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## EDITORIAL

The U.S. Chess Federation experienced a severe loss in membership of 10% from a year ago. (See article on the USCF meeting in this issue for further details). Because of the qualifying matches and the world title match a dramatic increase in membership was gained during 1971 to 1973. Of course the big coverage by the press was really what brought this about. Now with the headlines on chess gone we are having growing pains again.

Tennessee also has not come out of this without reversals. Our USCF membership has declined from a high of 629 in 1973 to 612 this year. Good examples of this decline is the attendance at tournaments. The recent Bluff City tournament in Memphis attracted only 28 players. ETSU in Johnson City was disappointed with a turnout of 14 and blamed it on lack of local support. The just concluded Music City Fall Open had only 34 players and suffered its first financial loss.

What can be done about this trend? Tournaments are well and good but they are not the answer. We should concentrate our efforts on potential new players that are just learning about the game. What we need to do is to have programs that will appeal to the high school player and even before. High school chess leagues and unrated tourneys with no or very low entry fees, I think, are the answer. What are you doing about it in your city?

## TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

- Nov 14-15 MIDDLE TENNESSEE NOV. OPEN, 4-SS, 50/2, Smyrna City Hall, Smyrna, Tenn. Entry fee \$7.50. TCA req. Prizes: 1st 50%; 2nd 25%; 3rd 10%; B 5%; C 5%; D/E/Unr 5% after expenses. Reg. 6:45-7:30 PM 11/14. Rds 7:30; 9-2-7. ENT: Marcus Stinson, 513 E. Kings Road, Smyrna, TN 37167.
- Nov 15 ETSU SOKOLKY OPEN, 3-SS, 40/90, ETSU Univ. Center, Johnson City, Tenn. EF \$5; \$4 to ETSU CC Members. TCA Req. for res. Prizes: (based on 25) 40-30-15; medals to top C, D/E, Unr.; 3-0 score wins free entry to next tmnt. Reg. 9:30-10 AM, rounds 10:15-2:30-5:30 (earlier if agreed). ENT: John Nichols, 825 W. Maple St., Johnson City, TN 37601.
- Nov 15-16 3rd VOLUNTEER CHESS CLASSIC (Chattanooga). See CL&R and last TCN issue.
- Nov 28-30 16th ANNUAL MID-SOUTH OPEN, 6-SS, 40/2, Holiday Inn-Central, 1835 Union, Memphis, TN 38104. In 2 sections: OPEN: EF \$25, TCA req. for Tenn. resident. PRIZES (based on 50 entries) 300-200-100, A, B, C/below, Unr. each 50-35-25 (dependent on entries). Trophies to top 3, top A, B, C/below, Unr. Registr. at noon. AMATEUR (under 1600?) EF \$20, TCA req. for state res. Prizes: (based on 40 entries) 150-100-50, D, E/below, Unr each 40-30-20 (dependent on entries) Trophies to top 3, top D, E, Unr. Reg. 10AM to noon. BOTH: Rounds: 2-7, 9-2, 8-1; HR 13-18. ENT: C. C. Little, 1223 Aubra Rd., Memphis, TN 38111.
- Dec 3 SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION BY US CHAMPION WALTER BROWNE (Johnson City)
- Dec 4 SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION BY US CHAMPION WALTER BROWNE (Chattanooga)
- Dec 13-14 TENNESSEE LUCKY OPEN #5 (Nashville). See ad this issue.
- Dec 27 JACKSON HOLIDAY TORNADO, 4-SS, 40/1, Downtowner Motor Inn, Baltimore and Highland, Jackson, TN 38301. EF: \$5 (TCA req. for residents.) Prizes: \$4 40 1st, others per entries. Trophy to 1st. Reg. 8:30-9:15 AM, 1st rd 9:30 AM. ENT: David Baker, 517 Greenwood St., Jackson, TN 38301.
- Jan 1-3 NEW YEARS OPEN, (Chattanooga). See ad this issue.
- Jan 17-18 TENNESSEE STATE HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIP, 5-SS, 50/2, Mercury Motel, 411 Murfreesboro Rd., Nashville, TN 37210. EF \$6, TCA required. Special rate to newcomers: \$10, includes EF, TCA, and USCF (without subscrip.) Open to all Tenn. Junior and Senior HS students. TEAM PRIZES: 1st Team \$100 toward expenses in Southern HS tournament. Trophies to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd teams. INDIVIDUAL PRIZES: 1st \$50, 2nd \$30, 3rd \$20. Trophies to top 3. Additional prizes as entries permit. Reg. 8 AM to 9 AM 1/17. Rds 9:30-2-7; 9-2. ENT to Tenn. Chess Assoc., 303 Belinda Dr., Hermitage, TN 37076.
- 1975-76 PAN-AMERICAN INTERCOLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIP, Dec 26-30, Columbus, Ohio.
- A Chess tournament for College Teams. Consult Chess Life & R for details.
- IMPORTANT NOTICE TO TCA MEMBERS - This will positively be the last issue for 1975. If you did not play in the TENN. OPEN or in a tourney thereafter you probably have not yet signed up. Send \$3 to Tenn. Chess Assn., 2609 Sailboat Ct., Nashville 37217.

WALTER BROWNE CURRENT U.S. CHAMPION  
TO APPEAR IN CHATTANOOGA

The Chattanooga Chess Club has scheduled Mr. Walter Browne, current U.S. champion, to give a lecture and conduct a simultaneous exhibition, on December 4th Thursday night. The exhibition will be held at the beautiful new 12 story downtown Sheraton Hotel in Chattanooga Tennessee. Those interested in participating please contact Mr. Robert Mayer, P.O. Box 9452, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37412. The cost is \$7.50 per board, which includes playing Mr. Browne plus his lecture. Those wishing not to participate but to observe the exhibition may do so. The gallery fee is only \$1.00 per person. The lecture will begin at 7:00 pm. Participants please bring your own equipment. Please reserve your board space as soon as possible.

**WALTER BROWNE ALSO TO BE IN JOHNSON CITY**

U.S. Champion Walter Browne will also give a simultaneous exhibition in Johnson City on December 3 (Wednesday). All participants will get free entries, whether ETSU students or not. If more than 30 entries there will be a charge after that. So get in your entries early. Write to John Nichols for free entries and further details at 825 W. Maple St., Johnson City, TN 37601.

**DYERSBURG HIT BY STORM**

This year's Dyerburg Fall Open was hit by M.C. Wright of Nashville who decisively swept over the field of 24 players with terrific speed to win with a perfect score of 5-0, a clear point above his next competition, David Baker and Henry J. Robinson who tied for second with scores of four. The climax came in the last round when M.C. Wright defeated John V. Ragan (2134) of St. Louis (See game also in this issue). Dyersburg's unique location habitually enables them to draw strong players from throughout the region. The Fall Open was no exception with half the rated players rated "B" class or above. (From Mid-South Chess Advocate)

**BRUCE STEARNS WINS MUSIC CITY FALL**

Bruce Stearns emerged the winner in the latest Music City Fall tournament held Oct. 25-26 by winning the first four games and then agreeing to a grandmaster draw in the final round to clinch the title. Two players scored 4-1 to tie for second, Donny Gray (AR) and Mickey Pacht of Nashville. Pacht's was only rated 1240, but should now increase his rating dramatically. The event attracted only 34 players, a new low for Music City events. Peter Lahde was Tournament Director.

**NEWS IN BRIEF**

The Memphis Chess Club, founded in 1900 as the Memphis Chess & Checker Club, will celebrate its 75th Anniversary Nov. 17/30. Highlighting the event will be a visit by International Grandmaster Bisguier who will give a series of lectures and simultaneous exhibitions.

The Chattanooga Chess Club recently elected the following new officers: President: James Cobb, Vice-President: Robert Mayer, Secretary-Treasurer: James Reynolds, TD: Robert Gamm. Big events are planned with Walter Browne Simul. and New Year's Open.

The Nashville Championship Preliminaries are reaching their final stages. There are 16 players engaged in one six and two five player round robins. The top two in each section qualify for the finals. We will give complete results next issue.

## WHERE TO PLAY CHESS

**CHATTANOOGA** - The Chattanooga Chess Club has taken up new quarters and meets at a Lutheran Church, 720 South Germantown Circle. The club meets from 7:30 to 11:00 PM every Thursday night.

**MEMPHIS** - The Memphis Chess Club meets at the Northeast YMCA, 894 Isabelle Street, Memphis, TN 38122. They have two meeting nights, Tuesdays from 7-11 PM and Fridays from 7 PM to midnight.

**MURFREESBORO** - The MTSU Chess Club meets at the University Center, Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM, room 315. The mailing address is MTSU Chess Club, Box 6037, MTSU, Murfreesboro, TN 37132.

**NASHVILLE** - The Music City Chess Assn. has one club that meets at Home Federal, 2521 Lebanon Road, Donelson, TN 37214. The meeting night is Mondays at 7:30 PM, except for the second week when it meets on the second Tuesday following the second Monday. (We will from time to time announce the other club meetings as they are received.)

## ETSU BLACK BISHOP OPEN

The ETSU Black Bishop Open was held on Oct. 18 and attracted 24 players. The event was divided into three eight player sections. Gary Bawgus directed. The respective winners in each section were as follows:

SECTION I	Meeks Vaughan	3-0	\$20
	Mack Garner	2-1	7.50
	Walter Isbill	2-1	7.50
SECTION II	Keith Lowrey	3-0	\$20
	Randy Pafford	2-1	7.50
	Paul Calloway (N.C)	2-1	7.50
SECTION III (first tournament for new members)	Kenny Simpson	3-0	\$20.00
	James E. Richardson	2-1	7.50
	James S. Bacon	2-1	7.50

(This event was reported by Gary Bawgus)

## BRILLIANCY PRIZES AWARDED

The Brilliancy Prizes for each of the three divisions in the **TENNESSEE OPEN** were awarded and ten dollars sent to each of the winners. The selections were made by Mack Garner, Games Editor of **TENNESSEE CHESS NEWS**. In addition Mack has annotated the Brilliancy Prize Game and in case of the Open and the Novice also the runner-up game. The games for the Open and the Amateur are in this issue. The games from the Novice Division will appear next issue. The winners for each division are:

OPEN: Kelles Tate (Kingsport)  
 AMATEUR Herbert Mueller (GA)  
 NOVICE Trevor Cook (Murfreesboro)

Conclusion of Amateur Brilliancy Game: Richard Carpenter(White) Herbert Mueller(Black)  
 (e) White mercifully throws himself upon his sword. 17. P-KN3 allows Q-B6 (threatening N-R6 mate) 18 Rxd1, Qxd1, etc. At least this was a short game. This was the only game worth publishing in this section.

**FRENCH DEFENCE** White: R. Minor (1829) Black: M. Bock (1740) **BLUFF CITY OPEN**  
 1 d4 e6 2 e4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 5 a3 Bxc3 6 bc Qc7 7 f4 Bd7 8 Nf3 Ne7 9 Be2 Ba4  
 10 0-0 cd 11 cd Qxc2 12 Bb5ch Nbc6 13 Bxa4 Qxd1 14 Rxd1 0-0 15 Bb2 Na5 16 Bc3 Nc4  
 17 Bb4 Rfc8 18 Bxe7 Nb2 19 Bb5 Nxd1 20 Rxd1 a6 21 Bc3 (1-0) **MID-SOUTH CHESS ADVOCATE**

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING OF  
THE TENNESSEE CHESS ASSOCIATION

The first session of the annual business meeting of Tennessee Chess Association was called to order by TCA President John Hurt on Saturday, August 30, 1975.

Mr. Hurt announced that the purpose of this first session was to ratify the proposed TCA Constitution in order to proceed with the nomination and election of officers for the coming year during the regularly scheduled meeting on Sunday, August 31, 1975. In the absence of the Secretary, Mr. Hurt asked Mrs. Carol Little to act as secretary for the meeting.

Mr. Hurt called for questions on the proposed Constitution. The following questions were raised:

- 1) Regarding the paragraph on out-of-state organizers, (Article V, Section 6 (f)(7)), if the three USCF Delegates and the Tournament Coordination Director are to make up a screening committee, what happens in the event of a tie?

Mrs. Little answered that the USCF has allotted to Tennessee three Delegates and three alternate delegates, thus with these six and the Tournament Coordination Director, a majority vote can be obtained.

- 2) Regarding Article V, Section 6(f)(7), how is the matter of getting permission from the state association enforceable since the USCF doesn't give states that power.

Mr. Little (USCF Delegate) stated that the USCF did not make a ruling on this matter at the USCF business meeting. Mr. Cornwell stated that this matter is a situation that gives the membership of TCA an opportunity to hang together by means of an economic boycott.

- 3) Regarding Article 5, Section 1, a motion was made by Mr. Cornwell that because of the difficulty in getting an adequate number of people to fill TCA offices, perhaps an officer could also be a delegate. He made a motion, and it was unanimously resolved that, Section 1, of Article 5, read: "No person may hold more than one TCA office at one time, except in the case of USCF Delegates."

- 4) Kenny Thomas observed that Article IV, Section 2(a) was worded ambiguously and made a motion that in Article IV, Section 2(a), the parenthetical clause "except for the Tennessee Championship" be dropped. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

There were no further questions and Mr. Hurt asked for a motion to accept the Constitution, as published in TCN with the above corrections made a part of the Constitution, be accepted. A motion was made, seconded and it was unanimously resolved that the TCA Constitution, as published in TCN with the above corrections, be accepted.

Mr. Hurt then, in accordance with the newly ratified Constitution, nominated the following persons to the nominating committee for the purpose of making nominations for and presenting them to the membership the following day:

James Wright, Chairman  
Michael Bock  
Jim Roberdeau  
Mack Garner  
Glen Cornwell  
Jim Coveneau

A motion was made and it was unanimously resolved that the meeting should adjourn until the following day.

The annual meeting of the TCA resumed at 2:40 p.m., August 31, 1975 and was called to order by Mr. John Hurt.

The following report from the nominating committee was presented by Mr. James Wright:

President: Mack Garner  
Secretary-Treasurer: James C. Little  
Postal Director: Stan Dinson  
Newsletter Editor: Peter Lahde  
Delegate (E. Tennessee): Mack Garner  
Alternate Delegate (E. TN): Gary Bawgus  
Delegate (Middle Tennessee): Mike Roman  
Alternate Delegate (Middle TN): Joe Roberdeau  
Delegate (W. Tennessee): James C. Little  
Alternate Delegate (W. TN): Gary Pylant

Mr. Hurt asked if there were any nominations from the floor. The following nominations were made:

Gary Pylant nominated Jim Little for President.  
Kent Meadows nominated Mr. Hurt for President. Mr. Hurt declined.

Mr. Hurt asked for a standing vote for the persons nominated for President. There was a unanimous vote for Mr. Garner. Mr. Hurt then asked for a motion to accept the nominations of the nominating committee by a unanimous vote. A motion was made and it was unanimously resolved that the officers as nominated by the nominating committee be accepted.

Mr. Cornwell asked to have the floor, at which time he introduced Mr. Robert Mayer of Chattanooga. Mr. Mayer announced that his radio station, WMOK, will be sponsoring a New Year's Open to be held at the Chattanooga Sheraton Inn. They will be attempting to make this an annual event and urged that all members of TCA support this tournament.

Mr. Hurt then introduced Mack Garner who made a statement of his plans for TCA as its new president:

- 1) To Tighten the communication gap between cities for more advanced notice of tournaments.
- 2) To have more TCA sponsored tournaments, thus a stronger association.

Mr. Hurt then asked that all organizers submit their tournament schedules for 1976 to Mr. Cornwell, Tournament Coordination Director and urged that the Delegates and Alternates get together with the TCD on the out-of-state organizer question.

James Little opened discussion regarding affiliates with state organizations. He proposed that the affiliates each pay \$10 per year to the TCA, as affiliate dues. Raise state dues to \$4 per year. Each affiliate who collects dues would collect \$4, reimburse TCA \$3 and retain \$1 commission for collecting the dues.

A motion was made by Robert Garner that the new president appoint a committee to discuss paid affiliation dues changes and make a report at the 1976 business meeting. The motion carried.

Due to the fact that the meeting had taken such a long time and membership was anxious to get on with the fourth round of the tournament, the report of Mr. James C. Little on the USCF annual business meeting was suggested that the minutes be published in TCN.

There was no further business to come before the meeting and after motion duly made and seconded it was resolved that the meeting would stand adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Little  
Acting Secretary

**CONCLUSION OF "NOTES OF USCF BUSINESS MEETING" by James C. Little**

27. Chess Life & Review--A proposal that an editorial board be appointed by the Policy Board which could include Policy Board members was made on behalf of Region VI. Delegates differed on whether CL&R appealed to the general chess audience. The plan was tabled on motion of Col. Edmondson and it was stated that the new Policy Board would probably establish a committee on CL&R Editor Burt Hochberg suggested that "purely local" events be dropped from the Here & There section and more coverage go to events of national and regional importance. Denis Barry (NJ) insisted all state championships get coverage. Wesley Koehler (KS) wanted Here & There on successive pages. These motions passed.

TENNESSEE POSTAL CHESS  
By Stan Bimson

- (1) I have written many letters trying to get game reports from persons playing in the '74 tournament in an effort to finalize all sections. It seems that some game reports have not been sent in and I want to remind every postal player that the winner of a postal game, whether white or black wins, is required to send the game result to the postal director. The winner then should watch TCN for the verification of his report in the results section of the postal chess news. I do not understand why anyone, after spending time, energy and money to play a postal chess game, would then not follow through by reporting the game and getting credit (postal rating) for their accomplishment. If you have not seen your game reported in the results section please write and let's get my file and your record correct.

Looking at the results section of this report you will see some of the last '74 sections to report. There is still one (1) section not heard from but I intend to get this section finalized and have the '74 Finals mailed by Nov. 15. The winners of each section to date are as follows: TC-1-74 Bill Irwin and Mike Bennett, TC-2-74 G. E. Fawbush, TC-3-74 David Nuckols, TC-4-74 Mark Ishee and Wally Jordan, TC-5-74 Michael Roman and (two possibles), TC-6-74 John Logue and M. Ellis, TC-7-74 Richard Seales and M. Ellis, TC-8-74 Paul Dyer and Mike Bennett. Our congratulations and good luck to all in the '74 Finals.

- (2) The '75 tournament is progressing with reports coming in every month. The deadline for reporting preliminary rounds of the '75 tourney will be June 30, 1976 by which time all remaining games should be submitted for adjudication purposes.
- (3) The U.S. Post Office has given us (postal players) great news. They have lowered the post card rate to 7¢ which means that all our fun and frustration will not burden our pockets as much. I hope this reduced postal rate may encourage some of you not playing postal chess to play a section and rekindle the desire for some past postal players.
- (4) Game Results: (All games received on or before 10/20)

TC-2-74	McGinnis 1 - Stephenson 1
TC-3-74	Carter 1 - Nuckols 0
TC-4-74	Jordan 1 - Tucker 0(F)
	Kruglbwicz 2 - Tucker 0(F)
TC-8-74	Bennett, Nuckols, Dyer 2 - Bebout 0
TC-1-75	Rutter 1 - Ousley 1
TC-2-75	Searles 2 - Groeniger 0
	Wall 1½ (1+½) - Groeniger ½
TC-3-75	Fawbush 1 - Ishee 0
	Fawbush 1 - Ousley 0

- (5) Rating: (Only those rating that have changed are being shown)

Bebout	461	McGinnis	431
Bennett	644	Nuckols	551
Carter	513	Ousley	670
Dyer	722	Rutter	424
Fawbush	968	Searles	942
Groeniger	488	Stephenson	500
Ishee	501	Wall	796

- (6) Miscellaneous:
- (A) The '76 Tournament will be starting next newsletter. If you have finished a section or want to start one be on the lookout for January's TCN.
- (B) Want your postal game printed?! Send it in.
- (C) If you are having problems or have questions on postal chess please write; Stan Bimson, 227 Southburn Dr., Hendersonville, Tenn. 37075.

## NOTES OF USCF BUSINESS MEETING

by James C. Little, USCF Delegate from Tennessee

A legal quorum was obtained for the first time since 1965 with 176 delegates attending, at a cost to the USCF of about \$20,000. It was necessary to get this quorum so that the delegates could legally change the by-laws to conform with the Illinois State statutes.

The delegates were in session on Saturday and Sunday, August 16 & 17, for over 18 hours. In addition to this there were workshops on tournament directing, states and regions, USCF membership, chess journalism, informal by-laws discussions, and a demonstration of computerized pairing systems and chess games.

## DELEGATES MEETING:

1. National Elections--the returns were counted in public during the 6th round of the US Open. The first and probably the last time it will be done because of the noise and confusion of the on-lookers. Of the 339 eligible voters, 326 voted, which was one of the highest returns that they have ever had.

President: George Koltanowski (224 votes)  
 National VP: Townsend (192), Verber (129)  
 Secretary: Hyder (213), Dubeck (112)  
 Eastern Reg. Rep: Goichberg (117), Dudley (109), Denker (95)  
 Western Reg. Rep: Thackrey (229), Mann (89)  
 Regional VP's: I - George Mirijanian, II - Roland Benoit, III - Peter Hopkins, IV - James Gates, V - Larry Paxton, VI - Harold Winston, VII - Michael Rice, VIII - Russel Miller.  
 (Region IV - James Gates (15), James Little (9), Al Lipkin (4))

2. Membership--on June 30, 1975, the USCF had 53,588 members, a drop of over 10% from 59,777 in 1974. A report by Prof. Arpad E. Elo on ratings was very disheartening. A survey on ratings in 1974 shows an average player to have a rating of 1380, established tournament player 1530, and a provisional player 1210. The survey also shows regardless of competition the flow of points was going to players below the median. With the overall average rating to be 300 points below the established tournament players, the number of tournament games in 1974 was 320,000 with 36,000 people averaging 10 games per person for the year. The major decrease was caused by the huge influx of new players and a drop in the established players. In 1973 there were 4,500 dropouts with an average rating of 1722; of the 320 dropouts surveyed in 1974, the average was a rating of 1753. He proposed a system of feed-back points along with the bonus points to help stabilize the loss of points to higher players by those who are rapidly rising new talent.

3. The 1976 US Open will most likely be in Fairfax, Virginia.

4. FIDE--A report was given by Fred Cramer, FIDE Zonal President, in which he expressed an urgency of restructure of USCF policy in FIDE and International affairs be established by the Policy Board. There was also a list of proposals given by Cramer and others as to USCF policy in the future.

5. A recommendation for family memberships was tabled for further study.

6. Intercollegiate Championship will be held at Ohio State University.

7. Board of Delegates ratified all past acts of Policy Board and Past Board of Delegates and all acts of officers to this time.

8. A motion that one-third of the delegates constitutes a quorum passed.

9. A motion that proxy voting be illegal for the Board of Directors passed.

10. A motion that financial statements for all national tourneys be available at every delegates meeting to present for each fiscal year passed.

11. A motion for indemnification of officers and Policy Board was tabled.

12. Computerization--is proceeding on schedule. Eric Bone reported that all USCF members will receive numbers and tournament crosstables with new ratings will be made available. January 1, 1976 is the expected date for full implementation. With computerization, "Operation Feedback" will go into effect to prevent deflation of established players' ratings.

13. Finances--USCF's total income for the last fiscal year was \$739,626.26 and its net gain \$2,252.93. Financial breakdowns on a series of national tournaments were distributed, as a result of a motion by Paul Shannon (MN) at last year's meetings. The audit contained an unreserved verification of its figures. It costs about \$5 to send CL&R to each member.
14. Policy Board--will consist of 8 members: President, National VP, Secretary, Treasurer, Immediate Past President, and three at large members. All serve staggered 3 year terms. The following implementation procedure will be used. The current six members will serve out their terms. In 1976, a treasurer and one at large member will be elected, in 1977 one at large member, and in 1978 the President, National VP, Secretary, and one at large member. Between the 1977 and 1978 elections the size of the Policy Board will temporarily increase to 9. The new size was determined by a series of straw votes, after Col. Edmondson announced costs would increase \$1400 per each Policy Board Member added. A board of 10 narrowly failed, 72-78, while 8 passed, 80-67. A very close vote determined the additional members would be elected at large rather than by a regional grouping.
15. Board of Delegates--will consist of 100 members apportioned among the states, 24 Regional Vice Presidents, and the Policy Board members. Thus it will total 130 for next year and increase to 132 after the 1976 elections. Former Life Delegates no longer have automatic votes at the meetings. Delegates will make policy and amend the By-laws. No proxies are permitted at Delegates meetings and a one-third quorum is required for all action. By-laws may be amended by a majority of Delegates present and voting.
16. Voting members--will consist of 300 apportioned among the states, 24 regional vice presidents, the policy board members and life voting members (former life delegates). This will total about 243 for the coming year. The state voting members are alternate Delegates--if they are present and their state's Delegates are absent at the annual meeting they replace the absent Delegates. States also name alternate voting members who serve as additional alternate Delegates. State affiliates must name Delegates, Voting members and Alternate Voting Members by November 1, otherwise the Senior Regional VP appoints them.
17. Fiscal Year--will now end March 31 so that financial reports can be sent out in advance of the annual meetings and, hopefully, a budget can be presented at the meetings.
18. Participating Junior Memberships--on motion of Mike Zacate (IL), effective December 1, juniors can be USCF members without CL&R subscriptions for only \$2.50 per year (50¢ affiliate commission).
19. College Club Dues--were raised to \$15 per year, at the request of the Intercollegiate Chess League of America. All other affiliate dues remain the same.
20. 30-30 & 60-60 Events--can now be rated. This passed, 57-50-9 after the members meeting forwarded it to the Delegates.
21. No Smoking--at the US Open, National Open, US Amateur and US Junior Championship, passed by 58-49-6.
22. Senior Memberships recommended and tabled for further study to establish rates.
23. FIDE--Delegates passed resolutions that USA should have more Interzonals representatives and that all players in the Interzonals qualify from tournaments or previous candidates matches (both had been passed by the members last year). A proposal to withdraw from FIDE was overwhelmingly defeated at the members meeting with only one vote cast in its favor.
24. Policy Board Members as TDs--a resolution of Fred Townsend (CT) was adopted limiting Policy Board members in directing national and international events.
25. Certified T.D.'s--at all levels must be USCF members.
26. Rules Changes--a motion that all rules changes must be ratified by the Delegates was defeated.

## MUSIC CITY FALL OPEN

Oct 25-26

1. Stearns, Bruce (Nashville)	1730	W15	W9	W6	W2	D3	4½-½	--
2. Gray, Donny (Pine Bluff, AR)	1806	W13	W7	W11	L1	W10	4-1	17
3. Pachta, Mickey (Hermitage)	1240	D14	W16	W25	W17	D1	4-1	13½
4. Robinson, Henry (Clarksville)	1815	D12	W8	D5	W9	D7	3½-1½	16½
5. Farr, Tom (Hermitage)	1630	W22	W18	D4	D10	D8	3½-1½	16
6. Meadows, Kent (Nashville)	1603	W16	W20	L1	D13	W18	3½-1½	14½
7. Cobb, James (Chattanooga)	1472	W29	L2	W26	W11	D4	3½-1½	13
8. Shumate, Steven (Nashville)	1508	W30	L4	W21	W14	D5	3½-1½	12½
9. Williams, Al (Murfreesboro)	1492	W23	L1	W22	L4	W21	3-2	14
10. Baker, David (Jackson)	1929	W24	W25	D17	D5	L2	3-2	13½
11. Ishee, Mark (Brentwood)	1614	W27	W21	L2	L7	W20	3-2	13
12. Harris, David (Chattanooga)	1433	D4	D14	D28	D18	W17	3-2	12½
13. Gaddis, Gary (Nashville)	1382	L2	W29	W32	D6	D14	3-2	12
14. Wheeler, Jerry (Nashville)	1647	D3	D12	W15	L8	D13	2½-2½	16
15. Cagle, Andrew (Nashville)	1296	L1	W23	L14	D16	W27	2½-2½	14
16. Parker, Larry (Nashville)	1032	L6	L3	W29	D15	W25	2½-2½	12½
17. Jordan, Walter (Nashville)	1629	W34	W26	D10	L3	L12	2½-2½	11½
18. Froeter, Paul (Nashville)	1440	W33	L5	W30	D12	L6	2½-2½	11
19. Chapieter, Bobby (Nashville)	1465	L20	L30	W23	D27	W26	2½-2½	8
20. Derthick, Mark (Signal Mount.)	UNR	W19	L6	L24	W22	L11	2-3	13
21. Peterson, Deane (Chattanooga)	1284	W32	L11	L8	W31	L9	2-3	11½
22. Knapp, Richard (Nashville)	1234	L5	W33	L9	L20	W31	2-3	9½
23. Burns, Mark (Nashville)	UNR	L9	L15	L19	W33	W29	2-3	9
24. Stinson, Marcus (Smyrna)	1434	L10	W31	W20	---	---	2-1	6
25. Inman, Lewis (Nashville)	1482	W31	L10	L3	D26	L16	1½-3½	12
26. Parker, Douglass (Nashville)	1005	W28	L17	L7	D25	L19	1½-3½	11½
27. Gill, Harrison (Chattanooga)	1191	L11	L32	W33	D19	L15	1½-3½	9
28. Cornwell, Glenn (Hermitage)	1518	L26	W34	D12	---	---	1½-1½	4½
29. Boldt, Edward (Jackson)	UNR	L7	L13	L16	W34	L23	1-4	11
30. Shannon, R. W. (Nashville)	807	L8	W19	L18	---	---	1-2	8½
31. Burns, Bruce (Murfreesboro)	UNR	L25	L24	W34	L21	L22	1-4	7½
32. Bowen, Albert (Nashville)	1670	L21	W27	L13	---	---	1-2	6½
33. Garrett, Sam (Nashville)	UNR	L18	L22	L27	L23	---	0-4	8
34. Knight, Sidney (Nashville)	1232	L17	L28	L31	L29	---	0-4	6

## DYERSBURG FALL OPEN

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1. Wright, Milton C.	2008	W8	W12	W4	W9	W5	5-0
2. Robinson, Henry	1823	W17	W7	W6	L5	W9	4-1
3. Baker, David	1929	W21	L6	W8	W14	W7	4-1
4. Gray, Donny (Ark)	1796	W18	W15	L1	D10	W6	3½-1½
5. Ragan, John (Mo)	2134	W11	W14	L9	W2	L1	3-2
6. Garner, Robert E.	1610	W20	W3	L2	W19	L4	3-2
7. Moody, Harold E.	1643	W22	L2	W16	W12	L3	3-2
8. Marlow, Jerry (Ark)	1458	L1	W22	L3	W18	W14	3-2
9. Wright, James A.	1798	W23	W16	W5	L1	L2	3-2
10. Farr, Tom	1664	L15	W18	W17	D4	D12	3-2
11. Moody, Eulis J.	1464	L5	W24	L12	W15	W16	3-2
12. Vollmer, Raymond	1693	W24	L1	W11	L7	D10	2½-2½
13. Sprague, Jack	UNR	L14	L17	W24	W21	D19	2½-2½
14. Bock, Michael	1692	W13	L5	W21	L3	L8	2-3
15. Chandler, Ted (KY)	1154	W10	L4	D19	L14	D21	2-3
16. Boldt, Edward	UNR	W19	L9	L7	W17	L11	2-3
17. Patterson, James (KY)	1321	L2	W13	L10	L16	W22	2-3
18. Lowe, Fred	1269	L4	L10	W20	L8	W23	2-3
19. MacKinder, John (KY)	1497	L16	W23	D15	L6	D13	2-3
20. Chilcutt, Charles	972	L6	L21	L18	Bye	W24	2-3
21. Newson, Gary	1369	L3	W20	L14	L13	D15	1½-3½
22. Haglin, Howard	1040	L7	L8	L23	W24	L17	1-4
23. Togni, Joseph	1305	L9	L19	W22	---	L18	1-4
24. Branch, Leslie	1203	L12	L11	L13	L22	L20	0-5

Here is a game by the winner:

SICILIAN DEFENCE      White: M. C. Wright      Black: John Ragan  
 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 P-Q4 PxP 4 NXP P-K3 5 B-K3 N-B3 6 NXP NPXP 7 B-Q3 P-Q4  
 8 PxP KPXP 9 O-O B-Q3 10 B-N5 O-O 11 Q-B3 B-K4 12 N-B3 Q-Q3 13 BXP BxB 14 QR-N1 R-K1  
 15 KR-K1 B-Q2 16 B-B5 QR-N1 17 BxB QxB 18 RxB QxR 19 P-KN3 Q-K4 20 N-Q1 Q-K8ch  
 21 K-N2 R-K1 22 P-B4 B-Q5 23 PxP PxP 24 24 N-B3 Q-K4 25 R-Q1 R-Q1 26 Q-Q3 B-N3  
 27 Q-N5 Q-B3 28 R-Q2 P-Q5 29 N-Q5 Q-K4 30 R-K2 Q-N1 31 P-B3 P-KR3 32 N-K7ch K-R1  
 33 N-B6 Q-Q3 34 NXR BxN 35 R-K8ch Black resigns (1-0)

**BRILLIANCY PRIZE GAMES**  
By Mack Garner

RUY LOPEZ		White: Robert Coveyou (1856)	Blacks: Kellos Tate (1490)	OPEN DIV.
1 P-K4	P-K4	9 P-Q3 (b)	P-Q4!!?	17 N-N3 (d)
2 N-KB3	N-QB3	10 PXP	NXP	18 P-KR3 (f)
3 B-N5	P-QR3	11 NXP	NxN	19 P-Q4
4 B-R4	N-B3	12 RxN	B-Q3	20 PXR
5 O-O	B-K2	13 R-K1	N-B5	21 Q-N4? (g)
6 R-K1	O-O (a)	14 BxN (c)	BxB	22 K-B2
7 P-B3	P-QN4	15 N-Q2	Q-R5!	23 Resigns
8 B-B2	B-N2	16 N-B1	QR-Q1!	

- (a) Usual is either 6...P-QN4 or 6...P-Q3. The text allows White to retreat his B to B2 in one move instead of the customary two.
- (b) Why so timid? 9 P-Q4 P-Q3 10 N-Q2 N-QR4 11 N-B1 P-B4 puts White one move ahead of the usual "Main Line". Black now takes the initiative with a gambit similar to the Marshall Gambit.
- (c) Obvious, but 14 P-B3 to close the QB off might be better. The black diagonal can always be closed by P-Q4, and 14...Q-N4; 15 P-N3 looks playable. The text looks all right though.
- (d) Unnecessary. 17 P-Q4 would prevent a later R-KN3 and threaten B-K4 or P-KN3.
- (e) Threatens ...R-KR3. 18 Q-R5 loses to BxN.
- (f) Now on 18 P-Q4 there comes R-R3; 19 P-KR3 BxP! 20 KxB QxPch 21 K-B3 (21 K-N1 Q-R7ch 22 K-B1 BxN) BxN 22 PxB (Flight by 22 K-K2 R-K1ch 23 K-Q2 B-B5ch loses too) R-B3 23 K-K2 (23 K-K4 R-K1ch 24 K-Q5 Q-Q2ch 25 K-B5 Q-Q3 mate) R-K1ch 24 K-Q2 Q-R3ch 25 K-Q3 Q-N3ch 26 K-Q2 R-B7ch 27 K-B1 RxRch 28 QxR RxRch. And on 18 N-B1 Black has BxPch; 19 NxB R-R3,
- (g) Loses cleverly. So does 21 R-K2 to Q-R7ch 22 K-B1 Q-R8ch 23 K-B2 QxPch 24 K-K1 Q-N8 mate. If 21 B-K4 then B-K6ch wins much material for Black.
- (h) If the Queen abandons the defence of N2 then ...QxP mate follows. On 23 R-R1 QxR costs too much weed and 23 B-R7ch is answered by K-R1 (On KxB 24 QxPch K-N1 25 Q-N4 and White is still alive.) Beautiful attacking play by Tate!

**AMATEUR BRILLIANCY PRIZE**

EVANS GAMBIT		White: Richard Carpenter (1421)	Blacks: Herbert Mueller (1576)
1. P-K4	P-K4	7. P-Q4	P-Q3
2. N-KB3	N-QB3	8. PXP	NXP
3. B-B4	B-B4	9. NxB	PxN
4. P-QN4	BxP	10. Q-N3	O-O
5. P-B3	B-K2 (a)	11. P-B4? (b)	NxP!
6. O-O	N-B3	12. PXP (c)	B-B4ch
			13. K-R1
			14. BxPch
			15. B-KB4
			16. K-N1
			17. Q-B4 (e)
			18. QxB
			Q-R5 (d)
			K-R1
			N-B7ch
			QxB
			N-N5ch
			QxP mate!

I am ashamed to report that the Novice games were better than these in the Amateur. Here is the Amateur Brilliancy Prize Game.

- (a) Conservative but playable. Usual is 5...B-R4. After the text White should go in for 6 P-Q4 N-R4 7 NXP NxB 8 NxN P-Q4 equalizing according to ECO (Encyclopedia of Chess Openings).
- (b) Black has defended well and has a good game. White should try 11 R-Q1 B-Q2 12 QxNP R-N1 13 QxRP NXP or 11...B-Q3 12 B-KN5 with some play.
- (c) On 12 BxPch RxB 13 PXP Q-K1 White does not have enough pieces to attack with.
- (d) Black now wins the exchange at least. (Continued on page 63)

## SECOND BRILLIANCY IN OPEN

QUEENS GAMBIT DECLINED		White: John Petter (2191)	Black: Timothy Taylor (2296)
1. P-Q4	P-Q4	13. BxB	NxN
2. P-QB4	P-K3	14. BxN	BxBch
3. N-QB3	P-QB4	15. K-B1	Q-O (d)
4. BPxP	KPxP	16. Q-Q3	B-B3
5. N-B3	N-QB3	17. R-B2 (e)	P-Q5 (f)
6. P-K3 (a)	N-B3	18. P-K4	QR-Q1
7. P-QN3	B-N5	19. P-B4	B-K2
8. B-K2	PxP (b)	20. P-N3	B-N5
9. KNxP	B-N5	21. K-N2	B-B6
10. B-N2	N-K5	22. P-K5 (g)	KR-K1
11. R-QB1	Q-R4	23. B-B5	P-KN3? (h)
12. NxN! (c)	PxN	24. B-K4	R-K3
		25. P-KR4	QR-K1 (j)
		26. P-R5	Q-N4? (k)
		27. Q-B3!	P-B4 (l)
		28. B-Q3	Q-N1
		29. B-B4	K-N2
		30. K-B1 (m)	R/3-K2
		31. PxP	P-KR3 (n)
		32. Q-R5	R-KR1
		33. QxBP (o)	Q-KB1
		34. B-B7!	RxB
		35. PxR	QxP
		36. QxQch	KxQ

and White won

- (a) The Tarrasch Defence of the Queen's Gambit Declined gives Black free play for his pieces, but has an isolated pawn to defend. White usually fianchettoes his KB to put pressure on the QP. But the plan actually adopted by White in this game seems all right too.
- (b) In this position Black has three goals:  
 (1) A king-side attack based on N-K5, B-Q3, etc.  
 (2) Domination of the QB file.  
 (3) Liquidation of the weakness by P-Q5.  
 His one great fear is the endgame. With the text he tries to gain a quick initiative, but succeeds only in exchanging pieces. He should develop instead.
- (c) The key! 12...NxN 13 NxQ NxQch 14 KxN BxBch 15 KxB BxN 16 KR-Q1 is hopeless. 12...BxNch 13 BxB NxB 14 NxQ NxQ 15 KxN drops a piece, as does 13...BxB 14 NxQ BxQ 15 KxB. Black must trade a bunch of pieces. Also bad is 12...BxB 13 NxQ BxQ 14 NxP B-KR4 (If 14...R-QN1 15 N-Q6ch and 16 KxB or NxB) 15 P-B3 NxP (B3) (BxN 16 RxB and the knight goes to R5, Q6, or B5) 16 P-QR3 and the N escapes.
- (d) The opening is over. Black has weak pawns. White an awkward K-side. In time White can cure his ills. Black's disease is permanent. Will it be fatal?
- (e) Since White's weakness is only temporary Black desperately wants an open line. So White rejects 17 RxP QxP 18 QxP. The pawns will not run away.
- (f) "Come on, open up!" White is not having any.
- (g) Black has now saved his pawns...But White has fixed up his K-side and has a menacing attack.
- (h) White will now open the KR file. Better is P-KR3 since the KN file is harder to open.
- (i) The Rook is only in the way here. 24...Q-B2 to defend the second rank looks better.
- (j) On 25...P-KR4 26 Q-B3 Q-B2 27 P-KN4 still opens Black up.
- (k) Senseless. This only gives White a tempo with his B. Better is 26...Q-B2.
- (l) He probably fears 27 PxP and 28 P-B5. But weakening the K-side looks bad. 27...R(3)-K2 28 PxP BPxP 29 P-B5 QxKP 30 PxP PxP 31 BxP R-QB1 is another try. The move played also drops the exchange.
- (m) Which White declines. He feels that Black's King has no way of escape after the Rooks are doubled.
- (n) After 31...PxP 32 R(2)-R2 the only way to stop mate is 32...R-R1 33 RxB QxB 34 RxQ. On 31...KxP follows 32 Q-R5ch K-N2 33 QxPch K-B1 34 Q-N8 mate.
- (o) The threat is Q-B6 mate. Black must give up the exchange anyway, and the rest is easy.

Recent postal game. (TC-3-75) Alekhine's Defence  
White: Mark Ishee Black: G.E. Fawbush

- 1) P-K4 N-KB3 2) P-K5 N-Q4 3) P-QB4 N-N3 4) P-Q4 P-Q3
- 5) P-B4 PxP 6) BPxP P-QB4 7) P-Q5 P-K3 8) N-QB3 PxP
- 9) PxP P-B5 10) N-B3 B-KN5 11) Q-Q4 BxN 12) PxB B-N5
- 13) BxP 0-0 14) R-KN1 P-N3 15) B-KN5 Q-B1 16) B-N3 B-B4
- 17) Q-KB4 BxR 18) 0-0-0 Q-QB4 19) P-Q6 QN-Q2 20) R-K1
- B-Q5 21) P-K6 PxP 22) BxPch. K-R1 23) Q-N4 BxN 24) PxB
- QxPch. 25) K-Q1 QxPch. 26) QxQ RxQ 27) Resigns 0-1

**SICILIAN DEFENCE** White: Kent Meadows (1603) Black: Bruce Stearns (1730)  
1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 P-Q4 PxP 3 P-QB3 PxP 4 Nxp N-QB3 5 N-B3 P-Q3 6 KB-B4 P-K3 7 0-0  
P-QR3 8 Q-K2 N-B3 9 R-Q1 Q-B2 10 B-KN5 B-K2 11 QR-B1 0-0 12 P-QR3 P-R3 13 B-K3  
KN-N5 14 B-B4 R-Q1 15 B-R2 N-B3 16 B-K3 Q-R4 17 R-N1 R-N1 18 P-N4 Q-B2 19 QR-B1  
B-Q2 20 N-Q4 (Better is 20 N-Q5!) QR-B1 21 Nxn BxN 22 N-Q5! PxN 23 PxP B-N4 0-1

**KING'S FIANCHETTO** White: Jerry Wheeler (1647) Black: Steven Shumate (1508)  
1 N-KB3 P-QB3 2 P-KN3 N-B3 3 B-N2 P-Q4 4 P-Q3 B-B4 5 QN-Q2 P-K3 6 0-0 B-B4 7 N-N3  
B-QN3 8 N-R4 B-N3 9 NxB RPxN 10 P-QB4 QN-Q2 11 B-N5 Q-K2 12 Q-B2 0-0-0! 13 PxP  
KPxP 14 BxP1 Q-Q3 15 BxKBP! N-N5! 16 Q-B3! BxP 17 B-B4 Q-K2! 18 BxP QxP 19 P-Q4  
RxP 20 Q-Q2 R-N7ch 21 K-R1 R-Rich 22 Resigns (0-1)

**SICILIAN (MORRA GAMBIT)** White: David Harris (1433) Black: Wally Jordan (1629)  
1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 P-Q4 PxP 3 P-B3 PxP 4 Nxp N-QB3 5 N-KB3 P-QR3 6 P-QR4 P-KN3 7 B-QB4  
B-N2 8 0-0 P-Q3 9 Q-K2 N-B3 10 R-Q1 Q-B2 11 B-K3 N-N5! 12 N-Q5! Q-Q1 (If Q-Q2, 13  
N-N6 forks) 13 B-N6 Q-Q2 14 N-B7ch K-B1 15 Nxr KN-K4 16 P-R3 Nxnch 17 Qxn N-K4  
18 Q-K2 P-K3 19 QR-B1 N-B3 20 B-B5 Resigns (1-0)

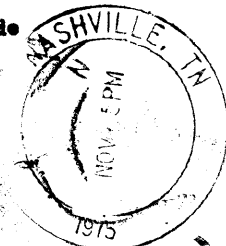
**SICILIAN DEFENCE** White: Larry Parker (1032) Black: Mickey Pachts (1240)  
1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 B-B4 B-N5! 4 N-B3! (BxPch wins a pawn) P-QR3 5 0-0  
N-KB3 6 P-KR3 B-R4 7 P-Q3 N-B3 8 Q-Q2 BxN 9 PxP N-Q5 10 K-N2 P-K4 11 P-B4 N-R4  
12 N-Q5 Nxpch! 13 Nxn Q-Nch! 14 K-R1 PxN 15 R-N1 Q-R5 16 B-N2 N-B6 17 QxP QxPch  
Resigns (0-1) (Above games from Music City Fall)

**KING'S INDIAN ATTACK** White: M. Bock (1692) Black: David Baker (1929)  
1 g3 Nf6 2 Bg2 d5 3 Nf3 Ne6 4 d3 e5 5 0-0 Bd6 6 Nbd2 0-0 7 e4 de 8 Nxe4 Nxe4 9 de  
Qe7 10 Be3 Be6 11 Ng5 Be4 12 Re1 f6 13 Nf3 Rad8 14 Nd2 Bf7 15 e3 Be5 16 Qe2 Bxe3  
17 Rxe3 Rd6 18 Rd3 Rfd8 19 Rxd6 Qxd6 20 Rd1 Bh5 21 f3 Qe5ch 22 Kf1 Bf7 23 Qb1 Qe3  
24 Qc1 Rxd2 25 Resigns (0-1) (Dyersburg Fall Open)

**ALEKHINE'S DEFENCE** White: M. C. Wright (2007) Black: R. Vollmar (1693)  
1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 e4 Nb6 4 c5 Nd5 5 Be4 e6 6 d4 Ne6 7 Bd5 ed5 8 Ne3 d6 9 ed6 cd6  
10 Nf3 Bg4 11 0-0 Bf3 12 Qf3 Nd4 13 Qd5 Ne6 14 Qb7 Ne5 15 Qe6ch Nd7 16 Reich Be7  
17 Nd5 0-0 18 Re7 Ne5 19 Qe7 Nd3 20 Qd8 Rfd8 21 b3 Kf8 22 Re7 Re8 23 Ba3 Re2 24  
Bd6ch Kg8 25 Nf4 Nf4 26 Bf4 QRe8 27 g3 Resigns (1-0) (Dyersburg Fall Open)

**PRIC DEFENCE** White: R. Minor (1829) Black: Donny Gray (1740)  
1 e4 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 Ne3 d6 4 Be3 Nd7 5 Nf3 Ngf6 6 h3 0-0 7 Qd2 e5 8 Be2 b6 9 0-0-0  
cd4 10 Nxd4 Bb7 11 f3 Rc8 12 g4 Ne5 13 h4 Ne4 14 Bxe4 Rxe4 15 h5 Nd7 16 hg6 fg6  
17 Ne6 Bxe3 18 Qh2 Bxb2ch 19 Kbl Nf6 20 Qh6 Rf7 21 Nxd8 Rb4 22 o3 Nxe4 23 cb4 Nxb6  
24 Kxb2 Rxf3 25 Bxb6 Bxe4 26 Rhf1 Rxf1 27 Rxf1 Bf5 28 Ne6 Kf7 29 Nd4 (1-0)  
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