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MID-SOUTH OPEN

The twelvth annual Mid-South Open was held Thanksgiving weekend in Memphis. At the top of the heap after six rounds were experts Elliot Winslow and W. Haines, both from Missouri. Winslow started off badly with a first round loss to Ron Harvey (1789), followed by a lucky win in round 2 from a lost position against Victor Lendermon (1577). However, his play from than on was very convincing as he finished with a 5-1 score. Haines almost gave up a draw to Lendermon, but from then on played very well, giving up two draws. John Hurt of Memphis finished third with 4½ points. He drew with Haines, Francis Banffy, and International Master Norman Whitaker. Whiteaker finished with a 4-2 score. The tournament was held at the Albert Pick Motor Hotel in downtown Memphis and directed by Frank Garner. (Reported by Kenny Thomas)

Winner of the Amateur event held concurrently was Donald Scott from Arkansas. His score of 5½ points was equalled by Clarke Harrell of Mississippi to take 2nd. Third place went to Joe Roberdeau of Nashville with 4½ points.

The event set a new attendance record with 55 players, of which 29 played in the Open and 26 in the Amateur. Of the 55 players, the majority (29) came from other states with Arkansas (14) furnishing the most players. Of the 26 players coming from Tennessee, 20 were from the host city Memphis.

TENNESSEE BEATS ALABAMA

Tennessee won this second match from Alabama quite decisively by the score of 25½-14½. (Last year was closer with 21½-18½ for Tennessee). The match took place October 31 at Florence State University, Alabama. On the top ten boards the result was quite close as Tennessee won by the close margin of 10½-9½. The result on the lower boards (11-20) was quite one-sided with 15-5 for Tennessee. Both State Champions, Doug Ralston for Tenn. and Ken Williamson For Ala. had minus score.

We (that is Tennessee) appreciate the challenge to the match and we thank the Alabama players for arranging and hosting the event. However, there were two instances where a co-operative effort could have avoided two disputes, which concerned the top and lowest boards. James Wright was penalized about 15 minutes for no good reason in one of his games. On last board one of the Tennessee players (Barry) was prevented from playing as the other Tennessee player who was to split this board was instructed by Alabama players to play again without consulting the team captain for the Tennessee team. The results follow:

TENNESSEE	(for Tenn)	ALABAMA
1. James Wright (2129)	0 0	Charles Irvine (2091)
2. John Hurt (2048)	1 ½	F. Banffy (1924)/ M. Momic (2294)
3. Mark Gilley (1989)	1 ½	Ken Williamson (1882)
4. Edward Middleton (1960)	½ 1	Charles Cleveland (1858)
5. Hunter Weaks (1918)	0 1	Paul Hargett (1839)
6. Kenny Thomas (1904)	½ 1	Robert Durrett (1802)
7. Doug Ralston (1842)	0 0	Witty (1758)
8. Tony Estes (1812)	1 1	Herman Smith (1760)
9. Ken Ziemak (1796)	0 ½	John Reh (1741)
10. Ron Harvey (1789)	0 1	Kjel Waerstad (1753)
11. Joe Jones (1739)	1 1	Robert Dillman (1664)
12. Peter Lahde (1730)	1 1	Charles Johnson (1684)
13. Tom Farr (1658)	½ 0	Mike Lucas (1648)
14. James Little (1649)	½ 1	Robert Andrews (1666)
15. Ken Cohen (1637)	1 0	Martin Burrell (1607)
16. Victor Lendermon (1577)	0 ½	Randall Davidson (1510)
17. Joe Roberdeau (1542)	1 1	Kennedy (1500)
18. G. Cornwell(1493)J.Mitchell	1 1	L. Cleveland(1211);
19. M. Middleton(1251)Weis(1353)	1 1	J. Cleveland (1128)
20. Paul Henry (1250)	1 ½	Franks (UNR)

## FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1971

INCOME		EXPENSES	
Balance 1970	\$203.22	USCF Dues	\$160.00
Entry Fees (Open-43)	645.00	Rating Fees	30.20
Entry Fees (Amateur-62)	620.00	Cash Prizes	825.00
USCF Dues (Adult-18\$8)	144.00	Trophies	72.21
USCF Dues (Junior-2\$4)	8.00	TCA Affiliation	10.00
USCF Dues (Sustaining 1\$8)	8.00	Hotel Costs	105.00
TOTAL	\$1628.22	Advertising & Supplies	30.00
		Tournament Director	100.00
Balance	\$295.81	TOTAL	1332.41

TCA Publication 1971			
TCA Membership (101)	\$202.00	Mimeographing & Paper	\$93.00
TCA Out of State (41)	82.00	Stencils	9.00
TOTAL	\$284.00	Postage	66.96
		Supplies, Mainten., etc.	39.91
Balance	\$ 75.13		\$208.87
Overall Bal.	370.94		

Submitted by Peter P. Lahde  
TCA Treasurer

## NASHVILLE H.S. ACTIVITY ON INCREASE

Montgomery Bell Academy won the team title in the Middle Tennessee Chess Tournament yesterday (Dec. 18), but Paul Henry of Peabody Demonstration School won the individual championship. The tournament at MBA, sponsored by the Music City Chess Association, awarded the winning team a trophy and \$150 to help pay team expenses to the Southern High School Chess Tournament in Atlanta Feb. 26-27. Peabody finished second in team competition and Father Ryan was third.

MBA's Bruce Stearns was runnerup in individual competition and Johnny Moore of MBA was third. (This article appeared in the Nashville Tennessean.)

The event attracted 38 players from the Middle Tennessee area. Six teams participated in the team competition. Fourth place in this competition was taken by Washington Junior High who are all seventh grader. Trophies were awarded to the three top players and teams by MCCA. In addition six USCF memberships were awarded. It was directed by Peter Lahde and Howard Sandler of MCCA.

Another tourney which took place earlier in the school year was held for players from MBA. It attracted 18 players.

Then on Nov. 20 an Invitational was held at Father Ryan. It was organized and promoted by two students from Ryan, James Hart and Mike Guyton. It attracted 19 players and six schools were represented. Paul Henry of Peabody was individual winner and Ryan won the team title ahead of MBA.

## TOURNAMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSIC CITY SPRING TOURNAMENT - Mar 18-19. Noel Hotel, 202 4th Ave. N. Nashville. Entry fee: \$10. Five round Swiss. Prizes \$100, \$50 and \$25. Trophies to top three and Class trophies. Registration 8:30 AM Mar 18. Rounds 9-2-7; 9-2. Bring clocks, sets. Entries to Music City Chess Assn., 303 Belinda Dr., Hermitage, Tenn. 37076

KNOXVILLE OPEN 1972 - Apr 7-9. Valley Fidelity Bank of Bearden, Community Room, 4805 Kingston Pike. Five round Swiss, 40/2. Entry fee \$10. Under 18 \$8, discount of \$1 to UT club members. Prizes 1st \$75+trophy, 2nd \$50, also class trophies. Registration: 6-7:30 PM Apr. 7. Rounds: Fri 7:30, Sat. 10-3, Sun 9-2. Bring sets and clocks. Entries to David Ellis, 3611 Essary Dr. Knoxville TN 37918.

MUSIC CITY SUMMER TOURNAMENT - Aug 5-6. Further details later

## OUT OF STATE EVENTS:

DURHAM OPEN - Jan 15-16. Graduate Center, Corner Trent & Erwin Rd. Durham, N.C. 5-SS 50/2. Prizes \$100 B\$60, C \$40. Reg. ends 9 AM 1/15. Rounds: 9:30, 2:30, 7:30; 8:30, 1:30. ENT. to Hugh Dorsey, c/o Law School, Duke Univ. Durham, N.C.

51st SOUTHERN OPEN - July 1-4 in Atlanta. Further details later.

**POSTAL CHESS**  
By Richard Searles

In our continuing effort to provide TCN readers with the best possible chess newsletter, we are increasing our postal chess feature. With your support behind this expansion we feel that Tennessee Postal Chess can grow into the best regional postal chess league in the country. Towards that end we are expanding our present Tennessee Postal Championship to include cash prizes. Also, we are inaugurating two new events, the Open Rating Section, and a non-rated Theory Pairing. Of particular interest should be the innovative Theory Pairing which will allow players to test new lines under actual games conditions without fear of losing rating points!

But to survive we must have TCN members' support. Those of you already playing postal chess, enter one or more events now and let us know that you support the growth of chess in Tennessee. And those readers who have never played postal chess before, now is your chance to enter a low cost, speedy postal event that will more than likely add a new dimension to your chess playing activities. Postal chess is fun, and your chess skill can be greatly increased by regular postal play.

ENTER A POSTAL EVENT TODAY!!

**1972 TENNESSEE POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIP!** Entries accepted until June 30, 1972. At least 70% of entry fees returned in cash prizes to top 3 finishers. Prize fund will be awarded as follows: 50% 1st, 30% 2nd, 20% 3rd. Initial assignment is to 4 player section. You play 2 games simultaneously with each opponent, 6 games in all. Best score in each section qualifies for finals. All games postal rated. Entry fee is \$2.00. Players may enter more than one section, but may only qualify once for the finals. **HURRY, ENTER NOW!** One section has already started.

**OPEN RATING SECTION.** Entry fee is only \$1.00! entry accepted anytime. Each section consists of 4 players. Just like in TENN. POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIP you play each opponent 2 games. Winner of section gets one year TCA membership free or \$2, his choice! All games postal rated.

**THEORY PAIRING!!** A new, innovative postal event!. You submit any opening line that you wish to play as either White or Black. You will be paired with someone also submitting a line. Your line can be up to 10 moves, or less, and the only restriction is that your opponent may not be placed at a material, or severe positional disadvantage. The Postal Editor is the final judge on this question. Of course there is the possibility of playing 2 Blacks or 2 Whites in one pairing, but an effort will be made to avoid this when possible. If submitting multiple entries please indicate the order in which you want your lines paired. Now get this! The entry is only 25¢ per entry!!! These pairing will not be rated.

Send all entries and inquiries to Richard Searles, 1875 Plantation Drive, Cleveland, TN 37311. In the next issue of TCN the postal rating system will be explained.

**FROM POSTAL PLAY.** Played in 1971. Annotations by Glenn Cornwell.

**SICILIAN DEFENCE** White: Glenn Cornwell (Hermitage) Black: Leon Stancliff (Murfreesboro)

1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 P-Q4 FxP 4 NxP N-KB3 5 N-QB3 P-QR3 6 B-KN5 QN-Q2  
7 B-QB4 Q-R4 8 Q-Q2 P-K3 9 O-O-O P-N4 10 B-N3 B-N2 11 KR-K1 B-K2 12 P-B4 N-B4  
13 P-K5 FxP 14 BxN FxN 15 BxB NxBch 16 BfxN Q-B2 17 QxP KxB 18 RxPch!! KxR? (a)  
19 R-K1ch! K-B4 20 R-K5ch! Resigns (b)  
(a) If 18...FxR Black loses his queen. Black's only move was probably 18...K-B1  
but then 19 Q-N4ch K-N1 20 R-K7.  
(b) 20...K-N3 21 R-N5ch K-R3 22 QxNfmate or 20...K-N5 21 R-N5ch K-R5 23 Q-B2 mate  
or 20...QxR 21 QxQ K-N5 or N3 22 Q-N5 mate. (From Music City Chess, Dec. issue)

**FROM MUSIC CITY FALL TOURNEY**

**SICILIAN DEFENCE** White: Doug Ralston Black: Bruce Streamns  
1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 P-Q4 FxP 4 NxP N-KB3 5 N-QB3 P-KN3 6 B-K3 B-N2  
7 P-B3 O-O 8 B-B4 N-B3 9 B-N3 B-Q2 10 Q-Q2 NxN 11 BxN P-KR3 12 P-KR4 Q-R4 13  
P-N4 KR-B1 14 O-O-O R-B2 15 P-N5 FxP 16 FxP N-R4 17 N-Q5 QxQch 18 RxQ BxB  
19 NxR R-B1 20 N-Q5 N-N6 21 RxB NxR 22 NxPch K-N2 23 NxR BxN 24 RxP N-B7 25 R-B6  
B-K3 26 BxB FxB 27 RxP N-R6 28 R-K7ch K-B1 29 RxP NxP 30 RxP NxBP 31 R-R3 N-N8  
32 K-Q1 Black resigns

## 11th MID-SOUTH OPEN 1971

Player	City & State	USCF	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Rd6	Score	TieB
1. Elliot Winslow	Univ. City, MO	2079	L4	W17	W12	W10	W13	W5	5-1	14
2. William Haines	Kansas City, Mo	2006	W17	W29	W10	D3	D5	W9	5-1	10
3. John Hurt	Memphis TN	2048	W11	W4	D5	D2	W8	D6	4½-1½	16
4. Ron Harvey	Memphis TN	1789	W1	L3	D20	W11	W14	D10	4-2	14
5. Francis Banffy	Montgomery AL	1924	W25	W21	D3	W14	D2	L1	4-2	14
6. N.T. Whitaker	Washington DC	2200	D7	D12	D11	W22	W15	D3	4-2	14
7. Peter Newell	Lekewood CO	1873	D6	W16	D15	L13	W19	W23	4-2	12
8. Dr. J. K. Joyce	State Univ. AR	1887	L20	W18	W29	W19	L3	W13	4-2	11½
9. James Davies	St. Louis MO	2053	D16	W28	L19	W20	W23	L2	3½-2½	11
10. Hunter Weaks	Memphis TN	1918	W26	W20	L2	L1	W16	D4	3½-2½	14½
11. Kenny Cohen	Nashville TN	1637	L3	W26	D6	L4	W21	W14	3½-2½	13
12. James Cook	Jackson MS	2020	D28	D6	L1	D16	W24	W22	3½-2½	12
13. Jack Winters	Kansas City MO	1956	L22	W25	W21	W7	L1	L8	3-3	13
14. James Wright	Millington TN	2129	W23	D19	W22	L5	L4	L11	2½-3½	12½
15. Ed Middleton	Memphis TN	1950	W18	D22	D7	D23	L6	D19	3-3	12½
16. Majeed Nahas	Lake Hamilton AR	1739	D9	L7	W28	D12	L10	W25	3-3	12
17. Victor Lendermon	Raliegh TN	1577	L2	L1	W26	D24	D20	W27	3-3	10
18. Mike Fellingner	Russelville AR	1516	L15	L8	W25	D21	W26	D20	3-3	9
19. Kenny Thomas	Memphis TN	1904	W27	D14	W9	L8	L7	D15	3-3	13½
20. Bill Berry	Memphis TN	UNR	W8	L10	D4	L9	D17	D18	2½-3½	13
21. Robert E. Garner	Dyersburg TN	1290	W24	L5	L13	D18	L11	Bye	2½-3½	12
22. Terrell Bishop	Russelville AR	1538	W13	D15	L14	L6	W27	L12	2½-3½	11½
23. Paul Hargett	Sheffield AL	1839	L14	W27	W24	D15	L9	L7	2½-3½	11½
24. Gary Pylant	Memphis TN	1384	L21	W30	L23	D17	L12	W28	2½-3½	9½
25. James Mitchell	Memphis TN	1515	L5	L13	L18	W28	W29	L16	2-4	10½
26. Harold Harris	Nashville TN	1443	L10	L11	L17	Bye	L18	W29	2-4	9½
27. Fred Parker	Memphis TN	1427	L19	L23	Bye	W29	L22	L17	2-4	9
28. Ben Therrell	Joiner AR	1620	D12	L9	L16	L25	Bye	L24	1½-4½	11
29. Dean Bingamen	Memphis TN	1098	Bye	L2	L8	L27	L25	L26	1-5	10

## MID-SOUTH AMATEUR 1971

1. Donald Scott	State Sanatar. AR	1649	W7	W11	D2	W8	W6	W5	5½-½	14½
2. Clarke Harrell	Jackson MS	1669	W14	W19	D1	W11	W5	W9	5½-½	13½
3. Joe Roberdeau	Nashville TN	1542	W10	W18	W6	L5	D4	W11	4½-1½	14
4. Glenn Smith	Coldwater MS	UNR	W17	L6	W19	W16	D3	W7	4½-1½	13
5. Bill Wilwers	Lavaca AR	1740	W13	W21	W8	W3	L2	L1	4-2	16½
6. Bill Haley	Jackson MS	1608	W26	W4	L3	W21	L1	D10	3½-2½	15½
7. Paul Henry	Nashville TN	1252	L1	W15	D9	W13	W18	L4	3½-2½	14
8. Jackson Taylor	University MS	UNR	W15	W16	L5	L1	W14	D13	3½-2½	13
9. Frank Garner	Germantown TN	1543	L11	W12	D7	W24	W21	L2	3½-2½	11½
10. Frank Button	Richards AFB, MO	UNR	L3	W20	L21	W19	W16	D6	3½-2½	10½
11. Gregory Wood	Delaware AR	1306	W9	L1	W22	L2	W12	L3	3-3	16½
12. Laird Heal	Eau Claire WI	1001	L16	L9	W15	W20	L11	W22	3-3	12
13. Louis Weis	Memphis TN	1382	L5	W23	D18	L7	W24	D22	3-3	11½
14. Morris Middleton	Memphis TN	1251	L2	W24	L16	W23	L8	W18	3-3	11
15. Douglas Moody	Millington TN	UNR	L8	L7	L12	W26	W25	W23	3-3	9½
16. Bob Sivile	Russelville AR	1542	W12	L8	W14	L4	L10	W21	3-3	13
17. James Scowden	Memphis TN	1343	L4	W25	D24	L18	D22	W20	3-3	8
18. Leza Sturdivant	Raliegh TN	UNR	W20	L3	D13	W17	L7	L14	2½-3½	12½
19. Barry Hollowell	Memphis TN	1414	W25	L2	L4	L10	L20	W16	2-4	11½
20. Dan Wood	Delaware AR	1371	L18	L10	W26	L12	W19	L17	2-4	10½
21. Charles Dodson	Hot Springs AR	1315	W23	L5	W10	L6	L9	L16	2-4	13½
22. Ben Terrell	Joiner AR	1620	L24	D26	L11	W25	D17	L12	2-4	8½
23. Jim Harper	Harrison AR	UNR	L21	L13	W25	L14	W26	L15	2-4	8½
24. H. S. Thurmond	Spring City TN	1209	W22	L14	D17	L9	L13	L19	1½-4½	11
25. Howard Haglin	Memphis TN	UNR	L19	L17	L23	L22	L15	W26	1-5	9
26. Mark Denniston	Russelville AR	1194	L6	D22	L20	L15	L23	L25	½-5½	9

Tournament Director: Frank Garner

## THE CHESS PLAYER - A MAGAZINE REVIEW

This fine new publication appears monthly. It is published by the Chess Player on 12 Burton Ave., Carlton, Nottingham, England. Cost is \$15 a year. This may sound high but for it you get about 200 games each issue, one complete tournament, opening analysis, most games analyzed by top ranked players. Uses the international algebraic notation. I highly recommend it. (The Editor)

## GAMES OF THE MONTH

By Mack Garner

The first game is the decisive game which decided the winner to the Big Orange (U.T.) Round Robin. White needed a win or draw to take the tournament. The second game is from the Tennessee-Alabama Match.

RETI IN REVERSE White: Richard Word Black: Mack Garner  
 1 P-Q4 N-KB3 2 N-KB3 P-B4 3 P-K3 P-QN3(a) 4 QN-Q2 B-N2 5 B-Q3(b) P-N3! 6 0-0 B-N2  
 7 P-B3 0-0 8 R-K1 P-Q3 (c) 9 Q-B2 QN-Q2 10 P-K4(d) PxF 11 NxF N-B4 12 N/4-B3 NxB  
 13 QxN R-B1 14 P-K5e) FxF 15 QxQ KRxQ 16 NxF N-Q2 17 NxN RxN 18 N-N3 R/1-Q1 19  
 B-N5? P-B3! 20 B-K3 P-K4 21 P-B4? (f) P-K5 22 B-Q4 P-B4 23 BxB KxB 24 N-Q4 K-B3  
 25 K-B2 P-QR3 26 P-KR4 P-QN4 27 N-N3 R-Q4 28 R-K2 B-B1 29 R-QB1 B-K3 30 N-Q4 (g)  
 R-QB1 31 NxB KxN 32 R/1-B2 R-B5 33 R-Q2 RxR 34 RxR P-N5 35 PxF RxP 36 K-K3 R-B5  
 37 P-KN3 R-B4 38 K-K2 R-Q4 39 R-B2 K-Q3 40 P-N3 R-Q6 41 K-B2 K-Q4 42 R-N2 R-B6ch  
 43 K-N2 K-Q5 44 P-QN4 R-B6 45 P-R4 R-B2 46 P-N5 PxF 47 PxF R-QN2 48 P-N6 K-B4  
 49 K-R3 RxP 50 R-B2ch K-Q5 51 P-R5 P-K6 52 Resigns (h)

- (a) Black wanted to play the ...P-K3 line of the Benoni, but has no intention of defending an orthodox Colle. Though probably inferior to 3...P-Q4 the text does set White problems.
- (b) The psychology works. White can transpose into the Queen's Indian by 5 P-KN3. White's setup is very passive and gives Black no problems.
- (c) The position is analogous to the New York line of the Reti (Keene's Flank Openings) except that White's Bishop is misplaced, it belongs at KR2.
- (d) The typical Colle maneuver doesn't work here. Maybe P-B3 and P-N4 was a better plan. But Black already has the best of it.
- (e) Playing for a draw. Another line was R-QN1, P-QN3, P-B4, B-N2, but that may give Black too much time.
- (f) Giving Black a protected passed pawn is too costly. White should try to hold the line, while Black will advance P-KR3, P-KN4, P-B4 etc. White may stop that advance.
- (g) 30 P-B4, R-Q8 and White can go nowhere.
- (h) Playing passively for a draw may be the subtlest way of losing, but the zero on the scoreboard is just as round as if you had blown a piece.

SICILIAN DEFENCE White: Charles Johnson Black: Peter Lahde  
 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 P-Q4 PxF 4 NxF N-B3 5 N-QB3 P-Q3 6 B-K2 P-KN3 7 B-K3  
 B-N2 8 0-0 B-Q2 (a) 9 P-B4 0-0 10 P-B5 (b) N-K4 (c) 11 B-QN5 (d) BxB 12 N/4xB  
 P-QR3 13 N-Q4 QR-B1 14 FxF? RxFP 15 N-B3 N/4-N5! 16 Q-Q2 (f) NxB 17 QxN N-N5  
 18 Q-B4? (g) Q-N3ch! 19 K-R1 N-B7ch! 20 RxN QxR 21 Q-N4 BxN 22 PxB RxP 23 N-N5  
 K-N2 24 P-N3 RxBP 25 Resigns

- (a) MCO rates this as too passive and gives instead 8...0-0 9 P-B4 Q-N3.
- (b) Perhaps a bit hasty. P-KN4 keeps Black guessing.
- (c) Centralization, prevents P-KN4 and threatens ...N-B5 eventually.
- (d) 11 P-KR3 threatening P-N4 and preventing the eventual catastrophe was much better here.
- (e) White's attack has now completely dissipated.
- (f) If 16 B-Q2 or B1 then Q-N3. If 16 B-B2 NxB 17 RxN RxN! 18 PxR NxF.
- (g) Any other Q move is answered by Q-N3ch and QxP.

## MID-SOUTH OPEN 1971

ALEKHINE'S DEFENCE White: James Wright(2129) Black: Ken Cohen(1637)  
 1 P-K4 N-KB3 2 P-K5 N-Q4 3 P-Q4 P-Q3 4 P-QB4 N-N3 5 P-B4 PxF 6 BxFP N-B3 7 B-K3  
 B-B4 8 N-QB3 P-K3 9 N-B3 Q-Q2 (a) 10 B-K2 0-0-0 11 0-0 P-KB3 12 PxF? (b) PxF  
 13 P-QR4 P-QR4 14 Q-N3 R-N1 15 P-Q5 Q-N2 16 R-B2 N-N5 17 N-Q4 R-K1 18 NxB FxN  
 19 N-N5 N-Q2! 20 QR-B1 N-B4 21 BxN BxB 22 B-B3 R-K6! (c) 23 Q-Q1 N-Q6! 24 K-B1 NxB  
 25 Q-B2 RxB! 26 PxR Q-N7ch 27 Resigns

Notes by Peter Lahde

- (a) MCO-10 only gives 9...B-KN5 etc. It doesn't appear good to redeploy an already developed piece. The text move (Q-Q2) is known as the Tartakover Variation.
- (b) Chess Digest (Dec '71) gives here 12 P-Q5! NxFP 13 NxN PxN and claims a slight advantage for White.
- (c) Even stronger than BxRch.

## MACK GARNER WINS U.T. EVENT

Mack Garner won the Big Orange Round Robin by overtaking Ricky Word in the last round. (See game under "Games of the Month"). Prior to the last round Mack had scored  $4\frac{1}{2}$  points, winning four, drawing Wagner, and being upset by Wheeler. Ricky had five and a draw or win would have given him the tournament win. David Ellis took clear third with  $4\frac{1}{2}$  points. An example of his play is given in his game below. But first the results:

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
1. Garner	1907	x	1	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$		
2. Word	1586	0	x	0	1	1	1	1	5-2		
3. Ellis	1554	0	1	x	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	$4\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$		
4. Kooi	1597	0	0	1	x	1	0	1	*	3-3	
5. White	1499	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	x	0	1	1	$2\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$	
6. Freeman	UNR	0	0	0	1	1	x	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$	* unplayed
7. Wagner	1499	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	0	1	x	$\frac{1}{2}$	2-5	game
8. Wheeler	1593	1	0	0	x	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	x	2-4	

QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED White: David Ellis Black: Ricky Word (Round 6)  
 1 P-Q4 P-Q4 2 P-QB4 P-K3 3 N-B3 N-KB3 4 B-N5 B-K2 5 P-K3 O-O 6 R-B1(a) P-KR3  
 7 B-R4 P-QN3(b) 8 BxN(c) BxB 9 PxF PxF 10 Q-B3 B-N2 (d) 11 B-B4 P-B3 12 B-N3 R-K1e  
 13 N-K2 N-R3(f) 14 O-O Q-Q3 15 N-B4 R-K2? 16 N-R5 R-K1?(g) 17 NxB QxN 18 QxQ PxBh  
 19 N-K2 R-B2 (i) 20 N-N3 B-B1(j) 21 N-R5 R-K3 22 P-K4! R-Q3 23 PxF P-QB4!(k)  
 24 N-N3 P-B4(l) 25 P-QR3(m) K-N2(n) 26 B-B4(o) N-N1(p) 27 PxF PxF 28 R-K1(q) R-N3  
 (r) 29 R-K8 N-R3(s) 30 BxN BxB 31 NxFch K-B3 32 P-Q6 R-Q2 33 R-K7 B-N4 34 RxF (t)  
 Black resigns (1-0)

Annotations by David Ellis

- (a) This is an interesting transposition that has been known for some time, but is seldom played. The move is designed to discourage Black from playing Lasker's or Tartakover's Defence, which, in the light of recent experience, he is ill advised to do. Black probably does best to transpose into the Orthodox Defence here with 6...QN-Q2 and 7...P-B3.
- (b) If 7...N-K5 8 BxB QxB 9 PxF! NxB 10 RxB PxF 11 B-Q3 P-QB3 12 N-K2 N-Q2 13 O-O N-B3 14 Q-N1! and White has some advantage.
- (c) An idea introduced by Bronstein in his game with Geller in 1956. White gives up two Bishops to saddle Black with a weak Queenside.
- (d) The game Bronstein-Geller, Candidates Tournament 1956, proceeded 10...B-K3 11 B-B4 P-B3 12 B-N3 Q-Q2 13 N-K2 N-R3 14 N-B4 QR-K1 15 O-O N-B2 16 P-KR3! B-K2 17 B-R4 KR-QB1 18 KR-Q1 B-Q3 19 QN-K2 N-K1 20 N-Q3 P-QN4 (Forced, or White continues with N-K5) 21 B-N3! and White stood better.
- (e) Pachman's analysis continues 12...N-Q2 13 KN-K2 B-K2 14 O-O N-B3=.
- (f) In my opinion Black's correct plan would consist of the moves N-Q2, P-KN3, B-N2 and N-B3. The text gives White chances on both flanks.
- (g) Black should admit to his mistake last move and play ...R-K3, as taking the Bishop seems too dangerous for White after NxB, RxB 18 Q-Q1 and Black's chances have improved considerably.
- (h) Here the grandmaster would say, "The rest is a matter of technique!"
- (i) Black's only chance for counterplay lies in playing ...P-QB4, which the text prepares for. However, R-QB1 seems more prudent, as the text gives Black a dead Knight.
- (j) Black cannot allow N-B5 with the double threat of NxFch and N-Q6, forcing a trade of the defender off his Queenside.
- (k) This seems to give Black his best chances. Of course if 23...PxF 24 BxF RxB?? 25 N-B6ch.
- (l) Forced to prevent N-K4.
- (n) Ironically, Black's only chance here lies in the trap 25...R-N3 followed by P-B5 and B-R6, but against correct play, this only loses another pawn.
- (m) If B-B4 at once, Black could play N-N5 and stir up some counterplay.
- (o) Threatens 27 NxFch!
- (p) Black is in time pressure. Otherwise, he would have seen that K-N3 is, relatively speaking, the best defence.
- (q) With its first move, this Rook creates a lethal and unstoppable threat, R-K8. If B-Q2, R-K7 ties Black in knots.
- (r) A little too late to try for this unsound trap.
- (s) There is nothing better.
- (t) Black lost on time, but his position was hopeless anyway. A probable continuation would be 34...B-R5 35 P-QN3 RxB 36 PxB B-Q2 37 R-B7 KxB 38 RxB R-N1 39 RxF and White wins.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

The Memphis Chess Club elected the following new officers: President: Dr. Morris Middleton, V.P.: Ron Harvey, Treasurer: Louis Weis, Sec.: Victor Lendermon.

The H.S. Chess league in Memphis involves 12 teams engaged in round-robin play until Jan. 8. The individual H.S. tourney will conclude Jan. 29.

The University of Tennessee in Knoxville will engage Georgia Tech in a match in Atlanta Jan. 8. Representing U.T. will be 1 Brian Worley, 2 Mack Garner, 3 Neal Foster, 4 Skip Williams 5 Paul Dyer 6 Richard Word 7 David Ellis 8 Guy Kooi, 9 Robert Togni and 10 David Wheeler.

A speed tourney in Nashville on Dec 20 was won by Kenny Cohen. Twelve players participated.

Greeneville, Tenn. has been starting some chess activity. Dr. Rae B. Gibson (Box 111) is promoting it in the area. Welcome to TCN.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The best offer so far for holding the match between Bobby Fischer (USA) and Boris Spassky (USSR) for the World crown comes from Yugoslavia. It is for \$60000. The match must take place before June 1972.

Boris Spassky is not faring so well in an international tourney in Moscow. He is only one point over 50% with one round to go. Stein is leading the event. Best score of a non-Russian is by Robert Byrne (USA) who is tied with Spassky. Byrne will be facing Petrosian in the last round.

## GAMES FROM RECENT EVENTS

Two ladder games from Memphis:

FRENCH DEFENCE White: James Wright Black: John Hurt  
 1 P-K4 P-K3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 N-QB3 B-N5 4 P-K5 N-K2 5 P-QR3 BxNch 6 PxB P-QB4 7 P-QR4  
 N/1-B3 8 N-B3 B-Q2 9 B-K2 O-O 10 O-O P-B3 11 B-R3 PXP 12 NXP N/N 13 P/N P-QN3  
 14 P-KB4 N-B4 15 Q-Q2 BXP 16 P-N4 N-R5 17 P-B5 B-Q2 18 R-B2 Q-K2 19 R/1-KB1 PXP  
 20 QxPch B-K3 21 Q-Q3 PXP 22 Q-K4 N-N3 23 B-B1 R/R 24 R/R R-KB1 25 R/Rch K/R 26  
 B-K3 K-B2 27 BxNP BxB 28 QxB NXP 29 Q-B5ch Q-B3 30 QxRP N-B6ch 31 K-R1 N-R5 32  
 Q-R5ch K-B1 33 Q-K2 Q-B3ch 34 K-N1 N-B6ch 35 K-B1 Q-B3 36 K-N2 N-R5ch 37 K-R3  
 P-KN4 38 Q-B2 N-B4 39 Q-B3 K-N2 40 B-B2 N-R3 41 QxQ KxQ 42 B-N3 P-R4 43 B-B7 P-R5  
 44 BXP P-R5 44 BXP P-R6 45 BXP P-R7 46 B-Q4ch K-B4 47 P-B4 K-K5 48 B-B3 mate in 3.

FRENCH DEFENCE White: Edward Middleton Black: John Hurt  
 1 P-K4 P-K3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 PXP PXP 4 B-Q3 B-Q3 5 N-KB3 N-K2 6 O-O N/1-B3 7 R-K1  
 B-KN5 8 P-B3 Q-Q2 9 N/1-Q2 O-O-O 10 P-N4 QR-K1 11 N-N3 N-N3 12 B-Q2 N-R5 13 B-KB1  
 R/R 14 B/R BxN 15 PxB Q-B4 16 N-Q2 Q-B5 17 B-R3ch K-Q1 18 N-B1 NXPch 19 K-N2 N-R5+  
 20 K-N1 R-K1 21 B-N2 NxB 22 KxN N-K2 23 B-Q2 Q-K5ch 24 K-N1 Q-N3ch 25 K-R1 N-B4  
 26 N-N3 N-R5 27 B-K3 BxN 28 Resigns

Two games from the U.T. Chess Club ladder:

SICILIAN DEFENCE White: Payne Black: Paul Dyer  
 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 P-Q4 PXP 4 NXP N-KB3 5 N-QB3 P-QR3 6 QB-N5 P-K3  
 7 B-Q3 P-K4 8 N-B3 B-K2 9 BxN BxB 10 N-Q2 B-N4 11 O-O O-O 12 N-Q5 P-B4 13 PXP BXP  
 14 P-KB4 BxB 15 PxB/3 BXP 16 NxB R-B5 17 R/R P/R 18 Q-B3 Q-N3ch 19 K-R1 N-Q2 20  
 N-B4 Q-B3 21 QXP P-Q4 22 N-R5 Q-N3 23 R-KB1 24 Q-B1 Q-B4 25 Q/R Q/N 26 Q-B1 Q-B4  
 27 Q-K1 K-B1 28 P-KR3 N-B3 29 Q-K5 Q-K2 30 Q-B5 P-KN3 31 Q-B4 Q-B2 32 Q-N8ch K-N2  
 33 Q-K5 Q-K1 34 Q-B3 P-KN4 35 P-KN4 Q-B3 36 Q-Q2 P-R3 37 P-N3 P-Q6ch 38 K-R2 Q-KB6  
 39 Q-N4 QXP 40 Q-K7ch K-N3 41 Q-K6 Q-Q7ch 42 K-R1 Q-B7 43 Q-QN6 Q-B3ch 44 K-R2  
 P-Q6 45 Q-N1 P-Q7 White resigns

IRREGULAR OPENING White: David Ellis Black: Paul Dyer  
 1 P-Q4 P-K3 2 P-K4 P-QB4 3 P-Q5 N-KB3 4 PXP BXP 5 P-K5 N-Q4 6 P-B4 N-K2 7 N-QB3  
 N-N3 8 P-KB4 P-QN3 9 B-Q3 B-N2 10 Q-R5?? Q-R5ch 11 QxQ N/Q 12 N-B3 NXPch 13 K-B2  
 N-R4 14 K-B4 BxB 15 NxB N/N 16 KxN N-QB3 17 B-K3 B-K2 18 QR-Q1 O-O-O 19 N-Q6ch  
 BxN 20 RxB KR-KB1 21 K-K4 R-B2 22 P-KR4 Q-B1 23 R-KB1 N-K2! 24 R-KN1 N-B4 25 R-Q2  
 P-KN3 26 R-N4 R-Q1 27 K-B3 P-R4 28 R-B3?? and White resigns

The last two games are from the U.T. Chess Club Newsletter, Dec. 1971 issue.

## ALABAMA - TENNESSEE MATCH 1971

ALEKHINE'S DEFENCE White: John Hurt (2048) Black: Milan Momic (2308)  
 1 P-K4 N-KB3 2 P-K5 N-Q4 3 N-QB3 NxBN 4 NFXN P-QB4 5 P-Q4 N-B3 6 N-B3 PXP 7 PXP P-Q3  
 8 PXP P-K3 9 B-K2 BXP 10 O-O 0-0 11 B-K3 P-QN3 12 P-QB4 B-N2 13 R-QB1 N-K2 14 Q-N3  
 R-B1 15 P-B5 B-B2 16 B-KN5 B-Q4 17 B-QB4 P-B3 18 BxB QxB 19 QxQ NxB 20 B-Q2 KR-Q1  
 21 PXP BXP 22 KR-Q1 K-B2 23 K-B1 P-N4 24 P-N4 P-KR4 25 P-KR3 PXP 26 PXP RxB 27 RxB  
 R-QN1 28 R-B2 B-B2 29 N-K1 R-KR1 30 N-N2 B-N3 31 R-B4 R-R8ch 32 K-K2 R-R8 33 R-R4  
 R-KN8 34 K-B3 R-Q8 35 K-K2 R-QN8 36 K-B3 R-N7 37 B-R5 P-B4 38 N-K3 NxBN 39 PxBN K-B3  
 40 BxB PxB 41 R-R3 R-N8 42 R-B3 R-B8ch 43 K-N2 R-QR8 44 P-R3 PXP 45 R-N3 P-N4  
 46 K-N3 R-N8ch 47 K-B2 R-QR8 48 RXP RXP 49 R-K5 R-QR8 50 K-N3 R-N8ch 51 Drawn

FRENCH DEFENCE White: Francis Banffy (1924) Black: John Hurt (2048)  
 1 P-K4 P-K3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 N-Q2 N-KB3 4 P-K5 KN-Q2 5 P-KB4 P-QB4 6 P-B3 N-QB3  
 7 N/2-B3 Q-N3 8 N-K2 B-K2 9 P-KN3 P-B3 10 B-R3 P-B4 11 P-KN4 P-N3 12 NFXP NFXP  
 13 R-KN1 N-B1 14 P-N3 PXP 15 PXP B-Q2 16 B-K3 N-N3 17 K-B2 R-QB1 18 N-N5 BxBN 19 RxB  
 K-B2 20 N-B3 N/B3-K2 21 R-B1 R-B2 22 Q-R5 K-N2 23 R/5-N1 R/1-QB1 24 Q-N5 N-N1 25  
 BXP PxB 26 NXP RxB 27 NxB R/1-B7ch 28 K-N3 RxBch 29 BxB PxBN 30 P-Q5 B-N4 31 QXP  
 R-N7ch 32 KxB N-R5ch 33 K-B2 NxB 34 K-B3 N/3-K2 35 K-K4 N-B1 36 B-Q4 K-B1 37 P-B5  
 B-B8 38 P-K6 K-K2 39 B-B2 N-B3ch 40 K-Q4 N-Q3 41 B-R4 NXPch 42 K-K5 NxB 43 P-Q6ch  
 K-K1 44 KxBN N-N3 45 K-N7 B-Q6 46 K-B6 N-B1 47 P-K7 N-Q2ch 48 K-K6 B-N8 49 P-KR4  
 BXP 50 P-R5 BXPch and White resigned shortly.

CARO-KANN DEFENCE White: Ken Cohen Black: Martin Burrell  
 1 P-K4 P-QB3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 N-QB3 PXP 4 NXP N-KB3 5 NxBN NFXN 6 B-KB4 B-B4 7 N-KB3  
 P-K3 8 N-R4 B-N3 9 B-QB4 B-Q3 10 B-R6 Q-R4ch 11 P-B3 N-Q2 12 P-KN4 Q-B2 13 Q-B3  
 B-B1 14 BxB RxB 15 NxB RFXN 16 O-O-O 0-0-O 17 K-N1 R-R1 18 P-KR4 R-R2 19 B-Q3  
 P-KB4 20 P-R5 PXP 21 QxNP PXP 22 Q-B3 P-KB4 23 RXP RxB 24 QxR N-B1 25 Q-R6 Q-B2  
 26 P-KB4 Q-N3 27 R-R1 K-Q2 28 P-R3 K-Q3 29 Q-R8 K-Q2 30 R-R6 Q-K1 31 B-B4 K-B1  
 32 Q-K5 K-Q2 33 Q-R5 P-R3 34 Q-N6 R-N1 35 Q-R7 K-B1 36 R-R8 K-B2 37 BXP Q-B1  
 38 B-B4 R-R1 39 Q-B5 K-Q2 40 Q-K5 Q-K1 41 R-N8 R-Q1 42 R-N7ch K-B1 43 Q-B7 mate

GUICO PIANO (by Transposition) White: Peter Lahde Black: Charles Johnson  
 1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-QB3 N-KB3 3 B-B4 B-B4 4 N-B3 N-B3 5 P-Q3 Q-K2? 6 B-KN5! N-Q5  
 7 N-Q5 Q-Q3 8 BxB PxB 9 P-B3 N-B3 10 N-R4 K-Q1 11 N-B5 Q-B1 12 Q-R5 P-Q3 13 NxBP  
 BxBN 14 QxB Q-K2 15 P-QR4 N-N1? 16 P-QN4 BXPch 17 KxB Q-B1 18 KR-KB1 Q-R3 19 K-N1  
 Black resigned

CARO-KANN DEFENCE White: Tony Estes Black: Herman Smith  
 1 P-K4 P-QB3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 N-QB3 P-K4(?) 4 PXP BXP 5 PXP N-QB3 6 QXP B-K3 7 QxQch  
 RxB 8 B-QN5 B-QB4 9 N-B3 N-K2 10 N-K4 O-O?? 11 NxB N-QN5 12 O-O NXP 13 NxB PxBN  
 14 B-N5 Black resigns

DUTCH DEFENCE White: Ken Ziemak Black: John Reh  
 1 P-Q4 P-KB4 2 P-KN3 N-KB3 3 B-N2 P-K3 4 N-KR3 B-K2 5 O-O 0-0 6 P-QB4 P-Q3 7 N-B3  
 P-K4 8 PXP PXP 9 Q-N3 P-B3 10 P-B5 K-R1 11 N-KN5 N-Q4 12 N-R3 NxBN 13 QxN B-B3  
 14 Q-B2 B-K3 15 B-K3 Q-K2 16 P-N3? P-B5! 17 PXP BxBN 18 BxB PXP 19 BXP BxB 20 B-Q6  
 Q-N4 21 K-R1 B-K4! 22 BxB Q-B5 23 BXP BxB 24 B-B6? B-K4 25 White resigned

We would be happy to publish more games from this event if players would submit us their games (Editor).

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