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Editor's Etcetera

By Richard Westbrook

Time flies when you're having fun,but it also flies when you are busier than blazes.... Being Editor of the TCN during the past year has made time fly — it was fun and also helped keep me busier than blazes!

I appreciate everyone across this wide state who has taken the time to submit material and/or to encourage my efforts. I could not have put the magazine together without you! I look forward to 1994 - 95 with the goal of improving the quality and promptness of the TCN and with the hope that that will promote chess at all levels in Tennessee.

Most of the regular features are included in this somewhat hurried issue; however, in lieu of a "Gambit Player" article, there is a look at the lighter side of "Bad Days" at the board. There are three games which may take some of the sting out of our lesser performances. Because of \(\opi \), C, and ??, the article in the June/July issue regarding the 1994 Cumberland County Summer Open contained more than a few errors. The errors have been corrected and the article is reprinted as it should have appeared.

Good Chess!

President's Column

By Ed Porter

What is Chess? Well, consider the following quotes from *The Complete Chess Addict*, by Fox and James:

- Chess is an art Gary Kasparov;
- Chess is the art of analysis Mikhail Botvinnik;
- Chess is life Bobby Fischer;
- Chess is like life Boris Spassky;
- Chess is my life V. Korchnoi;
- Chess is most certainly not my life *Tony Miles*.

Unfortunately, for the last six weeks or so, I have been an echo of Tony Miles. I have been consumed by selling one house, buying another and moving into it. Sadly, I won't have the time to play in the 1994 Tennessee Open, but I hope to see many of you there!

This has been a good year for chess in Tennessee. Membership, both regular and scholastic, is up! We have a resident GM, Sam Palatnik, who is being well received around the state and also is doing well in national tournaments. Thanks to Chester Crowley, we have won the bid for the largest ever scholastic tournament, the Superscholastics, to be held in Knoxville in 1997. We have much to be happy about!

"Tennessee Chess is what we make it!" Let's continue to make it great!

Gannes From Recent Events

Abron, Mike (1630) - Lin, Robert (1517) Kingsport, 1994

1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 b6 3.Bd3 Bb7 4.Nf3 e6 5.0-0 c5 6.Nbd2 Nc6 7.c3 Qc7 8.e4 cd4 9.cd4 Ne7 10.e5 Nfd5 11.Ne4 f5 12.Nd6+ Kd8 13.Ng5 Ng6 14.Ndf7+ Kc8 15.Nh8 Nh8 16.Nh7 Qd8 17.Qc2+ Kb8 18.Bg5 Be7 19.Be7 Qe7 20.Rac1 Qh4 21.Nf8 Qe7 22.Nh7 Qh4 23.Bc4 Nf4 24.Bb5 Qd8 25.Nf8 Be4 26.Nd7+ Kb7 27.Bc6+ Bc6 28.Qc6+ Ka6 29.Nc5+ 1-0.

Abron, Mike (1630) - Hayes, Rea (2000) Chattanooga, 1994

1.d4 d5 2.e3 c5 3.c3 e6 4.Bd3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd6 6.0-0 Nf6 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.e4 de4 9.Ne4 Ne4 10.Be4 f5 11.Bc2 cd4 12.cd4 Bb4 13.a3 Ba5 14.b4 Bb6 15.Bb2 Bc7 16.Re1 b6 17.Bb3 Qd6 18.Rc1 Bd7? 19.Ne5 (Also devastating is 19.d5! -ed.) 19...Ne5 20.de5 1-0.

Herman, Stephan (1915) - Fitzgerald, Jim (1735) LPO 21 (3), 1994

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.Nf3 Nge7 6.d3 0-0 7.Bg5 f6 8.Bd2 f5 9.Nd5 Nd5 10.cd5 Ne7 11.Qb3 d6 12.Ng5 Rb8 13.0-0 Kh8 14.Rac1 h6 15.Ne6 Be6 16.de6 c6 17.Qa4 a6 18.Ba5 Qc8 19.e4 Qe6 20.ef5 gf5 21.Rfe1 d5 22.Qa3 Ng6 23.Bb4 Rfd8 24.Bd2 Kh7 25.Qb3 Qd7 26.Bh3 Qf7 27.Qd1 e4 28.Qh5 Rf8 29.Bb4 Ne5 30.Qe2 Nd3 31.Bf8 Nc1 32.Rc1 Rf8 33.b4 Qf6 34.a4 Qb2 35.Rc2 Qb4 0-1.

Fitzgerald, Jim (1735) - Ferrante, Chris (1930) LPO 21 (4), 1994

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 f5 (The first time I've ever face this over the board. Lou Goreniger used to play this, and I used to fear he would play it against me sometime, but that never happened.) 3.Ne5 Qf6 4.d4 d6 5.Nc4 fe4 6.Nc3 Qg6 7.Nd5 (Now I am out of book and with this move and the next few moves I improvise and help my opponent a lot. I anticipated 7...Qf7 8.N5e4 and thought that would be fine for White, but after 7...Qf7 8.N5e4 I saw 8...d5 coming, so I played8.Nce4, allowing the embarassing 8...c6 and then 9...dd5) 7...Qf7 8.Nce3 c6 9.Nc3 d5 (Not a pretty picture from White's side of the board!) 10.Bd2 (He's set up to att ack on the kingside, so let's try to castle on

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Tennessee Chess Association Championship Winners

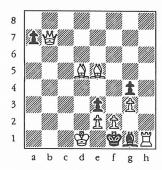
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1948	Jerry Sullivan	Knoxville
1949	L. C. Norderer	Oak Ridge
1950	J. B. Mullinix	Chattanooga
1951	Jerry Sullivan	Knoxville
1952	L. C. Norderer	Oak Ridge
1953	Jerry Sullivan - Co-Champion	Knoxville
	Martin Southern - Co-Champion	Knoxville
1954	Robert Coveyou	Oak Ridge
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1962	Emanuel Tsitseklis	Knoxville
1963	Robert Coveyou	Oak Ridge
1964	James Wright	Memphis
1965	David Burris	Knoxville
1966	David Burris	Knoxville
1967	David Burris	Knoxville
1968	Robert Coveyou	Oak Ridge
1969	James Sweets	Chattanooga
1970	James Wright	Memphis
1971	Dougles Ralston	Nashville
1972	Juan Aristorenas	Chattanooga
1973	John Hurt	Memphis
1974	Kenny Thomas	Memphis
1975	Kenny Thomas	Memphis
1976	Emanuel Tsitseklis	Knoxville
1977	Luis Torres	Knoxville
1978	Marty Appleberry	Memphis
1979	Marty Appleberry	Memphis
1980	Leonard Dickerson - Co-Champion	Knoxville
	Kenny Thomas - Co-Champion	Memphis
1981	Curt Jones - Co-Champion	Nashville
	Michael Carey - Co-Champion	Nashville
1982	Joseph Sentef, Jr Co-Champion	Jackson
	Paul Harless - Co-Champion	Nashville

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Sid Pickard - Co-Champion	Memphis
Johnson S. Moore - Co-Champion	Nashville
Leonard Dickerson - Co-Champion	Knoxville
Charles Maddigan	Oak Ridge
Ronald W. Burnett	Antioch
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Charles E. Schulien	Cleveland
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Curt Jones	Cordova
Danilo Sirias - Co-Champion	Memphis
Mark Ishee - Co-Champion	Brentwood
Jerry Wheeler - Co-Champion	Pegram
Rea B. Hayes - Co-Champion	Chattanooga
Ronald W. Burnett - Co-Champion	Antioch
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Problem Corner

By Ray Hudgens



White to move, wins in two. Solution on page 16.

Turkey Tour Standings

Submitted by Rick Igou

Tennessee Turkey Tour,1993- 94 Turkey Tour Leaders 04/09/94

Master/Expert

HAYES, REA B	62
SMITH, BRIAN D	49
DICKERSON, LEONARD	48
MONGIN, ANDREW J	47
ROWAN, TOM	43
BURNETT, RON	40
SIRIAS, DANILO	30
JORDAN, WALTER W	25
TSITSEKLIS, EMANUEL	20
CALE, RICHARD	20
ARISTORENAS, JUAN	20
WHEELER, JERRY	20
ISHEE, MARK	18
ISBILL, WALTER H	10

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JONES, ELLIS E	56
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NICHOLS, DOUGLAS	40
LENTZ, BRIAN D	38
WESTBROOK, RICHARD	30
GLOVER, HASKELL	25
KAIBNI, WILLIAM I	25
PUCKETT, MATTHEW	20
RYLANDER, JIM	20
SLOAN, KENNETH R	20
PENNIG, JEFF	20
MORGAN, STEPHEN G	20
PULLEN, DEWITT T	20
GARDNER, PHIL	20
PRESSWOOD, ROBERT	18
OSHMAN, MARK	10

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ABRON, MICHAEL T	65
HARDY, JOSEPH D	58
BOSTON, RALPH	50
GOODMAN, MARK A	45
INMAN, LEWIS	40
COOPER, TOM	35
FITZGERALD, JAMES	30
LEWIS, JAMES B	30
ROBBINS, RUSSELL	30
NICHOLS, DOUGLAS	30
PATTERSON, ROD	30
AGUIRRE, TONY	25
BENTLEY, CHARLES	25
MURRAY, JON	25
STREET, CHESTER M	25
PHAN, HIEU	25
BARNES, RONNIE C	20
HAWKES, DAVID R	20
LIPKIN, MICHAEL	20
BABB, CURTIS L	20
LIPKIN, ALAN	20
ORGAIN, WILLIAM	20
NEWKIRK, ED	20
MCMAHAN, KEITH	20
PUCKETT, MATTHEW	14
PRESSWOOD, ROBERT	14
BURGESS, DONALD R	10
PRESLEY, W DAVID	10
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BELLIFORD, WILLIAM

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PROCTOR, JOHN W	20
SCHWARTZ, LEON	20
FUNKHOUSER, ERIC	20
HARVILL, BILL	18
WARE, BILLY	10
PENNINGTON, PHILIP	10

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GREEN, JR, GARY	50
BARINGER, JIM	35
RICHARDS, JR, JAMES E	35
SMITH, MICHAEL E	30
WILLIAMS, JR, LARRY	25
BLUM, ARTHUR F	25
SCHINDLER, MARK J	20
THOMTE, JOHN	10

Category E

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Anunotated Game

By Leonard Dickerson

Harris, Neal (2215) - Dickerson, Leonard (2160) 1994 Cumberland County Open (3), 1994 Two Knights Variation of the Caro-Kann

This game is a pure example of black-square domination. It demonstrates the dangers of falling behind in development to win insignificant material. It also represents the quickest mate (not win) that I have executed against a master.

1.e4 c6 2.Nc3 d5 3.Nf3 de4 (In the Two-Knights variation, Black normally proceeds with Bg4. However, I wanted a different type of game. With the knight on f3, I figure that a Bronstein-Larsen variation would be ideal.) 4.Ne4 Nf6 5.Qe2 Bg4 (If 5...Nxe4; 6.Qxe4 Nd7; 7.Bc4 Nf6; 8.Qe2 Bf5, Black has only a slight inferiority. But I felt that this was probably one of the main lines. and, since I was not familiar with the line, wanted to avoid it.) 6.h3 Bh5 (Now I could swap two pieces if I wanted to diffuse a White attack. However I believe that White would keep a nagging edge late into the middle game because of possessing the two bishops. Too, in the previous round, Harris warned me of his endgame skill by outplaying Ellis Jones with oppositecolored bishops. Hence I did not want to prematurely enter the endgame.) 7.Ng3 Bg6 (This bishop maneuver was not bad. It took three moves to arrive at g6; howver, the White knight also took three moves to get to g3 — and it has less scope.) 8.Ne5 Nbd7 (8...e6 might be stronger since it would force White to make a decision about his piece placement. But 8...Bxc2? would now be awful, as Nxf7 would devastate me. My move keeps the knight from getting cozy at e5.) 9.Ng6 hg6 10.d4 Qc7 11.Bd2 0-0-0 12.Qc4 e6 13.Qa4 (White would have maintained a slight plus had he castled on move 12 or 13. Now, safe for Black is 13...Kb8. But I saw that I could possibly strand the White king in the center and possibly trap the White queen. Anyway, the d-pawn has to be worth more than the a-pawn.) 13...Nb6!? 14.Qa7 Rd4 15.Be3 Bc5! (The key move of the sequence. It is possible because I am better developed, and the White queen is out of play.) 16.Bd4 Bd4 17.Ne2 (If 17.c3 Bf2+; 18.Kf2 Qf4+; 19.Ke2 Nfd5! and now if (a) 20.Rd1 Qe3 mate; (b) 20.Qa3 Nc4 wins; (c) 20.c4 Qe3+; 21.Kd1 Rd8 wins. If instead 17.Rd1 Qf4 threatens f2 and gets at least the exchange back. White's move was best.) 17...Bb2 (And here I cowardly offered a draw. I knew I was doing well, but I kept seeing final positions of my queen versus his two rooks. Objectively, though, probably the worst that can occur from such an event

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Tournannents! Tournannents! Submitted by Rick Igou

09/10/94	Big Mac Attack, Louisville, KY	
09/17/94	The September Little Swiss, Memphis , TN	
09/17/94	Chess Tournament Today, Lexington, KY	
09/24/94	Noble Romans, Evansville, IN	
09/24/94	Crowning Queens, Danville, KY	
10/01/94	Louisville Class Championship, Louisville, KY	
TURKEY TOUR EVENT		
10/08/94	Cumberland Co. Fall Open	
10/08/94	Louisville Scholastics, Louisville KY	
10/15/94	The John Hurt Memorial Swiss, Memphis TN	
10/15/94	1st Annual Memphis Women's City Championship, Memphis TN	
10/15/94	Peek a Boo Knight, Danville, KY	
10/22/94	HalloQueen, Lexington, KY	
TURKEY TOUR EVENT		
10/29/94	Music City Fall, Nashville, TN	
10/29/94	2nd Oak Ridge Scholastic Chess Camp, Oak Ridge, TN	
11/05/94	1st Annual Chess Fest, Memphis TN	
11/05/94	8th Garden Springs Scholastics, Lexington KY	
11/05/94	Falls of the Ohio, Louisville, KY	
11/12/94	Hey, your flag fell, Lexington, KY	

11/19-20/94	35th Mid South Open, Memphis, TN
11/19/94	Thankful Pawns, Danville, KY
11/19/94	8th Annual Oak Ridge Fall Scholastics, Oak Ridge, TN
12/03/94	Murray Scholastics, Murray KY
12/10/94	Cumberland Co Scholastics (closed)
12/10/94	Santa's best sack, Lexington, KY
12/10/94	Noble Romans, Evansville, IN
12/17/94	December Action Open, Louisville, KY
01/06-08/95	Fairfield Glade, Crossville TN
01/14/95	7th Lexington Winter Scholastics, Lexington KY
01/21/95	7th Lexington Winter Scholastics, Lexington KY
01/28/95	Region II Scholastic Individual Tournament, Cleveland TN
02/11/95	Scholastic Individual Finals, Smyrna, TN
02/18/95	Quad C Championships, Lexington KY
02/18-19/95	NASHVILLE OPEN
03/11/95	KY State Team Scholastics, Lexington KY
03/11/95	Region II Scholastic Team Tournament, McMinnville, TN
03/25/95	Scholastic Team Finals, Murfreesboro, TN
04/08/95 04/08/95	National High School Championhsip, Chicago, IL National Elementary Championship, Little Rock, AR
04/15/95	New York Open, New York, New York
05/13/95	National Junior Highm Dearborn, MI

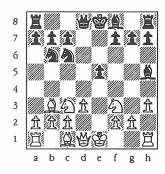
"You Know You're Having A Bad Day When..."

By Richard Westbrook

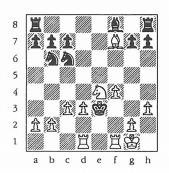
So, you've had a bad game or two? Think you're in something of a slump? Do your bishops act like knights while your opponent's pieces move magically against you? If it wasn't for your bad luck, you wouldn't have any at all? Sure, we've all had days, even tournaments, like that. Here are three games which, well, ... at least they didn't happen to you!

Vucinic - Durovic Yugoslavia, 1984

1.e4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.ed5 Nd5 4.Bc4 Nb6 5.Bb3 Nc6 6.Nf3 e5 7.d3 Bg4 8.h3 h5!? (Diagram. This seems to tempt fate!)



9.Ne5 Bd1 10.Bf7+ Ke7 11.Bg5+ Kd6 2.Ne4+ Ke5 13.f4+ Kd4 14.Rd1 Qg5 15.c3+ Ke3 16.0-0 Qh4?



Now the Black king's odyssey resumes and turns into a back-rank mate — on *White*'s back rank!! Instead, 16...Qc5 would have led ot mate in eight moves: e.g.: 17.Rf2! Ne4 18.Re1+ Nd2 19.Rfxe2+ Kxd3+ 20.Nxc5 Bxc5+ 21.Kf1 Nd5 22.Bxd5 Be3 23.Rd1+ Bd2 Rdxd2 mate.

17.Rf3+ Ke2 18.Rd2+ Ke1 19.Rf1+ 1-0.

White must have bee rudely jolted when Black's knight jumped into the middle of his position, winning material.

Wagman, Stuart - Rashkovsky, NukhimForli open, 1992
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cd4 4.Nd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 Ng4 7.Bg5 h6
8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Bg7 10.f3 Ne3 0-1.



We all know that if it's too *good* to be true, it usually isn't; but what if it's *too bad* to be true?

Shirazi, Kamran - Peters, John Berkeley ch-US (15), 1984

1.e4 c5 2.b4 cb4 3.a3 d5 4.ed5 Qd5 5.ab4 Qe5+ 0-1. Ouch! Now that would make any day bad!



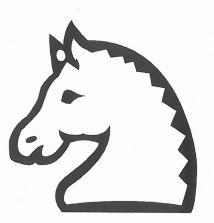
the queenside.) 10...Bd6 11.Qe2 Nf6 12.0-0-0 0-0 13.h3 (Pawns before pieces! There may be some play in my position; his king may be more vulnerable than mine.) 13...b5 14.g4 a5 15.Nf5 Bf5 (I wanted to get his light squared bishop off the board, and if it meant also meant clearing a pawn off the g file, so much the better! He might have done better to clear the f file, take my f pawn and trade off the queens.) 16.gf5 Ne8 17.f3 ef3 (I wasn't happy about trading queens, but did not see any alternative I liked. I thought for a while about 18.Qe6, but if 18...Qxe6 19.fe then I figured his pawn on f3 would cause me more trouble than mine would cause him on e6. So I let the queens go off, hoping that 20.Bd3 would yield something in the bye and bye. And it did!) 18.Qf3 Qf5 19.Qf5 Rf5 20.Bd3 Rf7 (Now my only hope is to get some intense pressure against his king before he finishes his development.) 21.Rhg1 Bf4 22.Ne2 Bd2+ (I cannot see how to prevent the pieces going off the board, but at least I can try to pick up some tempi in the process.) 23.Rd2 (I cannot see how to prevent the pieces going off the board, but at least I can try to pick up some tempi in the process.) 23...Nd6 24.Ng3 Nd7 25.Rdg2 Nf6 26.Nf5 Nf5 27.Bf5 Re8 28.Rf1 Ne4? 29.Bh7+ 1-0.



Solution to Problem Corner:

(A) 1.Qa6 exf2 2.e3 mate; or

(B) 1.Qa6 Kxf2 2. Qf6 mate.



1994 Cunnberland County Sunnmer Open Chess Tournament

Submitted by Harry Sabine

Leonard Dickerson of Knoxville won clear first place and \$50 for his efforts in the Open section of the 1994 Cumberland County Summer Open Tournament held on July 9th at Fairfield Glade Resort. Leonard knocked off Master Neal Harris of North Carolina on his way to the title. (See <u>Annotated Game</u>, page 11. -ed.) The only blemish on his record was a draw with Walter Isbill of Whitwell who took Class A honors with 2.5 points. The Class B prize money was split between Robert Presswood of Cleveland and Ralph Boston of Chattanooga.

The Amateur Section was won by Billy Ware of Maryville who defeated Harold Winfield of Fairfield Glade in the last round to take top honors with 3.5 points. Class D money was split between James N. Hughes of Charleston and David Bertram of Allardt with 3.0 points each. David Sands took the Class E money with 2.5 points, and Guy Thompson of Crossville and James M. Hughes of Charleston tied for the unrated prize with 3 points each.

The computer doing the paring made sure all family members had to face each other by pairing brother and sister in Round 2 and father and son in Round 3. Sisir Botta won over his sister, Vandana, and James N. Hughes (son) beat James M. Hughes (father) knocking him out of winning the unrated prize outright.

In spite of the fact that the Music City Club scheduled their summer tournament on the same date, 30 players opted to come to Fairfield Glade instead, including three from Nashville. The tournament was directed by Ron Harvill and Nancy Hughes for the Cumberland County Chess Club.

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would be a draw. Whatever, not seeing the danger, he declined anyway.)

18.Rb1 Qe5 19.f3 (White does not respond with his best. He should try

19.Qb6 Bc3+; 20.Kd1 Rd8+; 21.Qd8+ Kd8; 22.Nc3 Qc3 23.Bd3 and Black
has a plus because the rooks are uncoordinated — for now!) 19...Bc3+ (All
variations lead to mate now.) 20.Kf2 Qc5+ 21.Kg3 Be5+ 22.f4 (22.Nf4 Nh5+
also mates. This is a textbook example of black square domination.)

22...Qe3+ 23.Kh2 Ng4+ mate.

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