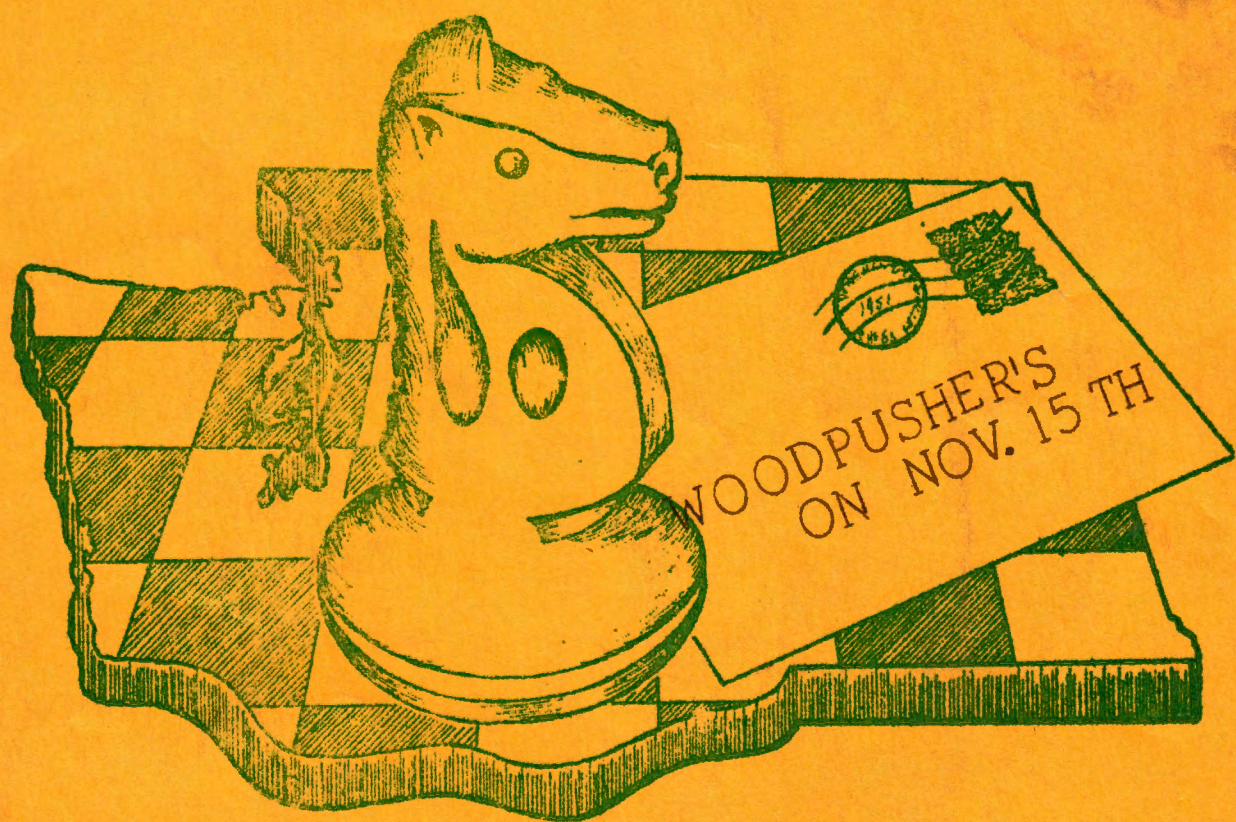


# WASHINGTON CHESS LETTER



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## Chess Letter

This issue is a good example of cooperation and teamwork. As editor, I have been carrying an awfully heavy burden and I really appreciate this help. LaFreniere, Falk, Merk, Weaver, Mulford, Nourse and the editor created this issue and Zengalis annotated another game for us.

Lately, we have had a mild flurry of match play in our midst. Manney was last reported leading Vellias  $4\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$  in one match. Warner, soon after his return from Milwaukee, took on Vellias and defeated him  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{1}{2}$ . Warner won the first two, lost the third, won the fourth, lost the fifth and then drew the final game. The terms were that the first player to compile  $3\frac{1}{2}$  points won the match.

V. W. Bever rallied to defeat Ted Davidsen in still another match. Davidsen won the opener but Bever quickly equalized matters. After a draw in their third game, Bever took a pair to win  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$ .

After many years without any new blood, the Tacona club finally received a transfusion in the person of one Victor Pupols, a countryman of Zengalis. The young newcomer downed Holnes 7-5 in a series of games and was Tacona's secret weapon against a confident Seattle Y

team in their Puget Sound League team match on Oct. 18 (See page 17 for Puget Sound League results.)

Pupols finished high in some important tournaments back east and has a U.S.C.F. rating of 1947-A. He last lived in Lincoln, Nebraska.

### A Missle

Dear Mr. Wade,

Out at Renton High School we have a chess club with about 35 members. We have meetings every Friday after school. This year we have many new young members. The advisor, Mr. Don Larson, and myself, president, have much hope for these students.

At our first meeting we had a film on chess obtained from the U. of Wash. We also have managed to get four new books on chess into the school library.

Last year, Highline High contacted us and expressed their desire to play a match. We were very willing but due to school policy the match was never played.

Who knows, we may develop a new Renlinger or, heaven forbid, Wade.

Jim McCornick

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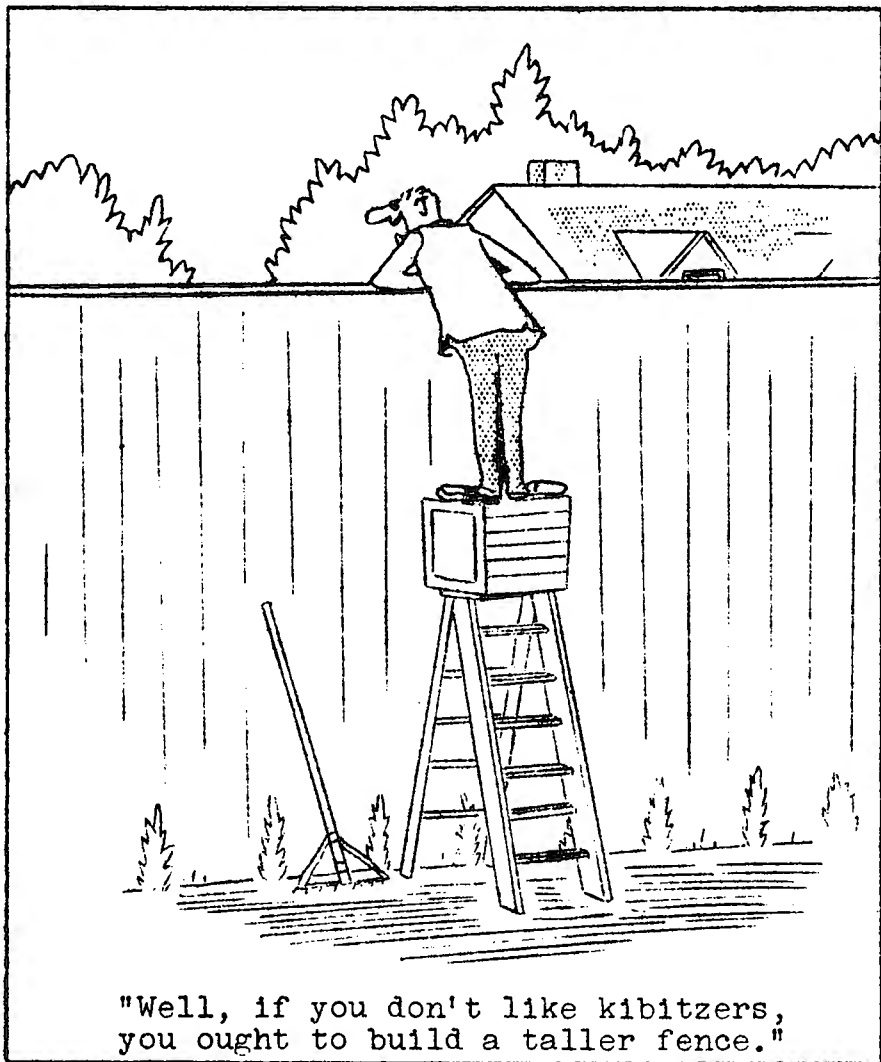
# '54 STATE TOURNEY

Russell Vellias, Acting Tournament Director of the W. C. F., announces that the State Tournament will begin on the week-end of November 14 - 15. The invited players are as follows: 1. J. Sheets, 2. O. W. Manney, 3. Dan Wade, 4. Charles Joachim, 5. Russell Vellias, 6. V. W. Bever, 7. John DeWitt, 8. Dick Greenwood of Spokane (He is attending Washington State College so his attendance is doubtful), 9. Ted Warner (Because of his high finish in the U. S. Open) and 10. the Tacoma Champion. (The Tacoma representative will be either Vernon Holmes or Victor Pupols.) Last but emphatically not least will be Chess Master, Elmars Zengalis, defending State Champion and a player heavily favored to keep his title. It has been rumored about that a Mr. G. S. G. Patterson has consented to play. He was one of Washington's best players a few years ago and would add class to this State Tournament. The winner will be champion for the year 1954.

The invited players must be at the Seattle Chess Club by 9:00 A. M. Saturday, November 14th. The round-robin will begin as soon as possible thereafter. Details will be posted. The number of contestants no doubt will make it necessary to use either all or a part of a following week-end. The tournament must definitely be completed Sunday, November 22nd.

The entry fee will be \$3.50. A trophy goes to the champion and

if Zengalis wins as he is expected to, a trophy to the runner-up as the top chess expert of Washington. If a player (other than Zengalis!) wins the tournament, then the 2nd place winner receives a cash prize.



"Well, if you don't like kibitzers, you ought to build a taller fence."

## WOOD-PUSHER'S

The 4th Wood-Pushers Tournament will start at 9 A. M. Sunday, Nov. 15th at the Seattle Chess Club at 616 Madison St. Entry fee only \$1.00. This will be a 4 round Solkoff. The tourney will be completed in one day. The champion will receive a king or a queen chess trophy. It is hoped that there will be a large turnout as all of the money collected, less the cost of the winner's trophy, will go into our rather depleted Chess Federation's treasury. It is getting dangerously low!

# ZEMGALIS ANNOTATES

The notes are by Washington's famous senior-master, Elmars Zemgalis. The game is between one of the Evergreen State's outstanding experts, O. W. Manney, and a formidable postal opponent residing in Los Angeles, Herman L. Schwerdtman.

	Ruy Lopez	
Schwerdtman		Manney
White		Black
1.	P-K4	P-K4
2.	N-KB3	N-QB3
3.	B-N5	P-QR3
4.	B-R4	N-B3
5.	O-O	B-K2
6.	Q-K2	P-QN4
7.	B-N3	O-O
8.	P-B3	- - -

A well known theoretical position. In view of Black's text answer which is considered good enough for equality, 9. P-Q4 might give more fighting chances, e.g., 9.---, B-KN5; 10. R-Q1 PxQP; 11. PxP, P-Q4; 12. P-K5, N-K5; 13. N-QB3, NxN; 14. PxN, N-QR4; 15. B-QE2, etc. (Analysis by Paul Keres.)

8.	- - -	P-Q3
9.	P-QR4	B-N5
10.	PxP	PxP
11.	RxR	QxR
12.	QxP	N-R2!

This is another point of Black's defense. Before this move was discovered the usual continuation was 12.---, N-QR4 13. B-E2, NxP; 14. NxP!, (if PxN; 15. QxP and the two pieces are forked---Ed.) R-N1; 15. BxN, RxQ; 16. BxQ, RxN; 17. P-Q4 with advantage to White.

13. Q-K2 QxP  
After 13. Q-R5, QxP; 14. QxN, QxQN; 15. QxP, BxN; 16. PxB, Q-N3ch.; 17. K-R1, Q-Q3, Black has a safe draw unless he prefers to play for an attack

with 18.	K-N1, B-Q1; 19. Q-B6, P-Q4, etc.
14.	QxQ NxQ
15.	B-Q1? - - -
	Definitely inferior to 15. P-Q4 BxN; 16. PxB, N-N4 (Fine-Keres, Amsterdam, 1938) though even then Black has a slight advantage. The weakness of Q3 will soon show fatal results.
15.	- - - N-B4
16.	P-R3 B-R4
17.	B-K2 - - -

To avoid the worst 17. P-Q4 had to be tried. White obviously cannot make up his mind how to meet Black's threats and instead of making decisions postpones them.

17.	- - -	P-K5
18.	N-Q4	BxB
19.	NxB	N-Q6
20.	P-QB4	- - -

This is too passive. Some practical chances would be obtained with 20. P-KB3.

20.	- - -	N-B3
21.	P-KN4	N-R4
22.	N/l-B3	N-N6

A rare position. White is really stalemated on his Q-wing and cannot meet the threat of R-R1-R8.

23.	N-Q5	B-Q1
24.	N/Q5-KB4?	- - -

This loses immediately; the position was hopeless anyhow. Black would simply proceed with P-QE3, B-N3, R-R1-R8, or P-KB4, etc.

24.	- - -	N/N6xB
25.	Resigns	

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## HELP PROMOTE W.C.F.!!!

At long last there has been great progress in the membership problem. Here is the list of new members for the month of September:

- Gerald A. Winter, Seattle
- Miss Betty Justice, Chehalis
- Norman Abrahamson, Bellingham
- George Tsukamoto, Seattle
- Ray Kaser, Milton-Freewater, Oregon
- Russel Blackler, Milton-Freewater, Oregon
- Captain H. T. Jackson, Camp Hanford
- Dr. Max Baumwell, Walla Walla

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You are heartily welcomed into WCF. We hope you will enjoy our activities and our magazine. We hope you too will help in our promotional effort.

In the month of August sixteen memberships went due. As of yet they have not been renewed. If one of you readers is a guilty party, be certain you get in your fee. Mail it at once to our Treasurer, W. H. Raleigh. Don't be negligent.

HAVE YOU GOTTEN YOUR NEW MEMBER FOR WCF YET???. HELP PROMOTE CHESS---WCF!!!

# NOTES BY O.W.L.

Here are a few timely hints for the postal player (with apologies to Bob Merk, our correspondence editor).

"Let your conversational communications possess a clarified conciseness, a compact, comprehensible, coalescent consistency, and a concatenated cogency. Eschew all conglomerations of flatulent garrulity, jejune babblement, and assinine affectations. Sedulously avoid all polysyllabic profundity, pompous prolixity, psittaceous vacuity, ventriloquial verbosity, and vaniloquent vapidty. Shun double-entendre, purient jocosity, and pestiferous profanity, obscurant or apparent, and above all--- DO NOT USE BIG WORDS!"

Taken from U. S. Smith's 'Win, Lose, or Draw.'

And here is an article to help Ted Davidsen, or any club organizer, along.-----

## ♣ THIS IS YOUR CLUB ♣

This is your club. Do you know what is meant by that? It is a piece of your personal property which nobody can take away from you or kick you out of. You are an integral part of the thing you possess. You inevitably stamp your personality on it. It is a reflection of yourself. Be proud of the members, for they are your chess world. Be proud of the quality of chess that is played, for it represents the product of your brain. Be proud of the accomplishments of your club for they represent your activity.

And seek to preserve it. Be on the lookout for new members with genial personalities. This is the only consideration. And protect your property. Every time you pay your dues you are increasing your investment. Destroy any of it, and you lose that much.

It is natural you should show inordinate interest in chess, but step out of yourself now and then and enjoy other pursuits that the club has to offer. Become interested in the club and the club will be doubly interesting to you.

## ♣ \*\*QUOTES\*\* ♣

"Speed Limit--a thing which makes us late to the Internationals at Blaine!"  
Mrs. Frieda LaFreniere

"The so called elections allow people who do nothing for the WCF from January to December to decide how long those who do something will continue to do so. After every recent election the WCF has received mortal blows which would have killed off a less hardy organization. After an election in which changes in personnel have occurred, we are always weakened for awhile. People who play chess seem to have more pride than average. We are great egotists. We are not the type to team together easily. . . . Future annual meetings should be informal get-togethers with a banquet and instead of hostile rivals we should be pals. Without friendship this WCF cannot last too much longer."

Dan Wade

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"Life's too short for chess."  
Henry James Byron

"I warne yow wel, it is no childes pley."  
Geoffrey Chaucer

"The game is not worth the candle."  
English Saying

"When a man's house is on fire it's time to break off chess."  
Thomas Fuller

"(Chess is) . . . A foolish expedient for making idle people believe they are doing something very clever, when they are only wasting their time."  
George Bernard Shaw

"I don't think Mr. Shaw knows what he is talking about!"  
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I have gone to three Internationals consecutively. I think they are wonderful affairs, and I shall try never to miss one. At the first two I was lucky and won my games, and each time our weakened Washington team was ground down to defeat. At the third when flags of victory sailed graciously above the heads of our team-members, I lost. At least it was a nice game, and it has a moral---Never exchange a strongly posted piece against a helpless and weak one.

O. W. LaFreniere                      Jeff Powis  
White                                      Black

Sicilian Defense

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|----|-------|-------|
| 1. | P-K4  | P-QB4 |
| 2. | N-KB3 | N-QB3 |
| 3. | P-Q4  | PxP   |
| 4. | NxP   | P-K4  |

This is inferior to most lines because it leaves Q3 weak. White's correct continuation should be 5. N-N5! which gives him a general plus. The text leaves the game equal.

(MCO<sup>8</sup> p. 281, col. 83.)

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|-----|-------|-------|
| 5.  | N-KB3 | N-B3  |
| 6.  | B-KN5 | P-KR3 |
| 7.  | BxN   | QxB   |
| 8.  | B-B4  | B-B4  |
| 9.  | O-O   | O-O   |
| 10. | N-B3  | Q-Q1  |

Wholly unnecessary. P-Q3 must be played, the sooner the better.

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| 11. | Q-Q5  | Q-K2  |
| 12. | QR-Q1 | P-QR3 |

Black seems to be under the impression that he cannot do P-Q3, threatening B-K3 in which case he would put a piece on the hook.

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| 13. | P-QR3 | B-R2 |
| 14. | K-R1  | B-N1 |
| 15. | N-R4  | B-B2 |
| 16. | N-B3  | P-Q3 |

Finally! The previous dangers

of P-Q3 were to be preferred to the present bind White has built up.

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| 17. | Q-Q3  | B-K3  |
| 18. | N-Q5  | BxN   |
| 19. | PxB   | N-R4  |
| 20. | B-R2  | P-QN4 |
| 21. | Q-B3  | QR-B1 |
| 22. | P-QN4 | N-N2  |

White has an easier time of it now because Black fails to play B-N3, reserving the N retreat until next move.

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| 23. | Q-B6  | B-N1  |
| 24. | QxRP  | RxP   |
| 25. | B-N1  | R-B1  |
| 26. | QxNP  | RxP   |
| 27. | R-Q3! | R-R1  |
| 28. | R-B3  | B-R2  |
| 29. | Q-Q3  | P-N3  |
| 30. | KR-B1 | - - - |

White has a purely won game. Steady, solid procedure is needed. Material is even, but all White's pieces are mobile. The important QB file is manned doubly, and the QNP will soon be a strong threat.

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| 30. | - - - | B-N3 |
| 31. | R-B6  | B-Q1 |
| 32. | P-R4! | P-B4 |

This move has been needed, but it really can't help much now. If the Black KP moves, White's N may go to Q4 and then to K6.

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| 33. | Q-K3 | Q-N2 |
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The K should be used; the Q is

- too heavy a piece to protect a mere P.
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| 34. | K-N1   | P-K5 |
| 35. | N-Q4   | Q-R2 |
| 36. | N-K6   | R-K1 |
| 37. | Q-Q4   | R-K2 |
| 38. | R/1-B3 | R-B2 |

Threatening B-B3, winning an exchange. It is one of the few threats Black has left.

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| 39. | Q-B4    | B-B3 |
| 40. | R-B1    | R-Q2 |
| 41. | R-B3ch. | RxR  |
| 42. | OxRch.  | N-Q1 |

Now Black is completely helpless against P-N5-6-7-8! But here White slipped. He tried to force an immediate decision---unnecessary when the enemy is so badly bound up.

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| 43. | NxN???  | RxN     |
| 44. | Q-K6ch. | Q-B2    |
| 45. | OxQch.  | KxQ     |
| 46. | P-N3    | P-R4    |
| 47. | R-B7ch. | B-K2    |
| 48. | R-N7    | R-QB1   |
| 49. | B-R2    | K-B3    |
| 50. | P-N5    | R-R8ch. |
| 51. | K-N2    | R-B7    |
| 52. | B-N6    | R-N7    |
| 53. | B-R4    | P-K6    |
| 54. | P-N6??  | B-K7    |
| 55. | Resigns |         |

Black has so many B chasing moves that the beaten opponent couldn't hit back. Had White played K-B1 he would have had a tenable and dangerous game still.

# PASCO NEWS

## SACAJAWEA HOSTS CHESSERS

The Pasco Chess Club held a picnic for Eastern Washington chess players in the Sacajawea State Park, Sunday, July 20. (Sacajawea, named after some fair Indian maiden, is situated on the confluence of the Snake and Columbia Rivers about five miles east of Pasco.) The tremendous success of this new type of event was illustrated clearly by the attendance from a variety of Eastern Washington chess centers. Dr. Max Baumwell (see special article) from Walla Walla, Russel Blackler and Ray Kaser from Milton-Freewater, Oregon, William H. Hoge, Eli Treisman, and Oliver LaFreniere of Yakima, were among the luminaries at the picnic. Spokane was the only unrepresented chess center. Of course George Asanovich and Cornelius Groot, Pasco Chess Club champions were on hand, as well as many other noted Pasco players such as Captain H. T. Jackson, Beryl Arbogast, and many more. The greatest credit for organizing the miraculous event must go to Herbert Tedro, Pasco Chess Club President and spark-plug-type-chesser. As the many families accompanying the players feasted on mountains of potluck-food and the children played in the spacious grass areas, several hard games were fought out in the shade. Dr. Max Baumwell crushed George Asanovich, champion of the Pasco area, in both of two epic battles. (Games to appear next month.) He then played Eli Treisman to two consecutive draws. Other informal games noted by this editor saw Hoge defeat Blackler, LaFreniere trounce Emanuel Wagner, and Tedro smash LaFreniere.

We hope other clubs throughout the state will look upon this chess picnic as a precedent and good suggestion to be followed. We also hope Pasco will hold another such event next year. It was really a pleasure to attend.

### PASCO SWEEPS EAST WASHINGTON

Besides inventing the chess picnic, the Pasco Chess Club has a powerful team. The Eastern Washington League, though very incomplete, saw Pasco clinch the title. Its official match score would be 5-3. It split two matches with Yakima, the Walla Walla Prison, and the Heppner, Oregon, team, and trounced Spokane twice to give it its plus score. Now that Max Baumwell is playing for Pasco there seems to be little hope for other first-boards, as this man defeats almost everybody who comes before him. Pasco also had the most complete record. Yakima's was 1-2; Spokane's was 1-2. The Prison team, Heppner, and the heretofore unmentioned Milton--Freewater, Oregon will be regular leaguers next year, and it is hoped the schedule will be completed.

# DR. MAX BAUMWELL expert

The following is the first of a series of articles on Eastern Washington chess personalities to appear bi-monthly. The short biography on William H. Hoge which was printed in the July issue is to be considered the opener of the series.

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Dr. Max Baumwell first saw light of day in a small town east of Vienna, Austria, in 1896. His chess playing career began at school about the age of 12 years. The game was taught in the schools by the Recreation Director, and many of the students were interested.

While in high school, and during the First World War, Russian soldiers invaded that part of Austria, and the Russian Master Alekhine was a member of the occupation army stationed in the town. He stayed there about four weeks, teaching chess theory to the local players, playing blindfold simultaneous, and not losing. Some of Alekhine's great genius indubitably wore off on the Doctor.

After high school, Dr. Baumwell went to Vienna to study medicine. While attending the University there, he joined one of the leading chess clubs; and in 1927 won first prize in the Vienna Open Swiss Tournament against 52 players. He still has the handsome, inscribed gold Swiss pocket watch he received as first prize.

In 1930 he went to Mareno, Italy, for further medical University study, and after graduating there, stayed and practiced medicine as a specialist in chest diseases. He found he had to give up most of his chess playing in favor of his practice, but in 1930 he won the Northern Italy Championship at Mareno, and has two inscribed gold medals given to him as first prize. In 1933 he attended another similar tournament at Mareno, but only in an advisory capacity and not as an active participant. The chess clubs gave him a bronze medal for his activity at that time.

In 1938 Dr. Baumwell came to America, and attended a University at Chicago. Taking his medical degree there, he moved to Booneville, Arkansas, as a resident physician at a sanatorium there. He remained there until 1943 when he became Chest Clinician at Belmont, California. In 1946 he moved to his present post at the Veterans Hospital at Walla Walla.

Since he came to this country, the Doctor has played no chess whatever until last year when he had a few friendly games. This year he became an active member of the Pasco Chess Club. A large part of the credit for his renewed interest goes to Herb Tedro, president of the Pasco Chess Club. In the three tourneys he has played in he has won every game. The last of these were two games on first board against Richard Greenwood, champion of Spokane, in July, 1953.

The Doctor considers his game very much on the decline, and says that chess is a young man's game--and an old man's pastime.

(Research by Russel Blackler)

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IN MILTON-FREEWATER, OREGON,---Russel Blackler, an outstanding organizer and chess player, has begun the organization of a Milton-Freewater or Walla Walla chess club. Walla Walla is only about ten miles from Milton-Freewater, and the combined strength drawn from both cities should give a worthy club and strong team. Blackler is being aided in his efforts by his wife, and by Ray Kaser.

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NOTE SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS--Those who have received and answered special cards or letters from Oliver LaFreniere: I cannot acknowledge all cards giving me correct information on status of membership. Please realize that all information you may have sent me is properly noted and recorded. Thankyou.



# NOURSE AD NAUSEAM

Previous articles of this series have shown the difficulties encountered in playing chess with a dictator or king. Napoleon Bonaparte's disposition was no better than his predecessors, and his manners, from the record, seem to be worse.

Napoleon was quite a chess addict, and often whiled the time away before an important battle by a game or two with an aide. Following are three of his games, one with a Monsieur Bertrand, one with a Madame de Remusal, (both probably dependents of the Emperor,) and the other with the celebrated Maelgel's "Automaton".

The Emperor won the first two handily, probably because he was Mr. Big, but in third game played in 1809 at Schonbrunn, the "automaton" defeated him easily.

The supposition of the time was that Allgauer was inside the automaton, and feeling comparatively safe from retribution, proceeded to win his game.

The tactful Madame de Remusal, probably very familiar with court manners, is to be thanked for the following interesting pre-game gossip;—"Napoleon amused himself for some time with his wife with more freedom than decency, then he called me to a table to play chess. He did not play fairly as he would not obey the rules for the moves of the game. I allowed him to do as he pleased, (smart girl,) then he began to whistle between his teeth . . . (Well, they're not that bad, now.)"

Following are some samples of Napoleon's play;—

Napoleon.	Madame de R.	Napoleon.	Bertrand.	Napoleon.	Automaton.
1. N-QB3	P-K4	1. N-KB3	P-K4	1. P-K4	P-K4.
2. N-KB3.	P-Q3.	2. P-K4.	N-QB3	2. Q-KB3.	N-QB3.
3. P-K4	P-KB4	3. P-Q4	NXP	3. B-QB4	N-B3.
4. P-K B3	BXP	4. NKN	PXN.	4. N-K2.	B-QB4.
5. QNXP	QN-B3.	5. B-QB4	B-B4.	5. P-QR3.	B-QB4.
6. KN-N5	P-Q4.	6. P-QB3.	Q-K2	6. O-O	B-KN5.
7. Q-R5. ck.	P-N3.	7. O-O	Q-K4	7. Q-Q3	N-KR4.
8. Q-B3.	N-KR3.	8. P-B4.	PXP ck. dis.	8. P-KR3.	QBXN
9. N-B6.ck.	K-K2.	9. K-R1.	PXP.	9. QXB	N-KB5.
10. NXQP ck.	K-Q3.	10. BXP ck.	K-Q1.	10. Q-K1.	N-Q5.
11. N-K4.ck.	KXN.	11. PXQ.	PXR(Q)	11. B-QN3.	NXKRP ck.
12. B-B4.ck.	KXB.	12. BXN.	B-K2.	12. K-R2.	Q-KR5.
13. Q-QN3.ck.	K-Q5	13. Q-N3	P-QR4.	13. P-KN3.	N-B6.ck.
14. Q-Q3 mate.		14. R-B8.ck.	BXR.	14. K-N2	NXQ.ck.
		15. B-N5.ck.	B-K2	15. RXN.	Q-N5.
		16. BXB.ck.	KXB.	16. P-Q3.	BXKBP.
		17. Q-B7.ck.	K-Q1.	17. R-R1.	QXNP.ck.
		18. Q-B8.ck. mate.		18. K-B1.	B-Q5.
				19. K-K2	Q-N7.ck.
				20. K-Q1.	QXR.ck.
				21. K-Q2.	Q-N7.ck.
				22. K-K1.	N-N8.
				23. N-B3.	BXN.ck.
				24. PXB.	Q-K7. mate.

A problem composer, named Guillohan, said, Here's something that's certain to rile 'em. When they published the key. Eighty solvers said "D". And twenty went in an asylum.

# THE TWO BISHOPS SACRIFICE

by Stephen Falk

Emanuel Lasker made a great contribution to the happiness of all chess players when he discovered the pattern, back in 1889, for an explosive two-Bishop attack against a castled King.

In the opinion of many critics, this game is still the finest game of its kind.

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Bird's Opening  
Amsterdam, 1889

Emanuel Lasker  
White

Bauer  
Black

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|----|-------|-------|
| 1. | P-KB4 | P-Q4  |
| 2. | P-K3  | N-KB3 |
| 3. | P-QN3 | P-K3  |
| 4. | B-N2  | B-K2  |
| 5. | B-Q3  | P-QN3 |
| 6. | N-QB3 | B-N2  |
| 7. | N-B3  | QN-Q2 |
| 8. | O-O   | O-O   |
| 9. | N-K2  | P-B4  |

A modern player would find the Bishops of White sufficiently threatening to play 9. N-B4, removing most of danger to Black's King-side.

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| 10.                         | N-N3  | Q-B2   |
| 11.                         | N-K5  | NxN    |
| 12.                         | BxN   | Q-B3   |
| 13.                         | Q-K2  | P-QR3? |
| N-Q2 or N-K5 was necessary. |       |        |
| 14.                         | N-R5! | NxN    |

Missing White's next move. But the position was beyond salvation, for example N-K1; 15. BxNP!, NxB; 16. Q-N4.

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| 15. | BxPch.!! | KxB  |
| 16. | QxNch.   | K-N1 |
| 17. | BxP!!    | .... |

Only the second Bishop sacrifice can prove the soundness of the first.

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| KxB                     |          |      |
| If P-B3; 18. R-B3 wins. |          |      |
| 18.                     | Q-N4ch.! | K-R2 |
| 19.                     | R-B3     | P-K4 |
| 20.                     | R-R3ch.  | Q-R3 |
| 21.                     | RxQch.   | KxR  |
| 22.                     | Q-Q7!    | .... |

Winning one of the Bishops, and still retaining the attack!

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| B-KB3 |       |       |
| 23.   | QxB   | K-N2  |
| 24.   | R-KB1 | QR-N1 |
| 25.   | Q-Q7  | KR-Q1 |

Making room for his King; White

was threatening mate by 26. Q-N4ch. and followed by 27. R-B3.

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| 26. | Q-N4ch. | K-B1 |
| 27. | PxP     | B-N2 |

If BxP; 28. Q-K6 winning the Bishop. But the following Pawn advance is decisive.

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| 28. | P-K6!   | R-N2    |
| 29. | Q-N6    | P-B3    |
| 30. | RxPch.  | BxR     |
| 31. | QxBch.  | K-K1    |
| 32. | Q-R8ch. | K-K2    |
| 33. | Q-N7ch. | Resigns |

Although this game is famous for the two-Bishop sacrifice, it is also a fine example of forceful Queen play.

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Queen's Gambit Declined  
St. Petersburg, 1914  
(Second Brilliancy Prize)

Aron Nimzovich  
White

Sieghert Tarrasch  
Black

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|-----|-------|-------|
| 1.  | P-Q4  | P-Q4  |
| 2.  | N-KB3 | P-QB4 |
| 3.  | P-B4  | P-K3  |
| 4.  | P-K3  | N-KB3 |
| 5.  | B-Q3  | N-B3  |
| 6.  | O-O   | B-Q3  |
| 7.  | P-QN3 | O-O   |
| 8.  | B-N2  | P-QN3 |
| 9.  | QN-Q2 | B-N2  |
| 10. | R-B1  | Q-K2  |

As a result of White's tame fourth move, we have a position which is quite level. In the following phase Nimzovich makes the mistake of thinking exclusively along positional lines, forgetting all about the tactical possibilities he is creating for his rival.

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|-----|-------|-------|
| 11. | BPxP? | KPxP  |
| 12. | N-R4? | P-N3  |
| 13. | KN-B3 | QR-Q1 |
| 14. | PxP?  | PxP   |

Nimzovich has played to give Black the famous "hanging Pawns" in the center; but Black has a fine, free game with formidable attacking prospects.

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| 15. | B-N5? | N-K5! |
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16. BxN? BxB  
 17. Q-B2 NxN!  
 18. NxN P-Q5  
 19. PxB? .....

Pardonably oblivious of Black's brilliant plan. It's true that P-K4, Q-R5; 20. P-N3, Q-R6 leaves Black with excellent attacking chances.

- ..... BxPch.!!  
 20. KxB Q-R5ch.  
 21. K-N1 BxP!!

Amazingly enough, this Bishop will be miraculously preserved to give checkmate eleven moves later!

22. P-B3 .....
- If KxB, Q-N5ch; 23. K-R1, R-Q4; 24. QxP, R-R4ch.!!; 25. QxR, QxQch.; 26. K any, Q-N4ch. and White's N is lost.

..... KR-K1!  
 Menacing R-K7. Now if Q-Q3, Q-N6; 24. N-K4, RxN! Or KR-K1, RxRch.; 24. RxR, QxRch.; 25. KxB, Q-K7ch.; 26. K any, R-Q4 etc.

23. N-K4 Q-R8ch.  
 24. K-B2 BxR

An embarrassing situation for White: he can't even play 25. RxB, for then Q-R7ch. win the Queen.

25. P-Q5 P-B4!  
 26. Q-B3 Q-N7ch.  
 27. K-K3 RxNch.!!  
 28. PxB P-B5ch.!!?

In the heat of the battle he misses Q-N6ch.!!; 29. K-Q2, Q-B7ch.; 30. K-Q1, Q-K7 mate.

29. KxP R-B1ch.  
 30. K-K5 Q-R7ch.  
 31. K-K6 R-K1ch.  
 32. K-Q7 B-N4 mate.

Because of the derivative nature of his beautiful combination (Lasker-Bauer game) Tarrasch lost his chance for the First Brilliancy Prize.

3

Orangoutang Opening  
 Portsmouth, 1923

Alexander Alekhine  
 White

Drewitt  
 Black

1. N-KB3 P-Q4  
 2. P-QN4 P-K3  
 3. B-N2 N-KB3  
 4. P-QR3 P-B4  
 5. PxB BxP  
 6. P-K3 O-O  
 7. P-B4 N-B3  
 8. P-Q4 B-N3?

The Bishop, which should have retreated along his original diagonal, is quite useless here.

9. QN-Q2 Q-K2  
 10. B-Q3 R-Q1  
 11. O-O B-Q2  
 12. N-K5 B-K1  
 13. P-B4! QR-B1  
 14. R-B1 N-Q2

This permits White to secure a definite advantage; but Black must do something before he is overwhelmed by the standard attack of R-KB3-R3 etc.

15. NxQN! RxN

PxN is equally hopeless in a position sense, for after 16. P-B5, B-B2 17. Q-R4 and Black's Queen-side is certainly vulnerable.

16. P-B5 NxP

Sheer desperation; after B-B2 17. B-N5 traps the Rook!

17. PxB BxP

Black is happy for the first time in this game: he has two Pawns, and is about to gain a third, for the lost piece. But Black has overlooked that the diagonal of White's Queen's Bishop has been opened.

18. R-KB3! BxRP  
 19. BxR BxR  
 20. BxPch.!! KxB

Or K-B1; 21. BxPch., KxB; 22. R-N3ch., K-B3; 23. Q-N4, P-K4; 24. Q-B5. 21. R-R3ch. K-N1  
 22. BxP!! Resigns

Against P-B3; 23. B-R6!, Q-R2; 24. Q-R5, B-B1; 25. Q-N4ch., B-N2; 26. QxPch., K-B1; 27. QxPch wins. Of course 22. KxB; 23. Q-N4ch. leads to mate.

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Colle System  
 Belgian Championship, 1936  
 (First Brilliancy Prize)

Koltanowski  
 White

Defosse  
 Black

1. P-Q4 N-KB3  
 2. N-KB3 P-Q4  
 3. P-K3 P-K3  
 4. B-Q3 P-B4  
 5. P-B3 N-B3  
 6. QN-Q2 B-Q3  
 7. O-O O-O

Koltanowski has played some notable games with this opening. After a slow start, White develops his pieces aggressively and Black must play with

great care.

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| 8.  | PxP   | BxP    |
| 9.  | P-K4  | Q-B2   |
| 10. | Q-K2  | B-Q3   |
| 11. | R-K1  | N-KN5  |
| 12. | P-KR3 | KN-K4  |
| 13. | NxN   | NxN    |
| 14. | PxP!  | PxP    |
| 15. | N-B3  | NxNch. |

Black has brought out his men quickly enough, but the isolated Pawn is a headache. Thus if 15 NxB; 16. QxN and neither 16. B-K3 (17. N-N5!) nor 16. R-Q1 (17. QxP!, B-R7ch.; 18. NxB, RxQ; 19. R-K8 mate!) will do.

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|-----|-------|-------|
| 16. | QxN   | B-K3  |
| 17. | B-K3  | QR-Q1 |
| 18. | B-B2  | P-QN4 |
| 19. | B-Q4! | B-QB4 |

The threat was 20. Q-R5, P-N3; 21. Q-R6 wins; or 20. P-KR3; 21. RxB!, PxR; 22. Q-N6 with a winning attack.

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|-----|-------|------|
| 20. | QR-Q1 | P-N5 |
| 21. | B-K5! | B-Q3 |

Or Q-N3; 22. Q-N3!, P-B3; 23. B-B7 wins.

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|-----|---------|------|
| 22. | BxPch.! | KxB  |
| 23. | Q-R5ch. | K-N1 |
| 24. | BxP!!   | KxB  |

On P-B3 Koltanowski gives 25. Q-R8ch., K-B2; 26. BxR, BxB (or RxB; 27. Q-R7ch.); 27. Q-R5ch., K-K2; 28. Q-R7ch, K-Q3; RxBch. winning the Queen.

Or 24. P-B4; 25. RxB, KxB; 26. Q-R6ch., K-N1; 27. R-N6ch, K-B2; 28. R-N7ch, K-K1; 29. RxQ, BxR; 30. Q-K6 mate!

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| 25. | Q-N5ch. | K-R2 |
| 26. | R-Q4    | .... |

Now we see the point of White's 21st move! Black's Bishop was deflected from attack on the Rook, which now is threatening mate.

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| 27. | .... | B-R7ch. |
| 27. | K-R1 | Q-KB5   |
| 28. | RxQ  | BxR     |
| 29. | QxB  | KR-N1   |
| 30. | R-K5 | Resigns |

White threatens mate in two; if Black tries to escape by 30. K-N2; White polishes him off with 31. Q-N5ch. K-R2 (31. not K-R1, or B1); 32. Q-B6 (keeping the King fixed) and the Rook's check at R5 will be fatal.

5

Queen's Gambit Declined  
Vienna, 1907  
(Second Brilliancy Prize)

Carl Schlechter  
White

Maroczy  
Black

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|-----|-------|-------|
| 1.  | P-Q4  | P-Q4  |
| 2.  | N-KB3 | P-QB4 |
| 3.  | P-K3  | P-K3  |
| 4.  | P-B4  | N-KB3 |
| 5.  | P-QR3 | N-B3  |
| 6.  | N-B3  | QPxP  |
| 7.  | BxP   | P-QR3 |
| 8.  | O-O   | P-QN4 |
| 9.  | B-Q3  | B-N2  |
| 10. | PxP   | BxP   |

This partially peaceful scene soon becomes a crushing attack by White!

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|-----|-------|--------|
| 11. | P-QN4 | B-Q3   |
| 12. | B-N2  | N-K4   |
| 13. | NxN   | BxN    |
| 14. | P-B4  | B-B2   |
| 15. | Q-K2  | O-O    |
| 16. | QR-Q1 | Q-K2   |
| 17. | P-K4  | P-K4   |
| 18. | N-Q5! | NxN    |
| 19. | PxN   | KR-K1? |

Maroczy does not attach enough importance to the opening up of attacking lines which has resulted from the exchange of Knights. QR-K1 was far safer.

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|-----|---------|------|
| 20. | PxP     | BxKP |
| 21. | BxPch.! | KxB  |
| 22. | Q-R5ch. | K-N1 |
| 23. | BxB     | P-B3 |

There is no good defense. If QxB; 24. QxPch., (this explains why the 19th move of Black was faulty), K-R1; 25. R-B5! (QxB is also good) and White wins quickly.

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| 24. | BxP! | PxB  |
| 25. | R-Q3 | Q-R2 |

White was threatening 26. R-N3ch., K-B1; 27. Q-R8ch. and mate next move.

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|-----|---------|------|
| 26. | R-N3ch. | K-R1 |
| 27. | Q-B3    | .... |

Having calculated his combination beforehand, Schlechter doesn't even notice 27. QxQch.!, KxQ; 28. R-B4! and mate follows.

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| .... | Q-KB2 |
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White was threatening mate in two by 28. QxPch.; he was also threatening 28. R-R3.

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| 28. | Q-N4! | Resigns |
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Black's Queen is lost, leaving his game in a state of collapse.

Look's easy, doesn't it!

# WITH WARNER AT MILWAUKEE

R. Pitschak      Ted Warner

## U.S. Open - Rd. 6

1. P-QB4	N-KB3
2. N-QB3	P-K3
3. P-K4	P-Q4
4. BPxP	PxP
5. P-K5	N-N5
6. P-KR3	NxP
7. Q-K2	Q-K2
8. NxP	N-Q6ch
9. K-Q1	QxQch
10 KxQ	NxBch
11 RxN	B-Q3
12 NxPch	BxN
13 RxB	N-B3
14 K-K3	R-B1
15 B-B4	K-Q1
16 RxP	R-K1ch
17 K-B4	N-K4
18 RxKNP	NxB
19 N-B3	NxNP
20 N-K5	R-K2
21 R-N8ch	K-B2
22 R-B1ch	K-Q3
23 P-Q4	R-QB2
24 R-Q8ch	K-K2
25 RxRch	KxR
26 RxRP	P-R4
27 P-N4	R-R3
28 P-N5	P-N4
29 P-N6	R-B3ch
30 K-N5	RxBP
31 R-R8ch	Resigns

Ted Warner      Carl Weberg

## U.S. Open - Rd. 7

1. P-Q4	N-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. N-KB3	B-N5ch
4. B-Q2	BxBch
5. QxB	P-Q4
6. N-B3	O-O
7. Q-B2	QN-Q2
8. P-K3	R-K1
9. B-K2	P-B3
10 N-K5	Q-R4
11 O-O	NxN
12 PxN	N-Q2
13 P-B4	P-B3
14 B-Q3	P-B4
15 PxP	BPxP

16 N-N5	R-N1	33 PxP	P-K4
17 P-KN4	N-B1	34 P-QR4	K-B1
18 N-Q6	R-Q1	35 P-R5	K-N2?
19 PxP	PxP	36 K-B2!	B-K5
20 K-R1	P-KN3	37 P-QN6	PxP
21 R-KN1	Q-N3	38 PxP	P-Q5
22 BxP	BxB	39 B-N2	Resigns
23 NxB	K-R1		
24 N-Q4	QR-B1		
25 Q-Q2	N-K3		
26 QR-QB1	RxR		
27 RxR	N-B4		
28 Q-B3	N-K3		
29 NxN	QxN		
30 Q-B7	Q-Q2		
31 P-K6	Q-K1		
32 Q-K5ch	K-N1		
33 R-B7	Resigns		

## Notes

If 35...K-K; 36 P-N6 PxP; 37 P-R6, K-Q2; 38 P-R7, K-B2; 39 B-R6, P-Q5ch; 40 K-Q3, if black plays B-N7; 41 P-R4. If 40...B-Q4; 41 P-R4, if Warner plays P-N4?? 42 BxP, K-N2; 43 B-Q7!

Dr. B. Rozsa      Ted Warner

## U.S. Open - Rd. 8

1. P-K4	P-QB4
2. N-KB3	N-QB3
3. P-Q4	FxP
4. NxP	N-B3
5. N-B3	P-Q3
6. P-KR3	P-KN3
7. B-K3	B-N2
8. Q-Q2	O-O
9. P-KN4	P-Q4
10 PxP	NxP
11 NxQN	PxN
12 NxN	QxN
13 QxQ	PxQ
14 O-O-O	P-K3
15 B-N2	B-N2
16 KR-K1	KR-B1
17 B-Q4	R-B5
18 BxB	KxB
19 R-K3	R/1-QB1
20 P-B3	R/1-B2
21 R/3-Q3	B-R3
22 R-Q4	R/5-B4
23 P-KB4	R-B5
24 K-B2	B-N4
25 RxR	RxR
26 B-B1	R-B4
27 P-N4	B-R5ch
28 K-Q2	RxP
29 KxR	BxR
30 P-QN5	P-N4
31 K-Q2	B-B6
32 K-K3	B-R8

White should then win with 44 B-B5. So 41...P-N4 is N. G. & if 41...K-Q2 or Q3? 42 B-B4! Black must stick to a bishop at this point. 41...B-B6; 42 B-B4, K-N2; 43 BxP, BxP; 44 P-R5, B-B4ch; 45 K-Q2, P-K5! Now 46 P-R6 is much too slow and an easy win for black following 46...P-K6ch. 47 K-K2, B-N5ch; 48 K-Q3, and you can disregard my remarks on 46 P-R6 being too on the slow side! That is chess for you - a very treacherous and tricky game. Black's bishop must continue to check the king & draw by perpetual ch. White must keep his king on K2-Q3 or he will lose. It looks like a draw!

The above notes are by the editor. As in most games, the game was more interesting in the notes than in the actual play.

Round 9, U.S.Open

Ted Warner - Albert Sandrin

1.	P-Q4	KN-B3
2	P-QB4	P-KN3
3	QN-B3	B-N2
4	P-K4	P-Q3
5	B-Q3	P-K4
6	KN-K2	PxP
7	NxP	N-B3
8	KN-K2	O-O
9	O-O	N-Q2
10	P-QN3	N-B4
11	B-B2	N-N5
12	B-N1	P-B4
13	P-QR3	N-B3
14	R-R2	PxP
15	NxP	B-B4
16	N/2-N3	NxN
17	BxN	BxB
18	NxB	Q-K2
19	R-K1	K-R1
20	N-N5	B-K4?
21	P-B4	B-Q5ch
22	QxBch	NxQ
23	RxQ	QR-K1
24	RxR	RxR

25 K-B2 and wins

The Sandrin opposing Warner in the above game is the Master, rated 2363 not his Expert brother. We had it wrong last month.

Round 10, U.S.Open

M. Turiansky	Ted Warner	
1	P-Q4	P-Q4
2	P-QB4	P-QB3
3	KN-B3	N-B3
4	N-B3	P-K3
5	PxP	KPxP
6	Q-B2	B-K2
7	B-N5	P-KR3
8	B-B4	O-O
9	P-K3	QN-Q2
10	B-Q3	N-R4
11	B-N3	NxB
12	RPxN	N-B3
13	O-O	N-N5
14	QR-N1	P-KR4
15	B-B5	P-R5
16	BxN	BxB
17	N-K5	B-K3
18	N-K2	Q-B1
19	QR-B1	B-KB4
20	Q-Q2	P-B3
21	N-Q3	P-R6
22	N/3-B4	PxP
23	NxNP	K-B2
24	P-B3	P-KN4

25	N-B3	Q-K3
26	K-B2	R-R1
27	R-KR1	B-Q3
28	N-K2	B-R6
29	R-R2	P-N5
30	N/K2-B4	Q-B4
31	QR-KR1 (a)	QR-KN1?
32	PxP	RxP
33	RxB	RxR
34	RxR	BxN
35	KPxB	R-N1
36	R-R1	Q-N5
37	Q-Q3	P-KB4

White wins  
(a) if 31..BxN/B4 black has the better game.

Round 11, U.S.Open  
Ted Warner - Michael Patron

1	P-Q4	KN-B3
2	P-QB4	P-K3
3	N-KB3	P-Q4
4	B-N5	B-K2
5	N-B3	O-O
6	P-K3	QN-Q2
7	R-B1	P-B3
8	Q-B2	N-K5
9	BxB	QxB
10	B-Q3	P-B4
11	K-K2	K-R1
12	QR-KN1	N/2-B3
13	N-K5	B-Q2
14	P-B3	NxN
15	PxN	B-K1
16	P-B5	N-Q2
17	NxN	BxN
18	P-KB4	P-QN3
19	PxP	PxP
20	R-N1	P-QN4
21	K-B2	R-R6
22	R-N3	R/1-R1
23	RxR	QxR
24	R-R1	R-R5
25	P-N4	P-N3
26	P-R4	Q-K2
27	K-N3	P-R4
28	PxRP	PxP
29	R-KN1	R-R1
30	K-R3	R-KN1
31	RxRch	KxR
32	Q-N2ch	Q-N2
33	Q-N5	B-K1
34	K-N3	K-B1
35	QxQch	KxQ
36	K-B2	K-B3
37	K-K1	K-K2
38	K-Q2	K-Q3
39	K-B2	K-B2
40	K-N3	K-N3

41	K-N4	B-B2
42	B-K2	B-K1
43	B-Q1	B-B2
44	B-B2	B-K1
45	B-N3	B-Q2
46	P-R4	PxP
47	BxP	B-K1
48	P-B4	B-B2
49	B-N3	B-K1
50	B-Q1	B-B2
51	PxP	BPxP
52	B-R4	B-N3
53	B-N5	B-B2

Draw

Round 12, U.S.Open  
N. Kampars Ted Warner

1	P-Q4	P-Q4
2	B-N5	P-QB3
3	N-QB3	B-B4
4	P-K3	P-KR3
5	B-B4	N-B3
6	B-Q3	P-K3
7	BxB	PxB
8	KN-K2	B-Q3
9	Q-Q3	N-K5
10	P-B3	BxB
11	PxB	N-Q3
12	Q-K3ch	K-Q2
13	P-QN3	R-K1
14	Q-Q3	N-R3
15	P-QR3	Q-R5ch
16	P-N3	Q-B3
17	K-B2	P-KN4
18	QR-K1	R-K3
19	Q-Q2	R/1-K1
20	N-B1	N-B2
21	R-K2	RxRch
22	N/1xR	N-K3
23	R-K1	PxP
24	NxP	QxPch
25	QxQ	NxQ
26	R-QB1	N/3-N4
27	NxN	NxN
28	P-QR4	N-B6
29	R-K1	RxR
30	KxR	K-Q3
31	K-Q2	P-Q5
32	K-Q3	P-B4
33	K-B4	P-N3
34	K-Q3	P-R3
35	N-R5	N-Q4
36	N-N7	K-K4
37	P-R3	N-B3
38	K-B4	P-B5
39	P-KN4	N-Q4
40	N-K8??	N-N5!
41	P-B3?	P-Q6
42	PxN	P-Q7
43	Resigns	

Ted Warner  
 1 P-Q4  
 2 P-QB4  
 3 N-KB3  
 4 B-Q2  
 5 QxB  
 6 N-B3  
 7 Q-B2  
 8 P-K3  
 9 PxP  
 10 B-Q3  
 11 O-8  
 12 N-Q2  
 13 P-QR3  
 14 P-QN4  
 15 QR-B1  
 16 N-QR4  
 17 BxB  
 18 N-B5  
 19 N-B3  
 20 NxN  
 21 NxP  
 22 N-B5  
 23 N-N3  
 24 Q-B5  
 25 PxB  
 26 K-R1  
 27 Q-N4  
 28 Q-R5  
 29 NxQ  
 30 N-B4  
 31 P-R3  
 32 P-N5  
 33 K-N2  
 34 K-B3  
 35 KxN  
 36 K-K5  
 37 K-B5  
 38 PxB  
 39 R-R1ch  
 40 R/QB-KN  
 41 K-K5  
 42 RxBch  
 43 R-QB1  
 44 R-B5  
 45 R-R5  
 46 K-B4  
 47 K-B3  
 48 R-R6  
 49 K-B4  
 50 P-K4!  
 51 P-Q5  
 52 PxB  
 53 KxB  
 54 P-R4

Robert Sobel  
 N-KB3  
 P-K3  
 B-N5ch  
 BxBch  
 O-O  
 P-Q4  
 Q-K2  
 QN-Q2  
 PxB  
 P-B3  
 R-K1  
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 R-B2  
 K-B3  
 PxB  
 K-K2  
 K-Q3  
 K-B4

Draw agreed

# TOURNAMENTS

## ILLINOIS

60 players-

1. Povilas Tautvaisas 6 - 1
2. Miroslav Turiansky 5½-1½
3. J. Tums 5½-1½

## NEW YORK

35 players-

1. Hans Berliner 8½- ½
2. James Sherwin 7 - 2
3. Dr. Mengarini 6½-2½
4. Karl Burger 6 - 3
5. Milton Hanauer 6 - 3

## MID-WEST

32 players-

1. Lee Magee 5 - 1
2. John Penquite 5 - 1

## PANHANDLE

22 players-

1. Major Edmund Czapski 5 - 0
2. Bert Brice-Nash 4 - 1
3. Dr. Ralph Underwood 4 - 1
4. Frank Muegler 4 - 1

## FLORIDA

26 players-

1. Nestor Hernandez 5½- ½
2. Col. F. D. Lynch 5 - 1
3. P.C.Knox 4½-1½

## OHIO

47 players-

1. Tony Archipoff 6 - 1
2. Heising 5½-1½
3. Janes Schroeder 5½-1½
4. Walter Mann 5½-1½

## LOUISIANA

29 players-

1. Edward Borsodi 5 - 1
2. Fred Cummings 5 - 1
3. Mrs. K.N.Vines 4½-1½
4. A.L.McAuley 4½-1½

## WISCONSIN

60 players-

1. R. Kujoth 6 - 1
2. N. Kampars 5½-1½
3. Mark Surgies 5 - 2

The USCF Board of Directors have completely revised the plan for the U.S. Championship in 1954. The eligible players will be:

1) The three top players in the 1951 U.S. Championship--Evans, Reshevsky, Pavey;

2) The six highest in the 1953 Candidates Tournament in Philadelphia: Bisguier, Burger, Berliner, DiCamillo, Brandts, and Wachs.

3) The five players who placed highest in the U.S. Open at Milwaukee; D. Byrne, Pavey, N. Rossolimo, J. Sherwin, and Horowitz.

At the New Jersey Open, Director Wooldridge reports; "One player wrote 'resigned' on his score sheet but before announcing his resignation, paused to look over the hopeless situation once more. While he was thus torturing himself his opponent offered a draw. It was accepted deadpan and without comment, a truly wonderful example of restraint and tact."

The 47 player New Jersey tourney was unique in the fact there were no forfeits or withdrawals.

After cancelling the scheduled match in New York between teams of the USSR and the USA, the Russians have extended an invitation for a match in the Soviet Union in November "in the interests of strengthening friendship" between the United States and Soviet chess players.

The invitation was signed by V. Vinogradov, and was addressed to Samuel Reshevsky and the other members of the US team who were stood up in July when the Soviet team was recalled after travelling as far as Paris.

Adding to the lore of Larry Renlinger, 12, of Long Beach, California, is the news that he has been reading Washington Chess Letter regularly for the past year. He has the ability to read a game score like others read an ordinary paragraph, can then play the game back on a chessboard, with all the variations that were noted. The September WCL which contained the "Larry" story was one of the exhibits

that helped gain a City appropriation for the Long Beach chess program at Lincoln Park.

Another young star is reported from the far-off country of Pakistan, where 13 year old N. Husain has won the Karachi tournament with an outstanding score of 18-2.

The long battle for the Correspondence Chess Championship of the World was concluded when Harald Malmgren accepted a draw from C.J.S. Purdy editor of Chess World.

1. Purdy (Australia)	10½-2½
2. Malmgren (Sweden)	10 - 3
3. Dr. Napolitano (Italy)	10 - 3
4. Barda (Norway)	9½-3½

There were 78 starters representing 22 nations. Play started in July, 1947, under auspices of ICCA.

#### CALIFORNIA OPEN

(66 players)

1. Eugene Levin	6 - 1
2. P. Lapiken	6 - 1
3. V. Pafnutieff	5½-1½
4. M. Gordon	5½-1½
5. J. Alexander	5½-1½

#### CALIFORNIA STATE

(10 player round robin)

1. H. Steiner	7½-1½
2. Henry Gross	6½-2½
3. William Addison	6 - 3

#### NEW JERSEY

(47 players)

1. Franklin Howard	5½-1½
2. Saul Yarnak	5½-1½
3. Ivan Romanenko	5½-1½
4. Edgar McCormick	5½-1½

#### BRITISH TITLE

(32 players)

1. D. Yanofsky (Canada)	9½-1½
2. P. Milner-Barry	8 - 3
3. R.G. Wade	7½-3½

Nine Soviet players and six from the free world are engaged in a double round robin match in Zurich, Switzerland to find a contender to meet the present World Champion, Botvinnik. At the end of 20 rounds Reshevsky had a slight lead over Smyslov.



# KITSAP NEWS

Kitsap County chess fans gave an inspiring welcome to Elmars Zemgalis on his showing at the Bremerton Y.M.C.A. on Sept. 30th. Twentythree players turned out to challenge the master, some driving 40 miles for the event, the dependable Henry Kaffenberger bringing two players from Gig Harbor. Almost twice twenty three came to watch. Elmars had an almost perfect day, suffering no defeats and allowing only two draws, one to Bremerton's old reliable Chas. Magerkurth, and the other to Jack Nourse, (lucky as usual). Dr. Alford, who drew with Elmars at his first exhibition here, finally bowed after a long struggle.

Thanks to the confidence generated by Elmars volunteering to act as playing coach of the Kitsap entry enthusiasm is running high, and I am happy to report that our team is training hard in an effort to reach the lofty heights prophesied for us by my friend Dan Wade. We ar'nt going to let you down, Dan. You can count on us to be right close in there. In fact, if we can get a sub for Nourse we may even make 6th. place. Anyway we are going to give it the old college try.

Incidentally, we wish to make it clear that Mr. Zemgalis volunteered his services, and that while we were greatly flattered by his offer we debated for some time if it would be best for the club. However, we considered the coaching benefits so invaluable, and the fact that his name and the attendant publicity would do much to revive our demoralized club, spark us for the season and furnish momentum for the years to come. We are very grateful to Elmars Zemgalis for his so friendly gesture.

Noticed at the event ~~were~~:- Frank Blakefield, old team mate of Hugh Enochen, Henry Kaffenberger - Mr. Chess of Gig Harbor. . . Marilyn Danskin of T.V. Dan fame. . . Mr. Markuson, late of the Seattle Chess Club . . . Dick Axelson and G. Carter, two of Bainbridge High School's best . . . they did alright too. G. Danes, a good club player from Sioux City and candidate for a position on the Kitsap team . . . Gerry Miller, another candidate for the team . . . and many others whom we thank for the loyal support. The club meets Wednesdays, and on one Friday - the second- monthly.

Cause for sorrow in Kitsap is the withdrawal from league play of our most friendly, dependable and self-sacrificing player - George Christey. It is bad enough to lose Chris the player, but the reason for his absence poses a question which may well become a bitter argument.

To elucidate, one has to trace the history of Chris' hobbies. First was checkers, which he played for several years, associating mainly with checker players. Next came chess, during which phase Chris associated mainly with chess players. So far, so good. But, now comes the unwholesome news that Chris is interested in training dogs, and will associate henceforth mainly with dogs. These winter Sundays Chris will be check by jowl with dogs, while his team mates will, as usual be nose to nose with chess players. What bothers me is this - Has Chris degenerated from chess to dogs or should the trend be in reverse. Mrs. Nourse is positive that this is a definite intellectual upsurge. I wonder what Mrs. Wade thinks.

Frankly, it has me on the ropes.

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Big disappointment of the opening league match in Bromerton was the failure of the U of W. to field a team. Rather than accept two forfeits Kitsap agreed to play the defaulting two players the following Sunday. Be ironic, should we lose, dont you think, eh.

# OLYMPIA 1ST!

Olympia 6½      Seattle 3½

The Seattle Chess Club was ambushed at Olympia by Mulford, Cerretelli and Co. to the tune of 6½ to 3½. Seattle was nearly blanked on the top three boards which was enough to win.

The win put the Olympia team into the ebony-hued horse class in the race for the Puget Sound League championship.

Seattle will need reinforcing as their next opponent is the powerful Tacoma Y.M.C.A.

<u>Olympia</u> 6½		<u>Seattle</u> 3½	
Ken Mulford	2	V. W. Bever	0
Joe Cerretelli	2	F.H. Weaver	0
Dave ReVeal	1½	J. McCormick	½
H. E. Yocom	1	Ted Davidsen	1
C. Harneson	0	E. Carlson	2

Tacoma Y. 5      Seattle Y. 5

The two title favorites met head-on at Seattle and when the firing ceased, neither side could claim a victory. Tacoma sprung a "secret weapon" on the Y.M.C.A.ers with Latvian player Victor Pupols playing on first board. Russell Vellias successfully blunted this weapon, however, playing Pupols to a pair of draws. Tacoma nearly repeated their 5½-4½ victory of last year as the score was tied at 4½-4½ and Pupols had a rook and two isolated pawns against one rook for Vellias. Vellias did manage to save the game and the match and so both teams are still seeking their first win.

<u>Tacoma Y.</u> 5		<u>Seattle Y.</u> 5	
Victor Pupols	1*	Russ Vellias	1
Vernon Holmes	1	Chas. Joachim	1
Les Coubrough	½	Daniel Wade	1½
R. Collins	1	Max Bader	1
Vic. Hultman	1½	John DeWitt	½

\*2 draws.

West Seattle 5      McNeil Island 5

The West Seattle Chess Club team invaded McNeil and fought that institution's team to a 5 to 5 deadlock. The West Seattle players were not too happy over the outcome, feeling that they would have won if they had not committed some awful blunders!

<u>West Seattle</u> 5		<u>McNeil Island</u> 5	
Max Mage	1	Cox	1
F.M. Howard	1	Berg	1
E. Vukonich	1	Shapers	1
R. Schrank	2	Schram	0
Ward Kemp	0	Wood	2

Kitsap 5      U. of Wash. 4

On October 18 part of this match was played with Ted Warner of the University losing a very close contest to Elmars Zengalis playing for Kitsap. Rosberg defeated Jack Nourse 2 - 0 to give the U.W. 2 points but Dr. Almond downed Edberg 2-0 to give Kitsap 2, so the score after the first day stood 3-2 in Kitsap's favor.

On Sunday, Oct. 25th, the match was resumed. Zengalis won a good game from Warner, Charles Magerkurth of Kitsap split two with Dr. Ernest Michael and Alan Clark won a game from Blakefield on 5th board. Warner reported that the Clark-Blakefield game took a long time to play and Blakefield had an appointment and did not have time for the second game. This is contrary to the report called in by Jack Nourse (who was not on the scene) saying the U. of Washington man was the one who was unable to stay for the second game.

The score stands at 5-4 in favor of Kitsap at this writing. A box score will be printed if and when the match is completed. Let's get that 40th game played!

Nov. 8th match play: Seattle Y.M.C.A. at McNeil, U. of Washington vs. West Seattle at Seattle Chess Club, Seattle Chess Club at Tacoma and Kitsap County at Olympia. Round 3 will be on Nov. 29th and finds U. of Wash. at McNeil, Seattle Y. vs. Seattle at Seattle, West Seattle at Olympia and Kitsap County at Tacoma.

# POSTAL CHESS

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Section		Points	Section	Points
53A-1A	Greene 1	Coubrough 0	52A-2B	Skarsten 1
53A-1B	Wade 1	Kaffenberger 0		Hardinge 0
53A-3A	Bever 1	Roberts, D. 0		26
52A-1A	Yocom, H.E. 1	Hardinge 0		36
	Greene 1	Hardinge 0		58
	Bever 1	Hardinge 0	53A-2A	Cairncross 1
52A-1B	Yocom, H.E. 1	Hardinge 0		Hardinge 0
	Greene 1	Hardinge 0		36
	Bever 1	Hardinge 0		68
52A-2A	Skarsten 1	Hardinge 0		28
	Coubrough 1	Hardinge 0		50
	Cairncross 1	Hardinge 0	53A-2B	Cairncross 1
	Yocom, H.E. 1	Hardinge 0		Hardinge 0
				36
				68
				28
				50

C. M. Hardinge advises that he will be unable to continue with his games and therefore is resigning all of them. We are sorry to lose him as a postal player as he has been one of our most prolific contestants.

Here is a nice compliment to WCF postal chess players from Bob Cairncross of Eugene, Oregon. "I think the W.C.F. postal players are the best and most congenial that I have had the pleasure of playing with".

Fred Merk is on an automobile tour of the Eastern States and expects to be back about November 10 to resume his games.

An error was made in the September issue in computing the ratings of Howard, Husby and Kendall. Correction is made in this issue.

Don Roberts has catalogued the peculiarities of play of each of his contestants in an effort to be able to predict what they will do under certain circumstances. He has your Director down as always moving P-KR3 when it looks like the opponent is getting ready to move B-N5. Hope he don't get fooled to often on thinking that certain moves are habit forming. We have a game going with him that is now in the 68th move. He says it is a draw, we say it is a win. Maybe sometime next year we can report the result. The game is now in its third year so what care we for a little more time.

Dan Wade is hoping to clean up all of his opponents in the section that he has going, but we suspect that some of his opponents have different ideas.

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Class A Players

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Greene	1707
Mulford	1590
Bever	1583
Coubrough	1546
Cairncross	1532
Cerretelli	1477
Dolle	1445
Yocom, H.E.	1402
Magerkurth	1358
Howard, F.M.	1350
Husby	1350
Wade	1326
Kaffenberger	1292
Knapp	1250
Baron	1250
Almond	1250
Naas	1226
Sams	1213
Hellums	1190
Harmeson	1136
Yocom, C.L.	1035

Class B Players

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Winters	1302
Skarsten	1268
Luters	1258
Allen, W.P.	1216
Dickey	1208
Merk, R.R.	1205
Kendall	1150
Engstrom	1148
McCarthy	1148
Moore	1137
Emerson	1106
Roberts, Don	1090
Holland	1086
La Freniere	1054
McCormick	1050
Dickson	1050
Falk	1050
Schrank	1050
Vukonich	1050
Leonard	1050
Southerland	1050
Merk, Fred	1046
Thomas	1030
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