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# EDITORIAL

By Robert C. Stork

## MANNEY NEW STATE OPEN CHAMPION !!!!!

Although the Washington State Open Tournament was somewhat smaller than last year, it did not lack strong players. O. W. Manney, winner of various other State Titles both here and in other states, won in fine style. Losing to no player, and drawing only with former State Champion Leonard Sheets, he finished with the enviable score of  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$ . It appears that Manney is on the road to monopolizing top place in all the tournaments, this being the second one he has won in as many as he has participated. Leonard Sheets is also back in the ring of tournament chess, which helps to improve the quality of our players. If Sheets, Manney and Ulvestad participate in the State Championship in addition to the players of last year it will prove to be quite some tournament. Donald Turner, from the Portland Chess Club, provided quite a bit of competition for the top players in this tournament and also took an unquestionable second place by losing only to the winner. It's too bad Turner doesn't live in Seattle or near here so that we could have the benefit of his very excellent ability.

Qualifying for the Washington State Championship ( in addition to those players already invited ) were: George Stearns, Dr. Shepard, Dr. A. A. Murray, and Ward. If any of these can not participate the next in order of this tournament will be invited.

1.	O. W. Manney	W-23	W-21	W7	W-2	W-10	D-3	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	- 1
2.	Don Turner	W-15	W-4	W-5	L-1	W-6	W-10	24	5	- 1
3.	Leonard Sheets	W-19	D-16	W-11	W-7	W-8	D-1	22	5	- 1
4.	George Stearns	W-6	L-2	W-15	W-21	W-5	L-9	22	4	- 2
5.	Dr. Shepard	W-12	W-20	L-2	W-13	L-4	W-21	19	4	- 2
6.	Dr. A. A. Murray	L-4	W-14	W-24	W-12	L-2	W-17	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	4	- 2
7.	Charles Joachim	W-26	W-17	L-1	L-3	W-18	W-12	18	4	- 2
8.	D. Ward	W-20	W-22	W-26	L-10	L-3	W-11	15	4	- 2
9.	Floyd Hebert	L-17	L-18	W-14	W-23	W-21	W-4	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	4	- 2
10	Kenneth Milford	W-24	D-11	W-16	W-8	L-1	L-2	22	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	- 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
11	Glenn Muller	W-18	D-10	L-3	W-16	W-13	L-8	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	- 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
12	George Swift	L-5	W-19	W-17	L-6	W-15	L-7	20	3	- 3
13	Oliver La Freniere	W-14	L-15	W-18	L-5	L-11	W-22	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	- 3
14	Leo Thompson	L-13	L-6	L-9	W-22	W-20	W-19	16	3	- 3
15	Joe Carretelli	L-2	W-13	L-4	W-24	L-12	W-26	16	3	- 3
16	James Amidon	W-22	D-3	L-10	L-11	D-17	Bye	15	3	- 3
17	F. H. Weaver	W-9	L-7	L-12	W-19	D-16	L-6	20	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	- 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
18	Ted Werner	L-11	W-9	L-13	W-25	L-7	L-20	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	2	- 4
19	Dean Moore	L-3	L-12	W-20	L-17	W-26	L-14	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	2	- 4
20	Rod Dimoff	L-8	L-5	L-19	W-26	L-14	W-18	15	2	- 4
21	V. W. Bever	W-25	L-1	W-23	L-4	L-9	L-5	14	2	- 4
22	Fred Jolley	L-16	L-8	L-25	L-14	Bye	L-13	14	1	- 5
23	Russell Welliss	L-1	W-25	L-21	L-14	L*	L*	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1	- 5
24	Eli Treisman	L-10	W-26	L-6	L-15	L*	L*	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	1	- 5
25	D. Chipman	L-21	L-23	W-22	L-18	L*	L*	6	1	- 5
26	Ted Davidson	L-7	L-24	L-8	L-20	L-19	L-15	16	0	- 5

PUGET SOUND CHESS LEAGUE NEWS

STANDINGS

					Games	Games
	Won	Lost	Tied	Pts.	Won	Lost
AMIDON'S CLUB .....	2	0	0	2	16	4
UNIV. OF WASHINGTON .....	3	1	0	3	28	12
SEATTLE .....	3	1	0	3	25	13
TACOMA YMCA .....	3	1	0	3	21½	18½
SEATTLE YMCA .....	2	1	0	2	23	7
EVERETT .....	1	3	1	1½	15½	34½
WEST SEATTLE .....	1	3	0	1	11½	26½
KITSAP .....	0	3	1	½	9½	30½
OLYMPIA .....	0	2	0	0	8	12

LEAGUE RACE IN FIVE-WAY BATTLE FOR TOP HONORS

At the halfway point in the 1951-'52 chess season there are five teams bunched at the top, all with high hopes of finishing there.

Amidons' Club leads on the percentage basis and is the only team with no defeats against them. However, A. C. has a rocky road ahead of them as they have not yet played any of the other four top teams, U. of W., Seattle, Tacoma and the Seattle YMCA, who have taken turns beating one another and are charged with one loss apiece.

TACOMA DROPS THE BIG ONE TO SEATTLE DECISIVELY BEATEN, 7½ TO 2½

Led by Charles Joachim and Leonard Sheets, the Seattle Chess Club set down the Tacoma YMCAers to the tune of 7½ to 2½. The victory put Seattle right back into contention for the title, in fact it put almost everybody back in the race and from now on it looks like the fur'll be a-flyin'.

Joachim, Sheets, and Dr. Shephard made 2-0 scores for the Seattle cause while Collins gave the best performance for the Tacomans with a 1½-½ score.

The statistics:

TACOMA YMCA (2½)	SEATTLE (7½)
Holmes .....	0, Joachim .....
Hewitt .....	0, Sheets .....
Coubrough .....	1, Muller .....
Collins .....	1½, Seiter .....
Multman .....	0, Shephard .....

U. OF W. SWALPS KITSAP 9 TO 1  
JOHN NOURSE SAVES NAVE YARD CITY  
FIVE FROM FLASCO

The U. of W. chess team had things pretty much its own way in a recent match with the Kitsap County Chess Club.

John Nourse spoiled the shutout possibilities by gaining a split with State Champ Charles Ballantine on the top board.

The win raised Washington's stock a bit and pushed the Kitsap team down to 8th place just a little deeper into the mire. Match Score:

U. OF WASHINGTON (9)	KITSAP (1)
Ballantine .....	1, J. Nourse .....
Stork .....	2, Magerkurth .....
Noland .....	2, Allen .....
Black .....	2, Miller .....
Mulford .....	2, Duher .....

SEATTLE YMCA WINS TWO, GAINS ON LEAGUE LEADERS

In its last two matches the Seattle YMCA walloped Kitsap 8½ to 1½ and then shut-out Everett 10 to 0. The two decisive victories establish the YMCA team as a "dark horse" and one still to be reckoned with in the race for the league title. The post mortems:

SEATTLE YMCA (8½)	KITSAP (1½)
Wade .....	1, J. Nourse .....
Bader .....	1½, Gross .....
Vellias .....	2, Magerkurth .....
Hebert .....	2, Cummings .....
Chipman .....	2, Jackson .....

SEATTLE YMCA (10)	EVERETT (0)
Bader .....	2, S. Nourse .....
Wade .....	2, Husby .....
Vellias .....	2, Steve Miller .....
Hebert .....	2, Dr. Gold .....
Chipman .....	2, Ring .....



# MANNEY WINS SPEED TOURNEY

O. W. Manney, newcomer from Nevada, picked up his first championship here winning the 1951 Washington Speed Championship. The event held on Sunday afternoon, Nov 25th at the Seattle Chess Club had 14 entries and was ably directed by Doctor Shephard. Glenn Muller and Ames Anders were favored to place first and second so the new champion was a surprise winner. Muller, who won last year, tied with Anders for second place and then beat Anders in a playoff game to take the runnerup spot. As mentioned, Manney was a surprise winner. Known to be one of the state's best players his slow Texas drawl fooled many into believing him a more deliberate type and not likely to win at 10 second per move chess. However Manney beat all the top contenders and only George Stearns who finished tenth could win from the new champ. So Manney compiled a truly splendid record of 12 wins and 1 loss. He had to win all 12 to take first place too because Muller and Anders were right on his heels mowing down their opponents in 11 of their 13 games. Muller's two losses were to Manney and Anders and he won all of his "brothers", while Anders lost to Manney and was upset by Dennis Chipman who finished 11th.

As usual there were a number of forfeits as players moved after (or before!) the bell which rang twice every ten seconds. Unhappy players with cinch wins lost as a piece was moved ahead of the bell or a player was lost in dreamland when the bell sounded. But of the 92 games played in less than five hours, the larger share were won by the stronger player more experienced or better versed in the openings and who could attack at the drop of a hat and by threatening several of his opponent's pieces at the same time cause his pressed for time foe to blunder.

PLAYER	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.	SCORE
1. O. W. MANNEY.....	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	12-1
2. GLENN MULLER.....	0	X	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11-2
3. AMES ANDERS.....	0	1	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	11-2
4. KEN HULFORD.....	0	0	0	X	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9-4
5. DAN WADE.....	0	0	0	0	X	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8-5
6. TED WARNER.....	0	0	0	0	1	X	0	1	1	1/2	1	1	1	1	7 1/2-5 1/2
7. FLOYD HEBERT.....	0	0	0	1	0	1	X	0	1/2	1	1	0	1	1	6 1/2-6 1/2
8. RUSSELL WILLIAMS..	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	X	1	1	1	0	1	1	6-7
9. W. A. FOSTER.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1/2	0	X	1	1	1	1	1	5 1/2-7 1/2
10 GEORGE STEARNS...1	0	0	0	0	0	1/2	0	0	0	X	1	1	1	1	5 1/2-7 1/2
11 DENNIS CHIPMAN.#	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	1	1	1	4-9
12 F. H. WEAVER.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	X	1	1	4-9
13 DR. GOLD.....	0	0	0	0	0	0*	0	0*	0*	0	0	0*	X	1	1-12
14 C. HARMESON.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	0-13

# Roberts lost two games and Chipman took his place.

\* Gooden lost four games and Dr. Gold took his place.

The first "Centennial" Cities Tourney, scheduled for Sunday December 2nd, was a total flop. Joachim, Ballantine, Manney, Davidson, Wade, Muller, and some others were at the Assembly Hotel club room bright and early. However no out of town teams showed up. The Seattle players with no outsiders to attack, fought among themselves! An unofficial mix ensued. Fragmentary reports reaching this writer told of a match between Ballantine's & Joachim's teams. Joachim's team won 4 to 3 although Ballantine defeated Joachim. Only other games reported were Max Bader's win over Manney who played on Joachim's team, and Glenn Muller's win over Ted Warner. Warner played on Ballantine's team.

## LA FRENIERE REPEATS

The Yakima High School Club's championship tournament was won again by O. W. La Freniere. Defending his crown in round robin play. La Freniere was invincible, winning all nine games. Dick Dexter was again runner-up, scoring eight to one.

## HUSBY MOVES

Although Peter Husby has moved from Everett to Route 1, East Stanwood, he will continue to play with the Everett Chess Club.

## THE TREASURER REPORTS

We were not quite correct in the report of the Duplicator account payment. The contract was paid in full, but we still owe \$220.00 in loans.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO

One of the great advantages of age is the ability to look back into history. Browsing through our old magazines we recall that in 1922:

Capablanca, having won the world's chess championship during 1921, led a field of sixteen masters to win the London Tournament with only four draws and no losses.

Dr. Lasker wrote a book explaining his loss to Capablanca, and making a pessimistic prophecy. He seered:

"The old game approaches its hour of destiny. Chess in its present form will die soon of 'the draws'. Then you will have to invent new rules. Perhaps we will have to change the setting of the pieces and modify the gradations of 'win' or lose", in order to increase difficulties and create new mysteries."

Of Capablanca Dr. Lasker faint-praised:

"His is a style of an original stamp, accurate, inventive, logical, and energetic. Capablanca's style astounds by its logic. It is a style begotten of pure self exertion. Capablanca favors neither complication nor adventure. He desires to know where he steps. His is a depth of a mathematician, not of a poet."

This was a year for great simultaneous exhibitions. At Montreal, Canada Marshall set a new record, playing 155 opponents, scoring 126 wins, 21 draws and only 8 losses. At Cleveland on February 12 Capablanca played 103 with the incredible score of 102 wins and one draw.

On October 7, 1922, a young Polish prodigy played in his first master's tournament. The six-cornered tournament held in New York City was won by Edward Lasker. The eleven-year-old expert had to be satisfied with a tie for third place, but distinguished himself by beating the veteran master David Janowski. This climaxed his sensational simultaneous tours of the United States which began during 1921. Seattle will play host to that young man - SAMUEL RZESCHEWSKI - next month -- Feb. 1952 - Don't Miss It ! ! ! !

# TELEVISION TEACHES CHESS!!

Chess is not new to the television channels, for simultaneous exhibitions and matches have been telecast upon several occasions, and noted chess players have been interviewed over television as well as radio. But something new in telecasting chess has been contributed by the chess enthusiasts of Salt Lake City.

Recognizing the value of chess as a recreational program for the invalid, the crippled and the shut-in because it demands no physical exercise or movement, these Salt Lake chess players had realized that the principle difficulty was the teaching of these scattered individuals. And, inspiration gave them the clue to overcome this difficulty of space by television.

As a result, a series of lessons in chess elementals, demonstrated visually on a wall board will be given over the facilities of KSI-TV in Salt Lake City. The instructor will be Sam Teitelbaum, past president of the Salt Lake City YMCA Chess Club and one of the ranking local players, on the "U and Culture" Program, produced for the University of Utah by Rex Campbell. The series of chess lessons will be co-sponsored by the University, the Salt Lake Chess Club and the Desert News, which has already done much to promote chess through "Let's Play Chess" a column conducted by H. Lundstrom.

## CHAMPIONS

U. S. Champion Larry Evans of New York City and former U. S. Open Champion Herman Steiner of Los Angeles have now signed articles of agreement for a sixteen game match for the U. S. title, tentatively scheduled for April, 1952. The match agreement is expected to receive official USCF endorsement.

A minimum purse of three thousand dollars is the goal of the match committee for this premier event, and lovers of the game are invited to send contributions to the treasurer, Dr. Edward Lasker, 510 East 23rd St., New York City.

## WACHS WINS

Saul F. Wachs of Philadelphia U.S. Junior Champion, won the 1951 Tri-State title with a score of  $4\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ , drawing with Allen DuVall of St. Asbans, W. Va. The Ohio State Champion Harold Miller finished second with 3-2 losing to Wachs and drawing with DuVall and William Byland. In third place was West Virginia Co-Champion Allen DuVall with  $2\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$ , drawing with Wachs, Miller and John Hurt Jr. of Charleston, and losing to Byland.

The annual Tri-State event, which consists of the meeting of the champions and runners-up of Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia, was held at the Governor Cabell Hotel, Huntington, W. Va., and was sponsored by the Huntington Chamber of Commerce. Reid Holt of Charleston was tournament director for the event, and also for the Ohio Valley Open Tournament which was conducted in connection with the Tri-State event.

## SCHAIN WINS

Jerry Shain of Seattle, who was in New York to enlist in the Navy, spent some of his last few "Free" days at the Marshall Chess Club, was the only winner of the 47 who contested U. S. Champion Larry Evans in simultaneous play.

# GAMES

# DEPARTMENT

## G. MULLER & D. WADE - ED'S

Simultaneous Exhibition  
New York, Nov. 17, 1951

### Queen's Pawn Game

LARRY EVANS  
white

GERALD SCHAIN  
black

All Jerry's friends in the Northwest will be interested to learn that despite his call to the navy he is still playing chess when opportunity offers; and doing alright, as in this instance, when his was the only win from Evans (who at present holds most of the national titles) in a thirty board event.

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| 1. P-Q4  | P-K3   |
| 2. P-QB4 | P-QB4  |
| 3. P-Q5  | P-QN4? |

Black is giving up a pawn. It is of course a very doubtful gambit, but the originality is at least refreshing. Too, it is some advantage against a simultaneous player to choose an odd line which the exhibitor cannot know by rote.

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| 4. PxKP  | BPxP |
| 5. PxNP? |      |

White docilely gives up the center leaving black with by far the best of it. He may have underestimated his opponent due to the eccentric opening. 5 P-K4 is best. If white intends taking the pawn, he naturally should do so on his fourth move, and it is hard to see where black could then get compensation for it.

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| 6. N-CB3 | N-KB3 |
| 7. P-K3  | P-Q4  |
| 8. N-KB3 | B-N2  |
| 9. B-K2  | QN-Q2 |
| 10 O-O   | B-C3  |
| 11 P-QN3 | O-O   |
|          | Q-K1  |

Black's position resembles an ideal Dutch Defense.

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| 12 B-N2  | Q-R4 |
| 13 P-KR3 |      |

Black was threatening P-Q5 followed by BxN.

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| 14 K-R1 | Q-N3 |
|         | N-K4 |

15 NxD?

Perhaps P-QR4 might have culminated in counter chances for white, though his game is far from satisfactory. The text unnecessarily weakens the king position and in effect gains a tempo for black. White probably feared 15...P-Q5, 16 PxB, BxD; 17 BxB, NxB; 18 QxD, due to the discovery on his queen by a knight move. It appears there are no problems in the variation that white cannot meet, but a simultaneous player has little time for analysis.

Note in the above analysis that if white avoids exposing his queen by 18 PxD, black will play Q-R4, 19 K-N2, Q-N4ch; 20 K-R, Q-B5 with mate to follow.

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| 16 B-B3 | BxD   |
|         | P-Q5! |

Nicely done.

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|---------|-------|
| 17 BxB  | PxD   |
| 18 B-R3 | QR-N  |
| 19 B-B6 | P-B7  |
| 20 Q-K2 | N-R4! |

An excellent maneuver forcing another hole in white's king side. Should white try to save his rook, black will play N-N6ch. White cannot answer PxD because of QxP when mate cannot be avoided.

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| 21 P-KN4 | BxR  |
| 22 RxB   | N-B3 |
| 23 P-K4? |      |

R-CB looks best.

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| 24 K-N2  | Q-R3 |
| 25 QxBP? | Q-B5 |

Again R-CB looks better than this weakening of the king's position. Black loses no time in showing where the weakness lies.

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| 26 PxD | NxNP!  |
| 27 K-B | CxPch  |
| 28 K-N | Q-R6ch |

Not K-K2. Black will play RxBch and Q-R7ch winning the white queen.

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| 29 P-B3 | R-B5 |
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The only move.

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| 30 Q-R2 | RxP    |
|         | Q-N5ch |



31 K-R1 R-R6  
 32 R-KB1 CR-C1  
 33 B-B1

Forced, as white must meet the threatened R-C7.

34 B-B4 R(1)-C6  
 35 BxR RxCh  
 36 P-K5 R-C7  
 resigns CR-R6

Seattle players are getting rougher on the simultaneous boys. Here is another example.

Ulvestad Exhibition  
 Seattle, Nov. 7  
 French Defense  
 (Notes by Foster)

O. ULVESTAD  
 white

FOSTER  
 black

1. P-K4 P-K3  
 2. P-C4 P-C4  
 3. N-CB3 B-N5  
 4. P-K5 P-CB4  
 5. C-N4 P-KN3

The book continuations are N-K2! & K-B1.

6. N-B3 N-CB3  
 7. P-CR3 PXP  
 8. PxB

If NXP, BxNch; PxB, NXP.

9. PXP PxD  
 10. C-KB4 C-B2  
 11. B-C3 P-CN3  
 12. O-O N-R4!  
 13. R-K1 N-B5  
 14. BxN P-B3

If 14 PXP, CxQ; 15 BxQ, NXP.

15 PXP CxB

With CxQ white's center attack is more effectual. (Ed. note: White could not afford this blocking of his queen side pawns).

16 BxQ CxQ  
 17 B-K5 NXP  
 K-K2

But not 17...O-O, 18 N-C4, B-C2; 19 R-K2, N-N5; 20 CR-K, NxB; 21 RxD and black must lose a pawn.

18 BxNch KxB  
 19 N-K5 R-B1  
 20 R-K3 P-CR3

If K-K2, 21 N-B6ch wins the queen rook pawn.

21 CR-K1 K-K2  
 22 P-CB4 B-N2  
 23 PXP BxP  
 24 P-CB4 B-N2  
 25 P-N5 PXP  
 26 PXP B-C4  
 27 N-B6ch K-C3  
 28 N-N4 R-B3  
 29 NxB?

With this move white gives black a passed pawn and at the same time allows R-N7 for its support.

PxD  
 30 R-K7 R-N7  
 31 P-B3 P-R4  
 32 R-QN7 K-B4  
 33 R-N1 R-C7  
 34 R-B7ch K-C5

35...K-C3, 35 R-B6ch, K-K4? (K-K2 and the king is out of play); 36 R-Kch K-B4; 37 P-N4ch, PXP; 38 PXPch, K-N4; then 39 P-Rch.

35 R-N4ch K-K4  
 36 R-B6 RxR

Black gives up a pawn and allows white a passed pawn, but gets in return the aggressive rook position. The alternative was P-C5; 37 P-B4ch, K-B4; 38 P-R3, and RxR is forced.

37 PxD R-CD7  
 38 RxP P-C5  
 39 P-R4 P-C6  
 40 R-N5ch! K-Q3  
 41 R-N3 P-C7  
 42 R-C3ch KxP  
 43 K-R2 K-B4  
 44 K-N3 K-B5  
 45 R-C7 K-B6  
 46 K-B4 R-B8  
 47 K-N5 P-CB-C

(Ed. note: R-KN8 and white could resign).

48 BxQ RxR  
 49 KxD R-C4??

R-KN8 wins. 50 P-N4, PXP 51 PXP, and black wins. Also 50 KxD, RxP; and 51 K-R6, K-C6; etc.

50 P-N4 PXP  
 R-K6 was no better, for 51 KxP, RxP 52 K-R6 and the pawn roller can be stopped only by stalemate. If 50...R-K4, 51 P-N5 is sufficient.

51 PXP K-C5  
 52 P-R5 R-C3ch  
 53 K-N7 K-K4  
 54 P-R6 R-C2ch  
 Expecting K-N8.  
 55 K-N6 drawn

# TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

CHARLES JOACHIM

DIRECTOR

Tournament	Date	System	Entry Fee	Location
1952 WASHINGTON STATE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP	Jan. 5 - 6 9 A.M. 1952	6 Round Swiss	\$2.00#	Assembly Hotel Seattle
1952 WASHINGTON STATE WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP	Jan. 6 9 A.M. 1952	Swiss Tourney	\$1.00#	Assembly Hotel Seattle
1952 WASHINGTON STATE CHAMPIONSHIP	Feb. 16-17 23-24	Round Robin Invitational	\$2.00#	Assembly Hotel Seattle
1952 PUGET SOUND OPEN	Mar. 22-23 9 A.M. 1952	6 Round Swiss	\$2.00#	Assembly Hotel Seattle
1952 WASHINGTON STATE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP	Mar. 29-30 9 A.M. 1952	Swiss Tounney	\$1.00#	Assembly Hotel Seattle
1952 NORTHWEST EXPERTS	May 31 Jun 1 9 A.M. 1952	6 Round Swiss Invitational	?	Assembly Hotel Seattle

# Section IX Paragraph 3 of WCF BY-LAWS allows a 50% reduction to all W.C.F. members.

### WASHINGTON STATE MASTERS AND EXPERTS

OLAF ULVESTAD: (MASTER) Washington State Champion 1934. International Successes.

LEONARD SHEETS: (EXPERT) Washington State Champion several times between 1938 & 1947

CHARLES JOACHIM: (EXPERT) Wash. State Champion 1948, Seattle City Champion '46, 48, 50

ROBERT C. STORK: (EXPERT) Wash. State Champion 1949, Puget Sound Open Champion 1950.

CARROL CRAIN: (EXPERT) Second in two Major Tournaments, Frequent Tacoma City Champ

JAMES AMIDON: (EXPERT) Puget Sound Open Champ '49, Washington State Speed Champ '50

RICHARD P. ALLEN: (EXPERT) Co-Winner of Puget Sound Open with Amidon in 1949

JAMES SCHMITT: (EXPERT) Puget Sound Open Champ 1948, Master Expert Tourney 1950.

CHARLES BALLANTINE (EXPERT) Washington State Champion 1951, Master Expert Tourney 1951.

CARL ENZ (EXPERT) Second in Puget Sound Open 1951, 2nd in Wash. St. Champ. '51

ALEX SUCHOBECK (EXPERT) Puget Sound Open Champion 1951, Portland City Champion.

# EN PASSANT

by Dick Allen

Enclosed with this issue you will find a printed circular describing the UNITED STATES CHESS FEDERATION and its functions on the international, national, local and individual levels.

Actually, this circular is only an outline and touches on the tremendous work of the USCF very lightly. Those members of the WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION, who are also members of the national organization, are already aware of the position the USCF holds in American Chess and the respect accorded it in the international chess world. There are also many individual members of the USCF in Washington who are not members of the WCF, and vice versa. The former are missing a lot of local color presented in the WASHINGTON CHESS LETTER, and the latter miss the "big picture" of national and international chess appearing in the chess newspaper, "Chess Life".

Several state organizations, similar to the WCF, have combined their membership with the national organization under the "National Chess Coordination Program". The WCF is cooperating with the USCF in many ways but is not recognized as an official state chapter at this time. The primary aims of the WCF and the USCF are the same, and both would be strengthened by integration of WCF activities with the national organization.

Those who believe in CHESS and understand its important implications will continue to do everything in their power to promote further expansion. In line with the current membership drive of the USCF, we urge all chess enthusiasts to join now, using the convenient membership application form on the enclosed circular. You will automatically receive the CHESS LIFE twice a month and do your part in mobilizing national chess. Dues are still \$3.00 per year.

I happen to have a number of United States Chess Federation Yearbooks for the year 1945, volume nine in the series. This publication is generously illustrated with photographs of the chessmasters in action, printed on slick paper and bound in Bristol board. It contains many interesting articles and reports, as well as game recordings from major tournaments. This collector's item will round out your chess library. As long as the supply lasts, I will send a copy to each new member. This offer is also open to members who want to renew their membership. First come, first served--mail your applications to me now. R.P. Allen, Rt. 6, Box 3223, Bremerton, Wash.

Due to the increasing cost of paper, printer's ink, labor, etc., the USCF has been forced to suspend the annual publication of the Yearbook. It was given to members as one of the "extra" benefits of membership. Those who saved their copies, treasure them highly and wonder why such a wonderful accomplishment, as the Yearbook represented, was abandoned. Perhaps, the protest was mute and the encouragement, weak. Whatever happened, it would have been easier to continue with a slight increase in dues than it will be to start the tradition again after such a time lapse. Still, if you want it enough, you can have it. If you join now and get your friends to join, you will speed up the expansion of CHESS. In the course of events, the Yearbook will automatically fill the increasing void.



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# POSTAL CHESS

R. R. MERK  
POSTAL CHESS EDITOR  
1026 E. 71st Street, Seattle 5, Wn.

In section 51-B-12 La Freniere went down to defeat to Bob Cairncross but in turn took a game from Emerson.

In section 50-A-10 Tom Dolle took a game from H. E. Yocom.

Are you interested in playing postal chess with some of our friends in foreign countries. This is a GOODWILL proposition and will cost you nothing except postage. Mr. C. M. Hardinge of Minneapolis, Minnesota has for many years been interested in postal chess with players in foreign countries and has kindly let us have the following list of people in foreign countries who will get games going for you if you will write to them. Do not be afraid to write in English to them as they all can read and write our language if you are not familiar with theirs.

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Vliegvangererl-5-  
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Europe

Kallinger Oskar  
Linz Donau  
Klien Munchen 562  
Germany-Europe

Pierre Morasse  
20 Rue du Simplon  
Paris-France-13  
Europe

A chess publication in Romania can probably give you names of players if you should write to them. It is the

Revista Romanna de Sah,  
Bucaresti, Romania.

If you make any contacts with these people your Postal Director will appreciate hearing about it.

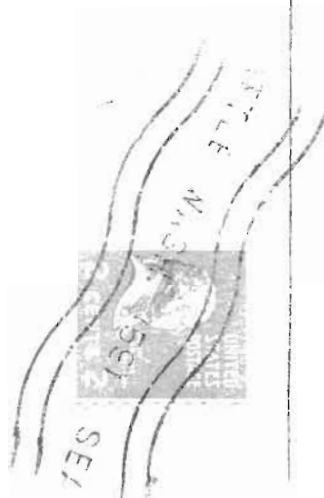
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Ballantine	1595
Bever	1487
Cerretelli	1400
Christey	963
Coubrough	1399
Dolle	1464
Greene	1471
Harmeson	1136
Hardinge	1300
Hazen	1288
Hellums	1190
Husby	1116
Kaffenberger	1372
Magerkurth	1294
Naas	1226
Sams	1421
Seering	1218
Tweedale	1246
Yocom, H. E.	1192
Yocom, C. L.	1305

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Allen, W. P.	1092
Baker	930
Cairncross	1202
Emerson	1022
Engstrom	1136
Holland	1030
Howard, F.M.	1228
La Frontiere	1096
Malmgren	860
McCarthy	1148
Merk, R. R.	1071
Merk, Fred	1136
Moore	1137
Martin	997
Norman	1167
Parry	1012
Raleigh	867
Roberts, H. H.	961
Roberts, Don	1100

CLASS C PLAYERS

Connell	772
Hiscox	879
Karch	746
Landenberger	993
Marshall	720
McCownell	850
Mrs. Moss	734
Neilson	805
Orme	998
Plume	732