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COVEYOU REGAINS TENN. OPEN AND STATE TITLE.

Robert Coveyou of Oak Ridge regained the Open and State title that he had won in 1959. Jerry Sullivan also of Oak Ridge, last year's state title holder, was perhaps overconfident or worn out after ticing for fifth place in the U.S. Open. He did not get into contention for the state crown. Robert Jacobs of Louisville, Ky. did not defend his "Open" title.

Bob Coveyou played very good chess winning his first five games and allowing only a draw in round six playing Hunter Weaks of Memphis. Weaks was second with five points giving up another draw to Selden Trimble of Hopkinsville, Ky. Third place was won by Albert Bowen of Nashville ahead of Lee Hyder of Berkeley, Calif. who came in fourth; both scoring $4\frac{1}{2}$ points. Fifth place was taken by R. Scrivener of Nesbit, Miss. ahead of Ben Batson of Knoxville, who copped the junior title and trophy; both scoring four points. In addition the following scored four points: Lars Encquist of Los Angeles, Calif. and Robert Sommer of Nashville for 7th and 8th. Dr. Sommer's performance was quite remarkable for he only has a low class B rating.

This might be termed a tournament of upsets. For several of the players that were expected to be in the money finished halfway down the list. Jerry Sullivan only managed a $3\frac{1}{2}$ score being upset by Scrivener and Cramer. John Hurt of Memphis a high Class A player only obtained an even 3:3 score. Also better was expected of Troy Armstrong of Memphis, as well as Selden Trimble, who only had $2\frac{1}{2}$.

But then other players did much better than expected. Dr. Sommer of Nashville and Robert Boyer of Manchester should be mentioned in this category. Also Brandt Kuperstock of Oak Ridge and Jack Murphy of Maryville should be mentioned for landing in the scoring column.

The Tennessee players felt honored to find the USCF President Fred Cramer in their midst. Prior to playing time he gave an interesting talk. Among other things he praised the increased activities and USCF members in Tennessee. (But we dare not let up in our drive but should strive for higher goals. Glad you could come, Mr. Cramer - ed.)

From the standpoint of participation and attendance the tournament was a big success. In all 34 players had entered the tourney, which most likely is the largest number of entries in the Tenn. Open. Unfortunately three out of state players while sending their entry fees did not appear, but their donations were appreciated. So actually only 31 played, which is the same number as last year. But seven of those came from out of state, while we only had five last year. In other words we actually had two less playing TCA members. Let's see how each section of Tennessee participated in 1960 and this year.

	1960	1961
WEST	6	7
MIDDLE	12	11
EAST	10	8
TOTALS	28	26

The prizes were awarded as follows: Robert Coveyou won the trophy for the Tenn. State title and \$50. Second place winner Hunter Weaks won \$30. Albert Bowen and Lee Hyder won \$10 each for their third place tie. New Junior Champion is Ben Batson for which he won a trophy. Book prizes were given to the following:

Highest scoring Class B player: Dr. Robert Sommer
Highest scoring Class C player: Brandt Kuperstock
Highest scoring unrated player: Dan Finucane and Ronald Schmidt

In addition the honor for highest scoring team (consisting of five members of a club or city) went to Memphis. They outscored the host team by $1\frac{1}{2}$ points: 19 to 17 $\frac{1}{2}$. For this Memphis received a plaque which they can keep for one year, or longer should they win again. Hope that more five men teams will try for the plaque next year.

Of the 89 games that were played, White outscored Black by a comfortable margin. In fact White had the edge in every round. White won 42 games, Black only 27 and 20 games were drawn. Aside from the three players that did not show, there were no forfeits. About four games were adjudicated.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

1960

Income		Expenses	
On Hand	\$ 12.00	Prizes	\$121.00
Entrance Fee	155.00	USCF Dues	27.50
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Nashville Donat.	18.00	Rating Fees	9.00
TOTAL	\$212.50	Trophies	20.00
		Postage, materials	5.00
BALANCE	\$20.00	TOTAL	192.50

1961

Income		Expenses	
On Hand	\$ 20.00	Cash Prizes	\$100.00
Entrance Fees	170.00	Book Prizes	6.00
USCF Dues	29.00	Chapter Affil.	10.00
Nashville Donat.	20.00	Trophies & Plaque	29.00
TOTAL	239.00	Postage, Materials	5.00
		USCF Dues	29.00
BALANCE	\$51.00	Rating Fees	9.00
		TOTAL	168.00

TENNESSEE OPEN, 1961		Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Rd6	SCORE	S.M.
1. Coveyou, Rbt	Oak Ridge, Tenn.	W28	W18	W11	W5	W4	D2	5-1-1/2	22
2. Woaks, Hunter	Memphis, Tenn.	W21	D19	W7	W9	W3	D1	5-1	22.5
3. Bowen, Albert	Nashville, Tenn.	W15	D9	W19	W6	L2	W13	4-1-1/2	21.5
4. Hyder, Lee	Berkeley, Calif.	W20	W16	D6	W14	L1	W11	4-1-1/2	21.5
5. Scrivener, R.S.	Nesbit, Miss.	W25	W25	W10	L1	D6	D7	4-2	22
6. Batson, Ben	Knoxville, Tenn.	W24	W14	D4	L3	D5	W15	4-2	21.5
7. Enequist, L.	Los Angeles, Cal.	D17	W20	L2	W19	W12	D5	4-2	20.5
8. Sommer, Rbt.	Nashville, Tenn.	L9	W15	W18	L12	W24	W16	4-2	18.5
9. Wright, James	Millington, Tenn.	W8	D3	W17	L2	D16	D10	3-1-1/2	23
10. Sullivan, J.G.	Oak Ridge, Tenn.	W13	W12	L5	L11	W22	D9	3-1-1/2	22.5
11. Cramer, Fred	Milwaukee, Wisc.	W31	W22	L1	W10	L1	L4	3-1-1/2	20.5
12. Middleton, Eddie	Memphis, Tenn.	W29	L10	D16	W8	L7	W14	3-1-1/2	19
13. Lahde, Peter	Nashville, Tenn.	L10	W31	W23	W22	D11	L3	3-1-1/2	17.5
14. Hurt, John	Memphis, Tenn.	W26	L6	W25	L4	W21	L12	3-3	19.5
15. Boyer, Robert	Manchester, Tenn.	L3	L8	W27	W29	W25	L6	3-3	19.5
16. DuPlantier, Don	Nashville, Tenn.	A34	L4	D12	W17	D9	L8	3-3	18.5
17. Murphy, Jack	Maryville, Tenn.	D7	W26	L9	L16	W28	D25	3-3	17.5
18. Slack, David	Kingsport, Tenn.	A33	L1	L8	L20	W30	W29	3-3	15.5
19. Trimble, Selden	Hopkinsville, Ky.	W27	D2	L3	L7	D20	D21	2-1-3/4	21
20. Gilley, Mark	Memphis, Tenn.	L4	L7	D26	W18	D19	D28	2-1-3/4	18.5
21. Farr, Tommy	Nashville, Tenn.	L2	W24	L22	W23	L14	D19	2-1-3/4	18
22. Armstrong, Troy	Memphis, Tenn.	W30	L11	W21	L13	L10	D24	2-1-3/4	17
23. Griffith, Bill	Tulahoma, Tenn.	L5	W30	L13	L21	W26	D27	2-1-3/4	16.5
24. Kuperstock, B.	Oak Ridge, Tenn.	L6	L21	Bye	W27	L8	D22	2-1-3/4	15.5
25. Aydelett, J.F.	Nashville, Tenn.	A32	L5	L14	W28	L15	D17	2-1-3/4	15
26. Mikun, Norbert	Nashville, Tenn.	L14	L17	D20	W30	L23	W31	2-1-3/4	13.5
27. Finucane, Dan	Kingsport, Tenn.	L19	Bye	L15	L24	W31	D23	2-1-3/4	11.5
28. Hairfield, H.	Manchester, Tenn.	L1	D29	W31	L25	L17	D20	2-4	16.5
29. Schmidt, Ronald	Oak Ridge, Tenn.	L12	D28	D30	L15	Bye	L18	2-4	13
30. Henry, Everett	Nashville, Tenn.	L22	L23	D29	L26	L18	Bye	1-1/2-4-1/2	12.5
31. Duke, Philipp	Harrison, Ark.	L11	L13	L28	Bye	L27	L26	1-5	14
32. Whitaker, N.T.	Washington, D.C.	F25	withdrawn					0-6	
33. Hartlob, Glenn	Washington, D.C.	F18	withdrawn					0-6	
34. Stevens, Chas.	Baltimore, Md.	F16	withdrawn					0-6	

There were two ties after the Solkoff Modification system was applied. They were broken by applying the Median Point system. Using this Al Bowen had 14.75 to 14.0 for Lee Hyder. John Hurt had 7.5 to 7.0 for Boyer.

Tournament Director: Peter Lahde assisted by Robert Coveyou and Brandt Kuperstock.

MEMPHIS CLUB KEEPS ACTIVE.

By Lyle Priddy

The Memphis Chess Club played the state of Arkansas a match at Brinkley. The match took place on August 13 and was played on 9 boards. Memphis won the match by a score of 11-7. The boards were as follows:

MEMPHIS		ARKANSAS	
Hurt	1 1	Balsai	0 0
Scrivener	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	Leonard Scott	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Armstrong	0 0	Leasure	1 1
Weeks	$\frac{1}{2}$ 1	Douthart	$\frac{1}{2}$ 0
Wright	1 1	Berry	0 0
Middleton	1 1	Campbell	0 0
Priddy	1 0	Allbritton	0 1
O'Bannon, Ritenour	0 0	Meacham	1 1
Gilley	1 1	John Scott	0 0

(Quite an accomplishment, Memphis. However in the defence of Arkansas it must be said that they were playing without the services of their current state and last year's state champion - Richard Long and Charles Rosburg. - Ed.)

In addition Memphis won the team championship from Dallas in the Arkansas Open held over the last weekend in July. The members of the team who helped win this were Wright and Hurt with 4 points each, Scrivener with $3\frac{1}{2}$, and Weeks and Armstrong with 3 each.

Several 4 game matches have been or are being played between members of the Memphis Chess Club. The results so far are as follows:

Hurt - Scrivener	$2\frac{1}{2}$; $1\frac{1}{2}$
Scrivener - Middleton	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ (One game remaining)
Weeks - Armstrong	1 - 1 (Two games remaining)
Priddy - Weeks	1 - 0 (Three games remaining)
Hurt - Armstrong	2 - 0 (Two games remaining)

Memphis claims to have the strongest team within about a 500 mile radius. (I am sure that does not include St. Louis? - Ed.) They feel quite confident of a victory over Nashville in the next match. Much of the improvement of the strength of the Memphis team is due to the enthusiasm of Hunter Weeks. He has helped Lyle Priddy, Eddie Middleton and Cliff Lipman a great deal in improving their game.

A match between Memphis and Nashville should be forthcoming sometime in Oct. Nashville has great hopes that it will upset the confidence of Memphis in their coming match. For one thing they will have the services of the current Arkansas champion, Richard Long and also Leonard Scott (He had a plus score over Scrivener in their recent match). Both will be attending Vanderbilt University.

NASHVILLE CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS.

The Nashville Chess Club elected the following officers: President: Donald DuPlantier; Secretary/Treasurer: Albert Bowen; Vice Presidents: Pete Lahde (ratings) Robert Sommer (adult membership), and Larry Mayhew (Youth membership); and as Librarian: Arthur Tribke. By the way all the officers are USCF and TCA members.

Over 35 players are still battling for positions in the club ladder. The lead is temporarily held by Peter Lahde with 1498. But as he lost the first game in a match to 11th placed Dr. Oscar Nelson (1008), he is actually only second. Al Bowen is officially second with 1478. Third is DuPlantier (1300) followed by 4th Mayhew (1294), 5th Sommer (1255), 6th Dr. Pierce (1142), 7th Ratliff (1139), 8th Talley (1087), 9th Farr (1086), and tenth Koellein (1024). In over six matches James Talley is so far undefeated and has won every match he played.

The match between Bowen and Lahde stands at four games apiece.

POSTAL CHESS TO BEGIN.

This is your last chance to enter the Tennessee Postal Chess Tournament 1961/2. If you would like to enter and have not already done so please send a card to the Postal Editor Robert Coveyou indicating your intentions and including your complete address. Sent entries to: Robert R. Coveyou, 93 Outer Drive, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

ROCKET CITY OPEN, Oct. 13-15,

There will be a five round Swiss tourney at Huntsville, Ala. at the Sahara Motor Inn. For details write: Barney Roberts, 435 S Edgemont Cir. Huntsville, Ala.

MINIATURES FROM THE TENNESSEE OPEN, 1961.

No. 1. Ruy Lopez

1. P-K4 P-K4
 2. N-KB3 N-QB3
 3. B-N5 N-Q5
 4. N-N N-N
 5. O-O B-B4
 6. P-QB3 P-QB3
 7. B-B4 N-B3
 8. P-K5 P-Q4
 9. P-N P-B
 10. P-P R-N1

Mark Gilley (White)

11. Q-R5 Q-Q4
 12. R-K1ch B-K3
 13. R-K5 Q-Q3
 14. R-B B-Q4
 15. QxNP O-O
 16. Q-B5ch K-N1
 17. P-P QR-K1
 18. K-B1 QxRP
 19. Q-R3 BxPch
 20. Q-B R-K8ch

Leo Hyder (Black)

21. KxR QxQ
 22. R-K5? Q-R8ch
 23. K-K2 QxR
 24. P-R4 R-P
 25. R-R3 Q-N
 26. R(3)-K3 R-N8
 27. R-K8ch K-B2
 28. R(8)-K7ch K-Q3
 29. R-NP Q-Q8mate

Gilley definitely had a winning game but muffed it. Leo Hyder is originally from Tennessee. Jack Murphy, who brought him to the tourney, was his teacher. The pupil is now better than the teacher. Mr. Hyder resides now in California.

No. 2. Danish-Scotch G.

1. P-K4 P-K4
 2. P-Q4 P-P
 3. N-KB3 B-N5ch
 4. P-B3 P-P
 5. N-P N-QB3
 6. B-QB4 B-Nch
 7. P-B Q-K2

White: Hurt

8. O-O P-Q3
 9. Q-N3 N-R4
 10. Q-R4ch N-B3
 11. P-K5 B-K3
 12. B-QN5 B-Q2
 13. P-P CxP
 14. B-R3 Q-C4

Black: Aydelott

15. QR-Q Q-KD4
 16. KR-Kch KN-K2
 17. R-Nch! K-Q
 18. B-N P-B
 19. CxB(P/6) Resigns
 as mate
 in two

No. 3. King's Gambit

1. P-K4 P-K4
 2. P-KB4 P-P
 3. N-KB3 N-KB3
 4. N-QB3 B-B4
 5. P-Q4 B-K2
 6. B-P B-N5
 7. B-KN5 O-O
 8. B-K2 P-C3

White: Lahde

9. O-O P-B3
 10. B-N CxR
 11. P-K5 Q-K3
 12. B-C3 Q-R3
 13. P-P B-N5
 14. N-K4 N-Q2
 15. P-B3 B-R4
 16. Q-B2 B-Q1

Black: Duke

17. QR-K1 P-KD4
 18. C-N3ch K-R1
 19. CxNP N-N3
 20. N-B5 P-B5
 21. N-K5 B-B1?
 22. N-B7ch K-N1
 23. N-Nch P-N
 24. CxPmate

No. 4. Sicilian Defence

1. P-K4 P-QB4
 2. N-KB3 P-C3
 3. P-Q4 P-P
 4. N-P N-KB3
 5. N-QB3 P-KN3
 6. B-QB4 B-N2
 7. P-B3 O-O

White: Coveyou

8. B-K3 N-B3
 9. C-Q2 N-N
 10. B-N P-CR3
 11. O-O-O P-K4
 12. B-K3 P-QN4
 13. B-N3 R-K1
 14. CxP QxQ

Black: Hairfield

RxQ B-N2
 16. KR-C1 QR-B1
 17. B-N5 N-R4
 18. R-C7 B-QB3
 19. BxPch K-B1
 20. BxR BxR
 21. BxB Resigns

No. 5. Sicilian Defence

1. P-K4 P-QB4
 2. N-KB3 P-C3
 3. P-Q4 P-P
 4. N-P N-KB3
 5. N-QB3 N-QB3
 6. P-KB3 P-KN3
 7. B-K3 B-N2

White: Armstrong

8. C-Q2 O-O
 9. O-O-O B-Q2
 10. P-KN4 N-K1
 11. P-KR4 P-CR3
 12. P-KR5 P-QN4
 13. PxNP BxP
 14. C-R2 N-B3

Black: Farr

15. N-Q5 K-B2
 16. N-N K-N?
 17. C-B4ch B-L4
 18. N-P B-N4
 19. CxPch Resigns

There should be some of the better games be anotated for next issue.

No. 6. Queen's Gambit Decl.

1. P-Q4 P-Q4
 2. P-QB4 P-K3
 3. N-QB3 N-KB3
 4. B-N5 B-K2
 5. P-K3 P-KR3
 6. B-B4 O-O
 7. P-P P-P
 8. B-C3 P-CR3
 9. P-KR3 B-K3

White: Hyder

10. N-B3 QN-C2
 11. N-K5 P-B4
 12. R-QB1 P-B5
 13. B-N1 QR-B1
 14. P-KN4 P-KN4
 15. B-N3 K-N2
 16. P-B4 N-N
 17. C-PxN N-K1
 18. P-B5 B-Q2

Black: DuPlantier

19. P-B6ch BxP
 20. PxPch CxP
 21. N-P C-K3
 22. C-C4ch P-B3
 23. O-O N-C3
 24. N-P RxN
 25. RxR Resigns