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### Seafair Tournament Results

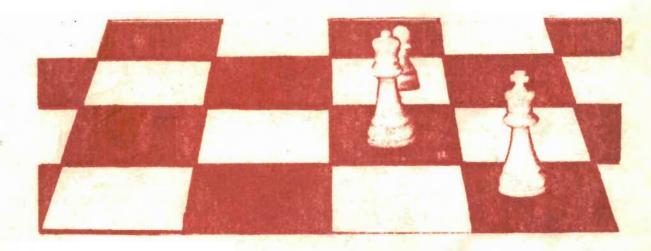
SEATTLE, August 4,— The 1957 Seafair Chess Champion is JAMES McCORMICK.

The top 5, on tie-breaker points, were:

1. Jim McCormick	4-1/	2-	1/2
2. Vic Pupols	4- 1	/2-	1/2
3. Char. Joachim	4	_	1
4. V. Seglins	4	-	1
5 Dan Wada			

Others in the 28 player event, in order of finish were: Terry Nelson, Don Johnson, Chas. Griffiths, R. Blums, Rob't Walker, F. H. Waaver, Jim McNeese.

Complete details next month



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### CLUB JUNIOR AUG. 17TH

In organizing the 1957-58 Inter-High Chess League the following high schools seem likely entries: Highline, Kent, Wenatchee Jr., West Scattle, Tacona's Lincoln, Renton, and Auburn. A few other possibilities may be O'Dea, Scattle Prep and Franklin. Spokano, Yakima, Walla Walla and Olympia might come up with high school teams. There are several other schools but we are not sure of their chess activities. Centralia was quite active a while.No activity from there during the recent past, however.

Summer is a poor time to prepare for the Inter High League except that we would like to have things rolling when school starts. The Wash. Chess Letter will publish the details sent in on each and every high school team match. A record will be kept of the successes (and failures) of each team and a state champion determined.

A five round Swiss Junior tournament will be held on SATURDAY, AUG-UST 17th at ONE P. M. in the Scattle Chess Club, room 604 in the Central Y. M.C.A., 4th and Madison. JOHN RING, chess club president, has given permission for this event. Time limit, 30 moves per hour. No entry fee.

-J. SCHROEDEL, 6343 50th S.W.City

#### COMTRIBUTORS TO THE AUGUST ISSUE.

Dan Wade, Howard Weaver and Bob Mork in every issue, of course. Others in this month's Chess Letter are Don Eilmes, Bob Karch, Charles Joachim, John Schroedel, and Donnis Hamilton.

### OLYMPIA

The Olympia Chess Club Rating List, as of July 15th, is Chas. Joachim, 1715; Walt Conner, 1713; Chester Harmeson, 1712 Ed Tveden, 1704; Ellis Ayer, 1698; Stymans, 1691; Harry Parmelee, 1691; John MacKenzie, 1685; Col. Gurfein, 1680; Richard Pawley, 1676; Ted Davis, 1670; McCuiston, 1666; Dave Hanon, 1666; John Booth, 1666; Hartley Krueger, 1659; Dale Wells, 1658; Dr. W. McInnis, 1656; Moore, 1624; Albert Gurfein, 1618; Monroe Burnett, 1610; Bob Hallgren, 1600 and the "cellar" portion of the rankings remains unchanged from last month with the exception of a newcomer, Earl Thompson, 1518.

Only club news is Walt Conner took a trip to San Francisco to participate in the U. S. Junior Championship Tournament.

### BIG SIMULTANEOUS

In our story about the opening activities at Scattle's new Chess Center, we had to omit the outcome of the tandem Simultaneous as we left before it ended. The team of Ulvestad and Edberg won 6, lost 2 and drew 7 games. Dr. Murray and Charles Griffiths each won a game, and Griffiths a second time around gained a draw. Also two draws were given because two of the contestants had to leave early. Pupols & McCormick pooled their efforts on 1 board but could only salvage a draw.

The Choss Center is located at 718 Pine Street in downtown Scattle. A full story on the Center's opening night is in this issue.

D. Wade, od.

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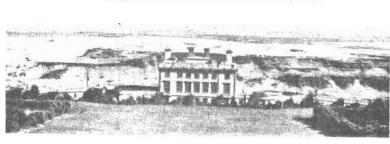
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### tacoma scene

Rohrer.....2

MCNEIL-TACOMA MATCH DRAWN:
THE Thrrible Tacomans were drawn
by the McNeil marathoners in a
Sunday match played parallel with
P. S. L. play.

Eye .....0 The splits on the first three boards maintainsymmetric score, but Tacoma's hearts fell when two losses were played at board four. Teenager Bill Rohrer came to the rescue on last board to save the face | of Tacoma's team.

Arrangements are now being made for holding a rematch.

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There is a cor- Hopkins\* 550 recti n for the Jaynes 579 May article report. \* Inactive ing the opening section of the Pierce County Championship. Coubrough's bye gave him enough for entering the play-off, contrary to the May report.

Tournament Director Dennis Hamilton is going to present a revised perpetual-rating system to the club. Based on the USCF rating system, the new system, if adopted, will allow easier comparison with other published ratings.

SPEND THE LABOR DAY WELKEND AT THE TACOMA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

CASH & AWARDS POPPORTUNITY TO MEET NOTED NORTH, EST PLAYERS.

HOLMES RETAINS PIERCE TITLE: Vernon Holmes, stalwart of the Ta-

vernon Holmes, stalwart of the Tacoma Chess Club, has again won the Pierce County Championship in a 5-man play-off for top honors.

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#### TACOMA CHESE RATINGS

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	Carlson	634	Kuh laann	552
	Collins	718	Leach	597
	Coo!-	499	Lec*	471
	Cooke,"	541	Lockhart,	535
	Coubrough	729	Lougheed	<b>333</b>
	Crcque*	725	llartin	<i>5</i> 05
	Dolle	566	Pupols	933
	Engstrom	651	Rohrer	445
	Faithful	522	Seymour	550
	Finnegan*	587	Somsen	721
	Frank,#	525	Stimson,	539
	Hamilton	630	Voclier*	409
ĺ	Hanson	567	Meber*	540
	Hewitt	317	Theeler, J.L	
	Holmes	941	Theeler, J.M	
١	Hopkins*	650	Tolover	430

The only threat to Holmes' blank. the touring nament was his draw with Nederländer and new club member Dick Somsen . Seymour, who got into the finals by a bit of luck, proved himself worthy of the chance. His splashing win over Somsen garnered him second place. Hewitt. always a strong match in all local play, was unable to finish after a promising start. Carlson

New member | start. Carlson and Coubrough followed with fifth and sixth places. The six-round play-off was assembled from the top six players of the swiss qualifying tournament reported in the May Chess Letter.

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One of the major meetings of the year was held at the Tacoma C.C. July 12. Arrangements were made for the Tacoma Open, players for the International, club elections, and rematches with Helleil and Olympia. The Tacoma Chess Club will pay overhead expenses of the Tacoma Open, so nearly all entry fees will be used for the prizes. There is a coming boom in junior players

### SEAFAIR STORY NEXT MONTH

### BRITISH COLUMBIA WINS

BRITISH COLUMBIA 22, WASHINGTON 8. Sounds unbelievable, but it is true! !!e had 43 players in the match and lost by only one point,  $7\frac{1}{2}$  to  $6\frac{1}{2}$ , in the "B" match. The "A" match score tied the record set by Washington back in 1954 as the most lop-sided affair in the long history of the International Match. The slaughter was worst on the top 13 boards where only CHARLES JOACHIM of Olympia on board 4 won a game! DON EILIES of Seattle drew his game on board 6 and that grand total of  $l^{\frac{1}{2}}$  points was the Washington score for the top 13 boards: BOB COLLINS won his game on board 14 to show one and all Tacoma was present. Other wins for Washington were posted by STAN SAWYER, D. GORDON and L. E. STANSKY.

Besides DON EILMES, others getting draws were R. DORN, A. W. PEHT, HOWARD MEAVER, COL. GURFEIN, and JACK MOURSE. So we won five, drew six and lost 19 games on the top 30 boards.

VIESTURS SEGLINS on board one, BEN WEISSCHER on board 11 and MARTIN FASS on board 22 all lost their games through adjudication by E. MACSKA'SY and OIAF ULVESTAD.

Enough to make a strong man weep was the fact OLAF ULVESTAD, BOB EDBERG and JIM MCCORFICK were all at the match, but arrived much too late to play! Also Washington Tournament Director TOM MAKENS was so busy lining up his team, he never had time to play! So four of our best players just stood by and watched the miserable massacre!

Thanks to unexpectedly strong representation from both Olympia and Tacoma we had enough players and reportedly outnumbered B. C. So losing the "B" match because of a forfeit on board 44 needs some explaining.

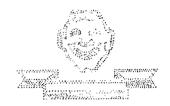
An outstanding record was kept intact by CHARLES JOACHIM. He has NEVER lost an International game and has rarely even been held to a draw. Also he has attended numerous Internationals and always played on a high board.

Summary by PEDER HUSBY, WCF Sec.

WASHINGTON STATE	8.	BRITISH COLUMBIA	22.
1. Viesturs Seglins		W. Jursevskis	1
2. Dan Wade	0	E. Macska'sy	1
3. Chas. Griffiths	0	E. Butkov	1
4. Chas. Joachim	1	J. M. Taylor	0
5. Robert Meale	0	D. Murray	
6. Don Eilmes	1	Frank Hay	1 1 1
7. Lt. E. Leininger	Õ	L. H. Duval	ĩ
8. K. A. Haniak	Ō	M. Pratt	ī
9. Ron Lougheod	0	B. Potter	î
10 L. Frank	0	J. Prentice	ĺ
11 Ben Meisscher	0	L. May	ĺ
12 H. Kuhlman	0	R.A. Pilkington	1
1	0		1
13 S. Lockhart		Frank Fillery	7
14 Robert Collins	l l	F. Atnikov	1
15 R. Dorn	\$	P. Gindy	ह
16 A. W. Peht	ই	S. Blinder	\$
17 Howard Weaver	1 <u>1818-1818</u> 0	Carlson	O 4/80-1/80-4/80-4/80 1 1 0 1:4/80
18 Col. Gurfein	हे	A. Ackerman	2
19 R. T. Pawley		A. Bryant	1
20 Max Mage	0	W. Maior	1
21 Stan Sawyer	1	B. Arden	0
22 Martin Fass	0	W. T. Money	Ĭ
23 Jack Nourse	<u>1</u>	R. Westwick	77
24 D. Gordon	1	H. Ostrom	Ο
25 N. Abrahamson	0	A. Arrow	1
26 L. Gunn	0	A. Mushcy	1
27 Sid Nourse	0	M. Brown	1
28 L. E. Stansky	1	C. Bryner	0
29 Mary Eilmes	0	F. A. Fraser	1
30 E. Lohmeyer	0	Leonard Rooza	1
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WASHINGTON STATE	6분•	BRITISH COLUMBIA	7글.
1. Earl Knapp	- <u>f</u>	John Prinz	<u>-</u> 6
2. V. W. Bever	Ĩ	A.E. Schick-Ferbo	r
3. Peder Husby	<u> </u>	Grabeklis Zanis	1
4. Albert Gurfein	(ଜ <del>୍ୟା</del> ର୍ଜ୍ୟାର	Hermann Bischoff	 
5. N. L. Jenner	<u>2</u>	J. Lacey	<u>2</u>
6. C. H. Jenner	S 0	C.J. Littlefield	2 1
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7. H. H. Roberts	0	P. Oldhan	Τ.
8. John Schroedel	0	Allen Morley	
9. Phil Moormann	1	D. J. S. Smith	0
10 William Raleigh	0	A. P. Paget	1
11 F. A. Butler	1	B. C. Cohen	0
12 John Gell	1	N. Rempel	0
13 Dan Chin	1	J. A. McCharles	0
14 (Forfeit)	0	A. E. Russell	1

MATCH NOTES - E. Macska'sy played 4th board for Hungary only last year, boasts a win over World Champ Smyslov in '47 and beats Jursevskis. The heavens wept for Washington during the match & players scattered for the nearest trees. Albert Gurfein is only 10 and has played 5 years. Mary Eilmes was the only woman player this year. How come some lose so quickly in big game of year?

## ANNOUNCING—



THE FIRST

## TACOMA OPEN







\$25 EXPECTED \$25

JUNIORS \$2.00

## SATURDAY, AUG. 31 AND SUNDAY, SEPT. 1

SIX ROUND SWISS

40 MOVES: 1 HOURS

MEDIAN, SOLKOFF TIE BREAKING

PLAY BEGINS

9 A. M. SATURDAY

OAKLAND FIELDHOUSE IN TACOLA

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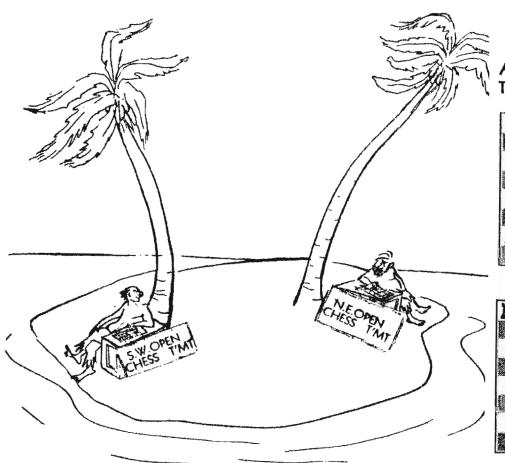
RON LOUGHEED, 4834 EAST "B" ST., TACOMA

#### 1957 TACOMA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

#### TOURNAMENT RULE SHEET

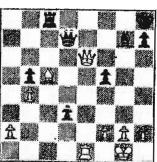
- 1. Entry Fee: Adult fee is \$3.00. Juniors who wish to compete for junior prizes and not adult prizes may enter for \$2.00.
- 2. Play: Six round Swiss type with three rounds each day. Play starts at ten a.m. each morning. Rounds will be approximately three hours long.
- Prizes: Adult entry fees will be used to form prizes for the winners. First, second, and third prizes will be distributed approximately in the ratio 4:2:1. There will also be some miscellaneous awards, depending on the number of entrants. Junior prize money will be made up from junior entry fees and supplemented from the adult fees if necessary. It should be understood that juniors paying the reduced fee are inelligible for adult prizes. Juniors paying the full entry will anly be considered for adult awards.
- 4. Time Control: 40 moves for the first hour and one-half. Then, 15 moves per half hour thereafter.
- 5. <u>Tie-breaking</u>: The median system will be used for ties. The Solkoff system will be used on all ties unbroken by the median system. All remaining ties will be considered as such.
- 5. Withdrawals: Players withdrawing after at least one round of play forfeit all remaining games. For tie-breaking purposes, and the benefit of players remaining in the tournament, the games forfeited will be considered drawn. All adjourned games of a forfeiting player will be adjudicated.
- 7. Byes: No tie-breaking points accompany byes. Byes are given (when necessary) to the lowest scoring player at the time the bye is given (after the first two rounds). In the eventuality that a bye must be given in round one or two, only players rated (USCF or NW) below Class A and unrated players, with the exception of juniors, will be considered for byes.
- 8. Adjudications: All adjourned games left unplayed by 4:30 Sunday afternoon will be adjudicated by the tournament director and a selected committee of three participants.
- 9. Adjournments: The tournament director will adjourn all games which continue so long as to hinder the other players.
- 10. Score Sheets: A correct score sheet, signed by both players must be supplied the tournament director before credit will be given for the game.
- 11. Rules of the F. I. D. E. (International Chess Federation) will be used where applicable and as interpreted by the USCF
- 12. Any grievances must be presented to the grievance committee selected by the tournament director.

This tournament will not be USCF rated.



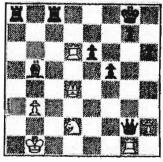
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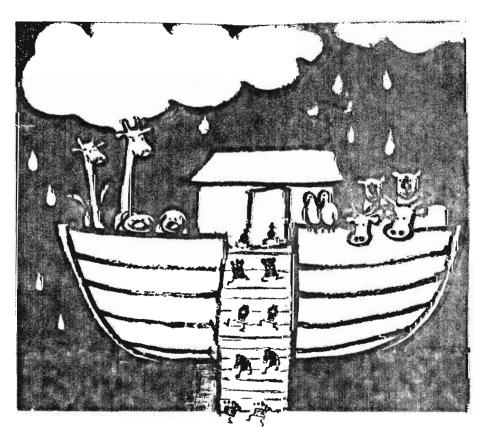
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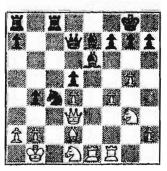
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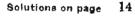
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### RATINGS

Our MCF Rating Statistician, ROBERT A. KARCH, has sent in a partial list that is up to date through the June 1957 issue of the MASHINGTON CHESS LETTER.

This partial list includes only the Masters, Experts and newly rated. A complete list will be published in the near future.

Interest in this list centers around the denotion of OLAF ULVESTAD to Expert & the promotion of VIKTORS PUPOLS to Master mainly because of the happenings at a recent Inland Empire Open!! Also, Washington State Champion ROBERT EDBERG dropped out of the Expert class, and presumably is now a Class "A" player!

OLAF ULVESTAD'S convincing  $7\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$  win over PUPOLS in a match should pull Haster Pupols down a bit and clevate Ulvestad up to a possible Haster rating again. Also, as this is written before the Seattle Seafair Open, happenings in that tourney may change things around considerably.

Since Pupols swept through to three consecutive championships in the I. E. O. Seattle Club and Hontana Open, he has also lost a match to Ulvestad and gone back to Chicago, where he turned in a good performance in a small and very strong latvian tournament. Pupols scored  $3\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$ .

### NORTH EST MASTERS

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#### NORTHWEST EXPERTS

Baumvell, Dr. Hax	2048
Bills, William A	2038
Bishop, George	
Dalbergs, Ivars	2164
Holmes, Vernon L	
Joachim, Charles	2094
McCormick, James H	2036
Patterson, G. S. G	2018
Schain, Gerald	2092
Schmitt, James N	
Trembois, Jim	
Ulvestad, Olaf	
Wade, Daniel E	
Warner, Ted	2114

36 MELLY RATED PLAYERS SINCE	LAST REE	PORT!
Ayer, Ellis		1824
Backer, John		
Ball, Jerry		1638
Barclay, Kenneth		1394
Book, Art		1436
Burnett, Monroe		1554
Calligan, Chris	• • • • • •	1400
Clark, Clarence	• • • • • •	1980
Conner, William	• • • • • •	1900
Conner, Walt	• • • • • •	1888
Cook, A		1378
Devenere, Vito		1314
Dolan, Phil		1698
Dunstan, Fred		
Durwald, L. C		
Ego, Jako		
Gamido, Henry	• • • • • •	1600
Gilchrist, John		1764
Hamon, Dave		1582
Hanson, Jerry	• • • • • •	1436
Harmeson, Chester		
Hickey, Pat		
Krucger, Hartley		
Nackenzic, John		
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Napjus, Chris		1504
Schader, James N		1408
Schroedel, John		1396
Seglins, Viesturs	• • • • • •	1910
Seymour, G	• • • • • •	1616
Somsen, Dick		1818
•		1528
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Wells, Dale		
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### OPEN LETTER FROM SGT. KARCH

Harrison, David ...... 1998

I would like to ask the help of each individual WCF-Affiliated Club. Please examine the current lists (July and August issues) for any of your members who still may not be WCF-Rated. Form a three-man committee and forward your numerical recommendations to me. This is a one-time action so that the Northwest List will include all known, active players. In forming committees, it is advisable to select the highest rated available players.

987 FRANKLIN ST., MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA.

### WCF GAMES

Absolutely no one has asked to see this game in the Chess Letter where our intrepid editor spotted ROBERT EDBERG 2 (two) pawms, and then rallied to win out in 12 years of hard postal chess, to win the postal section championship. No one asked to see this game, so here it is!

Section 56A-1B - Jan. 17, '56 to June 28th, 1957.

DAN WADE	ROBERT EDBERG
1 D 04	N <b>-</b> IB 3
1. P-Q4	
2. P-K3	P-KN3
3. N-KB3	B-M2
4 • B-Q3	P <b>-</b> Q3
5. P-K4	0-0
6. O-O	QN <b>-</b> $QS$
7 • P-K5	N-Kl
8. PxP	BPxP
9. R-Kl	N/2-B3
10 Q <b>-</b> K2	P-K3
11 QM <b>-</b> Q2	B <b>-</b> Q2
12 N <b>-</b> B4	B <b>-</b> QB3
13 P-KR4	<b>м-м</b> 5
14 N-N5	P=KR4
15 P-KB3?	

White probably intended P-QB3 but was quite upset over the doings in the 56A-lA game which White resigned in 17 moves. (Published many moons ago.)

BxQPch. 15 ----\_---16 N-K3

The alternative of 16 K-Rl, seems to invite trouble.

MxM 16 ----BxNP17 BxN

And White is 2 pawns down with no compensation.

18 QR <b>-</b> Nl			B <b>-</b> QB6
19 MR <b>-</b> Q1			Q-K2
20 R-N3			B-N2
21 B-N5			N-B3
22 BxB			PxB
23 R/1-N1			M = $OV$
24 R-N7			Q <b></b> B3
25 N-K4			QxRP
Now White	is	3	pawns down!
26 B-B2			$\Omega$ - $\Omega$ 1

26 R-BZ

27 Q**-**R6

The reason for White's 25th. N-K2

"O. K., but I still think you have a loss, and I am in the process of proving it." (Edberg)

RxR28 RxP

(next column)

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29 QxR
                        P-Q4
    30 N-B5
                        N-Bl
    31 Q−R6
                        Q-Q3
     "Who's kidding who, Dan? I've got
a won game and we both know it. I am
not sweating a bit!" (Edberg)
    32 P-R4
                         P-R5
    33 P-R5
                        P-R6
     Object: To expose the Thite king.
                        Q-B5
     In answer to Wade's card - "Fee,
Fie, Foe, Fum", Edberg answered, "Fumm-
ing while Rome burns, huh?"
    35 \ QxP
                         B-K4
    36 N-Q7
                        Q-R7ch.
    37 K-B1
                         M-K2
    38 Q-N7
                         N-B4
    39 NxB
    "I didn't think you'd take the rook
as it would have been mate in 31" (Edberg)
    39 ----
                         0xM
    40 P-R6
                         N-K6ch.
    41 BxN
                         \Omega x B
    42 P-R7
                         QxPch \cdot
     "I wouldn't count on any Queen yet.
In fact, don't count on getting even a
draw!" (Edberg)
    43 K-Kl
                         Q-K6ch.
    44 K-Q1
                         Q-B6ch.
     Here Wade moved 45 K-K2 prompting an
Edberg reply - "Thanks for your king. 45
K-K2 happens to be illegal, Dan. Will ex-
pect another move!"
    45 K-Q2
                         Q-B5ch.
    46 K-B3
                         Q-B5ch.
     "I offer you a draw - or don't you
think I have a perpetual?" (Edberg)
    47 K-N2
                         P-Q5
     "Careful, Dan. You're trying hard
to lose this game!" (Edberg)
    48 P-R8(Q)
                        Q-B6ch.
    49 K-R2
                         QxPch.
    50 R-N2
                         Q-B5ch.
    51 R-N3
                         RxQch.
    52 OxRch.
                         K-N2
    53 Q-K4
                         P-B3
    54 K-N2
                         P-B4
    55 Q-K5ch.
                         K-R3
    56 P-R4
                         K-R4
     White had threatened mate in one.
    57 R-KH3
     If instead 57 Q-N3,Q-K7ch.; 58 K-
 Bl, Q-N5 is forced and the numerous B
 pawns are difficult to handle by the R.
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Q-N5ch.

58 K-Bl, Q-B5ch.; 59 K-Q2, Q-N5ch.;

60 K-K2,P-Q6ch; 61 K-B2,Q-Q7ch,; 62 K-

B3 and Black resigns.

An interesting last round crucial from the Inland Empire Open.

DON	EI	LMES	TERRY	MELSON
	1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.	P-Q4 P-Q84 N-KB3 N-QB3 B-N5 P-K3 R-B1 B-Q3 B-R4 BxP B-Q3	TERRY  P-K3 N-KB3 P-Q4 P-B3 QN-Q2 B-Q3 O-O P-KR3 PxP P-QN4 P-R3	HELSON
	13 14 15 16 17	O-O P-K4 P-K5 BxB N-K4 N-Q6 NxB	B-N2 B-K2 M-Q4 QxB N/2-K2 N-B1 QxN	

Best was 18 N-K4 dominating the Q6 and B5 squares. Either square can be occupied in one move whereas Black must move twice each time in order to drive the knight away.

19 B-N1	N/1 <b>-</b> K2
20 Q <b>-</b> B2	P-N3
21 N-Q2	QR-B1
22 N-K4	N-B4
23 Q <b>-</b> Q2	P-KR4
24 N <b>-</b> B5	Q-K2
25 BxN	$\mathbf{KP} \mathbf{xB}$
26 N <b>-</b> Q3	
Why not 26 NxP?	
26	Q <b>-</b> R5
27 N-N4	P <b>-</b> B5
28 NxN	PxN
29 P <b>-</b> B3	KR-Kl
30 Q <b>−</b> R5	RxR
31 R×R	R <b>-</b> K3
32 Q-N4	P-114
33 R-B8ch.	K-R2
34 R-R8ch.??	

An unsound sacrifice which forces no more than a draw. Black CAN capture the rook after which follows - 35 Q-B8 ch., K-R2; 36 QxPch., K-R1: and perpetual check follows. A brilliant winning move here was 34 K-B1:, QxRP; (anything clse?) 35 Q-B8, Q-R8ch.; 36 K-B2, Q-R5 ch.; 37 K-K2 and Black can tip his king.

34		N=N 3 ? ?					
35 Q <b>-</b> Q2							
Here also	35 K-Bl	was the move.					
35		P-B3??					
36 Q-B2ch.		P-B4					
37 Q-B3		P-KN5??					

38 PxP	K-N2
39 RXRP	O(x)
40 Q-B7ch.	Resigns.

Rarely does a player contribute so much to his own downfall. Almost could be classified as a helpmate:

A postal encounter between two of our strongest WCF postalites.

Page 1	•
V. W. BEVER	DICK PARSONS
1. P-K4	P=K4
2. W-KB3	N <b>-</b> QB3
3. B-B4	N <b>-</b> B3
4. N-N5	P <b>-</b> 0/4
5. PxP	N <b>-</b> QR4
6. B-W5ch.	P-B3
7. PxP	PxP
8 • B – K2	
Interesting would be	8. Q-B3, PxB?!
9. ?xR.	
8	P <b>-</b> IR3
9. N-KB3	P-K5
10 M-K5	B <b>-</b> Q3
ll N→N4	$N \mathbf{x} y_i$
12 BxiV	Q <b></b> R5
13 BxB	RxB
14 Q-K2	0-0
15 N-B3	QR <b></b> K1
Leaving the KR on KB	
a king side attack with P	
16 P-QN3	P-KB4
17 B-112	P-B4
18 0-0-0	P <b>−</b> QB5
19 PxP	
Bottor to let Black	do the exchang-
ing here.	
19	R -N 1
20 N-M5	
If 20 P-Q4? Q-N4ch.;	
22 H-R4, RxBch.! 23 NxR,	
B3, RxHch. wins or 24 Q-K	
1, Q-M5; 26 QR-K1, MxP! w	ins. If 24 P-KB

1 5 10 10 10 10 11 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
3, BxII; 25 P-QR3, B-B6ch	.; 26 K-R2, R-H7
ch.; 27 K-Rl, RxPch. win	S •
20	B <b>-</b> B4
21 P-KB3?	
Here 21 P-Q4 was es	sential.
21	P-R3
22 N-B7	Q-K2
23 P=()4	
It comes too late n	OW •
23	RxB:
24 PxB	R/1-N1
25 N→Q5	QxBP
26 K <b>-</b> Q2	NxPch.
27 K-Kl	N-R6:
28 N-K3	NxPch.
29 Resigns.	

A "self-mate" from the Olympia Club Tournament.

JOHN MACKENZIE	ED TVEDEN
1. P-Q4 2. P-QB4 3. N-QB3 4. B-N5 5. P-K3 6. BPxP 7. QxP	P-Q4 P-K3 N-KB3 QN-Q2 P-B4 BP×P B-B4
8. BxN 9. QxQ 10 B-N5ch. 11 P-K4 12 P-B3 13 R-Q1 14 P-K5 15 K-K2?	QxB NxQ K-K2 B-N5 R-Q1 PxP N-R4
Suicide 1 15 F 15 16 K-B2 17 N-N3 18 N-K2?	N-Q4 should be played.  N-B5ch.  B-B4ch.  P-N4  N-R4 Mate!

An interesting struggle from the I.E.O.

DON DANIELS	GORDON CORNELIUS
1. P-Q4 2. P-QB4 3. N-QB3 4. P-K4 5. P-KB4 6. N-KB3 7. P-Q5 8. B-Q3 9. Q-B2 10 P-KR4 11 P-B5 12 PxP 13 P-B6? 14 N-K4 15 NxNch 16 P-QN3 17 BxP	N-KB3 P-KN3 B-N2 P-Q3 O-O P-QB4 QN-Q2 P-QR3 N-K1 N/2-B3 PxP N-N5 N/K1xP P-N4 NxN PxP B-N2
18 B-N2	R-K1

19 0-0-0, P-K4; 20 PxP c.p., PxP; 21 KR-KN1, P-Q4; 22 P-KN4, P-Q5; 23 N-K5, N-Q4; 24 BxN, PxB; 25 N-B3, P-B5; 26 BxP, PxP; 27 QxP R-Blch.; 28 K-N1, B-QB3; 29 Q-Q3, B-R5; 30 R -Q2, B-N4; 31 Q-QR3, B-B1; 32 Q-QN3, B-K7;33 B-QN6, Q-Q3; 34 RxP, DRAM AGREED ON!!!

Boys: You can't do this to such a game! Exposed kings - pieces scattered all about & a draw is agreed on. If 34----Q-K3? 35 N-Q4: gives the edge to White. Probably best 34----Q-N3ch.; 35 R-KB5 dis.ch., B-B5. Tough ending to see how various players stand in their Can anyone find a win for either side?

### LETTERS

CHARLES BALLANTINE, former Washington State Champion, writes from his home at 2075 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, Calif. "Once again I must doff my hat to the man who has not only managed to keep the WCL alive, but steadily improve it over the years, with only short, uncertain vacations. How you manage to do it, or what would happen to WCF if you didn't do it, are questions I shudder to contemplate . In brief: Congratulations for your continuing good work! (Also congratulations for the baby boy!)

Are you still an official of Scattle Chess Club? (No, Ed.) After reading story of the club election in the Feb. WCL, I infer that you aren't. However, I trust you occasionally see someone who is an official and can pass on the enclosed \$10 for my continued (absentce) membership in that organization. I do expect to be in Seattle again sometime during the coming year, and had confidently expected I would be home by now, but you know how these are. Sorry to ask you to run errands on top of all the other things you have to do.

Please apprise Mr. Merk of my new address (above).

I recently paid a visit to the Mechanics Institute Chess Club in SanFrancisco and found that there were several things Mr. Bishop didn't mention in his report on page 7 of the March, 1957 WCL. First thing is that the club is not for night owls as it closes at 10 p.m. every night except on Saturday, when they close at 11. (I happ ened to get there just 10 minutes before 11 on a Saturday evening.) Second thing is that it is not a club for free-loaders. The door was open when I went in, but later I noticed it had a sign on it to the effect: "This club is for paid-up members only."If I had seen the sign sooner, I might have not gone in at all. The impression I got was that visitors were welcome to watch quietly. However, I did get the same impression Mr. Bishop did of the organizational work of Mr. Stamer.

R. G. SPENCER, Box 51, Benton City, Wn. asks a question: "Why don't more clubs send in their standings? It would be interesting clubs. Maybe print first 5 from each club.

### IFTTFRS

Our old buddy, DE WIS HAMILTON, takes quill in hand and sends us as follows:

"I have two pages coming to you for the August issue. The article will cover post mortems on the Pierce County Champ ionship, the McNeil match, etc. Probably most important will be the announcement of the TACOMA OPEN, tentatively dated August 31st and September 1st. - Labor Day weekend.

After I get that dope in, I'm putting cartoons on the remainder of the stencils and sending them along. Then, I'd like 2 stencils to give all particulars on the Tacoma Open such as tourney regulations, time controls, adjudication committees, a list of prizes and also a list of instructions for finding the tourney which will be held at the Oakland field house. I think the directions for finding the tournament will be mailed to all chess clubs I have addresses for, so players won't have much trouble finding the dump, which isn't exactly in the heart of Tacoma."

5429 So. Shoridan, Tacoma.

Two weeks later we received another letter from Hamilton, this time from National Park Inn, Longmire, Wash.

"Mell, here I am, stranded on top of a mountain. I'll be up here all summer & have no idea if I'll be able to direct Tacoma's Open tournament. Lougheed may take a crack at it. He has the completed stencils and they should arrive any day if you don't have them already. I don't have the record of Tacoma's match with Olympia, and Lougheed doesn't know where they are. Hope the Scafair pulls off as nicely as it did last year."

DICK PARSONS, AF 29017638, Det.1,AFIT Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. York is not impressed with the Weaver-Pupols "best game of the tournament" contest in the PSO tourney. 55. K-N4, N-N1: This move draws whereas the move played by Pupols, 55. --- P-R4ch.? 56 KxP, NxB; 57. PxN loses. Dick goes into a long, drawn out analysis here and we do not have room for it. If either Weaver or Pupols care to argue with Par sons, his address is above.

Had a white sidewall lately, Dick?

## WHERE TO PLAY CHESS!

SEATTIE CHESS CLUB Room 604 in the Central Y. N. C. A., 4th Ave. and Madison St. Open daily afternoons and evenings.

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SPOKAME CHESS CLUB Meets Thursday evenings at the Desert Hotel. Closed during the summer months.

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TRI-CITY CHESS CLUB (Richland, Pasco and Kennewick) meets on Thursdays, 7 p. m. at the Richland Community Hall on George Washington Way.

WALLA WALLA VALLEY CHESS CLUB meets on Fridays at 7:30 p. m. at Walla - Walla Y. M. C. A.

OLYMPIA CHESS CLUB meets on Monday evenings at 7:30 in the CommunityConter.

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BELLEVUE CHESS CLUB meets in the member's homes. For information, phone Er. V. W. BEVER, GIbson 3636.

BLUE MOON TAVERN 45th N. E. near Roosevelt Way. Self styled "champion" of this informal "club" is Vic Pupols. A flashlight is recommended for play in the Blue Moon as the lighting is not too good. Excellent eyesight and a wary lookout for illegal moves plus a good flashlight and you too can be a champion of the Blue Moon! Being a good "mudder" is also desirable pawns and pieces often having to slosh thru spilled beer. We do not wish to imply that illegal moves are made purposely. But in the gloom, white and black are hard to distinguish.

## NEW CHESS CENTER 718 PINE ST.

Scattle's brand new Chess Center opened its door to the public on Monday evening, July 22nd. This is not another club, but something entirely new in the Northwest - individuals trying to make money out of chess. The partnership of ULVESTAD, ETIMES and EDBERG has risked a large amount of money in new equipment, including tables, chairs and sets, in a location at 718 Pine Street which is constantly in the public eye.

Come in and play chess, only twenty. five cents an hour. No dues, no elections, no officers, no committees here, this is a venture, - private enterprise the system that has been most successful in all fields outside of the Royal Game. Whother or not it will work for chess and there are some who have doubts -only time can tell. It has worked well back east, particularly in New York City, but whether or not Seattle is mature enough to support such an enterprise remains a thing to be seen. Certainly the courage and faith and money necessary to undertake such an operation deserves a better fate than death!

A curtain of secrecy surrounded it until the last day when the story appeared in Royal Brougham's Horning After" in the Seattle P. I. This was on Sunday, July 21st. Although Hr. Brougham tries to write about chess as a sport instead of as an art, leaving the game open to some ridicule, he does have a large audience, and so in his own way he is a big help to the game in Scattle, a city that snubs or sneers at any game that is not speedy, noisy, with body contact, or draws large crowds at three dollars a head. Being quiet and/or slow seems to be boring to non-chess players.

Among those present at the opening were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Davidsen, Max Hage, Dr. A. A. Murray, Edberg, Ulvestad, Mr. and Mrs. Don Eilmes, Dr. Small, Dan Wade, Charles Griffiths, Allan MacGregor, Howard Weaver, Maurice Henion, Russell Vellias and also JIM MCCORMICK and VIC PU - POIS who, for obscure reasons, sought to embarrass the owners of the new establishment. There were also many others there, unknown to the writer.

A tandem simultaneous, conducted by Ulvestad and Edberg, featured opening night festivities. As the writer had to leave shortly after this simultaneous began, the outcome is unknown but is of no importance being only the means of opening the new Center with some activity.

The Center is located on the street level. Passersbye can gawk into the window and - probably with some astonishment - observe the antics of chess addicts in their natural habitat. Whether or not the naturally introverted type of chess player cares to be stared at like some creature from outer space depends on how far lost he gets into a game. On opening night, a few lost them selves so thoroughly in impromptu games of skittles, that when the tables had to be moved for the simultaneous, tables, oblivious chess players, and chess games in unison had to be bodily lifted and moved.

The show window on the street was decorated with fancy, colorful chess sets, chess books, a few copies of the Washington Chess Letter, and also some Russian chess magazines prominently titled CCCP. It is true that Russia is a world leader in chess but why run down our game by advertising that? Our game has enough drawbacks in the eyes of the public without connecting it in any way to Soviet Russia. Any good business man should realize this.

Mary Eilmes, wife of dashing Don, arrived beautifully gowned and bearing a tray of refreshments. Robert Edbers, a perfect Mein Host with his friendly & sincere smile, looked like a kid with a new toy at Christmas. Olaf Ulvestad, looking as though he were under a strain, has the experience from his days in New York to put the venture over. The Ted Davidsens - Ted with black glasses - he had an operation on his eyes awhile back. Says he soon expects to be back playing.

The Chess Center will have candy & gum vending machines, soft drink and eigarette machines, chess books for sale, & probably many other attractions.

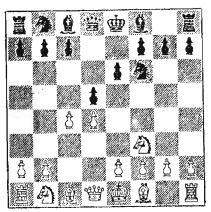
D. W.

### WHITE WAS RIDING HIGH, HAD DEFEATED THE BRITISH CHAMPION JUST YESTERDAY TO WIN A BRILLIANCY PRIZE

1 P-Q4 2 P-QB4 N-KB3 P-K3

3 N-KB3

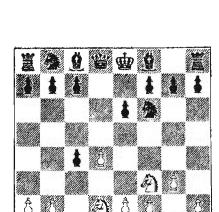
P-Q4



4 P-KN3

PXP

5 QN-Q2 SEE NEXT DIAGRAM

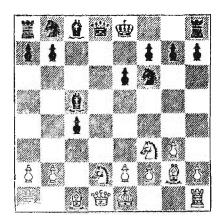


5..... 6 PXP

6 PAP 7 B-N2? **BXP** SEE NEXT DIAGRAM

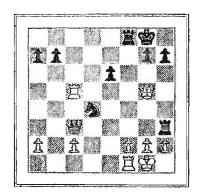
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MAGIC LANTERN MINIATURE



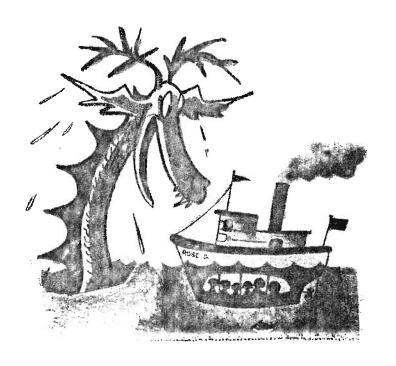
7..... 8 KXB 9 K-K1 BXP CH! N-N5CH. N-K6

WHITE'S QUEEN IS LOST.



The Fireside Book of Chess states that spectators were so appreciative of the move Frank Marshall made in this position, that they showered the board with gold pieces.

It was Black to move, and he played ..... Q-KN6!





#### NEW YORK

U.S. Champion Arthur Bisguier made a comeback in his match with grandmaster Samuel Reshevsky, winning two and drawing three of the last five games, after losing the first three in a row. The score now stands 4½-3½ in favor of Reshevsky. Two games remain in the match being held at the Manhattan Chess Club, in New York. Hans Kmoch is referee.

### ICELAND

After 48 games in twelve rounds of play at the World Student Chess Championship match at Reykjavic, Iceland, the U.S. team is doing little better than average, with a score of 29%-18% to place them fifth. They still have to meet the Russian team in the remaining last round, but the Russians have already clinched first place with a score of 41-7. The USSR is headed by two international grandmasters, Mikhail Tal and Boris Spassky, who led them to a 4-0 sweep over Ecuador in the eleventh round and a 3-1 win over Iceland in the twelfth.

The American team is composed of college undergraduates who have been facing players many years older. The European rules allow postgraduates under the age of 30 to enter the tournament. The American players on the team are William Lombardy, Edmar Mednis, Anthony Saidy, Arthur Feuerstein, and Robert Sobel. Lombardy and Saidy are veterans of last year's event which was held at Uppsala.

#### MILWAUKEE

Donald Byrne outpointed Larry Evans to win the Western Open Tournament, which attracted 123 entrants. Hans Berliner tied for third with Samuel Popel and Povilas Tautvaisis. Junior Champion Bobby Fischer was sixth. All six are rated as masters.

#### CLEVELAND

The 58th meeting of the U.S. Open Chess Championship will start August 5 for 13 days, and the committee in charge has lined up interesting side events for contestants.

### U.S. OPEN (continued)

The city of Cleveland is a mecca Cleveland for the chess scholar Public Library having a separate wing containing every chess ever published of which there a copy in existence. International Chess Master George Koltanowski will direct the tournament, which will be held at the swank Manger Hotel, which is located in the heart of downtown Cleveland. All rounds will be played in the evenings, which will allow all day to enjoy the many attractions in and near Cleveland, -- sailing, fishing, visiting the famous Zoo, or attend a matinee at one of the dozen summer theaters. The baseball park is a short walk from the and many good new movies and Broadway shows are in town.

First prize will be \$1,000, and there will be at least nineteen other cash prizes. Top-flight medals are to be awarded to all players finishing in the top one-half of standings.

#### CALIFORNIA

Bobby Fischer, age 14, of Brook-lyn, scored an almost perfect 8½-½ to retain his U.S. junior championship. In second place was Gil Ramirez, the young California State Champion. He lost no games but had 3 draws. Others in order of finish were Stephen Sholomson, Ronald Thacker, Mike Bredoff, Leonard Hill, Arthur Wang, Ralph Clark, and Robert Walker.

Only 33 entered the 9-round event which was held in San Francisco, July 8-14. Seven states besides California were represented, New York, New Jersey, Texas, New Mexico, Kansas, Utah, and Oregon. The tournament was sponsored by Chess Friends of Northern California, and the Chess for Youth Committee.

#### MEXICO

Jose Joaquin Araiza topped the 70 players in the Mexican champion-ship tournament, and Javier Quiroz was runner-up. The defending title-holder, I. Raul Reza, was sixth after Roberto Trevino and Abel Perez.

### POSTAL CHESS

POINTS



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					10	11110
6/21	57B1B	Spatz	1	Bowerman	1	10
6/24	66A5B	Parsons	1	Husby	0	10
6/25	54B4B	Roberts	1	Raleigh	0	48
6/26	56AlB	Wade	1	Edberg	0	50
6/30	57B3B	Gemar	1	Smith	0	44
7/1	57B2A	Scripps	1	Mills	0	76
7/6	56B8A	Spatz	1	Watson	0	10
7/17	57B1A	Bowerman	1	Bennett	0	52
	57A2A	Coubrough	1	Bever	0	48
7/20	57A2B	Coubrough	1	Skarsten	0	32
	56A5A	Husby	1	Parker	0	60
	56A5B	Husby	1	Parker	0	60
	56A5A	Bever	1	Parker	0	40
7/26	56A6A	Woodward	1	Cairncross	0	32
	56B9A	Waldron	1/2	Phillips	1/2	48

Wade, as announced in the July issue, by his win over Eaberg in section 56AlB, wins the section as shown below, and is awarded a 6-mo. extension to his subscription. Due to postal results being made up in advance of the rest of the Letter we did not get this in the July issue, and Wade couldn't wait for the August issue to announce his triumph.

		56	5A•	-1/	A		56	5A-	-11	3
Wade	X	0	1	1	1	Χ	1	1/2	1	1
Edberg	1	Χ	1	0	1	Ο	Χ	1	1	1/2
Baron	0	Ο	Χ	1	1	1/2	0	Χ	0	1
Howard	0	1	0	Χ	1	Ο	0	l	Χ	0
Carter	0	0	0	0	Χ	0	1/2	0	1	Χ

F.J. Cooper will be on vacation for two weeks starting 7/29/57. He says "I enjoy the games by mail. One learns many new moves."

We hear rumors of a 6-game challenge for a postal match between Dick Parsons and Wade. It seems that Parsons expects to increase his chess education by playing Wade. We wouldn't be surprised if Wade learns something also as Parsons is studying the Russian language, and can now read Russian books on chess. Parsons is already on top of the "A" division without the help of Russian strategy. Parsons is now with an Air Force training group at Syracuse.

Scripps, by his win over Mills, advanced another 76 points which puts him in 4th place in the "B" division. If this keeps up we'll soon have another promotion to the "A" grade.

We have a "B" section waiting for 2 more players, and an "A" section needing only 1.

Tell your chess playing friends to enter our postal tournaments. The more players we have the more enjoyable our tournaments will

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"A" Divis	ion	"B" Divis	ion
Parsons	1831	Merk	1396
Weisscher	1755	Laine	1342
Coubrough	1760	Roberts	1311
Weaver	1708	Scripps	1290
Wade	1703	Lyberger	1258
Bever	1645	Benson	1258
Kaffenberge	r1630	McDonald	1252
Mage	1611	Haynes	1238
Edberg, R	1598	Edberg, A.	1220
Carter	1565	Gemar	1216
Dickson	1525	Rogers	1210
Husby	1520	Hamilton	1205
Skarsten	1514	Gordon	1191
Woodward	1514	Youngman	11.2
Van Natta	1502	Spencer	11 -3
Spatz	1473	Nichols	1149
Luters	1472	Lee	1140
Knapp	1403	Tresidder	1108
Mills	1401	Raleigh	1086
Phillips	1399	Bowerman	1082
Howard	1358	Smith	1077
Parker	1347	Watson	1060
Cairncross	1271	Bennett	1050
		Cooper	1050
	_	Devenere	1050
PLENTY O		Eilmes	1050
ROOM FO	R	Finlay	1050
MORE		Franett	1050
		Blums	1050
		Hall	1050
		Kuvara	1050
		Pifley	1050
		Sawyer	1050
		Bemis	1034
		Skoglund	1023
		Waldron	1022
		Aldridge	1010
		Pierce	1009
		Ball	998
		Skinner	964

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