follows: 8. Kt-Q5 double check K-Q2 (K-Q1 would be mate by 8. Q-K1) 9. Q-K1 check, KdKt 10. QxB check and the advantage is on Whites side. If Black moves on his 7th move P-KKt3 then White wins by Q-K5 check, KxKt, 9. BxP(Q5) check, B-K3, 10. BxB check etc.

But in this critical position Black frustrated my plans by playing 7. ... Kt-B3 threatening the Queen. The Black Knight protects all key-points K1 and Q4 and attacks the White Queen. The double check is worthless now and three White pieces, the Queen, the Bishop and the Knight are in take. The only escape I could see was: 8. Q-K5 check, KdKt 9. QxP(B3) check, but Black's material advantage was so overwhelming that I lost the game.

Resuming the previous analysis of the Greco Counter Gambit, the variation initiated by my 3rd move B-B4 has not yet been refuted, but the opening is intricately to such an extent that it can not be recommended for serious tournament games without being more extensively analyzed, in which case it may be used as a deadly secret weapon against a book player.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Charles Joachim Tournament Director

Tournament	Date	System	Entry Fee	Location
Wash. Woodpushers	Sep 16-17 9AM 1950	6 Round Swiss	\$1.00*	Seattle YMCA
Qualification Tournament for State Championship	Jan 27-28 9AM 1951	6 Round Swiss	\$2.00*	Assembly Hotel Seattle
State Championship	Feb 10-11 9AM 1951	Round Robin Seeded and qual. players	\$2.00*	Assembly Hotel Seattle
Women Championship	Feb 24 1PM 1951	3 Round Swiss	\$1.00*	Seattle YMCA
Wash. State Speed Championship	Feb 25 1PM 1951	Round robin	\$1.00*	Assembly Hotel Seattle
Wash State Junior Championship	Mar 31 9AM 1951	4 Round Swiss	\$1.00*	Seattle YMCA
Puget Sound Open	Apr 28-29 9AM 1951	6 Round Swiss	\$2.00*	Assembly Hotel Seattle
4 District Tournaments	May 12 9AM 1951	Decided by Districts	\$1.50*	Everett, Brem., Olym.-Wenatchee
Master-Expert Tournament	May 26-27 9AM 1951	6 Round Swiss	\$5.00*	Assembly Hotel Seattle

*Section IX Paragraph 3 of WFC By-Laws allows a 50% reduction to all WCF members

The Washington State Tournament originally scheduled for Dec 2nd and 3rd was eliminated because it placed too close to the new date for the 1951 State Tourney.

The U S Chess Federation is organizing a new system whereby the winner of a State tourney (which has been conducted on a round robin) will be eligible to compete in a tournament for the title of U S Chess Champion.

OUT OF STATE TOURNAMENTS

The results of the 51st U. S. OPEN and the 9th U. S. LIGHTNING CHAMPIONSHIP have not yet been received.

5th ANNUAL U. S. JUNIOR TOURNAMENT -- July 24-29 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. For information write Ernest Olfo, Dept. of Promotion and Research, Milwaukee Journal, Milwaukee 1, Wisconsin.

NORTH CAROLINA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP -- August 18-20 at Hotel Sir Walter, Raleigh, N. C.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP -- Sept. 2-4 at Hotel Adelphia, Phil, Pa.

OHIO STATE CHAMPIONSHIP -- Sept. 2-4 at Portage Hotel, Akron, Chic.

SOUTHWESTERN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP -- Sept. 2-4 at Roosevelt Hotel, Waco, Texas.

MASTERS AND EXPERTS OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Olaf Ulvstad; Master, Repeatedly Wash State Champion, successful many national and international tournaments.

Leonard Sheets; Expert, Wash State Champion, 1942-1947.

Charles Joachim; Expert, Wash State Champion 1948, City of Seattle Champion 1946-48.

Robert Stork; Expert, Wash State Champion 1949, Puget Sound Champion 1950.

Carroll Crain; Expert, 3 times City Champion of Tacoma.

Jim Amidon; Expert, Puget Sound Open Champion 1949, State Socd Champion 1950.

Richard Allen; Expert, CO-winner of Puget Sound Open 1949.

Jim Schmidt; (Oregon resident but recognized by the Washington Chess Federation as an Expert), Puget Sound Open Champion 1948, Northwest Master-Experts winner 50.

