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MID-SOUTH WON BY MOMIC OF ALABAMA

Milan Momic, a former Yugoslav master but now residing at Leighton, Ala., won the Mid-South tourney at Memphis with a 5:1 score. Second and with the same score was last year's winner John Ragan of East St. Louis, Ill. Third place was taken by Jude Acers of New Orleans with 4½:1½.

Thirty seven players took part in the event held on Thanksgiving weekend, 21 players in the "A" division. Players from the following eight states participated: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. There were no other players from Tennessee other than Memphis and only one from Mississippi. This was disappointing, although the club was able to break even financially.

In the "B" division Ray McCune of Columbus, Miss. took first by tie breaking with 5:1 ahead of Frank Garner of Memphis who had the same score.

The Handicap Trophy was won by Tenn. Jr. Champ Mark Gilley of Memphis. The upset prize was shared by Cy Pipkin of Memphis and Grombacher of Chicago, Illinois took the team prize consisting of a silver dollar for each of the four players.

The tourney was noted for many upsets. The strong representatives from La. all lost in the first round including the expert Schultz to Scrivener (see Game). Doug Ritenour of Memphis served as tournament director.

Championship Division					
USCF Score			Player		
Player	USCF	Score	Player	USCF	Score
1. Milan Momic (Leighton, Ala.)	2232	5 : 1	13. Mark Gilley (Tenn.)	1754	3 : 3
2. John Ragan (Ill.)	2161	5 : 1	14. R.S.Scrivener (Miss)	1869	2½ : 3½
3. Jude Acors (La.)	1907	4½ : 1½	15. Steve Balsai (Ark.)	1907	2½ : 3½
4. W. Grombacher (Ill.)	1947	4 : 2	16. Richard Schultz (La.)	2076	2½ : 3½
5. Ronnie Taylor (Ark.)	1980	4 : 2	17. M. Goddard (Fla.)	1738	2½ : 3½
6. James Wright (Tenn.)	1911	3½ : 2½	18. W. Waguespack (La.)	1821	2½ : 3½
7. Dr. L. Stephens (Ill.)	1992	3½ : 2½	19. D. Ritenour (Tenn.)	1650	2 : 4
8. Hunter Weeks (Tenn.)	1918	3½ : 2½	20. T.L. Jaerdan	unr.	1½ : 4½
9. Frank RoPass (La.)	2007	3½ : 2½	21. J. Mitchell	1639	1 : 5
10. D. Hallman (Ill.)	2015	3 : 3			
11. John Hurt (Tenn.)	1797	3 : 3			
12. Dennis Sims (Ark.)					

Reserve Division					
1. R. McCune	1606	5 : 1	9. Allon White	Unr.	3 : 3
2. Frank Garner	1597	5 : 1	10. E. F. Williams	1688	2½ : 3½
3. J.H. Taylor	1715	4½ : 1½	11. R. Russell	1410	2 : 4
4. R. McDowell	Unr.	4 : 2	12. Jim Herring	Unr.	2 : 4
5. D. Bussell	Unr.	4 : 2	13. Bob Alford	Unr.	2 : 4
6. L. Kiefling	1787	3½ : 2½	14. Ronnie Elias	Unr.	1 : 5
7. Ralph King	1613	3½ : 2½	15. J.B. Ingram	1401	1 : 5
8. C.M. Pipkin	1533	3 : 3	16. D. Hardin*	1659	0 : 6
*Withdrew after first round.					

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GRANDMASTER TRIFUNOVICH GIVES SIMUL IN MEMPHIS

On Monday, Dec. 10 International Grandmaster Petar Trifunovich gave a simul. exhibition on invitation by the Memphis Chess Club. He played on 17 boards, winning 13, drawing 3, and losing one. The winner for Memphis was James Wright (see game) and draws were obtained by Weeks, Gilley, and Ritenour. The loss to Wright by the grandmaster was only Trifunovich's first since touring the U.S.

It may be noted that Oak Ridge and then Nashville were called by Dr. Lasker from New York first to finance the trip for Trifunovich and play there, but each city had to turn it down for lack of funds.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Please be informed that dues for 1963 are again due and still only \$1. A slight change was made in that the month the paper is published will now appear in the heading instead of the two months that are covered.

DAN FINUCANE WINS OAK RIDGE JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

By Mike Coveyou

Twenty-seven Oak Ridge Juniors and Dan and Tommy Finucane of Kingsport assembled December 26-27-28 at the Unitarian Church in Oak Ridge for the Oak Ridge Junior Chess Tournament.

Dan Finucane of Kingsport was the surprise winner with seven straight wins and a loss in the last round after he had won the tournament. Tied for second and third were George Plumlee and Larry Lathan with scores of 6½:1½ apiece. George took second and the Oak Ridge Junior Championship on tie-breaking points. Barbara Hutton and Mike Coveyou were tied for fourth and fifth with 5½:2½ apiece. Barbara took fourth on tie-breaking. (She is only 10 years old!)

There was a handicap championship for players with club ratings under 1300 and for those without club ratings. First, second, and third places in the handicap class obtained Ricky Gallaher (5-3), Alan LaVerne (5-3), and George Yates 4½, respectively.

One oddity for a junior tournament was the substantial number of draws. Noteworthy also was the large number of upsets. Robert R. Coveyou served as tournament director, assisted by Brandt Kuperstock and Mike Coveyou.

PROPOSED TEAM TOURNAMENT

The current State Champion Emanuel Tsitsekliis suggested that we might have a team tournament among the larger cities of Tennessee. This sounds like an excellent idea and should provide some exciting competition and some good chess.

This team tourney could be played like the Chess Olympics. That is with four players on each team plus one or two alternates if desired. The strongest cities that should be included are: Knoxville, Memphis, Nashville, and Oak Ridge. The winning team, of course, would receive a trophy. But if there are other cities that feel they can muster a stronger team, they can challenge a team in their respective area and replace it in the team tournament should they win.

Your editor would like to propose such a team tournament to take place in Nashville sometime in April. Since 4 teams would be involved this could be played during a regular weekend as a three round - round robin. Such a tourney should be USCF rated (?) Also if each team has one alternate which may be best, then the alternates could play each other without counting for the teams, except one game in which the alternates should take the place of a regular team member(?) If there are additional questions please bring them to the attention of the editor. The correspondents of the respective cities are hereby invited to write the editor before Feb. 20 and let him know if your city will participate or not.

The ground rules will be laid down next issue provided of course there is interest.

WITH THE CLUBS

The club ladder of Memphis now has 18 active players. The ratings are computed like the USCF ratings and as of Dec. 14 are as follows for the top ten:

1. John Hurt	2031	6. James Wright	1846
2. Hunter Weeks	1938	7. Bob O'Bannon	1765
3. Ed Middleton	1910	8. Doug Ritonour	1710
4. R.S. Scrivenor	1832	9. Frank Garner	1709
5. Mark Gilley	1847	10. Bill Wiseman	1706

The Nashville Club at present has 25 active members. For their club matches they are using Chess Review's postal system. The ratings as of Dec. 6 are:

1. Peter Lahde	1413	6. Don DuPlantier	1220
2. Robert Sommer	1355	7. Don Baker	1064
3. Albert Bowen	1326	8. Rice Pierce	1004
4. Kenneth Vines	1250	9. Schmitt	996
5. Steve Nelson	1246	10. Zoltan Bokor	970

The Knoxville Club recently elected the following officers:

President: Emanuel Tsitsekliis
Vice President/Tournament Director: David Durris
Secretary/Treasurer: Bill Irwin

In addition adult membership per year has been set at \$5 and \$3 for Juniors. Also a ladder tourney with club ratings will be set up.

FLASH!! Bobby Fischer, 21, won the U.S. Championship with 8½ by defeating Bisguier in the last round who took second with 7½. The tourney had many upsets including Mednis win from Fischer, Addison from Reshevsky and many others.

GAMES FROM THE TENNESSEE OPEN, 1962
Annotated by Robert Coveyou

INDIAN DEFENCE

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|-------------|----------|------------------|---------|--------|--------------------|----------|-------|
| 1. P-K4 | P-KN3 | White: John Hurt | 11. fxf | Q-R4ch | Black: Jack Murphy | 21. P-N4 | N-QR4 |
| 2. P-C4 | D-N2(a) | 12. 1-B3 | Cxf | | 22. B-B2 | N-B5 | |
| 3. N-KB3 | I-C3 | 13. B-K3 | C-Q3 | | 23. B-B5 | C-B3 | |
| 4. B-CB4 | N-KB3(b) | 14. QN-C2 | P-K4(c) | | 24. BxN | BxD | |
| 5. C-K2 | O-O | 15. O-O-O | B-K3 | | 25. P-KR4 | I-K5 | |
| 6. 1-KR3(c) | I-CB4 | 16. N-N5 | R-Q2 | | 26. B-N3 | M-N3 | |
| 7. P-K3 | N-K1 | 17. NxR | QxN | | 27. 1-KB4 | K-R1 | |
| 8. 1-K6(d) | I-C4 | 18. N-K4 | N-B3(f) | | 28. K-N1 | R-Q1(h) | |
| 9. Ixich | Rx | 19. N-B5 | C-Q3 | | | | |
| 10. D-N3 | N-CB3 | 20. NxR(g) | CxN | | | | |
- (a) A thought that occurred to me is that 1-KN3, B-N2, KN-K2, QN-B3 is a good lineup for White, following Denko, who plays 1. 1-KN3 on important occasions.
(b) Question 1: What plausible developing move (other than played) for Black is in fact a fatal blunder? See page 5 for the answers to these questions. But first see if you can work it out yourself.
(c) I would replace White's last three moves by B-KB4, N-CB3, and C-Q2 - not entirely a matter of taste, I think.
(d) This attack cannot be good - and isn't.
(e) Question 2: Black seems to have a clear win. How?
(f) The situation has changed - Black's center pawns are weak because the protecting pieces are awkwardly placed.
(g) The rest is mopping up but neatly done.
(h) Question 3: White now has a pretty combination. He saw it, do you?

CIG Stonewall System

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|-------------|----------|-------------------|------------|------|-------------------|----------|------|
| 1. 1-C4 | I-C4 | White: Tommy Farr | 16. 1-N7 | R-N1 | Black: Andy Shor | 31. K-N4 | K-N4 |
| 2. 1-K3 | N-CB3(a) | 17. BfxB | RxI | | 32. I-N4 | K-R5 | |
| 3. D-C3(b) | N-B3(c) | 18. NxN(1) | BixN | | 33. K-N5 | D-N4!(p) | |
| 4. 1-KB4(d) | B-N5(e) | 19. RxRoh | CxR | | 34. I-R4 | K-R6 | |
| 5. N-KB3 | I-K3(f) | 20. C-R6 | R-KB2 | | 35. 1-R5 | KxI | |
| 6. O-O | D-C3(g) | 21. B-C2 | R-B7 | | 36. 1-R6 | Ixich | |
| 7. 1-B3 | N-K5(h) | 22. R-KB1!(n) | B-K7! | | 37. KxI | K-N6?(q) | |
| 8. QN-C2 | I-B4 | 23. RxR | BxQ(?) (n) | | 38. I-N4 | K-B6 | |
| 9. C-B2 | O-O | 24. RxQch | KxR | | 39. KxI | K-C6 | |
| 10. 1-B4(i) | N-N5 | 25. B-N4ch | K-K1 | | 40. 1-R5 | KxI | |
| 11. C-N3 | I-B3 | 26. D-B5 | K-C2(o) | | 41. 1-N6 | K-C6 | |
| 12. 1-B5 | Nx3 | 27. BxI | K-B2 | | 42. D-K7 | I-K6 | |
| 13. CxN | D-B2 | 28. K-B2 | K-N2 | | 43. 1-N7 | I-K7 | |
| 14. N-K5 | I-CN3(j) | 29. D-B5 | B-C6 | | 44. B-R4 and wins | | |
| 15. IxI(k) | BxN | 30. K-N3 | K-R3 | | | | |
- (a) White intends to play the Stonewall Variation. This usually goes 1. 1-C4 1-C4, 2. 1-K3 N-KB3; 3. D-B3. Now 3... N-Cb3 is quite good; intending ...N-N5 or ...1-K4 according to opportunity. Here 2...N-Cb3 may be mistimed.
(b) White should probably change his plans with 3.N-KB3 to prevent ...1-K4 and then play 1-CB4, with a Queen's Gambit position in which Black's Knight is misplaced on CB3.
(c) 3...1-K4 would free Black's game at once; 3...N-N5 is also alright, but not as strong. Finally, the move played ...N-KB3 is good enough, transposing into the usual line. But 3...1-K4 was best.
(d) White correctly prevents ...1-K4, allowing ...N-N5. Possibly is 4.N-KB3, with the same possibilities.
(e) The usual move is, of course, 4...N-N5; to get rid of the Bishop. The move played looks about as good, since it gets the Bishop out before the door is closed by ...P-K3. White's usual reply to the development of the QD, is 1-Cb4 and C-N3 is not easily available here.
(f) But now ...N-N5 would not work so well: 5...N-N5 6 O-O NxR 7 PxN 1-K3 8 C-N3 C-B1 (or 8...C-N1, to stay off the open file) 9.N-K5, and White stands very well.
(g) In such positions, putting the Bishop on C3 almost always leads to its exchange for White's King Knight (after N-K5) an alternative is 6...D-K2.
(h) The Counter Stonewall which Black now constructs is one of the better ways to handle the Stonewall formation.
(i) This move, allowing the exchange of his better Bishop cannot be best; instead
(j) White can win a pawn with 15 NxI C-K1 16 IxI
(k) But this transposition does not win the pawn.
(l) White has drifted into a dangerously backward position. But this simplification seems sufficient to hold the position. (Continued on page 6)

SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION BY TRIFUNOVICH

SICILIAN DEFENCE		Dr. Ietar Trifunovich		Black: James A. Wright	
1. i-K4	i-QD4	22. R-K3	Nx3	43. i-R5	R-Q3
2. N-KD3	i-Q3	23. RxD	E-Q5!	44. R-N3	R-R2
3. i-Q4	i-xi	24. R/1-K1	DxR	45. R-R3	K-K2
4. Nx1	N-KD3	25. RxD	i-QN4	46. K-D5	RxD
5. N-QD3	N-QD3	26. N-N3	R-R1	47. RxD	Rxich
6. i-KN3	i-KN3	27. N-Q4	R/R1-D1	48. K-D6	R-R7
7. D-N2	D-Q2	28. K-D2	i-N5	49. i-R4	R-D7ch
8. O-O	D-N2	29. N-D6	DxN	50. K-N5	K-Q3
9. N-N3	O-O	30. ixD	i-xi	51. K-N4	i-K4
10. D-N3	i-QR3	31. Rxi	R-D2	52. ixi	ixi
11. R-K1	R-D1	32. R-R3	R-N1	53. R-KD3	i-K5
12. N-Q5	NxN	33. i-N3	R-N4	54. R-D6ch	K-K4
13. i-xN	N-K4	34. K-K3	i-Q4	55. Rxi	i-K6
14. i-QD3	R-K1	35. R-R4	Rxi/D3	56. R-N8	K-Q5
15. N-Q4	Q-N3	36. D-D1	R/4-D4	57. K-N3	R-D2
16. Q-N3	QxQ	37. K-Q4	i-D3	58. i-N4	K-Q6
17. NxQ	i-KR3	38. D-Q3	K-D2	59. i-N5	ixi
18. D-K3	N-D5	39. i-QN4	i-xi	60. ixi	R-N2ch
19. Q-D-B1	P-QR4	40. Rxi	R-D2	61. K-R2	i-K7
20. N-Q2	N-K4	41. i-QR4	i-K3	62. R-K3	K-Q7
21. i-KD4	N-Q6	42. R-N8	R-D8	Resigns	

FRENCH DEFENCE		White: Dr. Ietar Trifunovich		Black: John Hurt	
1. i-K4	i-K3	11. i-D4	N-N3	21. Q-B3	i-N5
2. i-Q4	i-Q4	12. O-O	E-Q2	22. N-K5	Q-N2
3. N-Q2	N-QD3	13. Q-B2	O-O-O	23. Q-R-D	i-Q5
4. KN-D3	N-B3	14. ixi	ixi?(a)	24. Q-B5	i-N6
5. i-K5	N-Q2	15. KR-D	Dxich	25. NxN	ixich
6. P-QN3	i-D3	16. KxD	QR-D	26. K-R	ixN
7. D-N2	Pxi	17. K-N	i-N4	27. RxD	R-D7
8. ixi	D-B4	18. P-K6	Dxi	White announced	
9. D-Q3	Q-K2	19. DxR	RxD	mate in four	
10. i-QR3	P-QR4	20. R-K	R-D		

(a) Black must play NxP

- ANSWERS TO GAME: HURT-MURPHY
- (1) 4...QN-Q2??; 5. Dxich, KxD7; 6. N-N5ch, K-B1; 7. N-K6ch. Or K-K1; 7. N-K6, or K-B3; 7. Q-D3 into.
- (2) 8...i-Q4!; 9. ixich, Rxi; 10. D-N3, i-D5! (if 10. D-Q3 then i-D5! also) 11. D-R4, i-QN4!; 12. Dxi; N-Q3!; 13. N-B3, Q-R4!; 14. D-R4, N-K5! and Black wins the piece. *(Simpler seems 11...Q-R4ch; 12. N-B3, N-Q3 winning the piece as N-K5 and i-QN4 are threatened, Ed.)
- (3) 29. i-N5!, D-N2; 30. Qxi!, Bxi; 31. ixD! Resigns! Black gets mated if he takes the Queen. Of course, Black did not have to counter-sacrifice, but he was lost anyway.

SICILIAN KING GAMBIT		NASHVILLE-MEMPHIS MATCH, 1962		White: John Hurt		Black: Richard Long	
1. i-K4	i-QD4	11. N-QN5	O-O	21. R-N1	D-Q4		
2. i-QN4	ixi	12. R-R4	Q-D4	22. i-KR3	i-KR3		
3. i-QR3	i-Q4	13. O-O	R-Q1	23. i-N4	DxD		
4. NxR/5 Rxi	Qxi	14. N-R4(a)	Q-N8	24. NxD	N-Q4		
5. N-KD3	i-K4	15. i-Q4	D-K3(b)	25. K-N2	QR-D		
6. ixi	Bxi	16. D-K3	QxQ	26. P-R4	D-R4? (c)		
7. i-D3	D-QD4	17. Dxi	ixi	27. Nx1	R-R		
8. N-R3	N-KD3	18. ixi	D-N3	28. NxN	ixN		
9. D-D4	Q-K5ch	19. D-B3	D-N6	29. R/1-QR	NxDch		
10. D-K2	N-B3	20. R-R3	D-B5	30. ixi	R-Q4		
				31. N-K5	Resigns		

Notes by John Hurt

- (a) This is not the best, but White is trying to trap his opponent.
- (b) Any other move loses.
- (c) D-D2 loses a pawn. But the text is worse. Black was a pawn ahead but had a difficult game.

CLUB LADDER GAMES

FRENCH DEFENCE		White: Mark Gilley	Black: John Hurt		
1. 1-K4	1-K3(a)	8. C-N4	C-K2(c)	15. Bxich	B-Q2?(1)
2. 1-Q4	1-Q4	9. N/2-N3(h)	ixi	16. Qxich	B-K2(m)
3. N-NQ2(b)	N-NQ23(o)	10. B-KN5	N-B3	17. BxN	QxB
4. 1-QB3	N-B3	11. Q-R3	Q-B2(1)	18. QxB/7ch	K-B1
5. 1-K5	N-Q2	12. B-N5	ixi(j)	19. BxR	K-N2(o)
6. KN-B3	1-B3(d)	13. N-NK5(k)	Q-N2	20. O-O	RxB
7. N-NR4(o)	1-KN3(f)	14. NxN	FxN	21. KR-K1	K-B1
				22. R-K6	Resigns

Annotation is by Mark Gilley

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- (a) John's favorite defence to 1.1-K4
- (b) This is John's favorite variation as White. I chose it for psychological reasons, not because I thought it had any great objective merit.
- (c) John chooses Alapin's defensive line.
- (d) By a slight transposition of moves, we have arrived at the critical position in this variation. White must struggle to prevent the breakup of his center
- (e) White tries not a completely sound wing diversion. But Black must play accurately to refute it.
- (f) The first slight error; 7...ixi!, risky as it seemed, was best.
- (g) This seems better than 8...-KB4.
- (h) This gambit style move is the necessary corollary to White's risky wing tactics.
- (i) White has vague pressure for his pawn.
- (j) A naive-looking move, but Black's position is conducive to errors, and there is no wholly satisfactory move.
- (k) A novel crusher. Black's game falls apart.
- (l) This move dooms Black. Doubtless a K-move was better.
- (n) There is no defence.
- (n) The most cruel method.
- (o) 19...Q-K4ch would have been a better try, but Black's game is naturally lost.

FRENCH DEFENCE			White: Albert Bowen		Black: Peter Lahde	
1. 1-K4	1-K3	11. P-KR4?(c)	QxN	21. R-R3	P-B4	
2. P-Q4	P-Q4	12. QxQ	PxQ	22. N-N3	PxP	
3. B-K3(a)	PxP	13. B-K2	R-N1	23. Nxp	NxP!	
4. N-Q2	N-KB3	14. BxPch	K-K2	24. RxN	B-B5	
5. N-K2	N-N5	15. P-KN4	B-Q2	25. K-Q2	R-Q1!	
6. N-KN3	NxB	16. N-B4	N-B3	26. P-B3	P-K4	
7. PxN	Q-N4	17. P-N5	P-N4	27. K-K1	PxN	
8. Q-K2	P-KB4	18. N-Q2	B-K1	28. R-R3	P-Q6	
9. O-O-O	B-Q3?!	19. B-K2	N-N5!	29. B-B1	B-R4	
10. N-R5?(b)	P-KN3!	20. P-R3	N-Q4	Resigns		

(a) An interesting gambit, which gets off the beaten track.

(b) Necessary is 10. Q-R5ch anything else including the text loses a Pawn.

(c) But this loses even a piece as does N-N7ch. With the text he gets some compensation on the 14th move in a Pawn and in that Black loses the Castling privilege. True he could have castled K-side, but this was inadvisable.

GAME: FARR-SHOR (Continued from page 3)

- (n) The saving clause
- (n) Better is QxRch; then Black would not lose the Pawn as he does now.
- (o) The simplest way to draw is 26...B-B5 27 P-QN3 B-Q6 28 BxP B-N8 29. P-QR3 B-B7 30 P-QN4 B-R5. Now the White King cannot enter the Queen-side, while the King-side can be defended with the King; White can make no progress. Black attempts a counter attack on the Queen side. But this allows White to penetrate the King-side, with very dangerous consequences for Black.
- (p) Not 37... K-R6; 34. P-N5ch.
- (q) The losing move; Black can still draw with 37...B-N8 38 P-N3 B-R6 39 KxP K-N6 40 K-N6 K-B6 41 K-N5 K-Q6 42 K-B4 K-K7 43 P-N4 K-B7 44 P-N5 B-B4. Or 38 P-N4 B-R6 39 P-N5 B-B4.

POSITION A WIN OR DRAW FOR BLACK? White to move. White: K-K4, N-K3, P-QR4, P-CN3 & P-KB5. Black: K-K2, B-Q1, P-QR4, P-QN5 & P-KR4. From Schultz-Hurt, Huntsville, 1962. Here Black claimed a book win. Monic and Acers adjudicated it a draw with no book consulted. Basic Chess Endings on page 250 says "the strength of such a Pawn (outside passed) is so great that either piece will usually win with equal ease. Ordinarily a Bishop is more effective here than a Kt. Do you agree with Hurt or Acers and Monic? Let's hear from the experts. (The Editor reserves his opinion until we hear from more qualified players.)