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This Month's Games _____ Viktor's Pupols

THE PUGET SOUND LEAGUE

Only Bellingham, Seattle and Tacoma have paid to enter the Puget Sound League as of September 24th. West Seattle has promised their dues and wants in. A four team league could play a double round-robin making six matches per team. Gig Harbor, Black Bandits and Latvians seem to be kaput this year and no word at all from Kitsap or Boeings indicates little interest from them as an invitation was extended to clubs intending to join last July. Hold the phone! Jim Montgomery, our ratings director, just called & he will field a student team from the U. of Washington. No doubt there will be other late, late additions. (Boeings did and will play at the Plant 2 cafeteria.)

All matches are scheduled for Sunday afternoons at one o'clock.

OCTOBER 27 Bellingham at Seattle C. C.
Tacoma at West Seattle
Students at Boeings

NOVEMBER 10 Students at Tacoma C. C.
West Seattle at Seattle C.C.
Boeings at Bellingham

NOVEMBER 24 Students at West Seattle
Tacoma vs. Bellingham at the
Seattle Chess Club.
Seattle C. C. at Boeings

The remainder of the schedule starts in January because of the agreement not to play during the weeks just prior to the Christmas holiday. Five players to per team but a 6th man can play the 2nd game on 5th board. 40 moves per hour.

Seattle C. C. Room 317-A in the Food Circus at the Seattle Center. West Seattle at Max Mage's home, 1955 Sunset S.W. Phone WE 2-1267. Bellingham meets in the

Puget Sound League - continued.

Convention Hall of Bellingham's Leopold Hotel, The Tacoma Club plays their matches at Russ Hewitt's home, 3158 West Soundview Drive, Tacoma. Phone SK 9-0697.

BELLINGHAM PEACE ARCH OPEN

OCTOBER 12-13, 1963

Originally scheduled one weekend earlier, this tourney had to be moved to the weekend of October 12-13 because of a room conflict.

Place - Convention Hall, Leopold Hotel in Bellingham.

Type - 6 round Swiss, Median-Solkoff tie-breaking.

Registration 9 to 9:45 a.m. First round at 10.

Time Limit 50 moves in 2 hours with games adjourned after 4 hours of play. No adjudication. 25 moves in one hour for adjourned games.

Entry - \$4 seniors & \$3 juniors less 50¢ if WCF member.

ELEVEN PRIZES LISTED! Only one prize per player.

ANNUAL WASHINGTON WOOD PUSHERS

Until the Bellingham tmt. was moved back, we had a decent 2 week interval between events.

The annual Wood pushers is open to all who have a northwest rating below 2000. It is a one day, four round event. Our only expense is \$20 table rent. All other money will go into a prize fund for the top three players to be divided at the discretion of the tourney director.

Time - Sunday, October 20th with registration to start at 8:30 a.m. First round starts at 9:30.

Entry- \$3 for all players but must be a member of the Washington Chess Federation.

Place- The balcony of the Seattle Center Food Circus.

Type - Four round Swiss with Solkoff tie-breaking.

Time limit - 40 moves per hour.

OREGON OPEN

We received nothing on the Oregon Open but expect to give the story in our next issue. We do know that Dalbergs topped a field of 40 with 6½-1½ and John Bell was second with 5½-1½ (three draws). McCormick was held to a draw by Eugene Fomin in the first round & later lost to Dalbergs.

ERB MEMORIAL OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

WHEN Saturday, November 30, and Sunday, December 1, 1963
WHERE Erb Memorial Student Union, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon
SPONSOR Erb Memorial Student Union Board
TYPE Six Round Swiss System with USCF Section and Reserve Section
REGISTRATION 10:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M., Saturday, November 30, 1963

ROUNDS
45 moves in two hours

Saturday, Nov. 30th

Round I 11:00 a.m.
Round II 3:30 p.m.
Round III 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 1st

Round IV 8:00 a.m.
Round V 12:30 p.m.
Round VI 5:00 p.m.

PRIZES

USCF Section

First \$100.00
Second 50.00
Third 25.00

Reserve Section

First Trophy
Second Trophy

Trophy for Highest scoring high school student in reserve section
Trophy for Highest scoring college student in reserve section
No one may receive more than one prize

ENTRY FEE USCF Section \$5.00 - with USCF membership (\$5.00)
Reserve Section 2.00

Anyone may enter USCF Section - Reserve section limited to players with 1800 points or less.
Please bring sets, boards, and clocks.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR - Fred Byron

Dear Chessplayer:

You are cordially invited to play in the Erb Memorial Open Chess Tournament. We believe that this event has many features you will be interested in:

FIRST, the tournament is being held on Thanksgiving weekend so that everyone may have the opportunity to come and to allow travel time for those who live far away.

SECOND, there are many generous prizes. Cash and handsome trophies are being offered to players of all strengths.

THIRD, there are the playing conditions. Play will be held in the modern University of Oregon Student Union. Consequently, excellent conditions and quiet, conducive to good chess, will prevail.

FOURTH, we have been fortunate in securing the services of Fred Byron, one of the best tournament directors in the Northwest. This assures a well-run event.

FIFTH, there is an early start home for the players.

SIXTH, there is an opportunity for USCF members to improve their national ratings. For example, at least two masters will be there.

Once again, we wish to extend you an invitation to compete.

See you there!

Mike Shepherd
Games Committee Chairman
Erb Memorial Student Union

LOMBARDY AND R. BYRNE TOP

1963 U.S. OPEN

MCCORMICK 7TH WITH 8-2-3 W L D

(Written from facts supplied by RUSSELL MILLER of Chelan)

WILLIAM LOMBARDY won the U. S. Open held in Chicago at the Belmont Hotel last month. He and ROBERT BYRNE tied for first and 2nd prize money (\$1000 and \$500) both scoring 11-2 & tie-breaking points gave Lombardy the glory.

This was the largest tourney ever as a record smashing total of 266 players attended including several northwest players.

Two Piatigorsky Cup players, SVETOZAR GLIGORICH and PAL BENKO finished next to the leaders both scoring 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Gligorich took third on tie-breaking.

There were no 10-3 scores. Six players had 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ -3 $\frac{1}{2}$ scores including JIM MCCORMICK who finished in 7th place. Russ Miller wrote he believes the 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ points McCormick got is the highest point total ever for a northwest player in a U. S. Open. Others scoring 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ points were ANGELO SANDRIN, RICHARD VERBER, VICTOR PALCIAUSKAS, JEAN COHN and LAJOS SZEDLACSEK .

Among the 9-4 scores was DUNCAN SUTTLES. He was the sensation of the tournament beating four rated masters, drawing four masters and losing only to grandmaster ARTHUR BISQUIER. Suttles won the junior prize of a trophy and \$75 cash which went to the top player under 18 years old. Suttles ended 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ points ahead of the second place junior. JIM CAMPBELL of Hoquiam scored 7-6 and tied with two others for the \$50 class "B" prize.

The tie-breaking order is unknown in the 9-4 scoring group. The players scoring 9-4: Suttles, Bisquier, I. THEODOROVITCH, J. TUMS, E. FORMANEK, R. KIRBY, LARRY GILDEN, M. MOMIC, ROBERT SHEAN, DR. PETER LAPIKEN and K. JANKAUSKAS. Lapiken has won the Spokane Inland Empire Open and the Montana State titles and Shean finished high in last year's Century 21 World's Fair Tournament.

JAMES SCHMITT of San Francisco was among those with 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ -4 $\frac{1}{2}$. One of his losses was to Suttles. Schmitt formerly lived in Portland. He has won several northwest tournaments.

Schmitt has made a name for himself in California chess too. He is still a member of the Washington Chess Federation. ROBERT WALKER, who at one time attended Reed College in Portland and has played in tournaments both in Portland & Seattle, also had 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ points. Others having 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ -4 $\frac{1}{2}$: H. AVRAM, ALBERT SANDRIN, N. LEOPOLDI, J. PUNDY, WILLIAM MARTZ, ROBERT MOORE, E. KARKLINS, J. ROSENSTEIN, J. MAYER, K. CZERNIECK, G. DUNHAM, SAM COHEN & R. BRADEN. This completes the names of the top 36.

DICK SCHULTZ, former editor of this magazine who now lives in New Orleans, finished with an 8-5 score. GERALD RONNING, Washington State Champion, also had 8-5. A. KALTENECKER of British Columbia scored 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -6 $\frac{1}{2}$ and RUSSELL MILLER had 5-8.

The top woman player was KATE SILLARS with 7-6. She is 1963 U. S. Woman's Open Champion. Second was CECILIA ROCK with 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -6 $\frac{1}{2}$.

FIRST ROUND

Starting Rank			
1	Gligorich	1	Karklins 0
2	Benko	1	Salkauskas 0
3	Lombardy	1	Aronson 0
4	Bisquier	1	Morrel 0
5	R. Byrne	1	Garber 0
22	Schultz	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Johnson 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
24	McCormick	1	Miss Rock 0
27	Ronning	1	Rhead 0
32	Lapiken	0	Edwards 1
86	Suttles	1	Hoyman 0
195	Campbell	0	Dupuis 1
201	Miller	0	Misgrove 1
248	Kaltenecker	0	Radican 1

Dr. Lapiken was the only upset in the opening round.

SECOND ROUND

Gligorich	1 (2)	Spiller	0
Benko	1 (2)	Satterlee	0

Lombardy	1 (2)	Smith	0
Bisguier	1 (2)	Palcianskas	0
Byrne	1 (2)	Pyne	0
Schultz	1 (1½)	Henderson	0
McCormick	1 (2)	Heising	0
Ronning	1 (2)	Grombacher	0
Lapiken	1 (1)	Franklin	0
Suttles	1 (2)	Avram	0
Campbell	1 (1)	Cohen	0
Miller	½ (½)	Edmondson	½
Kaltenecker	1 (1)	Walsh	0

Duncan Suttles played a fine game against Herbert Avram, a District of Columbia expert. Suttles' sacrifice of a knight on the 16th move is sound. The game was published in Horowitz's chess column (Aug. 25th New York Times). McCormick won by forfeit when his opponent had to fly home on business. Jim Campbell got his first win beating a strong Sam Cohen.

THIRD ROUND

Gligorich	1 (3)	Roenstein	0
Benko	½ (2½)	Hanken	½
Lombardy	1 (3)	Mayer	0
Bisguier	1 (3)	Moore	0
Byrne	1 (3)	Panzner	0
Schultz	½ (2)	Rohland	½
McCormick	1 (3)	Lajcik	0
Lapiken	1 (2)	Rogosin	0
Suttles	½ (2½)	Myers	½
Campbell	1 (2)	Braden	0
Ronning	0 (2)	Freeman	1
Kaltenecker	0 (1)	Guettl	1
Miller	0 (½)	Bender	1

Benko is held to a draw by Jerry Hanken, a strong Los Angeles player. Benko had recently beaten Hanken in a Southern California tournament. Jim Campbell wins again proving he is one heck of a strong class "B" player as that is what his rating going into the tournament was. Schultz drew with Marshall Rohland of Wisconsin, a player prominent in both USCF and Wisconsin chess and a member of the Washington Chess Federation.

FOURTH ROUND

Gligorich	1 (4)	Jim McCormick	0(3)
Benko	1 (3½)	Czerniecki	0
Lombardy	1 (4)	Pundy	0
Bisguier	1 (4)	Edgar McCormick	0
Byrne	1 (4)	Martz	0
Schultz	1 (3)	Lisac	0
Ronning	0 (2)	Jankanskas	1
Lapiken	1 (3)	Carter	0

Suttles	1 (3½)	Petrovich	0
Campbell	½ (2½)	Fisher	½
Miller	1 (1½)	Saxon	0
Kaltenecker	½ (1½)	Lehpamer	½

McCormick played on board one against Gligorich. Jim had spent most of the afternoon preparing the four pawn attack to play against the Yugoslavian Champ but, of course, Gligorich didn't play his usual K-Indian but a Grunfeld and Jim resigned in 29 moves. At this stage Suttles tops the northwest players with 3½ after beating a near-master.

FIFTH ROUND

Gligorich	1 (5)	Sandrin	0
Benko	1 (4½)	Chertkof	0
Lombardy	1 (5)	Quillen	0
Bisguier	1 (5)	Johnson	0
Byrne	1 (5)	Donovan	0
Schultz	1 (4)	Ling	0
McCormick	1 (4)	Dunham	0
Ronning	1 (3)	Koehler	0
Lapiken	1 (4)	Stanbridge	0
Suttles	½ (4)	Poschel	½
Campbell	½ (3)	Tuesdel	½
Miller	½ (2)	Dimac	½
Kaltenecker	1 (2½)	Kellner	0

SIXTH ROUND

Gligorich	1 (6)	Bisguier	0 (5)
Benko	1 (5½)	Walker	0
Lombardy	½ (5½)	Byrne	½ (5½)
Schultz	½ (4½)	Czerniecki	½
McCormick	½ (4½)	Rosenstein	½
Ronning	1 (4)	Heising	0
Lapiken	½ (4½)	Formanek	½
Suttles	1 (5)	Quillen	0
Campbell	1 (4)	Scheffer	0
Kaltenecker	1 (3½)	Vinje	0
Miller	0 (2)	Salkauskas	1

In this round the top masters met and Gligorich came out with a ½ point lead over the field by beating Bisguier while Lombardy and Byrne drew each other. Duncan Suttles leads the northwest players with 5-1 by beating another top player. Jim Campbell also continues to play well.

SEVENTH ROUND

Gligorich	1 (7)	Theodorvitch	0
Benko	0 (5½)	Byrne	1 (6½)
Lombardy	1 (6½)	Sandrin	0
Bisguier	1 (6)	Vano	0
Schultz	0 (4½)	Palciauskas	1

McCormick	0	(4½)	Szedlacsek	1
Ronning	0	(4)	Spiller	1
Lapiken	½	(5)	Dunham	½
Suttles	½	(5½)	Daniels	½
Campbell	1	(5)	Warren	0
Miller	1	(3)	Wilson	0
Kaltenecker	0	(3½)	Street	1

Gligorich continues to lead with 7-0 while Lombardy and Byrne are next with 6½-½ scores. Both Benko and Schultz lose for the first time. Suttles leads the northwest contingent with 5½-1½. The surprising Jim Campbell now has 5-2 ahead of McCormick, Ronning and Schultz.

EIGHTH ROUND

Gligorich	0	(7)	Byrne	1	(7½)
Benko	1	(6½)	Edgar McCormick	0	
Lombardy	1	(7½)	Szedlacsek	0	
Bisguier	½	(6½)	Gilden	½	
Schultz	1	(5½)	Dupuis	0	
McCormick	1	(5½)	Kaiser	0	
Ronning	½	(4½)	Braden	½	
Lapiken	0	(5)	Berry	1	
Suttles	1	(6½)	Schmitt	0	
Campbell	½	(5½)	Johnson	½	
Miller	0	(3)	Ramas	1	
Kaltenecker	0	(3½)	Godbold	1	

Byrne beat Gligorich on the white side of a Kings' Indian in 44 moves and Lombardy also won putting them both into a tie for first place with 7½-½. Suttles beat James Schmitt, a former northwest player and stayed ahead of the rest of the northwest players. Suttles had 6½-1½.

NINTH ROUND

Gligorich	½	(7½)	Lombardy	½	(8)
Benko	1	(7½)	Gilden	0	
Bisguier	1	(7½)	Suttles	0	(6½)
Byrne	1	(8½)	Formanek	0	
Schultz	1	(6½)	Leef	0	
McCormick	½	(6)	Schmitt	½	
Ronning	1	(5½)	Kaiser	0	
Lapiken	1	(6)	Pyne	0	
Campbell	½	(6)	Nash	½	
Kaltenecker	0	(3½)	Golla	1	
Miller	0	(3)	Scorza	1	

Byrne now leads with 8½-½ as Lombardy drew with Gligorich. Benko and Gilden got into a real time pressure scramble with Benko emerging the winner. Suttles had black against Bisguier and played his favorite Kotov-Robatsch but lost. McCormick played a 12 move draw against his good friend James

Schmitt. Jim Campbell picked up another ½ point and stayed in the running for the class "B" prize.

TENTH ROUND

Gligorich	1	(8½)	Avram	0
Benko	0	(7½)	Lombardy	1(9)
Bisguier	½	(8)	Byrne	½(9)
Schultz	0	(6½)	Theodorovitch	1
McCormick	1	(7)	Reinhard	0
Ronning	1	(6½)	Beitling	0
Lapiken	1	(7)	Spiller	0
Suttles	1	(7½)	Walker	0
Campbell	0	(6)	Jankauskas	1
Kaltenecker	1	(4½)	Wilson	0
Miller	1	(4)	Richmond	0

Lombardy and Byrne are once again in a tie for the lead both now having 9-1. Suttles again beats another former northwest player, Robert Walker, and leads the northwest players with 7½-2½. Campbell finally loses after getting 6 out of 8 in rounds 2 to 9. Russell Miller takes Richmond by forfeit.

ELEVENTH ROUND

Gligorich	1	(9½)	Schmitt	0
Benko	1	(8½)	Sandrin	0
Lombardy	½	(9½)	Bisguier	½(8½)
Byrne	½	(9½)	Szedlacsek	½
Schultz	½	(7)	Schoene	½
McCormick	1	(8)	Jarkaustas	0
Ronning	1	(7½)	Berry	0
Lapiken	½	(7½)	Momic	½
Suttles	½	(8)	Gilden	½
Campbell	0	(6)	Ling	1
Kaltenecker	0	(4½)	Morrel	1
Miller	0	(4)	Goncharoff	1

After 11 rounds there were three on top with 9½-1½. Gligorich, Lombardy and Byrne had a full point lead over Bisguier and Benko who were next best with 8½-2½. McCormick and Suttles both had 8-3. Suttles was black against Gilden and played the Kotov-Robatsch but Gilden had also seen Barden's analysis of the opening so they had quite a game ending with a time scramble and drawn.

TWELVETH ROUND

Gligorich	0	(9½)	Benko	1(9½)
Lombardy	1	(10½)	Cohen	0
Bisguier	0	(8½)	Szedlacsek	1
Byrne	1	(10½)	Palciauskas	0
Schultz	1	(8)	Rogan	0

McCormick	1 (9)	Gilden	0
Ronning	0 (7 $\frac{1}{2}$)	Tums	1
Lapiken	1 (8 $\frac{1}{2}$)	Mallet	0
Suttles	$\frac{1}{2}$ (8 $\frac{1}{2}$)	Verber	$\frac{1}{2}$
Campbell	1 (7)	Heising	0
Miller	1 (5)	Torkelson	0
Kaltenecker	1 (5 $\frac{1}{2}$)	Avery	0

Thanks to Benko's win over Gligorich, Lombardy and Byrne once again lead with 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ points. McCormick and Gilden had a long, hard struggle with Jim winning the exchange only to give it back later so he could win the ending. Suttles again had black & the game followed the game Suttles and Gilden had played in the previous round and ended drawn also. Campbell defeated Heising as both McCormick and Ronning had done earlier.

THIRTEENTH ROUND

Gligorich	1 (10 $\frac{1}{2}$)	Szodlacsek	0 (9 $\frac{1}{2}$)
Bonko	1 (10 $\frac{1}{2}$)	Cohan	0 (9 $\frac{1}{2}$)
Lombardy	$\frac{1}{2}$ (11)	McCormick	$\frac{1}{2}$ (9 $\frac{1}{2}$)
Bisguier	$\frac{1}{2}$ (9)	Lapiken	$\frac{1}{2}$ (9)
Byrne	$\frac{1}{2}$ (11)	Kirby	$\frac{1}{2}$ (9)
Schultz	0 (8)	(unknown)	
Ronning	$\frac{1}{2}$ (8)	Leaf	$\frac{1}{2}$ (9)
Suttles	$\frac{1}{2}$ (9)	Tums	$\frac{1}{2}$ (9)
Campbell	0 (7)	(unknown)	
Kaltenecker	1 (6 $\frac{1}{2}$)	Ramas	0
Miller	0 (5)	Hulmes	1 (6)

McCormick once again played on board 1, this time as white against Lombardy (They draw for colors and as some northwest players know, McCormick always gets white when this happens.) McCormick had spent much of the afternoon before the game preparing to play against Lombardy's Sicilian and it paid off as Lombardy offered Jim a draw on the 24th move which Jim accepted. Soon afterward the Byrne-Kirby game ended drawn so Lombardy and Byrne tied for first both with 11-2.

DICK SCHULTZ WINS LOUISIANA STATE TITLE

DICK SCHULTZ scored his greatest triumph when he won the Louisiana State Chess Championship with 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ over the Labor Day weekend. This was Dick's first state championship. Adrian McAuley of New Orleans was second with 5-1. We have Dick's win over McAuley which we will use in our games. 2 weeks before the U. S. Open Schultz scored 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ and tied for first with Kenneth Smith in the Arkansas Open but lost out to Smith on the tie-breaking so finished second.

Mr. JOHN MCCHARLES of South Burnaby, B. C. sent us the requested story of the last International Match played July 14.

BRITISH COLUMBIA - WASHINGTON

Board				
1.	D. Suttles	1	C. Joachim	0
2.	E. MacSkasy	1	D. Kendall	0
3.	F. Schulz	0	D. Chin	1
4.	F. Wuntschek	1	Les Walker	0
5.	C. Aykroyd	$\frac{1}{2}$	Terry Nelson	$\frac{1}{2}$
6.	J. Prontice	1	D. L. Erickson	0
7.	C. Kristensen	0	Max Mage	1
8.	H. Fischback	1	Phil Rehberger	0
9.	T. Anderson	$\frac{1}{2}$	Harold Raymond	$\frac{1}{2}$
10.	G. Ackerman	1	Bill Blackmore	0
11.	A. Engleman	1	John Reh	0
12.	F. Fraser	1	Frank Boschan	0
13.	E. Seiler	1	Ron Erickson	0
14.	B. Arden	1	Woody Watrous	0
15.	A. Arrow	1	P. Hashisaki	0
16.	A. Mushey	0	Charles Greenup	1
17.	O. Arnold	1	Zachery Wester	0
18.	T. Stewart	0	Stuart Woodward	1
19.	A. Hill	1	J. Nevins	0
20.	E. Crist	1	J. Walker	0
21.	C. V. Lewis	1	F. A. Butler	0

Games	16	5
Defaults	9	---
Score	25	5

TOM DOLLE

Old friends of TOM DOLLE, long time treasurer of the Tacoma Chess Club, will be saddened to hear of his death Saturday night August 31st. He suffered a stroke on Thursday and died two days later. He resided with his wife, Helen, and his son, Clarence, at 5810 E. 112th St., Puyallup.

Tom hasn't been active in the Tacoma Chess Club or in chess competition since his retirement 3 years ago. Although unable to attend even one session of the club since then, he has faithfully kept up his dues in various organizations. How many persons do you know who, on reduced retirement income, continue, or would continue, to support chess in this manner?

I feel a deep personal loss in his death as up to about a year ago when he was forced to quit playing entirely, he and I often engaged in a skittles bout.

Yours,
Ernie Prentice
Treasurer,
Tacoma Chess Club

MCCORMICK WON THE DALLES OPEN

From material supplied by Don Turner

Due to a mix-up, the The Dalles Open, played June 22-23, is being reported 2 months late. This was the largest tourney in Oregon history with 50 players competing. There were 27 in the first section championship tournament won by JIM MCCORMICK, 17 players in the second section won by Portland's TIM NETTLETON and six in the third section. There was a two-way tie for first in the third section between BAUMAN and BELDEN.

In the USCF rated championship section McCormick made up for last year's comparatively poor showing with his $4\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ score. He won four in a row over four very strong players. He defeated TERRY NELSON, DON TURNER, DUNCAN SUTTLES and DICK VANDENBURG. In the final round McCormick drew with IVARS DALBERGS. Looking at the cross-table one can see that it would be very difficult NOT to play very strong players in nearly every round! Dalbergs was also undefeated but allowed a draw to GERHARD NEUFAHRT in the second round and that left him with a 4-1 score at the end.

This USCF section must be classified as strong in terms of Northwest chess. There were two rated Masters - Jim McCormick and Ivars Dalbergs. There were seven experts and thirteen class "A" players. Altogether, 22 of the 27 entrants had ratings over 1800 and one of the remaining five, FRED WUNTSCHKEK of Vancouver, B. C., was unrated as the tournament began but achieved a $3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ score. He later proved once again he is one of the better players in the Seattle Seafair Open reported in last month's magazine.

McCormick was not the only star of the first section. His score in this company merely re-emphasises what everyone knew - he is an extra-ordinary chess player. Dalbergs and Suttles earned predictably high places and that was to be expected. Jim's biggest competition for attention was the surprising finish of several players who began playing the tournament with low ratings.

Fred Wuntschek entered as unrated and finished in fourth place. Both JIM CAMPBELL and JIM MONTGOMERY fully justified their decisions to play in the top section by finishing with 3-2 scores in a really strong tournament. Campbell was rated 25th when he entered and finished seventh! He drew with both Seglins and Clark Harmon and lost only to Dalbergs. Campbell won from both JOHN BRALEY and GERHARD NEUFAHRT!

The disappointment of the tournament was Portland's JOHN BELL who was seeded fourth and failed to win a single game! The four draws probably hurt worse than his one loss to BILL KIPPLINGER.

A couple of things are striking about the second section tourney won by TIM NETTLETON who achieved a perfect 5-0 score. First there is some suggestion that chess is becoming a family sport as we had three families in this year's tournament. There are the Nettleton brothers, the husband and wife team of the Schraders and the father and son team of the Brichers. Also the number of 3-2 scores (six) suggests the evenness of many of the players in this section.

The third section was originally expected to consist mostly of local The Dalles men who wanted to avoid the pressure of competing with experienced and strong players. However, only one local player entered this section and several of the The Dalles players decided to try their luck in the middle section.

As a good way of introducing new players to tournament chess, the third section will be retained for next year's The Dalles Open tentatively scheduled for June 20-21st 1964. This year's event attracted players from 28 cities in three states and British Columbia. One player traveled almost 700 miles to get to the tournament!

USCF Rated Championship Section

Place	Player	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	W L D	Score	Solkoff
1.	James McCormick	W17	W10	W3	W14	D2	4-0-1	4½-½	
2.	Ivars Dalbergs	W16	D5	W12	W7	D1	3-0-2	4 -1	16½
3.	Duncan Suttles	W22	W26	L1	W8	W9	4-1-0	4 -1	13
4.	Fred Wuntschek	W6	L9	W25	D12	W14	3-1-1	3½-1½	12½
5.	Gerhard Neufahrt	W21	D2	L7	W18	W15	3-1-1	3½-1½	11½
6.	Bill Kiplinger	L4	W25	D13	W19	W10	3-1-1	3½-1½	11
7.	James Campbell	W18	D11	W5	L2	D12	2-1-2	3 -2	15½
8.	Gerald Ronning	W20	D14	D11	L3	W23	2-1-2	3 -2	13½
9.	Fred Byron	W25	W4	L14	W11	L3	3-2-0	3 -2	13½
10.	Don Turner	W23	L1	W24	W16	L6	3-2-0	3 -2	13
11.	Viesturs Seglins	W27	D7	D8	L9	W21	2-1-2	3 -2	11
12.	Clark Harmon	W24	W15	L2	D4	D7	2-1-2	3 -2	10½
13.	Jim Montgomery	L14	Bye	D6	W17	D16	2-1-2	3 -2	10½
14.	Dick Vandenburg	W13	D8	W9	L1	L4	2-2-1	2½-2½	16½
15.	Gregory Kern	D19	L12	W22	W20	L5	2-2-1	2½-2½	12½
16.	Glen Buckendorf	L2	W27	W26	L10	D13	2-2-1	2½-2½	10½
17.	Terry Nelson	L1	W23	D20	L13	D18	1-2-2	2 -3	13
18.	John Braley	L7	W21	D19	L5	D17	1-2-2	2 -3	12
19.	John Bell	D15	D24	D18	L6	D20	0-1-4	2 -3	11½
20.	Willy Brandal	L8	W22	D17	L15	D19	1-2-2	2 -3	11½
21.	Bill Harmon	L5	L18	Bye	W24	L11	2-3-0	2 -3	10
22.	Gary Singer	L3	L20	L15	W25	W27	2-3-0	2 -3	9½
23.	Alan Hatch	L10	L17	W27	W26	L8	2-3-0	2 -3	9
24.	Leon Sage	L12	D19	L10	L21	W26	1-3-1	1½-3½	
25.	Eugene Cowan	L9	L6	L4	L22	Bye	1-4-0	1 -4	12
26.	Russell Miller	Bye	L3	L16	L23	L24	1-4-0	1 -4	10
27.	Fred L. Schmidt	L11	L16	L23	Bye	L22	1-4-0	1 -4	9½

The chess club at The Dalles was very pleased with the tournament and appreciated the long trip many of the participants made. With a little luck this tournament will become an annual affair.

Summary of the second section at The Dalles

Place	Player	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	W L D	Solkoff	Score
1.	Tim Nettleton	W9	W12	W2	W4	W3	5-0-0		5 -0
2.	John Cleveland	W10	WF17	L1	W9	W4	4-1-0		4 -1
3.	Vince Bricher	W7	L4	W8	WF11	L1	3-2-0	17	3 -2
4.	Denny Jenquin	W16	W3	W5	L1	L2	3-2-0	16	3 -2
5.	Milt Colpron	W8	W6	L4	D7	D9	2-1-2	14	3 -2
6.	Jack Schrader	D11	L5	W15	WF16	D7	2-1-2	11½	3 -2
7.	Esther Schrader	L3	W15	W13	D5	D6	2-1-2	10½	3 -2
8.	Pete Behr	L5	W14	L3	W13	W12	3-2-0	9½	3 -2
9.	Darby Monahan	L1	W10	W12	L2	D5	2-2-1		2½-2½
10.	Hugh Davidson	L2	L9	LF14	W15	W13	2-3-0	9½	2 -3
11.	Lowery Short	D6	D13	W16	LF3	LF	1-2-2	8	2 -3
12.	Gary Bricher	W15	L1	L9	D14	L8	1-3-1	12½	1½-3½
13.	W. C. Jackson	W14	D11	L7	L8	L10	1-3-1	12½	1½-3½
14.	Loren Delaney	L13	L8	WF10	D12	L15	1-3-1	9½	1½-3½
15.	John Newman	L12	L7	L6	L10	W14	1-4-0	10½	1 -4
16.	Dan Schierholz	L4	Bye	L11	LF6	LF	1-4-0	8½	1 -4
17.	Doyle Cottongim	Bye	LF2	LF	LF	LF	1-4-0	3½	1 -4

Summary of the third section

Number	Player	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	-6-	Score	Place
1.	Bauman	X	1	1	0	1	1	4-1	First (tie)
2.	Belden	0	X	1	1	1	1	4-1	First (tie)
3.	Winslow	0	0	X	1	1	1	3-2	Third
4.	Medaris	1	0	0	X	1	0	2-3	Fourth
5.	Cotton	0	0	0	0	X	1	1-4	Fifth (tie)
6.	Tom Nettleton	0	0	0	1	0	X	1-4	Fifth (tie)

JOHN BELL had a sad tourney in the championship section with his one loss and 4 draws but he bounced quite high in his next tournament. He won the Oregon championship tournament played in Portland and reported on page one of last month's Washington Chess Letter.

GAMES by PUPOLS

Q. What was the song of the Northwest chessplayer at the U. S. Open in Chicago when he found out he had to play an international grandmaster?

A. Oh, how I wish I was in Peoria.

Locally, the hard-luck chessplayer of the summer is John Bell. His theoretical knowledge is second to none in the Northwest. Armed with it, he builds up steady positions and scores. No stranger to 1st prizes, he has captured last year's Evergreen Empire Open (Puget Sound Open in Fircrest) and this year's Oregon Championship. During the winter when he is a student of Russian area at Yale, he finished second in the championship of Connecticut. The more prestigious events this summer have, however, a disaster for him.

Defending his Evergreen Empire laurels at Fircrest, he stumbled in the 3rd round. In time pressure, he had reached a textbook endgame win of 3 versus 2 pawns against McCormick. The draw was an omen of things to come. I understand that in the Oregon Open he was the exchange up against Dalbergs, the eventual winner, and drew again. His $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ score in the Seafair Open reflected only, in Wade's terms, the "shell of Bell". He had winning chances against both co-winners: excellent against Suttles, dead certain against Pupols.

It is therefore a debt of honor to me, as the principal beneficiary from these lapses, to present Bell's best game from the Seafair. This pushed the entire games section past last month's deadline. In view of Bell's command of book theory, I didn't dare annotate before locating a copy of Pachman.

J. Bell

1. P-Q4
2. P-QB4
3. N-QB3
4. P-K4
5. N-B3
6. P-KN3
7. B-N2

C. Harmon

- N-KB3
- P-KN3
- B-N2
- P-Q3
- O-O
- P-K4
- QN-Q2

According to Pachman, Black equalizes easily by 7...B-N5, as he will be able to

put sufficient pressure on White's Q4. This is so because White has not held his King-Pawn back.

8. O-O P-B3
9. P-KR3:

This is the recommended center-holding move. White wants to play 10. B-K3 without allowing ... N-N5.

9. ----- R-K1
10. B-K3 PxP
11. NxP N-N3

The usefulness of opening theory is not that it shows the archivist how to win against any defense, but that it establishes which lines are inferior and should be avoided. This one, aiming at a fast ... P-Q4, is entirely in disuse. Pachman thinks so little of it that he recommends 8... PxP 9. NxP R-K1 10. B-K3 N-B4 11. Q-B2 P-QR4. Even this line has had disheartening practical results (see Addison-Reshevsky and Sherwin-Reshevsky, U.S. Championship 1962/63, published in Chess Life in the Jan., 1963 issue.

Harmon has used this development before in several games (in some with the Bishop at K2); I'm not aware that he has won any. It reflects on his research ability; if he had only worked as hard on evaluation as on excavation...

12. P-N3 P-Q4
13. KPxP Pxp
14. P-B5!

Bell is familiar with the line. If you are going to play dubious lines, play them just once to surprise the opponent, and then drop them.

14. ----- QN-Q2

If the moves 9... R-K1 10. B-K3 had not been interpolated, Black would escape more easily by ... N-K5.

15. KN-N5 N-K5
- Forced.
16. NxN Pxn

The sacrifice of the Rook for the fianchettoed Bishop has become so routine in similar positions that it is now routinely declined. Here the issue is simpler: after 16... BxR 17. N(K4)-Q6 White preserves even material and much better development.

17. R-B1 P-B4

A better defense is 17... N-B3, & Black's defense is difficult, but adequate. Now Black's lagging development is reinforced by weak points on the Kingside, and he is lost.

18. Q-Q5ch K-R1

19. KR-Q1

Now natural developing moves threaten to win anything from a piece (20. N-Q6 R-B1 21. NxB) to a Queen (20. N-Q6 R-K2 21. B-N5 B-B3 22. BxBch NxB 23. N-B7ch)

19. ----- R-B1
20. B-B4 P-N4
21. B-Q6 N-B3
22. Q-Q2 R-KN1
23. QxP B-Q2
24. N-Q4 P-KR3
25. Q-Q2 Q-K1
26. B-B1 Q-R4
27. N-K2 B-B3
28. N-B4 Q-B6

The trap Black has prepared is so modest White goes right into it.

29. B-N2 P-K6
30. QxP QxQ
31. PxB N-K5
32. N-N6ch K-R2
33. N-K7 KR-K1
34. NxB B-K4
35. BxB RxB
36. BxN BxB
37. R-Q7ch K-N3
38. N-R4ch K-R4
39. N-N2 BxN
40. KxB RxB
41. R-B2 R-QN1
42. R-N7

Now mate is forced: 42... R-K5 43. P-B6 P-N3 44. P-B7 R-QB1 45. R-B6; or the text:

42. ----- R-K4
43. R-B4 R-K7ch
44. K-B3 Resigns.

The Maroczy bind is a rare guest in contemporary tournaments, no matter how minor. Sicilian Defense players have many ways to get around it. In the following game, with Clark Harmon still on the theoretical shallows, the bind occurs in its pure form. Gregory Kern has also been in contention for top prize in the last two tournaments. He has a plus score over Dr. MacSkasy.

G. Kern C. Harmon
Seafair Open, 1963

1. P-Q4 N-KB3
2. P-QB4 P-Q3
3. N-QB3 P-KN3
4. P-K4 B-N2
5. B-K2 O-O
6. B-N5 P-B4

The usual break is not immediately possible: 6... P-K4 7. PxB PxB 8. QxQ RxQ 9. N-Q5 wins. If Black wants to playP-K4

Nevertheless, he first has to move ... P-B3 and ... Q-R4.

7. N-B3 PxP
8. NxB N-B3?

By transposition into the Sicilian Defense, we have reached the Maroczy bind. It is characterized by White's central pawn configuration PQB4 and PK4. Experience has shown that Black can make no pawn breaks without incurring weaknesses. Realizing this, Harmon tries piece maneuvering, but White maintains his advantage in space by sane, standard (and almost boring) moves.

The only deviation from the standard position of the Maroczy bind is White's B-KN5. This bishop is better posted at K3. Therefore Black's counter-play should be 8... Q-R4; e.g. 9. Q-Q2 NxB! and Black stands well; 9. B-Q2 P-QR3 10. N-Q5 Q-Q1 and the pawn position is unaltered, but Black has gained several tempi (an exchange of knights will ease Black's position; the bishop at Q2 will have to move again.)

9. O-O Q-R4
10. N-B3 P-KR3
11. B-B4 B-K3
12. Q-Q2 K-R2
13. QR-B1 QR-B1
14. P-QN3 P-R3
15. P-KR3 KR-K1
16. KR-Q1 N-Q2
17. B-K3 N-B4
18. N-Q4

An indirect defense of the KP:

18. ----- B-Q2
19. B-B3 N-K4
20. B-K2 B-QB3

This only helps White's game, as he gets P-KB4 in. It is better simply to retreat 20... N-B3. If then 21. P-B4, P-K4. Similar positions occur in the Najdorf variation where (after 22... PxB) Black's attack on White's isolated KP makes up for White's attack on Black's isolated QP. Even if White does not play P-KB4, ... P-K4 is feasible after suitable overprotection of the backward QP. Again, play is similar to the Najdorf variation; Black will try to break with ... P-B4.

21. P-B4 N(K4)-Q2
22. B-B3 N-B3
23. P-KN4!

The threat on the KP turns out to be a sham. Black's best chance is still ... P-K4.

23. ----- Q-Q1
24. Q-KN2 N(B4)-Q2
25. NxB PxB
26. P-K5

Troubles! We got troubles right here in River City!

26. -----	N-KN1
27. BxP	Q-B2
28. B-N7	QR-Q1
29. N-Q5!	Q-R4

White's last move, expecting this, was a trap which turns the endgame win into an immediate one.

30. P-N4	Q-R6
31. R-B3	Q-R5
32. R-N3	
32. B-B6 is an alternative.	
32. -----	R-QB1
33. N-B3	Resigns.

The following game is won by the more single-minded player. Jerry Ronning was a USCF master in the last ratings - the only one in this state. Earlier this year, he won both the Washington Open and Closed but has been taking his share of lumps since. A last round loss to Suttles at the Seafair cost him \$75. Dr. Murray tied for 1st with Ulvestad in the State Championship in the early 50's (but lost the playoff). We will have one of his wins next month.

<u>G. Ronning</u>	<u>Dr. A.A. Murray</u>
Seafair Open, 1963	

1. P-Q4	N-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. N-QB3	B-N5
4. Q-B2	P-Q4
5. P-K3	

This passive move allows Black a lot of choices.

5. -----	O-O
6. N-B3	P-QN3
7. PxP	PxP
8. B-Q3	R-K1
9. O-O	B-N2
10. P-QR3	BxN
Retreating the bishop is no worse.	
11. PxB	B-R3

It would, of course, have been preferable to take one move to do this instead of two.

12. N-K5	BxB
13. QxB	P-B4

This advance was possible anytime from the fifth move on.

14. P-QR4	N-K5
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This move commits Black to ... P-B5, and White's P-K4 will thereby gain in force. A fluid pawn position can be retained by 14... QN-Q2, forcing White to exchange.

15. P-B3	P-B5
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16. Q-B2	N-Q3
17. B-Q2	

From here on, Black's vacillation between his queenside play and prevention of White's P-K4 becomes dangerous. Simplest is 17... N-Q2, and P-K4 is rendered either impossible or harmless: 18. NxN QxN 19. QR-K1 P-B4 or 18. N-N4 P-B4 19. N-B2 N-B3 or 18. N-B6 Q-B2 19. N-N4 Q-N2.

17. -----	P-B3
18. N-N4	N-B3
19. QR-K1	Q-Q2
20. N-B2	N-QR4
21. P-K4	N-N6
22. B-B4	N-B2?

This is much more serious than any of the preceding inaccuracies. White has achieved his first goal, played P-K4, and activated his bishop. To be consistent, Black must go after the QRP. The knight must go via N2 to QR4. Under these conditions, the text sequence (25. N-K3!) cannot hurt as Black's QBP is protected.

23. PxP	QxP
24. N-Q1	N-Q3?

There's lots of play after 24... N-R4, but Black's thematic counterplay is gone.

25. N-K3!	RxN
26. BxR	Q-QR4
27. B-B4	R-Q1
28. BxN	RxB
29. R-K8ch	K-B2
30. KR-K1	P-B4
31. R(8)-K5	QxRP
32. QxPch	R-B3
33. R-K7ch	Resigns.

<u>D. Fulton</u>	<u>R. Erickson</u>
Seafair Open, B Division, 1963	

1. P-Q4	P-Q4
2. P-QB4	P-QB3
3. N-QB3	N-B3
4. N-B3	P-K3
5. B-N5	PxP
6. P-K4	P-N4
7. P-K5	P-KR3
8. B-R4	P-N4
9. NxKNP	

The crossroads. For some years now, Pachman's continuation 9. PxB 10. N-K5 QxP 11. P-KN3 N-Q2 12. Q-K2 NxN 13. PxB Q-K2 has been considered good for White despite the 2 pawn minus. Dalbergs has defeated Franett in 20 moves with it. The game Pupols - Bell, Seafair 1963, however, went 12... P-B4! 13. B-N2 PxB 14. BxR PxN and chances would have been unclear after 15. N-N4 Q-N2 16. P-N3. Bell attributes this surprise continuation to Dalbergs.

9. -----

PxN

10. BxNP

QN-Q2

11. PxN

This capture is better delayed until Black threatens to save the piece.

11. -----

Q-N3

12. B-K2

B-QN2

13. B-B3

B-Q3

13... O-O-O is more exact, since the bishop's optimal square is not yet certain. The KRP is in no great danger: ... BxP 15. B-B4; ... RxP 15. RxR BxR 16. P-KN3.

In contrast to the previous games, absolute pawn equality is less important in this type of position. Observe that Black has already refrained (and will again refrain) from winning the foremost KBP. The natural move for White is N-K4; but since the knight would only be forced back after ... B-N5ch, correct is 14. P-QR4, and if 14... P-N5, 15. N-K4.

14. B-K3

Q-B2

15. P-KR3

Frequently this position leads to pawn races on opposite wings. I prefer 15.P-KR4.

15. -----

O-O-O

16. Q-Q2

P-R4

17. N-K4

B-N5

18. N-B3

The same position - with Black to move.

18. -----

P-B4!

19. P-R3

BxN

20. PxB

BxB

21. PxB

PxP

22. BxP

N-B4

Black has followed the basic precepts of his opening rather nicely. Here he can restrict White's pieces even more by first interposing ... P-K4.

23. Q-K3

N-Q6ch

24. K-Q2??

What on earth? ... After 24. K-B1, White will have a poor endgame because his pawns are in disarray, but he can harass Black's vagabond king; the threat of B-N6 forces it to N2; then 25. R-QN1 forces it to QR3 or QB3.

24. -----

P-K4

25. B-N6

N-B4ch

26. K-B2

QxB

White resigned shortly.

E. Zemgalis

R. Perrin

Seafair Simultaneous Exhibition

1. P-K4

P-K3

2. P-Q4

P-Q4

3. N-Q2

N-QB3

4. KN-B3

N-B3

5. P-K5

N-Q2

6. B-N5

N-N3

Temporizing against a master is not to be recommended. Zemgalis starts a sharp diversion.

7. P-QR4

B-K2

8. P-R5

N-Q2

9. P-R6

N-N5

Black loses less time if he just sits tight and castles.

10. PxP

BxP

11. P-B3

N-QB3

12. B-Q3

O-O

13. P-R4

P-B3

14. BxPch !?

Very much like the QRP advance, this is a psychological tactic: White carries the fight to an awed opponent. This standard sacrifice is based on the variation 14... KxB 15. N-N5ch PxN 16. PxPch K-N1 17. R-R8ch!! KxR 18. Q-R5ch K-N1 19. P-N6 and mate! But what if 15... K-N1? White cannot mate: 16. Q-R5 PxN 17. PxP BxP 18. N-B3 BxB 19. RxB N-B3; or get perpetual check: 16. Q-R5 PxN 17. PxP BxP 18. Q-R8 ch K-B2 19. Q-R5ch P-N3 20. Q-R7ch K-K1 21. QxPch R-B2 22. R-R8ch N-B1; or net any material: 16. NxP Q-K1 17. NxBP Q-N3. Critically speaking, the combination is not quite sound, and the kibitzers were expecting some excitement. Black has no choice but to accept; but there is no cure for cold feet.

14. -----

K-B2??

15. N-N5ch

Resigns.

"This indignity was inflicted on me as part of Kelleher's drive for 1st- 2nd in the Oregon Championship", writes Kern.

C. Kelleher

G. Kern

1. P-K4

P-K4

2. N-KB3

N-QB3

3. B-N5

P-QR3

4. B-R4

N-B3

5. O-O

NxP

6. R-K1

N-B4

7. N-B3

B-K2

8. NxP

NxN

9. RxN

NxB?

"Ghastly, isn't it? Kelleher says this is an olde, olde trappe".

10. N-Q5!

O-O

11. NxPch

K-R1

12. Q-R5

The trappe is certainly unusual because castling hasn't helped. White threatens 13. QxPch and 14. R-R5 mate.

12. -----

P-KN3

13. Q-R6 (threatens 14. R-R5) P-KB3

14. NxPch K-N1 15. R-K7 R-B2 16. RxR KxR 17. QxPch K-K3 18 N-B4ch K-K4 19. Q-R5ch and Black resigned.

NORTHWEST RATINGS BY JIM MONTGOMERY

JULY RATING SUPPLEMENT

As of August 1, 1963 the basis of the rating system will change from the Karch to the USCF system. This will be done in order to equalize the NW and USCF systems. It has been suggested and accepted that the present system is inaccurate. The restrictions on how much one may lose or gain in a rating period should show this.

The USCF system is based on two formulas, one for previously unrated and one for rated players--

$$R = R_a + 400 \left(\frac{W-L}{N} \right) \text{ and}$$

$$R_n = R_o + 16(W-L) + 4\%(E D)$$

respectively, where R_n and R_a are the performance ratings and the average rating of the opposition, respectively. N is the number of games; W and L are wins and losses; R_n and R_o are new and old ratings; $E D$ is the sum and differences between the ratings of the opponents and that of the player. D is positive or negative according to whether the opponent is higher or lower rated. No single D may exceed 350 points. The first formula is the same as in the old system but the other in the old system would approximately be

$$R_n = R_o + 30(W-L) + 10\%D$$

where D cannot exceed 300. This had several modifications (see the Jan. 1962 issue). One of the obvious results will be stabilization.

NORTHWEST MASTERS (2200-2399)

Dalbergs, Ivars, Portland	2276
Kenny, George, Seattle	2200
MacSkasy, Elod, Vancouver, BC	2269
McCormick, James, Eugene	2240
Pupols, Viktors, Seattle	2206

Suttles, Duncan, Vancouver, BC	2218
Zemgalis, Elmars, Seattle	2263

NORTHWEST EXPERTS (2000-2199)

Ashley, Frank, Spokane	2080
Bell, John, Portland	2150
Chin, Danny, Bellingham	2002
Cornelius, Gordon, Spokane	2023
Frank, Frank, Vancouver, BC	2004
Harmon, Clark, Renton	2083
Kelleher, Clay, Portland	2034
Kern, Gregory, Ore.	2017
Kiplinger, Bill, Whishram	2097
Lapikan, Dr. Peter, Missoula	2195
Neufahrt, Gerald, Vancouver, BC	2013
O'Gorman, Peter, Seattle	2014
Parsons, Richard, Seattle	2111
Ronning, Gerald, Ft. Lewis	2074
Seglins, Viesturs, Seattle	2060
Smith, Dr. Adam, Butte	2006
Somsen, D., Tacoma	2064
Vandenburg, Dick, Boise	2020

CLASS A

Abrahamson, Norman, Seattle	1820
Albert, Wally, Helena	1940
Allyn, Charles, Tacoma	1905
Alpiser, Francis, Brigham City	1307
Aykroyd, Colin, Vancouver, BC	1911
Barto, John R., Great Falls	1902
Braley, John, Seattle	1993
Buckendorf, Glen, Buhl	1823
Chappuis, Gaston, Salt Lake City	1938
Campbell, Jim, Hoquiam	1870
Cosho, John, Boise	1875
Dorn, Rupert, Seattle	1899
Fesl, Lou, Tacoma	1887
Fisher, James, Salt Lake City	1956
Freling, Roger, Moscow	1874
Groenig, David, Spokane	1902
Harmon, Neil, Seattle	1964
Hartwell, Ted, Twin Falls	1826
Hickey, Pat, Seattle	1876
Holmes, Vernon, Tacoma	1945
Johnston, Lyman, Everett	1842
Kendall, Don, Bellingham	1942
Liddell, Scott, Ogden, Utah	1830

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Lockhart, Scott, Tacoma
 McKay, Larry, Monroe
 Metzelaar, Charles, Ogden
 Nelson, Terry, Seattle
 Nettleton, Tim, Portland
 Nourse, John, Seattle
 Papp, Ellak, Billings
 Rader, Gary, Spokane
 Ray, Ronald, Seattle
 Reddy, John, Helena
 Rehberger, Phil, Bellingham
 Sage, Leon, Portland
 Schwarz, Gerald, Portland
 Turner, Donald, The Dalles
 Wallock, Antone, Tacoma
 Young, Bill, Seattle

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Ackroyd, Douglas, Tacoma
 Austreng, John, Great Falls
 Bauguess, Doug, Seattle
 Benson, Albert, Portland
 Bertram, Cal, Tacoma
 Blackmore, Bill, Bellingham
 Boomer, Harry, Spokane
 Boschan, Frank, Seattle
 Bricher, Vince, Cottage Grove
 Brown, Teddy, Missoula
 Buchanan, Dick, Richland
 Burley, Robert, Billings
 Carlson, Carl, Tacoma
 Cleveland, John, Bend
 Colpron, Milt, Vancouver
 Cooper, Bill, Camas
 Daly, Laurence, Seattle
 Davis, Bob, Seattle
 Drummond, Clark, Bellingham
 Dunn, Ben F.,
 Erickson, Ronald, Seattle
 Farkas, Mike, Seattle
 Fomin, Eugene, Seattle
 Fulton, David, Tacoma
 Garrott, John, Kent
 Greenup, Charles, Seattle
 Grinius, Algis
 Hall, Edgar, Ogden
 Harmon, Wm. J., Portland
 Harris, Gene, Caldwell
 Haugen, Dave, Tacoma
 Hewitt, Charles, Tacoma
 Hitchcock, Aaron, Missoula
 Horman, Melvin, Seattle
 Jackson, W. C., Glens Ferry
 Jarrell, Ben, Missoula
 Kittredge, Robert, Spokane
 Knapp, Earl, Big Harbor
 Lathourette, Gary, Portland

1871 Lavergne, Alan, Seattle
 1875 Leach, Roy, Tacoma
 1844 Lee, Norman, Boise
 1994 Ligon, Don, Spokane
 1959 Ludwig, Steve, Bellingham
 1993 Matsen, Wayne, Portland
 1809 Miller, Myron, Bellingham
 1915 Miller, Russell, Chelan
 1816 Mitchell, James, Portland
 1800 Mitchell, Hohn, Tacoma
 1900 Monrad, Svend, Seattle
 1906 Montgomery, James, Seattle
 1889 Moore, Deane, Portland
 1974 Mulder, Jim, Seattle
 1935 Nikoley, Manfred, Reno
 1898 Oleary, John, Tacoma
 Olson, Peter, Seattle
 Papp, Bela, Billings
 Parker, Roy, Nampa
 Pearson, Stuart, Spokane
 Potter, B. A., Vancouver
 Prentice, Ernest, Tacoma
 Rambo, Clarence, Murtaugh
 Rasmussen, Ernst, Tacoma
 Razor, George, Boise
 Raymond, Harold, Bellingham
 Reeves, Ed, Drummond
 Reh, John, Seattle
 Reynolds, Larry, Seattle
 Richardson, Lewis, Camas
 Samuelson, Stanely, Boise
 Schrader, Esther, Eugene
 Schrader, Jack, Eugene
 Shanley, Paul, Dee Lodge
 Shifty, Leroy, Butte
 Short, Lowery, Maryhill
 Singer, Garry, Albany
 Skarsten, Hal, Forest Grove
 Spaulding, JB, Helena
 Stewart, Charles, Boise
 Stromsberg, Ingwald, Kalispell
 Tonks, Davis, Pocatello
 Trainor, Ray, Spokane
 Turner, JA, Seattle
 Wendel, Gary A, Butte
 Wennstrom, Max, Boise
 Wheeler, Ray, Sparks
 Wiser, Dr. H.
 Young, Duane, Corvallis
 Zimmerman, George, Montana
 Zornes, Keith, Kennewick

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CLASS C

Anderegg, John, Pocatello
 Andrews, Arthur, Portland
 Barge, Les, Kalispell,
 Behr, Pete, Eugene

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Benedict, Jack, Bellingham	1575
Bennett, Ronald, Tacoma	1595
Benson, Steve, Portland	1496
Bever, V.W., Bellevue	1558
Blumenquer, Earl, Portland	1450
Bolt, Ed, Hungry Horse	1509
Bosch, Col. Edward, Tacoma	1494
Boswell, Ernest, Spokane	1476
Briche, Gary, Cottage Grove	1571
Brown, Conrad, Lake Oswego	1501
Cates, Larry, Tacoma	1588
Cook, F. Jay	1374
Cowan, Jack, Puyallup	1184
Cruze, Dan, Bellevue	1348
Denison, Elberta, Portland	1292
DeWinter, Gary, Boise	1396
Dorwin, Dick, Seattle	1398
Dyer, Joel, Spokane	1239
Fjellanger, Lee, Issaquah	1258
Franklin, Paul, Spokane	1411
Gist, Ronald, Bend	1471
Gordon, Lloyd, Kalispell	1090
Gordon, Sina, Kalispell,	1214
Gregory, Hugh, Bellingham	1542
Halabrin, Mike	1511
Hansen, Ralph, Missoula	1584
Haughton, Lonnie, Tacoma	1347
Heller, Dale	1477
Houghton, Gordon, Tacoma	1453
Jenquin, Denny, Portland	1581
Jensen, David, Ogden	1394
Johanson, Jesse, Boise	1420
Kaffenberger, Henry, Gig Harbor	1598
Kerton, Lester, Seattle	1207
King, Dean, Kalispell,	1389
Klaus, Del, Boise	1359
Koncek, John, Tacoma	1429
Lanser, Gary, Seattle	1459
Laugen, George, Roseburg	1420
Lee, Steven, Bellevue	1433
Link, Evelyn, Seattle	1399
Mackie, Sandy, Lake Oswego	1509
Malison, Dr., Butte	1499
Martin, Ken, Bellingham	1373
McConnell, Dr. Graham, Spokane	1565
McConnell, Jo, Spokane	1284
McDougall, Vic	1575
McLeod, Scott, Bellingham	1352
Measure, Ed, Kalispell	1435
Morgan, Ronald, C., Tacoma	1442
Nettleton, Tom, Portland	1338
Nielson, Ernest, Glasgow	1313
Page, Fred, Spokane	1306
Papp, Bela, Billings	1548
Pattie, Jack, Gig Harbor	1584
Raymond, Richard, Hoquiam	1506
Reid, Dave, Boise	1357
Rektor, John	1494
Rosler, Hans, Great Falls	1293

Rosling, Tom, Seattle	1408
Running, J. Emil, Tacoma	1093
Rupel, Dave, Yakima	1426
Ryan, Robert, Seattle	1570
Rystrom, Roger, Seattle	1372
Schneider, John, Tacoma	1457
Schem, Mike, Corvallis	1287
Shanley, Eva, Deer Lodge	1393
Shaver, August, Kalispell	1443
Shives, AC, Toledo	1471
Skirnants, Nick, Boise,	1534
Smith, Wm. F., Portland	1461
Smith, Zane	1288
Spangenberg, Cecil, Boise	1471
Starkovich, John, Tacoma	1403
Stratton, Donald, Puyallup	1563
Sulkosky, Mike, Tacoma	1274
Swanberg, D. A. Kalispell	1547
Swanberg, Dolores, Kalispell	1431
Thomas, Glen, Boise	1571
Thompson, Horton, Kendrick	1493
Turner, RG, Kalispell	1580
VanSchofels, Bill, Seattle	1394
VanLiew, Charles	1421
VanMetre, Dick, Spokane	1586
Venn, Douglas, Spokane	1519
Vard, John, Tacoma	1557
Warren, Harvey	1385
Waterman, Vic, Lampa	1566
Watrous, Woody, Bellingham	1511
Wester, Zack, Seattle	1485
White, Roger, Tacoma	1579
Wickberg, Gary, Boise	1573
Williams, Dave, Tacoma	1588
Wyman, Vern, Kalispell	1383

The Dalles Open was not rated because it was reported so late. If a tournament is not reported to me in the rating quarter in which it was held, it will not be rated.

SEATTLE CHESS CLUB HOUSE WARMING

The club had to move a few feet in the Food Circus from 317-G to 317-A which didn't harm the club any. Dues are adults \$15 per year or \$7.50 for 6 months and out-of-town members, juniors (under 21) and students \$10 per year or \$5 for 6 months.

35 showed up for the club's open house Friday evening, Sept. 6th. Everyone enjoyed the spread of coffee and cookies set out by Fred Howard, club secretary. Also 21 entered the speed tourney won by John Braley. Vik Pupols was second and Ron Erickson was third. Several, including your editor who had to go to work, dropped out as they did not have the time to complete the 20 game schedule! Oh well, we only won 4 out of 10.

Where To Play Chess In The Northwest

This directory of Northwest Chess Clubs has been compiled from records now available and if there are any additions or corrections to be made please forward the information to R. R. Merk. We will attempt to keep this directory up to date as changes are received. Complete information as to time of meetings will be added as the information comes to us.

Bay Area Chess Club
Robert J. Gray, Sec.
Every Tuesday 7:00 P.M.
I. W. A. Hall, 6th & Commercial
Coos Bay, Oregon

Bellevue-Mercer Island Chess Club
James N. Turner, Sh 6-4919
Meets in Members Homes Every Tuesday
Bellevue, Washington

Columbia Basin Chess Club
Larry Taylor, Sec.-Treas.
2600 No. Chase Street
Pasco, Washington

Gray's Harbor Chess Club
Jim Campbell, Sec.
306 - 19 Street
Hoquaim, Washington

Yakima Chess Club
Yakima Y.M.C.A.
No. Naches Ave., & E. Yakima St.
Yakima, Washington

Kalispel Chess Club
Vernon L. Wyman, Sec.
507 N. Arizona Street
Kalispel, Mont.

Kitsap County Chess Club
Second & Fourth Friday
Dr. J.C. Almond's residence
Recreation Room
Poulsbo, Washington

Marble Palace Chess Club
Maryhill Museum of Fine Arts
Maryhill, Washington

Portland Chess Club
411 Henry Building
S.W. 4th & Oak Streets
Portland, Oregon
Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 P.M., Sat. 3:00 P.M.

Purdy Chess Club
Earl E. Knapp, Sec.
Route 3 Box 39
Gig Harbor, Washington

Seattle Chess Club
Room 317 A
Food Circus, Seattle Center
Open every day

Snohomish County Chess Club
Irving Kahler, Sec.
426 So. 72
Everett, Washington

Tacoma Chess Club
Ernie Prentice, Sec.
Tacoma Public Library
11th & Tacoma Ave.,
Every Friday 7:30 P.M.

The Dalles Chess Club
H. R. Davidson, M.D., Sec.
1625 E. 9th
The Dalles, Oregon

The Royal Knights of Chess
Mike Vinyard, Sec.
3068 Livingston
Salem, Oregon

The Russe De Guerre Chess Club
Bill Jessett, Sec.
424 N.E. Adams, Camas, Washington
Tuesdays, 8:00 P.M. to midnight.

West Seattle Chess Club
High Point Recreation Center
30th & S.W. Graham Street
Seattle, Washington
Second & Fourth Friday, 7:00 P.M.

We know that there is a club in both
Bellingham and Spokane but that is all
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