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## "ONE...BUT A LION!"

by Glenn Cornwell

Twenty years of service is a good record in any field or hobby. Peter Lahde has put in 19 of them (almost 20, lacking but one issue) as editor of the Tennessee Chess News! The three pages he published back in 1959 marked the beginning of the Tennessee Chess Association.

Most of us realize that in order to have a good, strong chess organization we must have a means of communicating what we are doing or have done. This keeps us interested. The TCN has filled that requirement over the years, expanding to its present 12- to 16-page format. Publishing a journal like TCN is not at all easy. Other members around the state have to cooperate by serving as reporters, or there is no news to print. Pete was ever alert for each bit of news from all sections of the state and many times had to write or call someone to jog his memory. If a newsworthy item was not printed, it was because someone forgot to send it to him.

Peter's service as editor was gratis, of course, as is his continuing service as our President. He not only edited the TCN for nearly twenty years, but was the moving force behind the Association during that time. He organized and scheduled the Tennessee Opens, and in recent years the State High School Tournaments, and this year the Tennessee Closed Championship as well. Had he not done this, the TCA would have died years ago.

Most of us have tended to take all this for granted. Perhaps I am one of the few who did not, as I have been privileged to work with him the past several years, helping in the organization of the various TCA tournaments. In doing this, I have learned to appreciate his dedication to chess and his expertise in the handling of TCA affairs.

As one fellow said: "I have not always agreed with Pete." Well, neither have I, but I suppose the best thing is that I can call him a friend. Pete has been a friend to chess and the TCA during all of these years. For all of us, let me say, "Thanks, Pete."

[Aesop told how the fox teased the lioness for having but one offspring. "One...but a lion!" was her proud reply. Something of the like applies to TCN, which has had but one editor since its birth.--JDN]



## CHANGE IN PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

Tennessee Chess News will appear in November and January as in past years, but beginning in the spring of 1978 TCN will be published according to the following schedule: Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec, Feb.

As the Editor is determined that each issue of TCN will be in the mails by the 1st of the month appearing on the masthead, all correspondents and contributors are requested to submit their stories, crosstables, games, letters, and other materials for publication by the 15th of the month prior to publication at the latest. If an expected or promised report has not been received by the Editor by that date, the reserved space will be filled with other material and sent to the printer.

Remember: It is never too soon to send material for publication.

## ODDS AND ENDS

### PIRC DEFENSE

M. Smith-E. Tsitsekis

Annotated by

Emanuel Tsitsekis

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7  
5 Be2 0-0 6 Be3 Bg4 7 0-0 Nc6 8 Nd2 B:e2  
9 Q:e2 Nd7 10 Nb3 e5? [a] 11 Rad1 Re8  
12 f4 ed 13 N:d4 [b] N:d4 14 B:d4 B:d4  
15 R:d4 Qf6 16 Qc4 c6 17 f5 Nc5 [c] 18 fg  
Q:g6 19 e5? [d] b5 20 N:b5?? cb5 21 Qd5  
Ne6 22 Rd3 Qh5 23 Rg3+ Kh8 24 Rf3 Q:e5  
25 Resigns (0-1)

[a] 10...e6 11 f4 Nb5 12 Rad1 Qe7 gives  
Black a solid position. If 10...a5, simply  
11 d5 sends the horse back into the stable.

[b] Not necessary. The best that Black can  
do will only bring him equality now; e.g.,  
13...Nb6 14 N:c6 bc6 15 B:b6 ab6 16 Qc4  
Qd7 17 e5 d5 18 Qd4 Re6 19 Rfe1 Rae8  
20 Re2 f6 21 Rde1 Re8-e7 22 Kf1 Qe8 23 ef  
B:f6 24 Qd3 B:c6 25 bc6...draw!

[c] 17...g5 18 Rfd1 d5! 19 ed Nb6! 20 Qd3 cd 21 N:d5 N:d5 22 R:d5 Q:b2 23 Rd7 Qb6+  
24 Kf1 Re5 with a close situation. In this game, Black, looking for forceful moves, has  
already committed the three worst blunders of the whole chess tourney!

[d] Best for White is 19 Rf3 Qe6 20 Qe2 Qe5 21 Rg3+ Kh8 22 Rd2 Reg1 23 Qf3. After  
the text move, with all white squares well protected, White's blunder in move 20 seems  
somehow anti-climactic. [From the TN Closed Championship, Nashville, July 1977]

FRENCH DEFENSE: Parsons (1955)-Thistlethwaite (1530): 1 P-K4 P-K3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4  
3 P-K5 P-QB4 4 P-QB3 N-QB3 5 N-B3 Q-N3 6 B-Q3 PxP 7 PxP B-Q2 8 N-QB3 NxP  
9 NxN QxN 10 0-0 P-QR3 11 K-R1 B-N5 12 Q-K2 BxN 13 PxB Q-KR5 14 R-QN1 B-B3  
15 R-QN4 Q-Q1 16 Q-N4 K-B1 17 B-R3 N-K2 18 R-KB4 K-N1 19 Q-N3 N-N3 20 R-N4  
P-KR4 21 R-N5 B-K1 22 P-KB4 R-R2 23 Q-R3 P-KB4 24 BxP PxB 25 QxP R-R3  
26 P-K6 N-K2 27 Q-K5 N-N3 28 Q-Q4 Q-B3 29 QxP NxP 30 RxN QxR 31 R-B5 B-B3  
32 Q-B4 Q-K5 33 Resigns (0-1) [From Nashville Preliminaries, October 1977]

## HORT SETS NEW WORLD RECORD!

After his match with Boris Spassky, Vlastimil Hort of Czechoslovakia set a new simultaneous world record. Near Reykjavik, Iceland, he played against 550 opponents, winning 477 games, drawing 63, and losing only 10! During the nearly 2.5-hour exhibition, he walked about 50 miles, consumed over 21 quarts of orange juice, and lost 4.4 pounds.

# 16th Cumberland County Open

In the 4-round 16th Cumberland County Open, held in Crossville on October 3, Richard Carpenter and Joe Roberdeau tied for 1st place with perfect scores of 4.0. Randall Puckett captured the Class D honors, while the 1st Unrated was taken by Frank Andre. The 1000-1999 prize was shared by Ronald Roe and Clint Pearson. Rick Cumby came out on top of the 999/below group.

The 25-player event was directed by Tom Collard, with Edward Gustin assisting.

Player	Rtng	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Tot
1 Richard L. Carpenter	1678	W21	W12	W11	W3	4.0
2 Joe Roberdeau	1574	W17	W23	W7	W10	4.0
3 Jerry T. Wheeler	1771	W24	W4	W8	L1	3.0
4 Lloyd Story	1405	W15	L3	W17	W13	3.0
5 Mike Haun	1400	L9	W22	W15	W11	3.0
6 Randall Puckett	1302	L10	W25	W20	W12	3.0
7 Brian McCarthy	1465	D14	W20	L2	W21	2.5
8 Harry D. Sabine	1402	W16	W10	L3	D9	2.5
9 Frank J. Andre	0	W5	L14	W21	D8	2.5
10 John E. Caldwell	1597	W6	L8	W14	L2	2.0
11 R. Dale Whitehead	1526	W22	W13	L1	L5	2.0
12 Peter Mariolis	1403	W19	L1	W16	L6	2.0
13 Johnny Owens	1374	W25	L11	W23	L4	2.0
14 Ronald Roe	1195	D7	W9	L10	D17	2.0
15 Clinton H. Pearson	1071	L4	W24	L5	W23	2.0
16 Rick D. Cumby	969	L8	Bye	L12	W22	2.0
17 Joe Johnson	1269	L2	W19	L4	D14	1.5
18 Richard M. Vernon	1170	L20	L21	D19	W25	1.5
19 Tony J. Gustin	1004	L12	L17	D18	Bye	1.5
20 Wayne Kendrick	1405	W18	L7	L6	---	1.0
21 Mike Headrick	1338	L1	W18	L9	L7	1.0
22 Edward L. Gustin	1222	L11	L5	W25	L16	1.0
23 Steven D. Sabine	728	Bye	L2	L13	L15	1.0
24 Robert L. Young	1369	L3	L15	---	---	0.0
25 Glenn R. Pickett	0	L13	L6	L22	L18	0.0

# Dyersburg Fall Open

The 5-round Dyersburg Fall Open, held on September 24-25, resulted in victory for Harold Moody with a tally of 4.0. Robert Garner and James Patterson followed with 3.5 each.

Attendance was disappointing, as only nine players took part. Gary Newsom directed for the Dyer County Chess Club.

1 Harold Moody	1629	4.0	6 Peter Shirley	1527	2.0
2 Robert Garner	1520	3.5	7 David Hawkes	1439	2.0
3 Warren Farr	1368	3.5	8 Eulis Moody	1563	1.0
4 Leslie Branch	1226	3.0	9 Howard Haglin	1086	1.0
5 James Patterson	1281	3.0			

### MUTINY ON THE USS CAISSA!

A mutiny of top players is brewing within the US Chess Federation. A number of leading players boycotted the 1977 national championship, and on 20 September the Editor received an "Open Letter to USCF Masters, Policy Board, Journalists," signed by Larry Evans, Arthur Bisguier, Kim Commons, Walter Browne, Ken Smith, Richard Verber, William Lombardy, Jack Collins, and Jude Acers.

This group is forming a Professional Chess Masters Association. Space does not permit reproduction of the letter here, but the gist of the masters' lament is that the USCF is doing little or nothing to promote and protect the economic interests of top-level chess pros. "They're losing money but the administrators are getting raises while the pros starve."

Specifically, they are calling for CL&R to be edited by masters and for the journal to become a "slick member-grabbing" magazine competing on the newstands for the dollars of some 20,000,000 potential chessplayers in the US. They want the Masters Association to have the power to control and regulate: player selection to international events, minimum guarantees and appearance fees, central booking bureau for lectures and exhibitions, group pension and insurance plans, rules enforcement and playing conditions.

In a flyer accompanying the letter Evans quotes with obvious approval the following statement attributed to Jeffrey Kasner, chairman of the Masters Affairs Committee:

A serious and growing threat to Master chess is the notorious class prize. These prizes, which are basically incentive awards for lower rated players, run contrary to one of the most fundamental goals of the USCF, namely to create a broad base of Masters from which emerge our future titleholders. Instead of motivating U.S. players to improve their ratings, tournaments that offer outrageous class prizes to attract entrants are actually rewarding weakness and encouraging amateurs to stay amateurs.

Let's hear from TCA players and organizers! When space is available, I will publish a sampling of reader reaction to this proposal to reduce (or eliminate?) class prizes.

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### CHESS AS AN ART

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One of the problems which plagues chess clubs and tournament organizers throughout the country is the chess drop-out. Each year thousands of new players, young and old, come out, play for a while, and then disappear, their chess sets presumably gathering dust in a storage closet.

Bill McGrath, a teacher in Vermont, offers what the Editor considers a word of sound advice. He warns that the social aspects of the game should be stressed, not winning. Some of his students drop out because they simply can't cope with losses. "Since chess prowess is equated with high intelligence, a defeat is a blow to a player's cherished hopes that he is a cut above the rest of the human race. The athlete can blame nature for not making him strong enough or tall enough; the team player can share the blame with his teammates; the card player can blame a bad deal. Those who stick with chess year after year have learned to love it as an art, as friendly rivalry." [From "Progress Report" by Larry Evans]

TCN will publish black-and-white photographs of your tournament or club activities. Write the Editor for further details.

FROM THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING MATCH

CLOSED SICILIAN

Boris Spassky-Lajos Portisch

13th Match Game, 1977

Annotated by Marty Appleberry

1 e4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 g6 Bg2 Bg7 5 d3 d6 6 f4 e5 7 Nh3 e:f4. Interesting is 7...Nge7 8 0-0 0-0? (better 8...e:f4! or the murky 8...Nd4!?) 9 f5! g:f5 10 e:f5 B:f5 (10...N:f5 11 Qh5!) 11 R:f5! N:f5 12 Be4 Nfd4 13 Qh5! with a potent attack [Bilek-Gheorghiu 1968]. 8 B:f4. Bilek-Evans 1968 ran 8 N:f4 Nge7 9 0-0 0-0 10 Nfd5 N:d5 11 N:d5 Be6 12 Nf4 Bd7 13 c3 b5 14 a3 a5 15 Be3 Ne5 and Black had a good game. 8...Nge7 9 0-0 h6. In ECO Portisch mentions only 9...0-0 10 Qd2. 10 Rab1. If 10 Qd2 Rb8 11 Rae1 b5 12 Nd5 is unclear [Minic]. 10 Rb1 looks like an improvement over 10 Qd2 Rb8 11 Kh1?! b5 12 a3 g5! (12...a5?! 13 a4 b4 14 Nb5!) 13 Be3 a5 with counterplay for Black on the Q-side and center [Medina-Gheorghiu 1976]. 10...0-0 11 a3 Be6 12 Be3. Making a place for the White knight on f4. 12...Ne5 13 Nf4 Bd7. Complicated is 13...Ng4!? 14 B:c5 (14 N:e6 N:e3 15 N:d8 N:d1 is OK for Black--not then 16 N:b7 Bd4+) 14...Bc8 (14...d:c5 15 N:e6 with an edge) 15 h3. 14 Kh1 provides a retreat on g1 for the White bishop should Black play...Ng4. 14...Rc8 15 Qd2 Kh7 16 h3 Bc6 17 g4 Qd7 18 Rf2 b6 19 Rbf1 Bb7 20 Qe2 Rcd8 21 Bc1 Kg8 22 Qe3 b5. Black's plan becomes clearer: he intends to drive the White knight on c3 away and detonate the center with...d5. 23 Qg3 b4 24 a:b4 c:b4 25 Nd1 d5 26 d4 Nc6. If instead 26...Nc4 27 e5 with the plan of b3 and Ne3, or b3-Nb2-Nd3-Nc5. Also, e6 is a sensitive square in Black's camp. 27 e:d5 N:d4 28 c4 b:c3. If 28...Rc8 29 b3 and Black would then be in some danger of getting his knight trapped; also, there is no sacrifice on d5 to try to exploit White's unprotected bishop on c1. 29 b:c3 Nb3 30 Ba3 Rc8 31 c4 threatens the knight on b3. Now the move 31...Nc5 would shield White's weakness on c4, so: 31...Na5 32 Re2 Rfe8 33 Rfe1 Bf8 34 Nh5!! This "overloading" move touches off an amazing intuitive attack: the immediate threat is Nf6+. 34...N:d5. If 34...g:h5 35 g:h5+ and now: [a] 35...Kh7 36 Be4+ Nf5 37 Rg2 with a forced mate, or 36...f5 37 Rg2 f:e4 38 B:e7 with a quick mate; [b] 35...Ng6 36 h:g6 Bg7 (even worse are 36...B:a3 37 g:f7 K:f7 38 Rf1+ or 36...R:e2 37 g:f7+ K:f7 38 Rf1+) 37 Re7 R:e7 38 R:e7 Qa4 39 g:f7+ Kf8 (39...Kh8 40 f8=Q+! wins) 40 Re8+ K:f7 41 Re7+ wins; or [c] 35...Bg7 36 B:e7! with a won game. Back to the text: 35 c:d5 g:h5 36 g:h5+ Bg7. White also retains an enduring attack after 36...Kh7 37 B:f8 R:f8 38 Re7 (idea: Qg6+) Qf5 39 Be4 B:d5 40 Qb6+! 41 h:g6+ wins a piece with a continuing attack. Although almost all of the pawns have been exchanged, I think White wins here. 37 Bb2 f6 (37...f5? 38 R:e8+) 38 B:f6 R:e2 39 R:e2 Qf7. If [a] 39...Rf8 40 Re7; [b] 39...B:d5 40 Q:g7+! Q:g7 41 B:d5+ wins, though care is required; [c] 39...Qc7 40 Re8+ (better than 40 d6, 40 Q:c7, 40 Qg6, or 40 Be5) 40...R:e8 (or else mate in one) 41 Q:c7 Re1+ (41...B:f6 42 Q:a5 protects the crucial e1 square) 42 Kh2 B:f6 43 Ne3! R:e3 (43...Bg5 44 Nf5 wins, or 43...Nb3 44 Ng4 Bg5 45 h4! B:h4 46 N:h6+ Kh8 47 Qf7!) 44 Q:a5 should win. Pretty is the continuation 44...Be5+ 45 Kg1 Bg3 46 Qd8+ Kf7 47 Qd7+ Re7 48 Qf5+ Kg8 (or else 49 Qg6+ picks up a piece) 49 Qg6+ Rg7 50 Qe8+ Kh7 51 Be4+. 40 Re6 Resigns. Why? Because the threat is 41 B:g7 and 42 Rg6. If [a] 40...Re8 41 R:e8+; [b] 40...Rc1 41 Re8+; [c] 40...Kh8 41 B:g7 Q:g7 42 Rg6 Qf8 43 Qe5+ Kh7 44 Be4! is crushing; and [d] 40...Kf8 41 B:g7+ Q:g7 42 Qf4+ wins. The coordination of the White pieces in the final attack was very pretty. This game is sure to be heavily analyzed around the world.

Tournament organizers: TCN will distribute your flyers to all TCA members throughout the state or in any combination of state ZIP code areas. Write the Editor for details.

Remember: It is never too soon to send material for publication.

GAMES FROM THE 32nd TENNESSEE OPEN

LARSEN'S OPENING: Paul Kuroda (2150)-George Holton (1848): 1 b3 e5 2 Bb2 Nc6 3 c4 g6 4 g3 Bg7 5 Bg2 Nge7 6 Nc3 0-0 7 e3 d6 8 Nge2 Be6 9 0-0 d5 10 d3 Qd7 11 c:d5 N:d5 12 Ne4 b6 13 Rc1 h6 14 a3 Rad8 15 Qb2 Nce7 16 Nd2 c5 17 Nf3 Qd6 18 Rfd1 Rc8 19 Nc3 N:c3 20 Q:c3 Qd5 21 Ne2 Qd8 22 Nc4 Qc7 23 b4 c:b4 24 Q:b4 Nc6 25 B:c6 Q:c6 26 N:e5 Qd5 27 Nc4 Bg4 28 B:g7 K:g7 29 e4 Qc5 30 Q:c5 R:c5 31 R:d2 b5 32 Rdb2 b:c4 33 R:c4 R:c4 34 R:c4 R e8 35 Ra4 Be3 36 Resigns

SICILIAN: Marcus Stinson (1639)-Marty Appleberry (2231): 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 d3 e6 4 g3 d5 5 Nbd2 Nc6 6 c3 Be7 7 Bg2 0-0 8 0-0 b5 9 Nh4 Ne8 10 f4 B:h4 11 g:h4 Bb7 12 Kh1 Q:h4 13 Rf3 Qe7 14 Rh3 g6 15 Nf3 d:e4 16 Ng5 Nf6 17 d:e4 e5 18 Qf3 Kg7 19 f5 h6 20 Ne6+ f:e6 21 Qg3 Qf7 22 B:h6+ Kg8 23 f:g6 Qd7 24 Qh4 Rfe1 25 Bg5 Resigns

FRENCH: Ronald Minor (1839)-James Little (1539): 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d4 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 Bd3 c5 5 a3 B:c3+ 6 b:c3 Nc6 7 e5 Nge2 8 Nf3 c4 9 Bf1 0-0 10 g3 h6 11 Bh3 Nf5 12 g4 Nh4 13 g5 N:f3+ 14 Q:f3 h:g5 15 Qh5 f6 16 Bg4 Qe8 17 Qh3 f:e5 18 B:g5 Qg6 19 Be3 e:d4 20 c:d4 e5 21 B:c8 Ra:c8 22 0-0-0 e:d4 23 Rhg1 Qf5 24 Qg2 Rf7 25 B:d4 N:d4 26 R:d4 Q:f2 27 Q:f2 R:f2 28 R:d5 Rc7 29 h4 c3 30 h5 Kh7 31 Kb1 Rf6 32 Rgg5 a6 33 Rg3 Rf8+ 34 Ka3 Rc8 35 Rg2 Rh1 36 Rdg5 Re1 37 Rg2-g3 Rb1 38 Re5 Rh2 39 Kb3 Rh1 40 a4 Rb1+ 41 Ka3 b5 42 Re4 Ra1+ 43 Kb3 b:a3+ 44 Kb4 a3 45 R:c6 Rb1+ 46 Rb3 a7 47 Resigns

GIUOCO PIANO: John Freeman (1463)-Richard Carpenter (1764): 1 d4 d5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bc4 Bc5 4 c3 Nf6 5 d4 e:d4 6 c:d4 Bb4+ 7 Bd2 B:d2 8 N:d2 d5 9 e:d5 N:d5 10 0-0 0-0 11 Nb3 Bg4 12 Rc1 Nb6 13 Re1 B:f3 14 Q:f3 N:d4 15 Qf4 Ne6 16 B:e6 f:e6 17 Q:c7 Qf6 18 Qb2 Rac8 19 Qe2 Re1 20 R:c8 R:c8 21 Nd4 Q:d4 22 Q:e6+ Kf8 23 Qe7+ Kg8 24 Draw

RUY LOPEZ: Kent Meadows (1609)-Mike Bennett (1709): 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 f4 4 d3 f:e4 5 d:e4 Nf6 6 0-0 d6 7 Nc3 Be7 8 Qd3 Bd7 9 Qc4 a6 10 Ba4 b5 11 N:b5 a:b5 12 B:b5 Na5 13 Qe6 B:b5 14 Ng5 Rf8 15 Resigns

PIRC: Luis Torres (1970)-Paul Kuroda (2150): 1 e4 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 Nc3 d6 4 Be3 a6 5 a4 Nf6 6 h3 0-0 7 f4 c5 8 d:c5 Qa5 9 Bd3 d:c5 10 Kf2 Rd8 11 Qe1 Nc6 12 e5 Ne8 13 Ne4 Q:e1 14 R:e1 b6 15 Nf3 Nc7 16 Rd1 f6 17 e:f6 e:f6 18 Bc4+ Be6 19 B:e6+ N:e6 20 c3 Na5 21 g4 Nc4 22 Bc1 R:d1 23 R:d1 Rd8 24 R:d8+ N:d8 25 Nfd2 N:d2 26 B:d2 Nb7 27 f5 Kf7 28 c4 Bf8 29 Kf3 Be7 30 Bc3 Bd8 31 Ke3 Be7 32 Kd3 Bd8 33 Be1 Bc7 39 b4 c:b4 40 B:b4 Be5 41 c5 b:c5 42 N:c5 N:c5+ 43 B:c5 g:f5 44 g:f5 Ke8 45 Kc4 Kd7 46 Kd5 Bc3 42 Bb6 Be5 43 Ba5 Bg3 44 Bc3 Bh4 45 Kc5 Kc7 46 Ba5+ Kd7 47 Kb6 Kd6 48 Bc3 Kd5 49 K:a6 Ke4 50 Kb7 K:f5 51 a5 Bf2 52 a6 Ke6 53 Ba5 f5 54 Bb6 Resigns

GRUNFELD: David Ellis (1759)-Lewis Inman (1607): 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 d5 3 c:d5 Q:d5 4 Nc3 Qa5 5 Nf3 Bg4 6 e3 Nbd7 7 Be2 e5 8 Qb3 B:f3 9 B:f3 e:d4 10 e:d4 Bb4 11 0-0 0-0 12 Bf4 c6 13 a3 B:c3 14 b:c3 Nb6 15 Bd6 Rfe1 16 Bb4 Qa6 17 Rfe1 Nfd5 18 g3 Qd3 19 Kg2 Qd2 20 Qd1 Nc4 21 Be2 Nde6+! 22 Resigns

Q-PAWN: Jack Sprague (1431)-Steve Gibson (1775): 1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 e6 3 Bg5 d5 4 e3 c5 5 c3 Nc6 6 Bd3 Bd6 7 Nbd2 0-0 8 d:c5 B:c5 9 Qc2 h6 10 Bh4 Bd7 11 0-0 a6 12 Rfe1 Re8 13 e4 d5 14 e5 g5 15 B:g5 h:g5 16 e:f6 g4 17 Ne5 N:e5 18 R:e5 Bd6 19 Rg5+ Kf8 20 Ne4 Bb6 21 Rh5 Kg8 22 Qe2 Resigns

When submitting games for publication, give full names and ratings of both players, as well as the date and event in which the game was played. Because of space limitations, we would prefer algebraic notation, but English notation is, of course, acceptable.

Players: remember to bring sets, boards, clocks and pencils to every tournament.

GAMES FROM THE 32nd TENNESSEE OPEN

FRENCH: James Cobb (1623)-Joe Rickman (1866): 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 5 a3 B:c3+ 6 b:c3 Nge7 7 G:g4 Nbc6 8 Ne2 Qb6 9 Q:g7 Rg8 10 Q:h7 c:d4 11 c:d4 Bd7 12 c3 0-0-0 13 Qc2 Nf5 14 Ng3 Nh4 15 Rb1 Qc7 16 Qb2 Ne7 17 Qb4 Bc6 18 Qc5 Kb8 19 a4 Rc8 20 Ba3 Neg6 21 Nh5 N:e5 22 Qd6 Nc4 23 Bc4 Ng2+ 24 Kf1 d:c4 25 Rg1 Nh4 26 R:g8 R:g8 27 Nf6 Rg1+ 28 K:g1 Ng3+ 29 Kf1 Nd2+ 30 Ke2 N:b1 31 Qf8+ Resigns

SICILIAN: Gerald Lawson (1789)-Charles Laws (1575): 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 c:d4 4 N:d4 Nf6 5 Nc3 e5 6 Bb5+ Nbd7 7 Nf5 a6 8 B:d7+ Q:d7 9 Ne3 b5 10 a4 Bb7 11 a:b5 a:b5 12 R:a8 B:a8 13 f3 Be7 14 0-0 0-0 15 Qd3 Rb8 16 Bd2 Bc6 17 Ra1 Bd8 18 Ned5 b4 19 Nf6+ g:f6 20 Nd5 Bb5 21 Qb3 Qc8 22 N:b4 Bc4 23 Qa4 Qc5+ 24 Kh1 Qf7 25 Bh6 Bb5 26 Nd3 Qb6 27 Qb4 Bc7 28 Qe1 Kh8 29 Qh4 d5 30 e:d5 B:d3 31 c:d3 Rg8 32 b4 Bd3 33 d6 Qc4 34 Qf2 Rc1 35 Q:g2 mate

PIRC: Peter Lahde (1691)-Howard Smith (1437): 1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Be2 0-0 6 0-0 b6 7 Re1 Nbd7 8 Bc4 Bb7 9 Bg5 h6 10 Bd2 a6 11 Nh4 Kh7 12 g3 b5 13 Bb3 c5 14 D:c5 N:c5 15 f3 Nfd2 16 Rb1 Rc8 17 Bd5 e6 18 B:b7 N:b7 19 a3 Bd4+ 20 Kh1 Bf6 21 Ng2 Ne5 22 Ne3 Qb6 23 Kg2 Na5? 24 Ncd5! e:d5 25 N:d5 Qd8 26 B:a5 Q:a5 27 N:f6+ Kg7 28 Nd5 Rc6 29 f4 Nc4 30 Qd4+ f6 31 c3 Qd8 32 Rf1 Nb6 33 Rbd1 Nd5 34 Rf2 Na5 35 Nb4 Nb3? 36 N:c6 Qe8 37 Qd5 Nc5 and resigns

RUY LOPEZ: Curt Jones (1978)-Mike Bennett (1708): 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 f5 4 d3 f:e4 5 d:e4 d6 6 Nc3 Nf6 7 Bg5 Be7 8 Qe2 0-0 9 B:c6 b:c6 10 Qc4+ d5 11 Q:c6 Bd7 12 Qa6 d4 13 Qc4+ Kh8 14 Bf6 g:f6 15 Nd5 Be6 16 0-0 Rb8 17 b3 Rb4 18 Q:c7 B:d5 19 Q:d8 R:d8 20 e:d5 R:d5 21 Rfe1 Rc5 22 Rac1 Rb8 23 N:d4 e:d4 24 R:d7 Rbc8 25 R:a8 d6 26 c4 d7 27 Rd1 Re5 28 Kf1 Rce8 29 Resigns

SLAV: Don Marcott (1710)-Frank Creasey (1712): 1 d4 d5 2 c4 c6 3 c:d5 c:d5 4 Nc3 Nc6 5 Nf3 Nf6 6 Bf4 Bf5 7 e3 e6 8 Ne5 Rc8 9 Bb5 a6 10 N:c6 Qb6 11 Na7+ Kd8 12 N:c8 K:c8 13 Rc1 Bb4 14 0-0 Kd8 15 Bd3 B:d3 16 Q:d3 Ke7 17 Na4 Resigns

RETI: Robert Olsen (1629)-M.C. Wright (1951): 1 Nf3 Nf6 2 g3 d5 3 Bg2 Nc6 4 0-0 e5 5 d3 Bg4 6 Nbd2 Qd7 7 Re1 0-0-0 8 c4 d:c4 9 N:c4 B:f3 10 B:f3 e4 11 Bg2 e:d3 12 B:c6 Q:c6 13 Ne5 Qd5 14 N:d3 h5 15 h4 Ng4 16 Bf4 f6 17 Qc2 c6 18 R:d1 Qa5 19 b4 Qf5 20 e4 Qb5 21 a4 Qb6 22 Nc5 B:c5 23 b:c5 Qa5 24 Qc4 Ne5 25 B:e5 f:e5 26 Qe6+ Kb8 27 Q:e5+ Qc7 28 Q:c7 K:c7 29 a5 R:d1 30 R:d1 b5 31 a:b6 a:b6 32 c:b6 K:b6 33 f4 c5 34 Kf2 c4 35 Ke3 Kc5 36 e5 Ra8 37 f5 c3 38 Kd3 Kd5 39 e6 Ke5 40 Rf1 Kf6 41 Rf3 Ra3 42 Kc2 Ra2+ 43 Kb3 Ra8 44 Re3 K:f5 45 e7 Re8 46 K:c3 Kf6 47 Kd4 Kf7 48 Rf3+ Kg6... draw by repetition on move 51

RUY LOPEZ: George Holton (1848)-Luis Torres (1970): 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 N:e4 6 d4 b5 7 Bb3 d5 8 d:e5 Be6 9 Qe2 Be7 10 Rd1 0-0 11 c4 b:c4 12 B:c4 Qd7 13 Nc3 N:c3 14 b:c3 f6 15 e:f6 B:f6 16 Bg5 Kh8 17 B:f6 R:f6 18 Ng5 Na5 19 B:a6 Bg4 20 f3 Rf:a6 21 f:g4 h6 22 Nf3 Nb3 23 Rab1 R:a2 24 Rb2 R:b2 25 Q:b2 Nc5 26 Qb4 Qd6 27 c4 d4 28 Rd4 Q:d4+ 29 Resigns

FRENCH: Henry Robinson (1878)-Mack Garner (1991): 1 e4 e6 2 d3 d5 3 Nd2 c5 4 g3 Nf6 5 Bg2 Be7 6 Ngf3 Nc3 7 0-0 0-0 8 e5 Nd7 9 Re1 b5 10 Nf1 a5 11 h4 b4 12 Bf4 Ba6 13 Ng5 g6 14 Qg4 Nd4 15 Ne3 Rb1 16 c3 Nf5 e:f5 18 Qe2 h6 19 N:f7 R:f7 20 e6 Rh7 21 e:d7 Rf7 22 B:h6 Kh8 23 Qe6 Resigns

Space permitting, TCN will publish any games submitted by TCA members. However, please check and double check the score sheets for accuracy and legibility. The Editor will not attempt to reconstruct mis-recorded games.

TENNESSEE POSTAL CHESS  
By Stan Bimson

MLE/Greater Postal Open  
\$400 Prize Fund

Game Results (all games received on/before 15 Oct 77): TF-74 Searles 1 - Bennett 0, Fawbush 1 - Jordan 0. TC-76 J. Greer 1 - Groeniger 0. TC-5-76 Ramondt 1/2 - Searles 1/2. MLE/1 Groeniger 1 - Pylant 0, Ousley 1 - Pylant 0.

Ratings (only those that changed are shown):

Bennett	649	Groeniger	494	Pylant	385
Fawbush	933	Jordan	513	Ramondt	510
J. Greer	401	Ousley	608	Searles	871

MLE/Greater Postal Open: \$400 prize fund based on 50 entries; assignments by 7-man sections; all games rated, with results reported in TCN. We ask that new entrants furnish their latest USCF (OTB) rating or any established postal rating. Last issue I noted that we needed only two players to fill section 3 of the MLE/GPO. I got about 6 requests to play, and now need a couple more to fill section 4. There have been more requests for information on postal chess by mail and by phone. Don't hesitate to ask questions or request additional information: that is one reason I'm here, and the information is free.

The entry fee is \$3 per section. TN residency is not required, but we do require that you subscribe to TCN the first year to keep up-to-date on the tournament's preliminary round. TCN subscription (\$3) should be sent with your entry fee. TCA members need send only the expiration date of their membership.

Although entries will not close until 1 Sep 1978, send your entry today or tomorrow at the latest to: Stan Bimson, Rt. 2 Box 293, Hendersonville, TN 37075.

Game from TF-74: Jordan-Fawbush: 1 P-K4 P-K3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 N-QB3 B-N5 4 P-K5 P-QB4 5 P-QR3 BxN+ 6 PxB N-K2 7 Q-N4 Q-B2 8 QxNP R-N1 9 QxRP PxP 10 K-Q1 QN-B3 11 N-B3 PxP 12 N-N5 NxP 13 P-B4 P-B3 14 B-N5+ B-Q2 15 NxKP Q-N3 16 BxB KxB 17 PxN QxN 18 PxP Q-N5+ 19 K-K1 K-B3 20 R-B1 N-B4 21 Resigns (0-1)

Trading Post: Speaking of requests, someone has asked if I know where he might get some used recorders. If you have any postal equipment that's still usable, we might be able to find a good home for it. It would not be a bad idea if TCN had a sell/swap/want-to-buy column. I collect travel-type chess sets and might want to know if someone else has one that they would like to sell; also, I would like to have another clock, but don't want to spend that much money for a new one, because I would like to have it for speed games, etc.

CCLA: I see the name of East Tennessee postal player Richard Searles on the ballot for a director of CCLA and want to remind you CCLA'ers to send your ballots in before 1 Dec 1977. Congratulations to R.A.S.

All chess clubs in the state, whether affiliated with USCF or not, are requested to send TCN the following information for publication in a future issue: name of club; time and place of meetings; name, address, and telephone number of an officer. In particular, we would like to hear from high school, prison, industrial, and fraternal organization clubs.



# FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF TCA TOURNAMENTS

As most of you know, TCA in 1977 expanded its chess activity by holding three regional qualifying tournaments to select the six finalists who played in a closed tournament for the Tennessee Championship. At the annual TCA meeting on 4 September there were mixed reactions. As the Editor interpreted the sense of the meeting, there was general approval of the regional tournament concept, but considerable dissatisfaction with certain aspects, in particular, the prize funds.

In order to promote next year an objective evaluation of the new qualifying tournament system, the Editor is submitting the following data, derived from the TCA financial statement for the period 1 September 1976-31 August 1977:

TABLE 1

Tournament	Income	Expenses	Balance
TN Championships:			
East TN Qualifying	690.00	474.00	+ 216.00
Middle TN Qualifying	435.00	312.93	+ 122.07
West TN Qualifying	240.00	271.50	- 31.50
Closed Championship	0.00	431.15	- 431.15
	<u>1365.00</u>	<u>1489.00</u>	<u>- 124.58</u>
High School Tmt	406.00	314.10	+ 91.90
31st Tenn Open	<u>2315.00</u>	<u>2095.86</u>	<u>+ 219.14</u>
	<u>4086.00</u>	<u>3899.54</u>	<u>+ 180.46</u>

TABLE 11

Expenses	Percentage of Tournament Expenses					
	Tennessee Championships				High	Tenn
	East	Middle	West	Closed	School	Open
Prizes:						
Cash	41	40	24	68	64	73
Trophies	16	15	16	8	17	6
Travel expenses	<u>11</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	68	71	58	76	81	79
Rental	21	16	29	14	0	11
Rating fees	6	6	3	1	11	1
TD fees [a]	5	8	9	6	8	8
Supplies	0	0	0	3	0	1
Totals [b]	100	101	99	100	100	100

[a] Includes 1% fee for brilliancy prize eval. in Open

[b] May not add up to 100 due to rounding

When sending TCA memberships and dues, please give the full names and complete addresses of new and renewed members. It is vital that the ZIP code be included. Make all checks payable to: Tennessee Chess Association.

MORE ON THE MASTERS' MUTINY

As this issue was going to press, a four-page rebuttal to the charges directed against USCF by Larry Evans and others [see story on page 76] was received from Burt Hochberg, Publications Director of CL&R. Once again, space does not permit full reproduction of the contents. The following extracts are from Hochberg's letter of October 10:

Virtually every statement or implication by Evans that purports to be factual is either wrong, misleading, distorted, or quoted out of context....One might well ask what the master is doing for USCF....

At a time when the highest-paid CL&R contributor other than Evans was receiving about \$3,100 for two monthly columns, Evans was receiving \$7800 for his two monthly columns...When I was given responsibility for CL&R's editorial budget earlier this year...I was forced to bring Evan's fees into fairer alignment with what other writers were getting, although he would remain the highest-paid contributor. His reaction was to attack me via his open letter, which was supposedly issued in behalf of "starving American masters. Where was Evan's concern for "starving American masters" when he was getting over two and a half times more than any other contributor? ...

The fact is that CL&R is now doing more to subsidize the American master than any other function of the USCF. Two years ago, when CL&R pages were substantially reduced, I immediately embarked on a campaign to reduce the number of pages in the Tournament Life section....this year the Postal Chess department was removed from the main body of the magazine...my own "Just for Fun" column...was eliminated, as were "News & Views," the letters column....the "Here & There" department was severely curtailed, and recently "Back to Basics" was terminated. (This last will be revived in a new format, written by masters). All these decisions...were made deliberately to avoid cutting any column written by a master....Evan's charge that CL&R is not helping "starving American masters" is a deliberate falsehood...his attitude reeks of hypocrisy and self-interest.

In this regard it is interesting to look at the "starving...masters" who signed Evan's open letter--strange bedfellows indeed. Evans himself writes two...regular columns in CL&R at higher rates than anyone else's. Walter Browne, whose face appeared on CL&R covers more times than Farrah's on the Enquirer's, and who was the beneficiary of free full-page advertising on his tour, was never refused when he offered articles. William Lombardy had a regular column...(about U.S. masters!) which he chose not to continue when he lost his CL&R job, although the opportunity to continue writing it was offered to him. He was also given free advertising in CL&R for his analytical service. Jack Collins has been offered--by me--two specific columns in CL&R, both of which he refused; he has never offered any idea of his own despite my repeated requests. Arthur Bisguier has often been invited to write for CL&R...Ken Smith, a close friend of Evan's, is the editor and publisher of a chess magazine; since Smith is not a non-profit organization & the USCF is, presumably he does help subsidize "starving American masters." Kim Commons has written several articles for CL&R, and at my invitation recently joined our book review panel. A few months ago he refused an assignment I had offered him! .... CL&R pays higher rates than any other chess magazine in the entire world, USSR included. I am solely responsible for these offers....

And I should like to remind Larry Evans of what he wrote in Chess Catechism in 1970: "Becoming embittered is one of the greatest hazards facing an aging chess master."

[TCN will do its best to keep its readers informed of both sides of what promises to be a long and bitter, if not mutually suicidal feud.]

## TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

(Con't from page 84)

DEC 31-JAN 1 3rd ANNUAL NEW YEARS OPEN (Chattanooga), 5-SS, 45/2, Sheraton Inn Downtown, 407 Chestnut St., Chattanooga, TN 37402. EF: \$17.50 if rec'd by 12/21, \$19 at site. \$\$ (based on 95 entries) 300-150-75-37.50, classes A, B, C, D, E/Unr each 100-50, top woman, top Jr under 18 and upset each 12.50, trophies to top 2, A, B, C, D, E/Unr. Reg. ends 9:30 AM, rds. 10-3-8, 10-3 EST. TCA mem. req., other states OK. HR: \$16-24. ENT: International Chess Imports, 3055 General Lee Road, Macon, GA 31204. NS.

DEC 31-JAN 1 1978 NEW YEARS SCHOLASTIC NOVICE (Chattanooga). Open to under 1400 HS & pre-HS. EF: \$5.50 if rec'd by 12/21, \$7 at site. \$\$ trophies to top 3, top 1200, 1100, 1000/below, elementary student. Reg. ends 10:45 AM, rds. 11-2-5, 10-1. Other info as in 3rd Annual New Years Open above.

JAN 28-29 TN STATE HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS (Nashville), 5-SS, 50/2, Admiral Benbow Inn, 823 Murfreesboro Rd, Nashville, TN 37217. In three sections: Championship (open to all TN HS students): EF: \$8. TCA mem. req. (\$2). Combined EF, USCF (Participating), and TCA \$12. \$\$ 50-30-20, \$100 toward expenses to Southern HS Tmt to 1st team (four from same school). Trophies to top 3 inds. and top 3 teams. Reg: 8:30-9:30 AM 1/28, rds. 9:30-2-7, 9-2 CST. Novice: (open to TN HS students under 1200) EF: \$6. TCA mem. req. (\$2). Combined EF, USCF (participating), and TCA \$10. Trophies to top 3 inds. and 1st team (four from same school). Reg. 8:30-9:30 AM 1/28, rds. 9:30-2-7, 9-2 CST. Junior HS & Elementary: (open to 9th grade & below), 4-SS, 40/1. EF: \$5. TCA mem. req. (\$2). \$\$ trophy to 1st Jr High, book prizes to 2nd & 3rd. Trophy to 1st Elementary grades, book prizes to 2nd & 3rd. Trophy to top Jr High team (two players per team), trophy to top Elementary School team (two players per team). Reg: 8:30-9:30 AM 1/28, rds. 9:30-12-3:30-7. ENT: TN Chess Association, 303 Belinda Dr., Hermitage, TN 37076. NS.

### SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION BY GM LEIN

Grandmaster Anatoly Lein, who emigrated from the USSR last year and is now residing in New York, will be available for a series of simultaneous exhibitions some time early in 1978.

Lein (pronounced "Lane") is a strong player with an enviable record: RSFSR Champion in 1963, 7th in USSR Championship in 1965 and 6th in 1967, 1st at Sarajevo 1966, Cienfuegos 1972, and Rome 1976.

Lein will play up to 50 boards (\$10 per board; guarantee \$200 minimum, plus a night's lodging). His English is good and he is willing to deliver a lecture and/or answer chess or general questions as part of his exhibition. The GM held a poorly attended simultaneous at ETSU in Johnson City last February, and the Editor can testify that he is a congenial and interesting person who, apart from his skill over the board, will make a significant contribution towards stimulating and maintaining chess enthusiasm in your community.

TCA President Peter Lahde informs us that a shopping center in Nashville has expressed interest in sponsoring a Lein exhibition in that city. Organizations and individuals interested in bringing Lein to their communities should contact: Nigel Eddis, 825 West End Avenue, New York, NY 10025 (Telephone 212/865-6688).

## TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

TENNESSEE CHES ASSOCIATION, INC. intends to publish a complete calendar of tournaments scheduled for 1978 in the Jan issue. Organizers are requested to notify the TCA Tournament Co-ordinator of their plans for the coming year as soon as possible.

NOV 5 ETSU FALL OPEN (Johnson City), 3-SS, 45/90, D.P. Culp University Center, East TN State Univ. In 2 sections: Open: EF \$8, \$\$ (based on 30 entries) 100-50-25-15, upset 10. Novice: (open to below 1400) EF \$4, \$\$ (based on 30 entries) 40-20-10, top Jr (under age 13) 10, top female 10. Both: TCA membership req. (\$3), other states OK. Reg. 9:30-10 AM, rds. 10:30-2-5:30 EST. ENT: John Nichols, 825 W. Maple St., Johnson City, TN 37601.

NOV 5 ETSU NON-RATED BEGINNERS TOURNAMENT, 4-SS, 30/Game. EF: \$4. USCF membership awarded to all players scoring 3 or more points who have never been USCF members. Rds. 10:30-12-1:30-3. Reg. & ENT: See Open above.

NOV 12-13 1st ANNUAL FAIRFIELD GLADE OPEN (Crossville), 5-SS, 50/2, Fairfield Glade Resort, Peavine Rd. \$\$ 1000 guaranteed!! In 2 sections: Open: \$\$ 100-60-40, B, C, each 100-50. Trophies to 1st, top B and C. Amateur: (open to below 1400) \$\$ 100-60-40, between 1000-1199: 100-50, below 1000: 100, Unr. 50 (unr. eligible for unr. prize only). Trophies to 1st, top between 1000-1199, below 1000, Unr. Both: EF \$15 if rec'd by 11/5, \$20 at site. TCA mem. req. (\$3), other states OK. One cash prize per player; optional trophies to other winners. Reg. 7-9 PM 11/11, 7-8:30 AM 11/12, rds. 9-2-7, 9-2 CST. HR: Condominiums \$22-26, Lodge \$18-22. ENT: Harry Sabine, PO Box 381, Crossville, TN 38555. LS.

NOV 25-27 18th MID-SOUTH OPEN (Memphis), 6-SS, 50/2, Howard Johnson's Motor Inn, 3280 Elvis Presley Blvd. In 2 sections: Open: EF: \$18. \$\$ (based on 50 entries, \$100 guaranteed to 1st if less than 50) 200-120-60, A, B, C/below 35-25-15 (if 3 entries for 1st, 6 for 2nd, 9 for 3rd), trophies to top 3, top B, C/below. Amateur: (open to 1599/below) EF: \$13. \$\$ (based on 60, \$75 guar. to 1st if less than 60) 150-90-50, D, E/Unr each 35-25-15 (if 3 ent. for 1st, 6 for 2nd, 9 for 3rd), trophies to top 3, top D, E/Unr. Both: TCA mem. req. (\$3). Reg: 4:30-6:30 PM, rds. 7, 9-2-7, 9-2 CST. HR: \$17-21, 18-22. ENT: C.C. Little, 3603 Kearney, Memphis, TN 38111.

DEC 31-JAN 1 NEW YEAR'S OPEN (Chattanooga): See page 83.

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