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 our other correspondents for this month)

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It might interest you to know that the '66 US Open may well be held in Seattle. Stephen Christopher, enthusiastic after playing in the US Open in Puerto Rico, winner of the class "B" championship at that event, has agreed to deposit with the USCF a certified check for around \$3,000 as indication of our sincerity. I have appointed Buz Eddy as chairman of the US Open committee, Christopher as Sec'y - Treas., and myself as the publicity director. The manhunt for helpers and money is on! Win or lose the NW is sure to benefit. So, hopefully I'll see you in Seattle for the US Open. Clark Harmon

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Sept	4-6	Oregon Open
Sept	6	Treasure Valley Open
Sept	18-19	Northwest 30/30 Open
Oct	2-3	Russe de Guere Open
Oct	16-17	Peach Arch Open
Oct	22-24	Central California Open
Oct	30-31	Washington Woodpushers
Nov	10-13	Utah Open
Nov	13-14	Klamath Falls Open
Nov	27-28	Northwest Open
Dec	4	Western Idaho Open
Dec	27-28	Northwest Junior
Dec	31-Jan 2	N.W. Invitational (tentative)
Jan	8-9	Washington Open

If you want your tournaments advertised, then
 SEND IN YOUR MATERIAL FOR PUBLICATION!!!
 Russe de Guere? Woodpushers?Klamath Falls?

Place: Oregonian Hostess House
 1320 S.W. Broadway, Portland

When?: Sat Sept 4, 2 Rounds
 Sun Sept 5, 3 Rounds
 Mon Sept 6, 2 Rounds

Fee? : \$5 Entry Fee, \$4 if not over 18

Registration: 9AM play starts 10AM SHARP!

Prizes: 1st \$ 100
 2nd 25
 3rd 10

Time Control: 45 moves in two hours.

T.D. : Buz Eddy

NORTHWEST 30 - 30

Place: Boeing II Cafeteria

When?: September 18-19

Fee? : Entry fee \$4 plus WCF membership

Registration: 9:30 AM Sept 18

Time Control: 30 moves in 30 minutes

T.D. : Buz Eddy

Type : 11 Round Swiss

Prizes: Cash

Defending Champ: Clark Harmon

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DEADLINE

Material for the Oct issue due Sept 24.
 VISIT THE SEATTLE CHESS CLUB!!

PEACH ARCH OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

Place: Convention Hall, Leopold Hotel
Bellingham, Wash.

Date: October 16, 17 1965

Type: Six round Swiss System, Median-Solkoff tie breaking.

Schedule: 1st Rd 10:00 AM Oct 16
2nd Rd 2:30 PM
3rd Rd 7:00 PM
4th Rd 8:00 AM Oct 17
5th Rd 12:30 PM
6th Rd 5:00 PM

All games played to a finish last day

Time Limit: 50 moves in 2 hours, games adjourned after 4 hrs of play.

No adjudication

25 moves in 1hr for the adjourned games.

Entry Fee: Seniors \$4.00 Junior #3.00
All entrants must be members of WCF

Prizes: 1st Trophy plus 45% of prize fund
2nd 25% of prize fund
3rd 15% of prize fund
Class A 5% of prize fund
Class B 5% of prize fund
Class C 5% of prize fund

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA OPEN &
QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT

When?: October 22-24 1965

Where?: YMCA 1122 17th St, Sacramento.

Type?: 5 round Swiss

Prizes: \$300 minimum guaranteed prize fund with upset awards and prizes to Class A, B, C, and D. Highest finishing Cal man will qualify for State tournament.

Fee: Open to all who are or who become a USCF member. \$10 if USCF rating 1900 or over, \$7 is less than 1900. Non-USCF members get in for \$ 9.50 including USCF membership

Entrants living outside of Sacramento and Yolo counties and unable to reach Sacramento in time for Rd 1 8 PM Friday, Oct 22 can arrange to play the first round in advance.
Contact: Lt. Colonel E.B. Edmondson,
210 Britton Way, Mather AFB Cal.

1965 UTAH OPEN

Place: YMCA Chess Club 737 E. 2nd South
Salt Lake City, Utah

Type: Seven round Swiss system tournament open to all comers.

Schedule: Registration Nov 10 7-7:45 PM
Round I 10 8:00 PM
Round II 11 9:00 AM
Round III 11 3:00 PM
Round IV 12 9:00 AM
Round V 12 3:00 PM
Round VI 13 8:00 AM
Round VII 13 2:00 PM
Banquet 13 8:00 PM

Entry Fee: \$8.50 plus USCF membership
Juniors (under 19) \$6.50 plus USCF membership
\$2.00 refund if banquet is not attended \$2.00 per person for additional banquet guests.

Prizes: Trophies for highest placing resident, highest placing non-resident Class B, Class C, and Unrated. All prize money will be distributed on a plus score basis depending on the number of entrants.

Pairings: A modified Harkness system

Time Limit: 50 moves in 2½ hours, 20 moves per hour thereafter. No adjournments.

Ties: Median, Solkoff, Sonnenborn-Berger will be used to break ties in that order.

Director: Harold Lundstrom, Chess Editor of the Deseret News.

Advance Registration and Inquiries:
Dennis D. Hansen
798 East 8080 South
Sandy, Utah 84070

Sorry, no information received on the other tournaments listed in the TNY SCHEDULE

\$100 N.W. POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIP \$100

This event is well underway and if you want to get in on the ground floor of a new N.W. event then send your \$2.50 to:
Clark Harmon
304 Garden St. Renton, Wn.

MACSKASY-PULLEN GARROTT ING FULTON

Dr. ELOD MACSKASY, of Vancouver, B. C. won the 1965 Seattle Seafair Open with five wins and one loss. He defeated JOSEPH TOTH, of Seattle, WILLY BRANDAL, PETER O'GORMAN, KENT PULLEN, all of Seattle, FRANK MAY, of London, and lost his final round encounter to VIKTORS PUPOLS, of Seattle. Pullen also posted five wins to share top money, losing only to Macskasy. Pupols took clear third with a $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ score.

Fifty players appeared for the 6 round event played Aug. 7 - 8 on the food circus balcony on the Seattle World's Fair grounds.

JOSEPH TOTH took first class "A" honors with a 4 - 2 result; WILLIAM BLACKMORE, of Bellingham, topped the class "B" players also with a 4 - 2, and ROBERT LUNDIN, of Issaquah, won his two man contest with Zack Wester for first class "C" with a $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$.

The USCF section was studded with up-sets. The first round saw John Walker win from Jerry Wolfe. Round two Lou Fesl over Colin Aykroyd, and William Blackmore topple Jim McCormick. Doug Adams won from W.Brandal in the third round. Peter O'Gorman won from Pupols and Adams downed Aykroyd in round 5.

Summary of the 1965 SEATTLE SEAFAIR OPEN USCF Section

Player	Home	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	-6-	Score	Med.	Solk.
1. Dr. Elod Macskasy	Vancouver BC	W5	W12	W4	W2	W7	L3	5 - 1	16	
2. Kent Pullen	Seattle	W6	W20	W14	L1	W8	W4	5 - 1	14	
3. Viktors Pupols	Seattle	W1 ^c	D7	W16	W11	L4	W1	$4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$		
4. Peter O'Gorman	Seattle	W22	W11	L1	W10	W3	L2	4 - 2	16	
5. Joseph Toth	Seattle	L1	D15	W22	D8	W17	W7 ^c	4 - 2	$12\frac{1}{2}$	
6. William Blackmore	Bellingham	L2	W21	D8	W17	D9	W14	4 - 2	12	
7. Frank May	London	W10	D3	W9	W13	L1	L5	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	$15\frac{1}{2}$	
8. Robert Holzinger	Seattle	W17	D9	D6	D5	L2	W15	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	15	
9. John Walker	Bothell	W14	D8	L7	W16	D6	D10	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	13	
10. Doug Adams	Spokane	L7	W17	W12	L4	W13	D9	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	12	
11. Matt Kenney	Richland	W18	L4	W20	L3	L5	W19	3 - 3	11	
12. Willy Brandal	Seattle	W15	L1	L10	LF18	W19	W17	3 - 3	9	
13. Colin Aykroyd	Vancouver BC	W20	L16	W19	L7	L10	W18	3 - 3	$8\frac{1}{2}$	
14. Jerry Wolfe	Troutdale	L ^c	W22	L2	D15	W18	L6	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$	$11\frac{1}{2}$	18
15. Robert Lundin	Issaquah	L12	D5	D18	DF4	W16	L8	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$	$11\frac{1}{2}$	17
16. Lou Fesl	Marysville	D21	W13	L3	L9	L15	D20	2 - 4	$11\frac{1}{2}$	
17. Peter Hashisaki	Bellingham	L8	L10	Bye	L6	W20	L12	2 - 4	11	
18. Zack Wester	Seattle	L11	D19	D15	WF12	L14	L13	2 - 4	$9\frac{1}{2}$	
19. Dr. Jan Roskam	Bellevue	L3	D18	L13	W20	L12	L11	$1\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$		
20. Mike Parkas	Seattle	L13	L2	L11	L19	L17	D16	$\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$	$9\frac{1}{2}$	
21. James McCormick	Seattle	D16	L6	F	F	F	F	$\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$	2	
22. John Pericich	Tacoma	L4	L14	L5	F	F	F	0 - 6		

WIN 1965 SEAFAIR

TOP RESERVE SECTION

Round six saw Blackmore win from Jerry Wolfe, and Joseph Toth down former B.C. expert F. May, now of London.

JOHN GARROTT, of Kent, posted a 5 - 1 score to win the reserve section. He edged out JOHN ENG, of Seattle, and DAVE FULTON, of Tacoma on tie-breaking.

PETER J. OLSON, of Seattle, took clear fourth place with a $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ finish, and won top honors in the "C and unrated" division.

The asterisk on the cross-table below was added at the suggestion of Dr. Lewis. It will be maintained in the future to denote technical wins such as time-forfeiture, or as in the case below, failure to record.

Most improvement in the reserve section was shown by CHARLES HAGY, of Spokane. Hagy finished the recent Inland Empire Open with a 0 - 6 score.

T.C. was 45 in 2. T.D. was Buz Eddy.

Reserve Section

Player	Home	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	-6-	Score	Med.	Solk.
1. John Garrett	Kent	W12	W22	W7	W5	D2	D4	5 - 1	15	23 $\frac{1}{2}$
2. John Eng	Seattle	W17	W4	D3	W16	D1	W10	5 - 1	15	22
3. Dave Fulton	Tacoma	W24	W13	D2	D9	W11	W5	5 - 1	14	
4. Peter J. Olson	Seattle	W20	L2	W13	WF22	W7	D1	$4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$		
5. Eddie Sonier	Seattle	W19	W10	W8	L1	W9	L3	4 - 2	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	
6. Lewis Richardson	Camas	L15	W27	D10	W19*	W20	D9	4 - 2	10	
7. Pat Herbers	Spokane	W21	W15	L1	W8	L4	D14	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$
8. Lauren Owens	Seattle	W27	W11	L5	L7	D14	W16	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	20
9. Tapani Pitkanen	Seattle	D16	W21	W19	D3	L5	D6	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	13	19 $\frac{1}{2}$
10. Fred M. Howard	Seattle	W25	L5	D6	W26	W16	L2	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	13	18 $\frac{1}{2}$
11. Alan LaVergne	Seattle	W23	L8	W25	W14	L3	D12	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	
12. John Shoemaker	Tacoma	L1	L14	W26	W23	W13	D11	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	11	
13. Ken Dart	Fverett	W14	L3	L4	W15	L12	W21	3 - 3	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	20
14. William Olson	Seattle	L13	W12	W17	L11	D8	D7	3 - 3	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	19
15. Charles Hagy	Spokane	W6	L7	L16	L13	W23	W20	3 - 3	11	
16. Dave Rupel	Yakima	D9	W18	W15	L2	L10	L8	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	
17. Edward Bosse	Tacoma	L2	L25	L14	WF27	W19	D23	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	
18. Dennis Corpus	Seattle	W26	L16	D24	WF25	F	F	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$	3	
19. Dr. A. E. Lewis	Seattle	L5	W28	L9	L6*	L17	WF26	2 - 4	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	
20. J. A. McCharles	Burnaby BC	L4	L23	W27	W21	L6	L15	2 - 4	10	
21. Richard Raymond	Seattle	L7	L9	Bye	L20	W26	L13	2 - 4	9	
22. John Ward	Tacoma	W28	L1	W23	LF4	F	F	2 - 4	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	
23. Dick Dorwin	Seattle	L11	W20	L22	L12	L15	D17	$1\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$	12	
24. Ronald Johnson	Seattle	L3	W26	D18	F	F	F	$1\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	
25. Ken Wainey	Seattle	L10	W17	L11	LF18	F	F	1 - 5		
26. Alan Long	Renton	L18	L24	L12	L10	L21	LF19	0 - 6	11	
27. Mart Howe	Seattle	L8	L6	L20	LF17	F	F	0 - 6	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
28. Christopher Ritter	Bellevue	L22	L19	F	F	F	F	0 - 6	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	

TOURNAMENT NORTHWEST BY BUZ EDDY

As you may already be aware the WCF is preparing a bid for the 1966 U. S. OPEN. The preliminary ground work is being done this month, and the formal bid will be presented to the USCF sometime during the middle of next month. We are hoping to run concurrent with the Seattle Seafair in order to gain greater outside attraction. The one basic factor necessary before we can present our bid, is the assurance of northwest player support. Therefore we would like to give the reader a general picture of the U.S. OPEN. Twelve or thirteen rounds comprise the event, with usually one round a day, in the evening; and adjournments on the following afternoon. Time control is 50 moves in $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

Your writer has attended only one US OPEN (in 1958), and finds that this was easily the most memorable and most enjoyable experience of his chess career. In discussing this with others who have been fortunate enough to have been able to attend such events, there is a general agreement that this tournament presents tournament chess in its finest form.

If any northwest player can foresee now that he would be able to take part in such an event in the summer of 1966, we would sincerely appreciate a card of encouragement to that effect.

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Returning to the present tournament scene, we would like to thank KEN DART for some rather pointed observations regarding the prize awarding systems now employed by the W.O.F. Mr. Dart feels that it is not in the best interest of chess promotion to offer a reserve section that attracts half or more of the participants of an event, and then award less than a third of the prize fund within that section.

This has been a problem to organizers since the inception of reserve sections in the northwest several years ago, and as yet

no truly equitable formula has been devised.

To split the prize money evenly between the sections, is tantamount to placing a premium on mediocrity. One could easily visualize a travesty in organized chess with solid class "A" and expert players pitching match after match to gain a published rating below the magic 1800.

To utilize the Tacoma system of organizing the sections as virtually amateur and professional, with cash awards in the open section only, and a fine set of trophies in the reserve is more palatable to the organizer, but does not meet Mr. Dart's objection that all tournament players are professional in a sense.

Our personal feeling on this matter is that there are two aspects to tournaments. First a tournament provides an opportunity for players to play the game of chess. Second a tournament provides an opportunity to compete at the sport of chess. We feel that those that register for a reserve section do not wish to, or are not interested in competing in chess as a sport. We certainly do not wish to belittle the reserve section in this respect, but we feel that it is essential to continue to provide clear incentive for improvement, in order to promote the quality of chess competition. To this end we will continue to award the majority of the available prize fund to the open section.

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A little over a year ago there appeared within these pages an article entitled "The Buz Eddy rule" which explained a regulation we felt necessary to competitive chess. Simply stated it read, "a player must record his last move and the last move of his opponent before making his next move." This has been in effect in all WCF tournaments since the 1964 Seafair, and has met with the general approval of competitive players. For those not familiar with this regulation, we would like to point out the reasons behind it.

We feel that tournament chess competition is composed of two integral parts. First the over-the-board play of the game, and second compliance with the regulation of making a required number of moves in a specified amount of time. Therefore, in making a move in competition a player is required to do three things; make the move on the board, punch the clock, and record the move. This is all part of chess competition.

PRESIDENT'S

MEMO

I recently received a letter from Greg Kern of Portland, spokesman for the Oregon Chess Committee. Here is my reply, essentially unchanged.

Your letter brought up some pertinent questions. Questions that have been discussed by the WCF officers. "Why WCF when we have USCF?" Your rebuttal to this query is good, but it does not present any positive aspect in comparing the WCF with the USCF. The WCF through the NORTHWEST CHESS LETTER is local in origin and control and is based in Seattle, not in New York. This is a most important fact. Because of this we can devote all 22 pages to chess in the NW... the USCF, at least in the foreseeable future, will not be able to provide 22 pages of NW news.

The second question, "Is the NWCL really here to stay, and does it really represent NW chess?", is more difficult to answer. The 'Letter' has been in existence almost 18 yrs under one name or another, and if the present officers have a say, it will be here another 18 years. Our financial position, while not excellent, is the best ever; and we have shown a very nice growth curve. The curve is directly related to the growth curve of NW chess, which is up! The main difficulty is members and working officers... hopefully this will be remedied before too many moons pass.

We certainly want to represent NW chess, but how can this be done if no one outside the Puget Sound area sends us information and ideas? It takes a great amount of time and work to publish the NORTHWEST CHESS LETTER... work and time that should not have to be spent on hurriedly inserting last minute news from organizers around the Northwest. We have more information of Puget Sound interest because we are in direct contact with the organizers. Therefore, we can give them the needle... get your news in on time! (Amen, Ed.) No one likes to read about an event that happened three months ago! Too, in the past and now, to a certain extent, more things happen in the Puget Sound area. Or at least it seems that way. If we were to allocate 5 pages to each B.C., Oregon, Idaho, and Washington our size would run about 8 pages a month... if present trends continued. We realize that coverage for the other areas in the NW should be enlarged, and we are trying to do something about it. I write letters, Parsons writes letters, Buz roams the NW digging up news, and the NORTHWEST CHESS LETTER makes pleas... but no huge response. I would say to detractors.. send us news, we will print it!

As for the annual meeting, it is unfortunate that it has not been well publicized in the past. It will be in the future. Unfortunately, however, many people just don't understand the workings of the WCF. We have a constitution that dedicates the organization to the improvement and spread of chess, primarily in the State of Washington. In fact, the WCF through its organ, the NWCL, strives for the improvement of chess in the entire NW. A fact that I plan to continue. However, before any grandiose plans can be developed by the WCF (I should mention that the WCF is concerned mainly with Washington chess, while paradoxically its organ attempts to serve the entire NW), we have to clean up our own backyard. We have many areas in our own state which for all intent and purposes play no part in the WCF, whether it be election of officers or determination of policy. You must realize that the WCF and WASHINGTON CHESS LETTER was founded by Seattle money and organizers. For this reason we have been very reluctant to relinquish control of the investment. We have paid for two sets of machines in the past 18 years, and have enjoyed solvency for only the last 2 or 3. Equipment that would cost well in excess of \$500 to replace is what we worry about. For these reasons it has been operated by what you might call a Puget Sound chess clique for the past 18 years. Rightfully so, I feel.

Policy has a habit of costing money. At this present point we cannot afford too much 'policy' and as a legally federated body within the State of Washington and by rights granted by our constitution, we could exclude all non-Washington residents from policy determination.

We are not a gigantic ogre, though. I assure you of that. Also, as our financial position improves so will our service to the NW and Washington. We attempt to operate for the benefit of all the NW, not for the benefit of Puget Sound interests.

Not too long ago I lived in Portland and viewed the WCF and Wash. Chess Letter from without, now I see it from within. What a difference! So, be patient with us. We're improving. Perhaps sometime in the future we may see the NORTHWEST CHESS LETTER published jointly by the Wash. Chess Fed., the Oregon Chess Fed. and the Idaho Chess Fed. I feel before this could happen a nearly similar amount of money would have to be put up by Oregon and Idaho as is now currently invested by the WCF.

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YANOFSKY AGAIN!

Grandmaster D.A. Yanofsky of Winnipeg with an unblemished record of nine wins and two draws captured the Fifty-Sixth Canadian Championship held at International House on the U.B.C. campus, Vancouver from June 21 to July 4. This was Yanofsky's eight win which tied the record established by Maurice Fox of Montreal. His consistent, steady playing augurs well for his chances in the International Tournament of Grandmasters (Capablanca Memorial) which will be held in Havana in September. At no time was Yanofsky in any real danger although he managed to secure full points from a number of clearly equal positions (notably against Kaltenecker and Kerr) from stage-struck opponents. Against his immediate rivals, only a time-pressure slip allowed Macskasy an amusing swindle when the latter was four pawns down; a timely counterattack demolished Suttles before Duncan's king-side "express" was barely out of the station; and Lionel Joyner's unaccountable passive play precipitated a speedy collapse.

Aside from the above lapse, Joyner confirmed the fine impression he made when he won the Canadian Closed in 1961. His best effort was a fine defensive performance against the impetuous Suttles who gambited two pawns in the opening; Joyner gave up the exchange to stifle an attack and his conduct of the ending was ruthless. Joyner also defeated his personal nemesis, Dr. Macskasy, for the first time, while only Potter could obtain a creditable draw as the lower half of the table fell before Joyner's sharp, elegant play.

Suttle's six straight wins at the beginning of the tournament were a rather superficial indication of his ultimate standing. His debacles with the White pieces against Yanofsky and Joyner and a number of narrow escapes with the "RAT" Opening (1...P-KN3) confirmed the impression that Duncan will have to become more flexible if he wants to make a mark in topflight competition. Certainly third place is no disgrace for a young player although his admirers would have liked to see the old idols toppled from their pedestals. The U.S. Open in Puerto Rico and the World Junior Championship in Barcelona may be more convincing tests of his skill as the calibre of opposition was quite uneven in this event.

Mark Schulman of Winnipeg tied with Dr. Macskasy for fourth and fifth. He played steady but uninspired chess (except in time trouble) and fully deserved his place. Dr.

Macskasy was possibly unlucky to lose two games against Vaitonis and Leonard as his positional gifts are quite unimpaired; however, his former steadiness in time pressure and tactical sharpness were not so evident as in the past which may account for his relatively low placing. Ray Kerr of Powell River played consistent chess but was inclined to give draws too easily in superior positions. His score was matched by Paul Vaitonis, a former Lithuanian master who won the Canadian title in Vancouver in 1951 and 1957; a thirty years' experience in international events and an extraordinary resourcefulness when short of time were all that saved him from a disastrous result. By contrast, Brian Potter of Vancouver played extremely high class chess, but lost his last round encounter with Schulman to finish just below Kerr and Vaitonis.

The bottom four players were generally outclassed by the bigger guns, but both Veszely and Kaltenecker put up protracted resistance against Yanofsky while Leonard's defeat of Macskasy was the biggest upset of the tournament.

The tournament was directed by C. Aykroyd and A.J. van Lieshout, the Canadian rating statistician who has recently moved to Vancouver. There were no untoward incidents during the play and the tournament was pleasantly concluded with a banquet for the players and organizers presided over by J. F. Prentice, president of the Canadian Chess Federation and FIDE Vice-President.

Bisguier Simultaneous

Grandmaster A. Bisguier of N.Y. concluded his westcoast tour with a 25 board simultaneous exhibition at the City C.C. on July 13. Play lasted 3½ hours with Bisguier yielding 3 draws and 2 losses to F. May and C. Aykroyd. Bisguier also lost to R. Gates, formerly of Vancouver, in an exhibition held in L.A. earlier this month.

Canadian Speed Championship

Held concurrently with the Canadian Closed Championship, the Canadian Speed Championship was won by Duncan Suttles who defeated Dr. E. Macskasy in a two game playoff after they had tied in the regular schedule. They divided \$40 and Suttles took the trophy. W. Jursevskis, former B.C. provincial champion and G. Rostoker, tied for 3rd and 4th places.

The above story was sent in by our Canadian correspondent C. Aykroyd, as well as the following annotated games.

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56th CANADIAN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

D. Suttles-B. Potter

1. P-K4	P-K4	2. N-QB3	N-KB3
3. P-KN3	B-N5	4. B-N2	O-O
5. N/1-K2	P-B3	6. P-Q4	P-Q3
7. O-O	Q-K2	8. P-QR3	B-R4
9. P-QN4	B-B2	10. B-N2	B-N5
11. P-R3	B-KR4	12. Q-Q3	QN-Q2
13. P-N4	B-KN3	14. P-B4	P-KR3
15. QxP	FxP	16. P-B5	B-R2
17. N-Q1	KR-Q1	18. Q-QN3	N-N3
19. N-B2	R-Q2	20. B-B1	N-K1
21. B-K3	K-R1	22. N-Q3	R-N1
23. N-B5	R/2-Q1	24. P-QR4	B-N1
25. P-R5	N-B1	26. KR-B1	B-Q3
27. N-Q3	P-B3	28. P-B4	P-QN4
29. FxPep	FxP	30. Q-B3	Q-N2
31. R-R3	B-B1	32. N-N3	RxN
33. QxR	BxNP	34. R-R4	P-B4
35. R/1-R1?	N/K-Q3	36. R-QB1	R-R1?
37. RxR	QxR	38. B-B1	Q-R3?
39. P-R4	Q-R6	40. P-N5	QxQ
41. BxQ	BPxP	42. FxP	N-K2
43. P-N6	N-B3	44. N-R5	N-R4
45. P-B6	FxP	46. BxP	N-K1
47. R-B1	NxP	48. BxN	BxB
49. RxP!	Resigns		

THE BIG UPSET GAME

E. Macskasy-L. Joyner

1. P-KN3	P-KN3	2. B-N2	B-N2
3. N-KB3	P-QB4	4. O-O	N-QB3
5. P-Q3	P-Q3	6. QN-Q2	R-N1
7. P-QR4	P-QR3	8. P-B3	N-B3
9. P-K4	O-O	10. N-R4	P-K4
11. N-B4	B-K3	12. B-N5	P-R3
13. B-Q2	NxP	14. PxN	BxN
15. R-K1	Q-N3	16. P-QN4	FxP
17. B-K3	Q-B2	18. PxP	N-Q5
19. R-QB1	P-QN4	20. P-B4	Q-K2
21. RfxP	RfxP	22. R-R1	Q-B3
23. R-R6	Q-K2	24. N-B3?	

Better was 24. BxN FxB 25. P-B5 and if 25... P-N4 then 26. P-B6!

25. BxN	KR-Q1	24. . . .	NxNch
27. Q-Q2	P-Q4!	26. R-R7	Q-K1
29. B-B5	RxF	28. KfxP	P-K5
31. RxQch	RxR	30. Q-KN2	FxB
33. K-B2?		32. QxP	R-K8ch

33. K-N2 also loses

33. . .	R-B8ch	34. K-N2	RxQ
35. KxR	K-R2	36. RxP	R-Q6ch
37. K-K4	BxR		White resigned on 40.

GAMES

R. Leonard-D. Suttles "The RAT" Opening!

1. P-K4	P-KN3	2. P-Q4	B-N2
3. P-KB4	P-QB4	4. P-B3	
Rather ambitious, 4. N-KB3 seems more reliable.			
5. FxP	P-Q3	4. . . .	FxP
7. B-K3	Q-N3	6. N-QB3	N-QB3
9. P-KR3?		8. B-N5	N-B3
Loss of time			
9. . . .	O-O	10. Q-Q2?	
10. BxN was preferable.			
11. NxN	QxB	10. . . .	NxP/K4
13. O-O	B-K3	12. N-K2	N-N5
15. KxR	KxR	14. P-R3	Q-Q6!
17. N/2-B3	B-N6	16. KR-N1	KR-B1
19. N-Q2	NxP	18. R-KB1	P-B4
21. RxN	B-Q4	20. QR-N1	RxN
		22. R-N5	B-B3
Resigns. If 23. R-N3 RxB 24. RxR BxQ			

D. Suttles-J. Kaltenecker

1. P-K4	P-QB4	2. N-QB3	N-QB3
3. P-KN4	P-Q3	4. B-N2	P-KN3
5. P-Q3	B-N2	6. P-KB4	P-K4
7. P-B5	P-KN4	8. P-KR4	P-KR3
9. PxP	RfxP	10. RxR	BxR
11. KN-B3	P-B3	12. K-B2	Q-Q2
13. N-Q5	Q-R2	14. P-B3	R-N1
15. B-K3	B-N2	16. Q-N3	B-B1
17. R-R1	Q-N2	18. R-R5	N-R3
19. K-N3	N-B2?	20. R-R7!	Resigns.

F. Veszely-D. Suttles

1. P-QB4	P-KN3	2. N-QB3	B-N2
3. P-KN3	P-K4	4. B-N2	N-QB3
5. P-K3	P-Q3	6. KN-K2	N-KR3
7. P-Q4	O-O	8. O-O	P-KB4
9. P-KR3?	P-B5	10. KfxP	NxQF
11. NxN	FxN	12. N-K4	K-R1!
13. P-QN4	P-Q4!	14. PxP	QxP
15. B-N2	KR-Q1	16. P-KN4	QR-QN1
17. R-K1	P-QN3	18. P-N5?	N-B4
19. N-B6	Q-B2	20. N-N4	P-QB4
21. QR-B1	QxP	22. Q-Q2?	
22. R-K2 was better			
23. N-K5	B-N2	22. . . .	Q-N6
25. RxP	BxP	24. PxP?	FxP
27. K-B1	QxPch	26. KxB	N-R5ch!
29. RxB	N-B6	28. K-K2	BxN
31. RxQ	RxB	30. R-K3	NxQ
33. Resigns.		32. P-B5	R-K1ch

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R. Leonard-L. Joyner

1. P-Q4	N-KB3	2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. P-KN3	P-QB4	4. P-Q5	PxP
5. PxP	P-Q3	6. N-QB3	P-KN3
7. P-K4?	B-N2	8. N-B3	O-O
9. B-N2	R-K1	10. KN-Q2	P-QN4!
11. NxP	B-R3	12. Q-N3	NxP
13. O-O	NxN	14. BxN	Q-N3
15. P-QR4	N-Q2	16. KR-K1	N-K4
17. B-KB1	QR-N1	18. Q-R3	B-N2
19. P-R5	Q-Q1	20. P-B4	N-N5
21. Q-KB3	Q-Q2	22. N-B3	B-Q5ch
23. K-N2	RxR	24. RxR	B-B1
25. P-R3	RxP	26. PxN	RxBch
27. K-R1	QxP	28. B-K2	Q-R6mate

D. Yanofsky-M. Schulman

1. P-K4	P-K4	2. N-KB3	N-QB3
3. B-N5	P-QR3	4. B-R4	P-Q3
5. P-B3	B-Q2	6. P-Q4	P-KN3
7. B-KN5	B-K2?	8. B-K3	N-B3
9. B-B2	O-O	10. P-KR3	PxP
11. PxP	N-QN5	12. N-B3	NxBch
13. QxN	P-B3	14. O-O	P-Q4
15. PxP	NxP	16. NxN	PxN
17. B-R6	R-K1	18. Q-N3	B-KB4
19. QxNP	R-QN1	20. QxRP	RxP
21. N-K5	R-N3	22. Q-R7!	P-N4
23. P-B4!	P-N5?(B-QB1!)	24. PxP	BxP
25. NxB	P-B4	26. QR-K1	PxN
27. B-N5	BxB	28. RxRch	QxR
29. QxR	Q-K6ch	30. K-R1	BxP
31. Q-Q8ch	K-N2	32. Q-Q7ch	

Black at this point lost on time.

D. Suttles-L. Joyner

1. P-K4	P-K3	2. P-Q4	P-Q4
3. P-K5	P-QB4	4. P-QB3	N-QB3
5. N-KB3	Q-N3	6. B-Q3	PxP
7. PxP	B-Q2	8. O-O	NxQP
9. NxN	QxN	10. N-B3	QxKP
11. R-K1	Q-Q3	12. N-N5	BxN
13. BxBch	K-Q1	14. B-Q2?!	N-B3
15. Q-R4			
15. R-B1	seems better		
15. . .	Q-N1	16. B-R5ch	P-N3
17. B-B6	B-Q3	18. BxR	
18. BxNPch	may give more chances		
19. B-B6	BxPch	20. K-R1	B-B2!
21. R-K2	P-R4	22. R-Q1	Q-N5
23. QxQ	PxQ	24. R-B2	B-N3
25. R/1-QB1	K-K2	26. B-N5	N-K5
27. P-B3	N-Q3	28. B-R6	P-N4
29. P-R4	PxPep	30. PxP	R-R3
31. P-R4	R-B3	32. R-B7ch	K-Q1
33. R/7-B6	K-Q2	34. P-R5	BxP
35. B-K2	B-N3	36. R/7-B2	R-B5
37. P-N3	R-QN5	38. K-N2	N-B4

39. R-R2 N-K6ch 40. K-R3 N-B4
Black won on the 48th move.

D. Suttles-D.A. Yanofsky

1. P-K4	P-QB3	2. P-Q4	P-Q4
3. N-QB3	PxP	4. NxP	N-Q2
5. B-QB4	KN-B3	6. N-N5	P-K3
7. Q-K2	N-N3	8. B-N3	P-KR3
9. N/N5-B3	P-B4	10. B-KB4	B-Q3
11. N-K5	O-O		

If 10. PxP BxP 11. N-K5 O-O 12. KN-B3 P-QR4 13. P-QR4 N/N3-Q4 followed by 14. . . R-B2 15. . . P-QN3 and 16. . . B-N2 with a good game for Black. Padevsky-Yanofsky, Tel-Aviv 1964. If 12. O-O-O there could follow 12. . . P-B5 13. BxP NxB 14. QxN B-Q2 followed by R-B1 with an attack on the White King.

13. R-Q1	N/N3-Q4	14. B-B1	PxP
15. K-B1	P-QN4	16. RxP	Q-R4ch
17. K-N1?		17. P-QB3	B-R3
17. . .	P-N5	18. Q-K1	Q-B2
19. P-KR4?		19. R-R4	is much better and may give White the better game.
19. . .	B-B4	20. R-Q1	19. R-R4 was White's best chance; now his weaknesses at KN3 and Q1 begin to tell.
21. R-R2	N-K5!!		20. R-Q1 QR-Q1
			Of course if QxN N-B6 wins.
23. RxR	RxR	22. P-N4	N/Q4-B3
25. PxP	Q-B4	24. B-K3	BxB
		26. P-N5	N-Q4!
			The end.
27. PxP	NxKP	28. P-R7ch	KxP
29. N-N5ch	K-N1	30. NxN	QxN
31. QxN	R-Q8ch	32. K-N2	B-B8ch
33. K-B3	QxR	34. N-N5	Q-N7ch
35. K-B4	R-Q7	36. BxP	R-B7ch
37. K-K5	R-K7	Resigns	

Dr. E. Macskasy-D. A. Yanofsky

1. P-K4	P-QB3	2. P-Q4	P-Q4
3. P-K5	B-B4	4. P-KN4	B-N3
5. P-KR4	P-KR4	6. N-KR3?	P-K3?!
			Better 6. . . PxP!
7. N-B4	N-K2	8. PxP	B-K5
9. R-R2	P-B4	10. P-KB3	B-B4
11. P-B3	QN-B3	12. N-R3?	P-R3
13. B-K3	N-B1	14. B-Q3	N/1-K2!
15. B-KB1	PxP	16. PxP	N-B1
17. B-Q3	B-N5ch	18. K-B1	BxB
19. QxB	N/1-K2	20. N-D2	N-D4
21. NxB	NxN	22. Q-N3	Q-R4
23. R-B1	Q-N4ch	24. K-N1	N-B3
25. B-B2	QxQ	26. PxQ	KNxP
27. BxN	NxB	28. R-B3	K-Q2
29. R-N2	N-B4	30. N-Q3	P-QN3
31. R-N4	RxP	32. R-QN4	NxRP
33. RxP	NxPch		

Careless.

34.K-B2 NxP
 35.N-N7ch K-K1 36:NxN R-B4ch
 if RxN 37.R-R3
 37.K-N2 K-B1 38.R-R3
 38.R/B3-B7 forces an immediate draw.
 38. . . . K-N1
 39.N-N4 R-N4 40.K-B3 P-K4
 41.N-K3 R-Q1 42.R-QR7
 Not NxP; P-K5ch!-better than this sealed
 move was 42.P-N4 P-Q5 43.N-B4 P-B3 44.
 R-R2 P-Q6 45.K-K3 R-Q5 46.P-N3 R-N6ch
 47.K-Q2 P-K5 48.R-KB2 with a probable
 draw.
 42. . . . P-B4
 43.RxRP P-B5 44.N-N4 R-KB1
 45.N-B2 P-K5ch?
 Better was 45...R-N8! threatening 46...
 P-K5ch or P-N4 when Black should win.
 46.NxP PxNch
 47.KxP R-N4 48.R-QB6 R-N2
 49.R/B6-B3 R-B3 50.K-B3 R-N5
 51.R-R5 P-N3 52.R-QB5 R-N2
 53.R-KB3 drawn.

SEAFAIR GAMES

William Blackmore - James McCormick
 1.P-Q4 N-KB3 2.N-QB3 P-KN3
 Perhaps on 2...P-Q4 Black thought I was
 planning P-K4?. Actually, I would have
 played 3.N-KB3?!
 3.P-K4 P-Q3 4.P-B3 B-N2
 5.B-K3 O-O 6.Q-Q2 P-K4
 7.O-O-O PxP 8.BxP N-B3
 9.B-K3 B-K3 10.B-KR6 Q-K1
 11.BxB KxB 12.KN-K2 R-Q1
 13.N-B4 N-K4 14.Q-B2 B-B5
 15.P-KN4 BxB 16.KRxB Q-B3(?)
 17.P-N5 KN-Q2 18.Q-R4 P-KR4
 19.FxPepch K-R2 20.N/4-Q5 P-B3
 21.P-B4 N-B5 22.R-N1 R-B2
 23.R-N3 Q-B4 24.QR-N1 R-KN1
 25.P-B5 P-KN4 26.Q-R5 N/2-K4
 27.P-KR4 P-N5 28.RxP??
 Too hastily played 28.N-K2 should win
 easily.

28. . . . QxRch!
 29.RxQ RxRch 30.N-Q1 P-B3(?)
 31.N-B3 R-B1 32.P-N3 N-K6
 Both sides were very short on time; I
 only made the limit by 4 seconds. Perhaps
 I should have offered him the draw.
 33.Q-K2 NxN 34.NxN R/1-KN1
 35.Q-K3? R/1-N7 36.Q-Q4 N-N5
 37.K-N2 KxP 38.QxQP K-R4
 39.Q-Q4 R-K8 40.N-B4 KxP
 41.N-N1 K-N4 42.N-R3 R/8-K7
 43.K-B3 N-K6 44.K-N4 P-N3

45.Q-Q6
 and Black failed to make the time control.
 Perhaps I should put a ? after my 45th as
 Q-Q7 is better. However, Q-Q6 was the
 first legal move that came to my head, and
 I made it. Because of the weakness of the
 Black pawns, I believe that White has a
 won game, but perhaps not.
 (It is interesting to note here that Jim
 McCormick also thinks he has a won game
 as black. He was looking for the best
 move and claims he forgot all about the
 time control. Maybe some reader would like
 to do some analyzing!?! The ed.)
 Notes to the above by Blackmere.

William Blackmore - Kent Pullen
 1.P-Q4 N-KB3 2.N-QB3 P-Q4
 3.N-B3 P-KN3 4.B-B4 B-N2
 5.N-QN5
 Really-pretty silly doing this without
 developing first. I remembered that
 Capablanca here played P-K3 (Capablanca-
 Yates N.Y. 1924.) but I also remembered
 that Capa got not such a good game.
 However, this was because he made a
 mistake on his next move. If 5.P-K3 O-O
 now 6.B-Q3 (Alekhine) leaves White with
 an excellent game and development. B's
 fianchetto on the K-side would be un-
 natural. When I made my 5th, my only
 intention was to force him to develop
 his pieces awkwardly to meet the threats.
 5. . . . N-R3 6.Q-Q2?!
 If 6.P-K3 P-B3 7.N-B3 N-B2 gives the
 position in the note above without Black
 having played P-B3 and N-B2 instead of
 having O-O.
 7.Q-R5 P-N3 8.Q-R3 N-K5
 9.N-B3 N-B2 10.NxN P-QB3
 11.N-K5 N-N4 12.Q-K3 QxP
 Perhaps it's trivial, but if 12.NxP
 O-O-O gives White plenty of compensation
 for the pawn.
 13.QxQ NxQ 14.O-O-O N-K3
 15.B-N3
 If 15.NxP? B-N2 wins of course.
 15. . . . P-QB4 16.P-K3 P-QR3
 17.B-QB4 P-QN4
 He made 'em, I don't explain 'em.
 18.B-Q5 R-R2
 19.N-B6
 BxP is schmaltsy.
 19. . . . R-Q2(best) 20.BxN3
 Of course White has a draw if he wants
 it by N-N8, but better yet, he can
 double his Rs after this move and should
 win. (Keeps both Black rooks out of play.)
 20. . . . RxRch
 21.RxR PxB 22.B-R4 E-N2
 23.N-R5? 11

There is nothing wrong with NxP, and if B-KB1, 24.N-B8 or N-N8 and if 24...RxN? 25.R-Q8ch wins a piece. Nevertheless, W gets back the missing pawn with advance in position.

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| 23. | B-Q4 | 24.N-N3 | P-B5 |
| 25.N-B5 | P-QR4 | 26.P-R4 | K-B2 |
| 27.PxP | R-QN1 | 28.N-R6 | RxP |
| 29.P-QB3 | R-N2 | | |

White has let his game degenerate, losing any piece of advantage he might have held.

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| 31.R-N8 | P-R5 | 30.B-N3 | B-QB3 |
| 33.R-N8? | RxR | 32.N-N4 | B-N4 |
| 35.PxP? | | 34.BxR | P-R6 |

K-N1 was better

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|---------|--------|-----------|--------|
| 35. | BxP | 36.K-B2 | B-K8 |
| 37.B-N3 | B-R5ch | 38.K-N2 | P-B6ch |
| 39.K-N1 | K-K1 | 40.P-B3 | B-Q7 |
| 41.B-K5 | PxP | 42.PxP | K-Q2 |
| 43.P-K4 | K-B1 | 44.N-B2?? | |

This loses. 45.N-R2! still draws. White didn't see this till next move when it was too late.

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| 45.B-Q4? | K-B3 | 44. | K-N2 |
| 47.B-N7 | K-B5 | 46.N-N4ch | K-N4 |
| 49.N-B2 (forced) P-K4 | | 48.B-B8 | K-N6 |
| 51.N-R1ch | K-B5 | 50.BxP | B-QN4 |
| 53.B-B6 | B-B5 | 52.P-KR4 | B-R5 |
| 55.N-N4ch | K-Q7 | 54.N-B2 | K-Q6 |
| 57.K-R1 | B-N6! | 56.N-R2 | B-B7ch |
| | | 58.N-N4 | P-B7 |

and Black wins.

Arthur Wang - Ivars Dalbergs.
Ashland 1965

The last round critical game notes by the winner

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| 1.P-Q4 | N-KB3 | 2.P-QB4 | P-K3 |
| 3.N-QB3 | B-N5 | 4.P-QR3 | BxNch |
| 5.PxB | P-B4 | 6.P-B3 | P-Q4 |
| 7.PxQP | NxP | 8.Q-Q3 | FxP |
| 9.PxP | P-QN3 | 10.Q-N5ch | B-Q2 |
| 11.Q-N2 | | | |

By his last two moves, instead of the customary 10.P-K4, White has forced Black's QB on the "wrong" diagonal and posted the Queen where it does not hinder the deployment of White's other pieces. Trouble is, the Queen does not hinder the deployment of Black's pieces either.

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| 11. | P-B4 | 12.N-R3 | O-O |
| 13.B-N5 | Q-K1 | 14.P-K4 | PxP |
| 15.PxP | P-KR3 | 16.B-Q2 | |

The bishop is inconvenienced. 16.PxN FxB eventually leaves White's King exposed, 16.B-B1 is probably as bad as it

looks. 16.BxP Q-N3! represents a fatal loss of time, and 16.B-R4 permits N-B5 as well as the speculative N-K6.

16. . . . Q-N3!

- 17.PxN
Or 17.N-B2 N-QB3! 18.PxN PxP and White will have to let go of his extra piece as well as a pawn to escape a quick disaster, for example 19.P-N3 Q-R-K1 ch 20.B-K2 B-N5 21.NxB QxN 22.O-O-O (22.B-B4 NxP) RxB

17. . . . Q-K5ch 18.B-K2
Of course not 18.K-Q1 B-R5ch 19.K-B1 R-B1ch 20.B-B3 Q-K6ch

18. . . . QxP

- 19.O-O-O
Overlooking the strongest defense 19.R-B1! QxN 20.RxRch KxR 21.PxP BxP 22.O-O-O N-Q2 23.B-R6 K-N1 with chances for counterplay.

19. . . . QxB 20.PxP Q-Q6
21.B-B3 QxN 22.P-Q5!?

After 22.PxB NxP Black keeps the initiative as well as a pawn. The text move leads the game to a more spectacular conclusion.

22. . . . R-B1
23.K-Q2 Q-N7ch 24.K-K3 Q-N4ch
25.K-K4

25.K-K2 is slightly better.

25. . . . BxP 26.PxP N-R3
27.KR-N1 N-B4ch 28.K-B3 Q-B4ch
29.K-N2 N-Q6 30.R-KB1

Why not? 30.Q-Q2 loses at least a piece after N-B5ch 31.K-R1 Q-K5ch 32.R-N2 RxB or 31.K-N3 RxRch

30. . . . Q-K5ch
31.K-R3 QxPch 32.K-R4 R-B5ch
33.K-R5 R-B4ch 34.K-R4 P-N4ch
Resigns

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1965 U.S. Open at Puerto Rico. Notes by Stephen Christopher, Seattle Chess Club secretary and Class C First Prize winner.

Held 4000 miles from the Pacific Coast, the 1965 Open naturally was more Eastern than national. 60 Spanish-speaking Puerto Ricans and 10 French-speaking Eastern Canadians gave the tournament an international appearance. When announcements had to be translated into two languages, it began to resemble a United Nations assembly.

Although 25 states sent at least one player each, New York's 33 was equal to the total of 20 states. Only New Jersey, Illinois and California, with 7 each, Michigan, with 6, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, with 4, had large representation outside of New York.

Washington's Stephen Christopher, and the Pacific Northwest's other representative, Duncan Suttles, from British Columbia were the only ones from their home states, like the players from 18 other states.

Suttles' 9-3 score earned him \$250 for a third-fourth-fifth tie. He lost only to co-champion William Lombardy, who tied Pal Benko with 10-2. The two won \$800 each. Suttles might have won undisputed third place and \$100 more if he had not become ill just before his eighth round game which he drew.

Christopher's 5½-6½ gave him undisputed national Class C championship when his rival, Mrs. Greta Fuchs, New York veteran, was held to a draw. Her young Puerto Rican Class B opponent knocked her out of a tie for the Class C prize by using bishops of opposite color to cancel her pawn advantage.

Christopher, meanwhile, was winning from a Class A player by pinning a knight on the long diagonal leading to the castled king on the 21st move of a Sicilian Defense. This was the only one of the twelve games with a king's pawn opening.

Black seemed to be the winning color in Christopher's games, three Nimzovich Defenses and the Sicilian accounting for 4 of his 5½ points. When he had white, he gained only 1½ points from his 6 queen's pawn openings.

A fifteen-year old U. of Puerto Rico student from Argentina became the gallery's favorite when he kept the initiative for 27 moves against U.S. tenth ranking master

Matthew Green, before getting a knight behind. When the game adjourned after both players had just made their 50 moves before the flags fell, few spectators gave him any chance to prevent defeat. Next morning, after 20 more moves, the potential South American Bobby Fischer had forced a draw. The game appears below:

1965 U. S. Open Round 4

White Julio Kaplan, Argentina age 15

Black Matthew Green, N.Y. master

This draw kept Green (8-4) out of a prize.

1.P-K4	P-KN3	2.P-Q4	B-N2
3.N-QB3	P-Q3	4.B-K3	N-KB3
5.P-B3	P-B3	6.Q-Q2	P-KR4
7.KN-K2	QN-Q2	8.O-O-O	Q-B2
9.N-B4	P-QN4	10.N-Q3	N-N3
11.B-B4	N-B5	12.Q-B2	O-O
13.P-K5	N-K1	14.P-KN4	RPxP
15.P-KR4	QPxP	16.QPxP	NxKP
17.Q-R2	NxNch	18.BxN	Q-R4
19.P-R5	P-N4	20.B-K5	P-N5
21.BxB	KxB	22.N-N5	P-B3
23.QR-K1	Q-Q1	24.P-R6ch	K-R1

All Black's pieces are back on their original rank!

25.Q-R5	P-K3	26.Q-N6	P-KB4
27.PxP	PxN	28.PxP	Q-B3
29.BxP	B-N2	30.KR-B1	N-B2
31.B-Q3	B-Q4	32.R-N1	PxP
33.QxQch	RxQ	34.RxP	B-K3
35.R-B1	R-KN1	36.R-R5	N-K1
37.P-R7	R/1-B1	38.R-B4	P-R4
39.K-Q2	N-Q3	40.R-R1	B-Q4
41.R-K1	N-K5ch	42.K-B1	N-B4
43.R-K5	NxBch	44.PxN	BxP
45.RxRP	B-K3	46.K-Q2	P-N6
47.R-N5	R/3-B2	48.P-Q4	RxP
49.P-Q5	R-Q1	50.K-B3	RxP
51.RxR	BxR		

When the game was adjourned at this point after five hours play, the Puerto Rican sympathizers shook their heads and said sadly to each other, "Too bad, he had a good game at first."

		52.RxP	R-B2ch
53.K-N4	B-B2	54.R-KN5	K-R2
55.R-N4	R-B7	56.K-R3	R-B3
57.K-N4	R-KN3?	58.RxR	KxR
59.K-B3	K-B4	60.K-Q2	B-Q4
61.K-B1	B-K5	62.K-Q2	K-B5
63.K-B1	K-K6	64.K-Q1	B-B6ch
65.K-B1	B-K5	66.K-Q1	K-B7
67.K-Q2	B-N8	68.K-B1	B-R7
69.K-Q2	K-B8	70.K-Q1	B-N8

71.K-Q2 B-B7

Now a "book" draw (7 hours). A large photo of Kaplan being congratulated appeared on the sports page of the leading Puerto Rican newspaper. He won \$200 for his 8-4 score, the highest by a Puerto Rican.

Nominated for the brilliancy prize, the following game was played in the twelfth round between two Class A players. The win did not determine a prize winner, but it did give White a good deal of pleasure at his opponent's astonishment when he traded his queen for a rook on move 22, and she exclaimed, "Didn't you see the pawn guarding the rook? ".

1965 U. S. Open

White Edmund Nash, Washington D.C. (6-6)

Black Mrs. Nora Svabs, Puerto Rico (5-7)

1.P-K4	P-K4	2.N-KB3	N-QB3
3.B-N5	P-QR3	4.B-R4	N-B3
5.O-O	B-K2	6.R-K1	P-QN4
7.B-N3	P-Q3	8.P-B3	N-QR4
9.B-B2	P-B4	10.P-KR3	N-B3
11.P-Q4	BPxP	12.PxP	PxP
13.NxP	NxN	14.QxN	O-O
15.N-B3	R-K1	16.B-B4	R-N1
17.QR-Q1	R-N3	18.P-K5	PxP
19.QxP	N-Q2	20.Q-K4	P-KN3
21.N-Q5			

21.B-Q6 appears to win 2 pieces for a rook, but 21.N-Q5 is less risky and is decisive.

	R-K3	22.QxR	PxQ
23.B-B7	B-N5	24.BxQ	BxR
25.N-K7ch!	K-B1	26.NxB	RxB
27.N-N6	and White won in 46 moves.		

As the tournament included 24 masters, 38 experts, 60 Class A, but only 40 in Classes B,C and D combined, the lower-rated players were paired with opponents several hundred points higher throughout the entire 12 rounds. The average rating, for example, of Christopher's opponents was 1910, as compared with his USCF rating of 1456. His lowest-rated opponent was 300 points higher.

Surprisingly, for a tournament as long (two weeks) and as far away, 22 juniors (under 21) battled for their trophy. David Blohm, California expert, won the junior trophy with an 8-4 score. Mary Bain, N.Y. Class A, won the women's trophy with a 6½-5½ score. Her rivals included two whose husbands were in the tournament, and a tall, dark, and beautiful University of Puerto Rico senior psychology major who scored 3½-8½ with only six month's playing experience.

Sources: N.Y. Times (Horowitz) L.A. Times (Kashdan) British Chess Magazine (\$6.70 a year air mail) Chess Life, Chess Review American Chess Quarterly, The Chess Correspondent (CCLA), and the latest addition to my list Shakhmaty-In-English a translation of a famous Russian chess magazine containing USSR and world news, annotated games, pictures. \$11.00 / yr from Shakhmaty-In-English, P.O. Box 91, Woodmont, Conn.

Bobby Fischer applied for a passport to visit Havana, Cuba to play in the Cpapblanca Memorial Tournament. The State Department refused to grant him one. Some newspaper editorials have condemned the Dept. for refusing to grant our No. 1 chess player a passport. The San Francisco Chronicle: "If he won it, (it) would do more for us than several hundred hours of Voice of America broadcasting." Fischer will play in the tournament, transmitting plays from N.Y. City to Havana by telephone, if he doesn't change his mind because of Fidel Castro's trying to make propaganda out of the situation. He is reported to have been displeased with some of Castro's remarks.

Larry Evans played in this tournament last year, without the State Dept. okay. I don't know what trouble this caused him.

Pal Benko won the Manhattan Chess Club Championship 11-2 in a 14 man field. Next were Arnold Denker, Neil McKelvie, Arthur Bisguier.

In the Western Open the July 4th weekend in St. Louis, William Lombardy and Robert Byrne tied for first place among 120 players.

David Blohm won the California State Jr., receiving a trophy, \$100 and a special fund of \$350 so he could play in the National Jr. Championship in Boston. (see also the adjoining column, ed.)

Pal Benko won the 176 man Eastern Open held July 4th weekend in Washington D.C. with 7½-½. Next in order were Asa Hoffman, Paul Brandts 7-1, Larry Gilden and Hans Berliner at 6½-1½.

Edward Formanek won the Masters Open Tournament in Minneapolis with 4-1. Arthur Bisguier, Donato Rivera and Paul Tantvisas tied 3½-1½ in the 14 man field. Bisguier lost a last round game to Rivera because of blunders he made when Rivera had little time on his clock and Bisguier had ample time. Bisguier tried to move too fast.

During half time of the L.A. Rams-Dallas Cowboys pro-football game a couple weeks ago,

a chess game pageant was held. Steve Allen and his wife Jayne Meadows provided the play-by-play narration.

In the United States Amateur Championship Frank Street, Edgar T. McCormick, and David Love tied for first among 242. The tie break placed them in the order listed.

Richard Moore won the 42 man Des Moines Open. Pal Benko won the Chess Forum Open in Conn. $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$. Others in the 33 man field in order of finish: Michael Valvo, Miro Radojevic Edgar T. McCormick and George Krauss. Jack L. Gibson won the 45 man Phoenix Open.

Dr. Martin Harmon $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ won the 39 man Connecticut championship. Hans Berliner $7\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ won the District of Columbia championship. Peter Gould was next at 6-2.

Ostap Bender and E. Edmondson tied for first in the Nevada Open.

Kenneth Smith and David Less were top scorers in the Texas Championship. William Wartz $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ won the Wisconsin State title.

Erik Leitis, former Oregon State Univ. player won 4-0 and claimed the championship of Central California Chess League for individual players.

Frank RePass and A.L. McAuley tied for 1st in New Orleans C.C. championship 28 man field.

USSR won the European team championship finals at Hamburg. USSR 66, Yugoslavia and Hungary 57, West Germany 45, Romania $41\frac{1}{2}$, and Holland $33\frac{1}{2}$. These were on game points. This is an every four year event and unlike the Olympiad is not watered down by weak players and teams. Each team has ten players and it is a double round robin.

The USSR team was made up of Petrosian, Botvinnik, Korchnoj, Smyslov, Bronstein, Stein Taimanov, Averbach, Krogius, and Boleslavsky. This team lost only one match, that to Hungary $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$. Botvinnik was out of form, scored a minus $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$ losing three games, one each to Schmid, Gligoric and Szabo. Petrosian was 6-10 with 8 draws. Stein was best 7-10 and Boleslavsky 5-6. Gligoric on the Yugoslav team scored 7-10 on 2nd board. Ivkov on 1st board was 5-10. Portisch on 1st board for Hungary scored 5-9.

Average age of team members is interesting. USSR 42, Hungary 38, Yugoslavia 33, Roumania and W. Germany 30, Holland 29, almost in order they finished the event.

M. Czerniak won an international tourney in Natoria, Israel 10-1. Kraidman, Matanovic and Gligoric $7\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$.

Holland and England tied for first in the bi-annual Fifth Junior International Team Tournament held in the Hague. Others in order of finish: W. Germany, Denmark, Norway, Switzerland, Belgium and Austria. 4 men per team.

USSR won its 9th annual match with Yugoslavia, as it has the 8 before.

The Mikhail Tal, Bent Larsen semi-final match in the Candidate Match series ended in victory for Tal. The score was $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$, the closest match yet, and decided on the final game. After four games they were even with 1 each and two draws. None of the first four games indicated the brilliance and combinational depth of which the two players are capable. Larsen took first blood with a fine example of positional chess in the 1st game. Tal won the second game with some time trouble help from Larsen. Tal was a pawn before Larsen got in time trouble. The third game was drawn in 41 moves. The fourth game was a long 77 move draw. Larsen made a misplay in the rook and pawn ending giving Tal a chance to equalize and draw. I will have a report on the rest of the games next issue. Tal will now play a 12 game match in October with Boris Spassky, the winner of the other semi-final match, to determine the challenger to World Champion Tigran Petrosian. Geller and Larsen will probably play a short match to determine 3rd and 4th places.

SEATTLE CHESS CLUB 5 MIN. SPEED TNY
S.C.C. July 24th - Eugene Fomin Dir.

1. John Bralcy	xlllllllllllllll	13-0
2. Eugene Fomin	Oxl $\frac{1}{2}$ lOlllllllll	$10\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
3. George Kenny	OOxlOllllllllll	10-3
4. Harold Ferrer	O $\frac{1}{2}$ OxlllOlllll	$8\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$
5. Earl Wilson	OOlOxOllllOlll	8-5
6. Svend Monrad	OlOOlxOllOllll	8-5
7. Peter Olson	OOOOlxlOlllll	7-6
8. Fred Howard	OOOlOOOxOlllll	6-7
9. Frank Alexandro	OOOOOlllxOlllO	5-8
10. S. Christopher	OOOlOllOxlOlll	4-9
11. Bryson Smith	OOOOlOOOOlxlO	4-9
12. Dick Dorwon	OOOOOOOOOlxll	3-10
13. Ole Miller	OOOOOOOOOllOxl	3-10
14. Phil Ceis	OOOOOOOOOllOOOx	1-12

TOP TEN SEATTLE CHESS CLUB LADDER

1. Svend Monrad	620
2. Eugene Fomin	606
3. Fred Howard	552
4. Garret Zweers	544
5. Stephen Christopher	544
6. Norman Abrahamson	531
7. Frank Alexandro	523
8. John Garrett	508
9. Wayne Sherlock	488
10. Dick Dorwin	483

Your editor went down to play in one of the Friday nite speed tournaments on the 20th of August and found the place crammed!

N W R A T I N G S

BY FRED HOWARD

Abrahamson, Norman	Wn.	1845	Kern, Gregory	Ore.	1974
Alberston, Bruce	Wn.	2025	Kirk, Bill	Ore.	1621
Aykroyd, Colin	B.C.	2079	Kindret, M.	B.C.	1708
Bamme, Eric	B.C.	2005	Knapp, Chuck	Wn.	1329
Blackmore, Wn.	Wn.	1715	Knapp, Earl	Wn.	1618
Boettcher, James	Wn.	1731	Knittel, James	Wn.	1688
Brown, Robert N.	Wn.	1576	Leigh, Jeremy	B.C.	1551
Bosse, Col. Edward	Wn.	1507	Lewis, Charles J.	B.C.	1708
Brandal, Willy	Wn.	1932	Lindberg, John	Wn.	1620
Campbell, Jim	Wn.	1922	Litke, Wendell	Wn.	1788
Ceis, Philip	Wn.	1559	Littlewood, C.J.	B.C.	1471
Chin, Howie	Wn.	1303	Lundin, Robert	Wn.	1489
Christopher, Stephen	Wn.	1637	Macaskasy, Elod	B.C.	2286
Clark, Bernard	Wn.	1329	McCharles, J.A.	B.C.	1708
Colpron, Milt	Wn.	1809	McLeod, Bruce	Wn.	1620
Cowan, Jack	Wn.	1343	McCormick, James	Wn.	2190
Corpus, Dennis	Wn.	1630	Melker, John	Wn.	1406
Cummings, Roy	B.C.	1654	Miller, Ole	Wn.	1518
Dean, Randy	Wn.	1733	Monrad, Svend	Wn.	1665
Dorwin, Richard	Wn.	1452	Moore, Deane B.	Ore.	1844
Dunn, Rodney	Wn.	1738	Morris, Bruce	Wn.	1361
Eddy, Bud	Wn.	1535	Murray, Richard	Wn.	1467
Eldridge, Robert D.	B.C.	1550	Mushey, Alex	B.C.	1606
Farkas, Mike	Wn.	1722	Nelson, Robert	Wn.	1510
Fesl, Lou	Wn.	1813	Notman, James	B.C.	1551
Fomin, Eugene	Wn.	1866	Olson, Peter J.	Wn.	1538
Forbes, Norman	B.C.	1624	Owens, Lauren	Wn.	1396
Fulton, David	Wn.	1766	Pattie, Jack	Wn.	1666
Hashisaki, Peter	Wn.	1620	Pericich, John	Wn.	1712
Garen, Robert T.	Wn.	1507	Poteete, Ray	Wn.	1736
Garrott, John	Wn.	1747	Potter, B.A.	B.C.	1906
Haugen, Dave	Wn.	1760	Prentice, Ernest	Wn.	1705
Hickey, Pat	Wn.	1887	Puffert, Harold	Wn.	1497
Hill, Allan G	B.C.	1925	Pullen, Kent	Wn.	2060
Holzinger, Robert	Wn.	1951	Pupols, Viktors	Wn.	2186
Jarmon, Ron	Wn.	1741	Rasmussen, Otto	B.C.	1838
Jarvinen, Dick	Ore.	1762	Raymond, Harold	Wn.	1720
Jenquin, Denny	Ore.	1914	Richardson, Lewis	Wn.	1650
Johnson, Martin	B.C.	1643	Roskam, Dr. Jan.	Wn.	1735
Johnston, Lyman T.	Wn.	1758	Schave, Dennis	Wn.	1558
Jones, J.J.	Wn.	1600	Schemm, Mike	Ore.	1655
Kaltenecker, Joseph	B.C.	1885	Schmidt, Fred L.	Wn.	1801
Karell, Lief	Ore.	1827	Schoene, Andy	Wn.	2219
Kaye, R.D.G.	B.C.	1551	Seedhouse, Edward	B.C.	1685
Kelleher, Clay	Ore.	1978	Sherlock, Brian	Wn.	1329
Kenney, Matt	Wn.	1885	Shin, Josh	B.C.	1688

RATINGS

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Shoemaker, John	Wn.	1543
Smith, Ronald G.	Wn.	1776
Sonier, Eddie F.	Wn.	1700
Stough, Norman	Wn.	1617
Strand, Stephen	Wn.	1530
Suttles, Duncan	B.C.	2254
Syrnick, Z.B.	B.C.	1646
Toth, Joseph	Wn.	1847
Van Lieshaut, Adrian	B.C.	1403
Vitanyi, Leslie	B.C.	1896
Walker, John	Wn.	1633

Ward, John R.	Wn.	1599
Weber, Bill	Wn.	1752
West, Laurence	B.C.	1717
Wiebe, Ray	B.C.	1638
Williams, Brian	B.C.	1631
Williams, Dave	Wn.	1708
Wilson, Earl	Wn.	1805
Wolfe, Jerry	Ore.	2010
Zarins, Arnids	B.C.	1765
Zuk, R.	B.C.	2005

Events Covered

B.C. Open A Section
 B.C. Open B Section
 Seattle Open

Evergreen Empire Open U.S.C.F. Sec.
 Evergreen Empire Open Reserve Sec.
 Eugene Fomin vs Stephen Christopher

Still waiting for the results of the Interstate Open and Mont. State Open.

SEATTLE CHESS CLUB 5 MIN SPEED TNY
 Fri August 6, 1965

1 John Braley	x 1 2 2 2 2 2 2	13-1
2 Eugene Fomin	1 x 1 2 2 1 2 2	11-3
3 Pat Hickey	0 1 x 2 2 2 2 2	11-3
4 Norman Abrahamson	0 0 0 x 1 1 1/2 2 2	6 1/2 - 7 1/2
5 Earl Wilson	0 0 0 1 x 2 1 2	6-8
6 Svend Monrad	0 1 0 1/2 0 x 2 2	5 1/2 - 8 1/2
7 Ray Poteete	0 0 0 0 1 0 x 1	2-12
8 Philip Ceis	0 0 0 0 0 0 1 x	1-13

John Braley defeated Pat Hickey 3-0 in a match for N.W. rating points.

Blackmore defeats Hashisaki 4-2 for N.W. rating points. Also USCF points.
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Stephen Christopher won Class "C" Prize in the U.S. Open in Puerto Rico and with the Trophy \$35. He is director of the Seattle Chess Club. Why not go down and play in one of the events at his club?? The club is behind the park by the P.I. building. Events every Fri night.

PUGET SOUND LEAGUE PLAY

The time has come for the various clubs to send in their names for the annual P.S. League Team play. Send all of the entries to the editor and a schedule will be made up. We hope to have McNeil Island as a team member this year. The UofW Team looks the strongest with C.Harmon, K.Pullen, P. O'Gorman, Campbell, etc. The G. Horde hope to field Braley, Parsons for a starter.

1965-66 N.W. Intercollegiate C.League

First Round October 23, 1965

Concordia at George Fox
 Portland State at Western Washington
 U. of Washington at Seattle Pacific

Second Round, November 13, 1965

George Fox at U. of Washington
 Concordia at Portland State
 Western Washington at Seattle Pacific

Third Round, January 15, 1966

Portland State at George Fox
 Seattle Pacific at Concordia
 Western Washington at U. of Washington

Fourth Round, February 19, 1966

George Fox at Seattle Pacific
 U. of Washington at Portland State
 Concordia at Western Washington

Fifth Round, April 9, 1966

Western Washington at George Fox
 Seattle Pacific at Portland State
 U. of Washington at Concordia

Matches start at 1:00 P.M.

Four board teams with two games per board
 Time control: 40 moves per hour
 Traveling team gets White on boards 1 and 3

Send the match results to the editor for publication. Games, preferably annotated, will be accepted for publication also.

We are glad to see a man like Dick Hayek undertake to organize this event. Good luck!

ASHLAND = DAN WADE

IVARS DALBERGS of Portland scored 5-0 at Ashland August 21st and 22nd to win the first place trophy and 140 dollar cash prize. As Shakespheare might have phrased it, Dalbergs finished a full point ahead of the "rude multitude" and made the current USCF ratings look good since he was the highest rated player in the tourney with well over 2200.

71 players came from far and near for this biggest tournament in Oregon's history and if most of them did not leave filthy with lucre, most should have been filthy with culture after taking in the colorful Shakespheare plays each evening. At that there were eleven trophies and five gift prizes and at least ten different players received cash prizes so the good life with something for nearly everyone seemed to be the order of the day.

Although Ashland is far from all heavy concentrations of strong chess players, strong players were present. DON SUTHERLAND (2181) of San Francisco, ARTHUR WANG of Oakland (2132), KENT MCGILLICUDY of Berkeley (2024) were all on hand to give Dalbergs a run for top honors. Also present were DON TURNER of the Dalles, CLAY KELLEHER and FRED BYRON of Portland and West Linn respectively, and DAN WADE of Seattle.

Dalbergs scored his 5-0 with wins over Larry Scott, Bob Mitchell, Wade, Byron and Wang. Wang took second place trophy by winning 4 in a row defeating Martin Zwitter, Leif Karoll, Milt Colpron and Bill Kirk before losing in the title game to Dalbergs.

Wade took the third place trophy losing only his third round encounter with Dalbergs and winning his final two games against Seif Poulsen and Fred Byron. Southerland just missed out on a trophy on tie-breaking points. His only loss was to Byron and he defeated Don Turner in the last round.

Clay Kelleher was the victim of the biggest upset of the tournament in the first round. BILL KIRK of Portland defeated Clay in that one. Kelleher came back to win four straight to become the fourth player to score 4-1. Second money was 70 dollars and third money was 35 so Wang, Wade, Southerland and Kelleher received \$26.25 apiece.

Hard luck players were Turner and Byron. Turner drew his opener with Brian Krauss and then won three in a row. Going into the final round he was only a half point behind Dalbergs and Wang and a half point or more ahead of anyone else. Then Southerland defeated him and he

ended a half point out of the money. Byron scored 3-0 Saturday but should have stayed in bed Sunday. His loss to Dalbergs was described as "hairy" and then his sacrifice against Wade barely missed being sound.

Two transistor radios, a chess book, cologne and a stereo record were given as upset awards. The winner of the biggest upset had first pick, etc. Bill Kirk won the biggest upset since Kelleher's rating was 339 points above Kirk's. DR. FRANK FREEBERGER won the next biggest upset with his win over STANLEY PARRISH, a 327 point gap. Other upset prizes were won by MILT COLPRON for his win over DON SOUTHERLAND, and GARY BRICHER for his win over EINO MOKS.

Eleven trophies were donated by Ashland stores and motels. There were three for the top three in the 36 player USCF rated Championship division and three more for the top three in the 35 player Reserve tournament. There were five other trophies going to the top class A, B, C, Women and top junior.

CLAY KELLEHER won the Class A because Wade, who was the highest finishing A player, had won the third place trophy and the rules called for only one trophy to a player. GARY BRICHER of Cottage Grove, son of VINCE BRICHER, won the Class B trophy. He was playing in his first Championship section event and scored 3½-1½. His dad did all right too scoring 3-2. DR. FRANK FREEBERGER won the Class C trophy. DENNIS WATERMAN won the Junior trophy and MRS. BILLIE CHAPIN of Grants Pass won the Women's trophy. The rules simply stated that the trophy would go to the highest scoring woman. Mrs. Chapin played in the Reserve Tournament while MRS. KITTY BEARDEN played in the Championship Tournament against some stronger players. Kitty scored 1½-3½ while Mrs. Chapin scored 2-3 to take the trophy.

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The Reserve Tournament was won by LEWIS RICHARDSON of Portland, formerly of Camas, who scored $4\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$. The only blemish on his record was a fourth round draw with LEON PITTMAN. He won a trophy and the first place cash prize of 40 dollars. JERRY WEIKEL of Harrisburg scored 4-1, losing to Richardson in the last round. Weikel won the second place trophy and one fourth of the combined \$20 second and \$10 third place prizes or \$7.50.

EDDY SONIER of Seattle took the third place trophy and \$7.50. Sonier's only loss was to Weikel in the third round. BUZ EDDY of Seattle took fourth while BOB NELSON of Olalaa Washington placed fifth. Both scored 4-1 and received \$7.50 cash. Buz lost to Richardson in the third round. Nelson lost in the opening round to LAVERNE THOMAS ($3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$) and then came charging back to win four straight.

The rest of this account will be a hodge-podge of impressions and facts. DEANE MOORE did a great job of directing the Championship section while CLAY KELLEHER did as well in handling the Reserve Tournament. The tourney was played in Ashland's beautiful Lithia Park in a heavily wooded area alongside a babbling brook. Both tourney directors hid in the bushes to make important decisions so they would not be bothered by questions while figuring out pairings etc. DON TURNER assisted the directors.

Three little girls of the Ashland Chess Club stayed on duty all through both days of the tourney selling sandwiches, coffee, pies doughnuts, etc. with all profits going to help swell the prize fund. As ART EVERETT said, "the coffee is free, but you must first buy a cup and the cup costs a dime. Hang onto your cup and you can get a refill for a nickel."

A tournament like this one cannot be staged on a few days notice. Art Everett went to all the stores and motels in Ashland getting them to donate the trophies. TRACY and KITTY BEARDEN, a dynamic young couple, had to handle all the details and headaches for the tourney and the Shakespeare plays.

People have worked as hard before in other communities and been rewarded by getting only a few players. The Beardens were gratified by getting a real turnout of 71 players for about 20 more than the 50 they had hoped for.

The event being held outdoors had no room rent to pay which was another reason for the big prizes. The weather which had been very hot for weeks prior to the event was cooler on the weekend of the tourney but no north winds blew and no rain fell so the weather was not bad if coats were worn.

Art Wang showed up as a family man with a wife and a small daughter. His wife felt that his new life kept him from playing chess as much as formerly and that he was out of practice.

In the Reserve Tournament, one player from Kansas did not appear to understand the reason for the clocks. He was giving BUZ EDDY a good hiding when his flag fell giving Eddy the win on time forfeit. This was too much for the Kansan who left amid much slamming of chess board and pieces, trailed by a wide eyed and consternated young wife and children.

If IVARS DALBERGS supplied the event with brains, then KITTY BEARDEN supplied it with glamour. She was unhappy that more women, especially a certain Salem witch, did not show up to fight for the women's trophy! As Shakespeare might have written, "Esther, where art thou?"

The writer can find only one thing wrong with chess in Ashland. Ashland is too far from Seattle or Seattle is too far from Ashland. If he goes again he wants to be wafted down not drive and drive and drive for miles and miles and miles.

DAN WADE
THE TRAVELING CRITICAL
OBSERVER!

It seems that since Dan has traded his pen in for a chess set he has been doing rather well. Just one more threat to the McCormick regime!

See the games section for the Dalbergs vs Wang struggle that proved to be the decisive game of the tournament. Notes by Dalbergs.

DELAYED UNTIL NEXT MONTH!

Problem section omitted until next month, also the games and cross tables of the Oregon State Championship with story by GREGORY KERN a letter from KEN DART, one from E. SOBczyk, and two pages of analysis on how to rough up the Caro Kann & Semi-Tarrasch.

DALBERGS AGAIN!

1. IVARS DALBERGS	x 1 0 1 1 1 1 1	6-1	1st
2. LEIF KARELL	0 x 1 1 1 1 1 1	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$	2
3. DON TURNER	1 0 x 1 0 1 1 1	5-2	3
4. GREG KERN	0 0 0 x 1 1 1 1	4-3	4
5. CLAY KELLEHER	0 0 1 0 x 0 1 1	3-4	5
6. DENNY JENQUIN	0 0 0 0 1 x 1	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -4 $\frac{1}{2}$	6
7. DEANE MOORE	0 0 0 0 0 1 x 1	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -5 $\frac{1}{2}$	7
8. VINCE BRICHER	0 1/2 0 0 0 0 0 x	1/2-6 $\frac{1}{2}$	8

Ivars Dalbergs won the 1965 Oregon Championship held on the weekends of July 31-Aug 7&8 at Reed College in Portland. A surprising Leif Karell, a Portland H.S. boy, finished 2nd, 1/2 point behind Dalbergs. Defending Champ Don Turner, of the Dalles, turned in a powerful drive in the late rounds to overcome a disastrous start.

Round 1 Karell 1 Moore 0, Dalbergs 1 Kern 0 Turner 0 Kelleher 1, Jenquin 1 Bricher 0
The Dalbergs-Kern game was a difficult, see-saw affair in which both sides overlooked wins. Turner missed a winning continuation against Kelleher and lost.

Round 2 Kern 1 Jenquin 0, Karell 1 Turner 0 Kelleher 0 Dalbergs 1, Moore 1 Bricher 0
Kelleher, normally a rather conservative player, was taking risks in his opening play and suffered rotten luck at times. Karell won handily against Turner, which was an unexpected result.

Round 3 Bricher 0 Kern 1, Turner 1 Moore 0 Dalbergs 1 Karell 0, Jenquin 1 Kelleher 0
Dalbergs was having no easy task - the game with Karell was very close; Leif felt he missed some very good drawing chances.

Round 4 Kern 1 Kelleher 0, Bricher 1/2 Karell 1/2 Jenquin 0 Turner 1, Dalbergs 1 Moore 0
Moore put up a very stubborn fight against Dalbergs. Finally, in the endgame, Ivars won a pawn and the game. Karell narrowly missed losing against Vince Bricher; it turned out this game would keep him out of a tie for first. But then, no one thought he was going to beat 3 tough customers in a row!

Round 5 Moore 0 Kern 1, Kelleher 1 Bricher 0 Turner 1 Dalbergs 0, Karell 1 Jenquin 0
Don Turner pulled the upset of the year by beating Dalbergs on the white side of a French. He was able to win the exchange fairly early and from there on it was a long, losing battle. This was the first game Dalbergs lost to an Oregon player in many moons. (At this point Kern was in a tie with Dalbergs for first place, Ed.)

Round 6 Karell 1 Kern 0, Turner 1 Bricher 0 Moore 0 Kelleher 0, Dalbergs 1 Jenquin 0

Karell upset Kern, eliminating Kern from first place contention. Turner continued his drive, moving up to tie for 3rd.
Round 7 Jenquin 1/2 Moore 1/2, Kern 0 Turner 1 Bricher 0 Dalbergs 1, Kelleher 0 Karell 1
Dalbergs clinched first; Karell won handily to capture second; one of his best tournament achievements. Turner beat Kern to take 3rd.

This tournament shows that competition in Oregon is getting tougher all the time and that future events will be very close and hard-fought.

Leif Karell-Greg Kern Rd 6

1.P-K4 P-K4 2.N-KB3 N-QB3 3.B-B4 B-B4 4. O-O N-B3 5.P-Q4 PxP 6.P-K5 P-Q4 7.PxN PxB 8.R-K1ch B-K3 9.N-N5 Q-Q4 10.N-QB3 Q-B4 11.QN-K4 O-O-O 12.P-KN4 Q-K4 13.PxP KR-N1 14.NxQB PxN 15.B-R6 B-N5 16.R-K2 P-Q6 17. R-K3 N-Q5 18.PxP PxP 19.N-N3 Q-Q4 20.QxP N-B6ch 21.RxN QxQ 22.RxQ RxR 23.N-K4 B-K2 24.K-N2 R-Q5 25.K-B3 K-Q2 26.R-QB1 P-B3 27.K-K3 R-Q4 28.P-B4 K-K1 29.P-N5 K-B2 30. P-KR4 R/N-Q1 31.K-B3 R-Q6ch 32.K-N4 R-K6 33.N-B6 BxN 34.PxB R/Q-Q6 35.B-N5 R-K7 (Black is in danger, but he simply did not see it) 36.R-QN1 R-Q2 37.K-R5 P-N3? 38.K-R6 K-N1 39.R-Q1! R-Q4 desperation 40.P-B7ch KxP 41.KxP RxB 42.BPxR (Of course not RPxR) Black resigns. Moral: H.S. kids are to be respected!

Kern - Turner Round 7

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.P-Q4 P-QN4 7.B-N3 P-Q4 8.PxP B-K3 9.Q-K2 B-K2 10.R-Q1 N-B4 11.P-B4 P-Q5 12.PxP P-Q6 13.Q-K1 NxB 14. RPxN N-N5 15.Q-B3 O-O 16.PxP P-QB4 17.B-K3 Q-Q4 18.QN-Q2 RxP 19.N-B4 RxR 20.RxR R-R1 21.R-R3 R-Q1 22.N/B3-Q2 N-B3 23.P-B4 N-N5 24.R-R7 B-KB1 25.N-Q6? BxN 26.PxB N-B7 27. BxP? N-K8 28.N-B3 P-Q7 29.R-R1 NxBch Resigns

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August 24 was a big day for Bob Merk. He sat up in a chair for an hour, for the first time since May, and expected to try for an hour and a half the next day. This is great news for his many friends who have been loyally phoning, writing, and visiting him during his ordeal.

Section winners during August have been determined as follows:

64C7	Reh	64B3	LaVergne
63A6	Stratton	64A7	H. Raymond

The withdrawal of Kerton from 65C5 gives 20 points each to Keating, Cyr and Grant. Ordinarily we would replace a player who has not completed six moves, but in our present stand-by situation with a substitute director we think it is better not to delay the other players in the section seeking a replacement.

AUGUST GAME REPORTS

63A10B	John Bell	wins	51 points	from	H. Raymond
65B1A	Reddig		62		Carroll
64A16B	J. Scradner		48		Lyberger
64C4B	Lamasney		20		Blosser
64C5B	Dave Williams		30	(added)	Rupel
64C5A	Williams		60		Shives
64C5B	Williams		48		Shives
65B5A	R. Espey		59		Hughes
64C7A	Reh		20		Hainsworth
65B4B	Becker		48		R. Raymond
65B3A	Potter		39		H. Glidden
65B3B	Potter		31		H. Glidden
65A4A	Prentice		32		Almond
65B5A	R. Espey		35		R. Davis
64B3A	LaVergne		45		McFarling
64B3B	LaVergne		35		McFarling
64B3A	LaVergne		28		Gorton
64B3B	LaVergne		22		Gorton
65C2A	Herbers	(draws)	2		Running
64C6A & B	Herbers	(wins F)	20		Bushaw
64A7A	H. Raymond		45		J. Holmes
65B3B	Jensen		X		Potter
65B3A	Potter		X		Jensen

To continue an explanation of the system of rating based on 50 points for a win, plus or minus ten percent of the difference between the players ratings, in the case of a draw the lower rated player gains only the ten percent of the difference. Several instances can be noted above where two wins are reported against the same player. The second win gains less points than the first due to the intervening change in the ratings. In the case of the final two reports listed, where both Jensen and Potter reported a win and a loss, we had no way of knowing which came first, and as the players had fairly equal ratings we gave no points in recording the results.

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Eilmes	1876
Abrahamson	1859
Prentice	1856
Schmidt	1846
Wilson	1813
Knapp	1811
Harmon	1810
Bell	1787
Nourse	1766
Hage	1745
Weaver	1745
Skarsten	1741
H. Raymond	1736

"A" Division

Stratton	1696
Skiles	1667
Erickson	1650
Sage	1645
Almond	1610
E. Schrader	1600
Colpron	1600
Johnson	1600
Powell	1600
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Reh	1464
Kirk	1451
Jones	1447
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Howard	1424

"B" Division

Grant	1320
Dart	1309
Merk	1305
Giden	1300
W. Olson	1300
Stickle	1300
D. Olson	1290
Dickson	1283
Laugen	1279
Henry	1264
Pattie	1254
R.W. Miller	1248
R. Raymond	1230
McFarling	1221
Donnell	1218
J. Donnelly	1212
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H. Miller	1181
Bauman	1162
Webb	1158
Keating	1156
Gorton	1152
Dearing	1152
Baldwin	1134
Herbers	1130
Running	1130
H. Glidden	1120
Hainsworth	1119
Fay	1108

"B" Division 1100 to 1400

Lyberger	1397
Espey	1394
Turner	1382
Woodward	1381
Potter	1370
P. Lamasney	1362
Gifford	1359
Rader	1355
Reddig	1351
Becker	1350
Nonrad	1347
Carroll	1346
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J. Jensen	1338
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Walker	1326
Useton	1325
Betzer	1321

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Drake	1090
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Youngman	1050
Shives	1046
Dorwin	1037
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Blosser	1020
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C. Gingrich	1000
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