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TENNESSEE OPEN, Nov., 27 - 29

The biggest event of the year for this State will be held again this year in Nashville. Indications are that this the 15th Tennessee Open will be the greatest ever. Last year 29 players competed of which 18 were from Tennessee which was probably the largest so far. The following players are expected to play in this year's event:

Clarksville: Wentworth Morris
 Kingsport; Tom Finucane and Joe Selby.
 Knoxville; Ben Batson and Jerry Sullivan (Champion 1958)
 Manchester; Harry Hairfield.
 Memphis; Troy Armstrong, Charles Savery, Joseph Spiegel, Carl Speis and Hunter Weeks.
 Millington; James Wright.
 Oak Ridge; Robert Coveyou (Current Champion)
 Nashville; J. F. Aycelott, Albert Bowen, Robert Groom, Peter Lahde, Rice Pierce and Stanley Stanton.

No doubt there will be others. Particularly we would like to invite players from Chattanooga, Lewisburg, Maryville and Johnson City.
 See you all in Nashville.

KINGSPORT TIES NASHVILLE 2:2 IN RADIO MATCH

A radio match between Kingsport and Nashville took place on Oct., 3d. Thanks to ham operators Jim Trammel (Nashville) and Joe Selby (Kingsport) the event was a great success. This may also be said of the score. While neither city won, they did not loose, either.

Here is a short description of the games. Albert Bowen played Tom Finucane of Kingsport. Al had a bad day and was outplayed, playing Black in a Sicilian Defense. A well played game by the winner. J. F. Aycelott was suprised by an unusual handling of the Ruy Lopez by Finch. He got behind in the opening but was able to draw. Joe Selby of Kingsport pressed Peter Lahde all the way. Pete had a material disadvantage but held on to a draw. On Board 4 the game was not counted due to a misunderstanding. The game was declared no contest. Dr. Oscar Nelson was the only player to win for Nashville. His opponent, Gonzalez, resigned when his game was by no means lost.

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	KINGSPORT		NASHVILLE	
BOARD 1	Finucane	1	Bowen	0
BOARD 2	Finch	$\frac{1}{2}$	Aycelott	$\frac{1}{2}$
BOARD 3	Selby	$\frac{1}{2}$	Lahde	$\frac{1}{2}$
BOARD 5	Gonzalez	0	Nelson	1
		<u>2</u>		<u>2</u>

SULLIVAN LEADS IN MATCH WITH COVEYOU 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

After 7 games (out of 10) former Champion Jerry Sullivan holds a two point lead in the match with current Champion Robert Coveyou. Here are the scores of the games:

	White		Black	
1.	Sullivan	1	Coveyou	0
2.	Coveyou	$\frac{1}{2}$	Sullivan	$\frac{1}{2}$
3.	Sullivan	$\frac{1}{2}$	Coveyou	$\frac{1}{2}$
4.	Coveyou	1	Sullivan	0
5.	Sullivan	1	Coveyou	0
6.	Coveyou	0	Sullivan	1
7.	Sullivan	$\frac{1}{2}$	Coveyou	$\frac{1}{2}$

USCF GOAL 40 NEW MEMBERS FOR TENNESSEE.

The United States Chess Federation has set a new goal of 40 members for Tennessee. The previous goal of 25 was reached with one over or 10%. Let's keep up the good work. I don't think there is a better opportunity to join the USCF as by playing in the Tenn. Open. Then it will cost only \$4 instead of the usual \$5. Also every member of the USCF should be a member of the TCA.

Here is a list by cities of members in both organizations.

	TCA	USCF		TCA	USCF
Chattanooga		1	Marysville		1
Clarksville		1	Memphis	5	5
Dickson		1	Hillington	1	1
Kingsport	5	2	Murfreesboro		1
Knoxville	2	2	Nashville	8	6
Manchester	1	1	Oak Ridge	1	1

Total USCF Membership 24, plus 2 affiliations
Total TCA Membership 25, including 5 out of State.

RATINGS

Although most individuals would know their national rating (USCF), it may surprise you that almost 20 players are rated in Tennessee. For this reason we will publish a rating list of all players of this state that begins with the Tenn. Open, Nov., '58 to the Southern, July, '59. It does not however, include the Mississippi Tourney.

Ratings (Nov., 28, 1958 - July 5, 1959)

Armstrong (Memphis)	1784#	Loew (Nashville)	1814
Aydellott (Nashville)	1890	Morris (Clarksville)	1620
Batson (Knoxville)	1865	*Scrivener (Memphis)	1984#
Bowen (Nashville)	1925	Sellers (Nashville)	1850
Coveyou (Oak Ridge)	2059	Smiley (Murfreesboro)	1400
Cowgill (Hermitage)	1670	Spies (Memphis)	1877#
Finucane (Kingsport)	1801	Sullivan (Knoxville)	2095
Groom (Madison)	1400	*Wolfensberger (Nashville)	2050
Hairfield (Manchester)	1750	Wright (Hillington)	1884
Lahde (Nashville)	1865#		

* Scrivener and Wolfensberger are no longer residents of Tennessee. But instead Savery and Spiegel of Memphis played in a rated tourney after July 5.
These ratings were adjusted to include the Southern Tourney, July 2-5, 1959.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Jerry Sullivan of Knoxville was the only participant from Tenn., in the recent U. S. Open at Omaha, Mo. He made an excellent showing by winning six, drawing two, and losing four, for a score of 7:5.

Two players from Memphis finished first and second in the Reserve Tourney in Arkansas. They are Savery who won 5 and lost none, and Spiegel who won four and lost one.

The Nashville Chess Club recently elected new officers. They are Dr. Rice Pierce, President; Peter Lahde, Vice President; and Ward Poag, Sec.-Treas.

CLOSE RACE IN NASHVILLE.

Presently there is a close race between the top two players in the club matches. Only three points separate the top player, Peter Lahde (1572), from Albert Bowen who has 1569. Both players met with strong opposition in recent match play. Stanley Stanton, a newcomer to the club but a former Chess Champion of a New York Club, drew a match with Peter Lahde. Dr. Jordan was able to draw a match with Lahde as well as Bowen.

Here are the standings for the top 10:

1. Lahde	1572	6. Pierce, R.	1313
2. Bowen	1569	7. Nelson	1269
3. Loew	1341	8. Lee	1149
4. Stanton	1334	9. Hopkins	1092
5. Jordan	1314	10. Pierce, T.	1085

CHESS ON STAMPS

Have you ever seen a collection of "Chess on Stamps"? Chess has been honored on the postage stamps of several countries within the last few decades. We will try to have a showing of these stamps at the Tenn. Open this year.

Here is a game from a recent club match won by the President of the club, Dr. Rice Pierce.

CARO-KANN DEFENSE

Nashville, May 25, 1959.

White, Dr. Gerald Jordan				Black, Dr. Rice Pierce			
1. P-K4	P-Qb3	11. P-QN4	Q-R6!	21. P-QR3	B-R4 (d)		
2. N-QB3	P-Q4	12. B-K5	BxP!	22. KN-B3	QxNP		
3. P-K5 (a)	P-Q5	13. BxNP	P-B7ch	23. B-B1	Q-K5ch		
4. N-K4	B-B4	14. N-Q2	P-B8(Q)ch	24. B-K2	O-O-O		
5. Q-B3	P-K3	15. RxQ	QxRch	25. K-B1	BxN		
6. P-Q3	Q-R4ch	16. Q-Q1	Q-B4(c)	26. BxB7	QxBch		
7. P-B3	QxKP	17. BxR	Q-Q4	27. K-N1	KN-B3		
8. B-B4	Q-R4	18. KN-B3	N-Q2	28. BxN	NxB		
9. P-KN4	B-N3	19. B-N2	BxQP	29. P-KR4	R-N1ch		
10. B-Q6	PxP(b)	20. N-R4	Q-KN4	30. K-R2	N-N5ch		
				31. K-N1?	N-K6ch		
				32. Resigns			

- (a) More usual is 3. N-B3
 (b) Here 10...BxN, 11. QxB. BxB is possible but Black wants more.
 (c) Even stronger is 16...BxN! 17. K-K2(forced), BxP! and wins the Queen.
 (d) If 21...BxN; 22. QxB, QxN. 23. QxB

GAMES FROM THE KINGSPORT-NASHVILLE RADIO MATCH, Oct., 3, 1959.

BOARD 1
SICILIAN DEFENSE

White, Finucane				Black, Bowen			
1. P-K4	P-QB4	14. P-QB4	R-QN	27. Q-Q8	Q-K6		
2. N-KB3	P-Q3	15. QR-QN	O-O?	28. Q-Q2	Q-R2		
3. P-Q4	PxP	16. BxP	P-K4	29. Q-K2	N-B3		
4. NxP	N-KB3	17. B-K3	P-B3	30. KPxB	PxP		
5. N-QB3	P-KN3	18. N-QB3	R-B2?	31. P-N5!	N-R4		
6. B-K3	N-B3	19. P-B5!	B-K3	32. QxPch	K-N		
7. P-B3	B-N2	20. BxP	PxP	33. B-Q5	B-N2		
8. Q-Q2	P-QR3	21. BxP	Q-R4	34. Q-Q6	BxN		
9. P-KN4	P-KR3	22. Q-Q6!	B-KB1?	35. PxP	QxPch		
10. B-Q3	B-Q2	23. QxR	QxBch	36. R-E2	Q-R2		
11. QN-K2	Q-B2	24. K-N2	K-N2	37. R-K	K-E?		
12. O-O	N-KR2	25. QR-Q	P-B4	38. RxB!	Q-Q2(a)		
13. NxB	PxN	26. Q-K8	R-K2	39. QxRch	Resigns		
(a) If 38... N-B5; 39. QxN, RxR; 40. QxPch, Q-B2 (40...K-K2; 41 Q-R7ch loses Queen)	41. QxQ, KxQ;	42. B-B4, wins easily.					

BOARD 2.
RUY LOPEZ.

White, Aydelott				Black, Finch			
1. P-K4	P-K4	13. BxQ	P-QN4	25. BxN	PxB		
2. N-KB3	N-QB3	14. P-QN3	P-Q4	26. P-Q4	P-N5		
3. B-N5	Q-B5	15. P-K5	P-KR4	27. P-R4	E-R3		
4. N-QB3	B-Q3	16. B-Q3	N-B3	28. K-Q	BxBch		
5. N-Q5	Q-N3	17. P-QR3	P-KR5	29. KxB	R-QB		
6. Q-K2	KN-K2	18. B-K2	B-N2	30. R-Q5	R-B6		
7. N-K3	N-Q5	19. P-Q3	P-R6	31. R-N5	K-K2		
8. NxB?	PxN	20. B-Q2	P-N3	32. RxP(K)	RxR		
9. N-B5	QxP	21. R-KN	N-K2	33. KxR	K-K3		
10. NxBch	PxN	22. O-O-O	N-B4	34. P-QB4	PxP e.p.		
11. R-B	P-QR3?	23. QR-B	P-R4	35. RxP	R-QN		
12. P-KB4	QxQch	24. R-N5	N-K6	36. K-B5	R-N5		
					Drawn		

BOARD 5
SICILIAN DEFENSE

White, Gonzalez				Black, Nelson			
1. P-K4	P-QB4	10. N-Q5	NxBch	19. B-K3	QR-K		
2. P-QB4	N-QB3	11. QxN	NxN	20. N-R4	QB-B		
3. N-KB3	P-Q3	12. QBPxN	P-QN3	21. NxBP	R-B3		
4. B-K2	P-KN3	13. P-QN3	P-KB4	22. N-R4	Q-Q2		
5. N-QB3	N-KB3	14. B-N5	Q-K	23. P-KB3	Q-KB2		
6. O-O	B-N2	15. PxP	BxP	24. Q-QE4	B-N2		
7. P-Q3	O-O	16. QR-K	Q-QN4	25. Q-QN5	BxP		
8. B-K3	P-K4	17. R-Q	R-KB2(a)	26. P-QN4	Resigns		
9. P-QR3	N-Q5	18. Q-QB2	P-KP3				
(a) If 17QxNP; 18. B-K7 is strong.							

BOARD 3
FRENCH DEFENSE

White, Joe Selby		Black, Peter Lahde		
1.	F-K4	P-K3	29. N-Q6ch	K-B2
2.	P-Q4	P-Q4	30. R-N4(g)	K-B3(h)
3.	N-QB3	B-N5	31. Q-N2	Q-Q
4.	P-K5	P-QB4	32. R(1)xB!(i)	PxR
5.	P-QR3	BxNch	33. RxBch	K-Q2
6.	PxD	N-K2	34. BxP	R-R4
7.	B-Q3(a)	P-D5	35. Q-R1	N-N5
8.	B-K2	QN-B3	36. RxB	QxPch
9.	P-B4	Q-R4	37. QxQ	NxQ
10.	B-Q2	N-D4	38. R-R7ch(j)	K-B3?(k)
11.	N-D3	B-Q2	39. RxB	N-B4ch
12.	O-O	O-O-O	40. NxN	R(2) xN(l)
13.	P-N4	N(B?)-K2	41. R-N6	K-Q2
14.	N-N5	R(Q)-D	42. RxBP	R-Nch
15.	B-D3	P-D3	43. K-E2	R-QR
16.	N-R3	P-KR3	44. K-K2	R-KN
17.	Q-K2	P-B4	45. K-B2	R-QR
18.	KR-N	N-N5	46. R-R7ch	K-K
19.	P-R4	P-QR3	47. R-R8ch	R-D
20.	PxP	N-R7(?) (b)	48. RxB	KxR
21.	K-E2	RxB	49. K-K2	R-R7
22.	B-N4	R-B?	50. K-Q3	K-B2
23.	K-N3	N-E1ch	51. P-B4(m)	PxPch
24.	BxN	RxB	52. KxB	RxB
25.	N-B2	R(B) - B	53. K-Q3	R-R7
26.	P-R4(c)	N-K2!	54. B-K3	K-N3
27.	R-N2	BxP1?(d)	55. K-K4	R-R5
28.	N-K4!(e)	P-QN4(f)	56. Drawn	

- (a) Other moves played here are Q-N4, N-B3, P-QR4 and P-KR4
The text provokes P-B5
- (b) An unusual move. The idea was 21. PxP, NxBch; 22. QxN, BxP threatening
23...NxKP. But the K Pawn may prove Black's downfall.
- (c) Black threatened P-KN4
- (d) Too bad Black didnt follow up the previous move correctly. Much better
is 27... N-N3 followed by Q-Q and White is on the defense.
- (e) An unexpected surprise.
- (f) Better than 28... P-N; 29. QxPch, Q-B2; 30. QxB. Or 29...N-B3;
30 BxB, followed by 31 QxPch
- (g) If 30. NxR, NxN; 31. K-R3 should win for white.
- (h) Better was 30...K-N avoiding the pin that follows.
- (i) If now 32 NxR, NxBch; 33. K-N4(forced) QxPch; 34. K-B3, ExP!; 35. RxBch?
K-N2; wins for Black. If 35. R-R7, QxR1; 36. QxQ, B-K5 wins Rook.
- (j) If 38. K-N4, P-N3.
- (k) This eventually loses another Pawn. Correct is 38...K-Q.
- (l) To prevent loss of the K Pawn. If 41. R-K7, R-Nch; 42. K-B3, R-N3
- (m) Here White had the Rook on R8. Since the Rook should be on R7 this
loses a Pawn. But I dont see how White is to continue.