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FINUCANE WINS KINGSPORT 1958 TITLE

The title for the 1958 championship was decided by the game played between the two runner-ups. Before the last round Thomas Finucane and Bill Rucker had each 2½ points for the first place. Selby had 2, having lost his first game to Pardue. Finucane won his last game from Barker by default. He also defeated Pardue and Gonzales and drew with Rucker. Selby won his last game from Rucker, thereby allowing Finucane to cinch the title. This final game turned out to be very interesting. James Finucane (3rd son) 15 years old defeated Pardue. Thomas Finucane served as tournament director.

Here is the score:

Finucane, T.	5½	Pardue	2
Selby	5	Gonzales	1
Rucker	2½	Finucane, J.	1
Smith	2	Barker	1

Here is the score of this remarkable game:

QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED Kingsport, Round 4, December 7, 1958

White, Bill Rucker				Black, Joe Selby			
1. N-KB3	N-KB3	10. R-QB	Q-O	19. N-K2	N-R4		
2. P-Q4	P-Q4	11. P-QN4	P-KB4	20. R-E	Q-B3		
3. P-B4	P-K3	12. C-O	P-KN4	21. B-K	P-R6		
4. N-B3	N(L)-Q2	13. Q-N3	P-R5	22. N-N3	NxN		
5. PxP	PxP	14. BxN	Px5	23. RfxN	PxP		
6. P-K3	B-N5	15. N-Q2	N-N3	24. Q-Q	Q-B6		
7. B-Q2	P-B3	16. KR-Q	R-B2	25. B-B3	R-R2		
8. B-Q3	BxN	17. B-B	P-KR4	26. QxQ	NPxQ		
9. BxB	N-K5	18. N-N3	P-R5	27. Resigns			

COVEYOU PLAYS IN NEW YORK.

by Robert Coveyou, Tenn. Chess Champion.
This game was played in the first USCF Rating Improvement Tourney in New York City, Jan. 11-12. After witnessing a skittles session at the Marshall Chess Club between two very young (but anonymous) Grandmasters, I was impelled to annotate this game as follows. Needless to say the game as played was conceived in no such spirit. As to my results in said tourney, I scored three wins and a draw. But an initial forfeit due to a late train somewhat tarnished my score. So did the fact that I was the highest ranked player in the tournament. However, I suspect that this fact saved me a loss in a game in which my opponent agreed to draw at a time when I was not at all happy with my position.

RUY LOPEZ

New York, January, 1959

White, R. R. Coveyou
Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Black, David Ames
Quincy, Mass.

W1.	P-K4	Shall we be old-fashioned		
B1.	P-K4	Yup.		
W2.	N-KB3	But not too old fashioned		
B2.	N-QB3	Nope.		
W3.	B-N5	And wins!		
B3.	P-QR3	Show me!		
W4.	B-R4	Would you be suprised if I exchanged?		
B4.	N-B3	Suprised? I'd be delighted!		
W5.	O-O	Castle early - and often		
B5.	NxP	Didnt you miss something?		
W6.	P-Q4	Naw! Try to keep it and see what happens!		
B6.	P-QN4	I know better than to fall for 6...PxP.	7. R-K1	P-Q4
		8. NxP B-Q3. 9. NxN BxPch. 10. K-R	Q-R5. 11. R-N	
		PxR. 12. Q-Q8ch QxQ. 13. NxQ KxN. 14. KxB	Any dub	
		can see through that.		
W7.	B-N3	You knew I could play 7 NxP?	But I wont.	
B7.	P-Q4	I didnt really want the pawn anyway		

W8. PxFP You give it to me and I'll take it.
 B8. B-K5 I thought White should get a better development in the opening.
 W9. P-B5 Listen Closely and I'll explain. Your QB4 is a lasting
 weakness, and my Kingside pawn majority can get dangerous.
 B9. B-K2. You've got to show me.
 W10. QN-Q2 Development is the soul of Chess.
 D10. O-O Castle because you will or because you must- not because you can.
 W11. B-B2 (Maybe not the best) Against another Master I'd play 11 Q-K2.
 B11. P-B4 Another Master?
 W12. PxFpP There goes the outpost knight!
 B12. NxF I'm still ahead in development.
 W13. N-KN5 13. N-N3 is good too.
 B13. B-N5 You're right - And I'll make you wish you'd played it.
 W14. Q-K1 What next?
 B14. Q-Q2 Saving the exchange.
 W15. F-KR5 But if you'd play 14 ...Q-Q5, you'd have a square for your QB,
 and after QR-K1 you might have had a good game.
 B15. B-B4 So what's wrong with my game?
 W16. BxB Watch.
 B16. QxB H'mmm.
 W17. Q-K6ch Check!! What happened to that development?
 B17. QxQ Not so bad, but not so good either.
 W18. NxF Play it potzer, you gotta.
 B18. KR-QB1 You aint got nutvin'.
 W19. N-N3 Remember the weakness on QB4?
 B19. B-Q5 Protecting my pawn and freeing my Rook. Simple, Aint it?
 W20. B-K3 Your QB4 again
 B20. R-K1 Git out!
 W21. N(6)-Q4 Decisions, always decisions. Maybe 21 N(6)-B5 was better.
 B21. N-K4 Probably was, or you'd have played it.
 W22. QR-N1 Over-protection.
 B22. N-B5 Of what?
 W23. N-KB5 Maybe I didnt play this right.
 B23. NxB Maybe you didnt.
 W24. NxF Now what?
 B24. NxF I didnt like the doubled P's after 24...PxN. 25 PxN RxF
 W25. NxF O. K. by me But a Pawn is a Pawn and how could you lose?
 B25. RxF Now I'm O.K. again.
 W26. KxF Who claimed to be a Master anyway?
 B26. N-Q2 There isn't much left, but what there is, I got.
 W27. R-Q1 You scared me with all that about my QB4.
 B27. R-K4 You're all right now - until you move.
 W28. P-KB4 No worry.
 B28. R-B4 No?
 W29. K-K2 No!
 B29. P-KN4 Maybe.
 W30. P-KN4 Now I've got you. If you had played 29!...RxF 30 RxF R-B2
 you'd been alright for the moment.
 B30. RxF Cuck!
 W31. RxF You pawn is attacked!
 B31. N-N3 Thanks, pal!
 W32. RxFch You saw it! Well, this is enough.
 B32. K-B2 Can the chatter and play chess
 W33. R-QB5 Could be you dont like your game?
 B33. R-K5ch I ain't quit yet, have I?
 W34. K-Q5 Why not?
 B34. R-K2
 W35. R-B5ch Let's see where you go.
 B35. K-N3
 W36. N-Q2 Better not let your Knight go to QB5.
 B36. R-Q2ch Check!!
 W37. K-B2 So?
 B37. R-Q4 Can you win this?
 W38. R-B8 The Knight ending looks a little drawish. I play R endings better.
 B38. P-KR4 Let's whittle down the wood.
 W39. P-QN3 As I said, no QB5 for your Knight.
 B39. PxF One enemy less.
 W40. PxF Yeah.
 B40. K-N4 Now can you get anywhere?
 W41. N-K4ch Check!!!
 B41. K-N3 Oh, what a cheap trap!
 W42. R-B6ch Back up, buddy.
 B42. K-N2 Damn!
 W43. R-B6 Now what do you do?
 B43. Resigns You dont fire me; I quit!

This Game Mr. Bowen considers his best one from the '58 Tenn. Open.
KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

White, Carl Spies Memphis			Black, Albert Bowen Nashville		
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	17. N-QE3	R-R8ch	32. P-N3(p)	R-B8ch
2. P-QB4	P-KN3	18. K-L2	B-R5ch	33. N-Q	R-Q5
3. N-QB3	B-N2	19. N:d	RxN	34. RxR	BxR
4. P-K4	P-Q3	20. N-K2(h)	BxP	35. Q-K4(q)	QxRP
5. P-B3	O-O	21. R-QN(i)	Q-R	36. Q-R8ch	R-B
6. B-K3(a)	QN-Q2(b)	22. KR-Q	R-N	37. Q-B6	P-Q4(r)
7. Q-Q2(c)	P-QB4(d)	23. N-B3	R-N5	38. Q-R6	Q-E4
8. P-Q5	R-K(e)	24. P-N5	Q-N2(j)	39. P-N4	PxP
9. O-O-O	P-QR3	25. K-B	R-QB5	40. RxP(s)	P-K4 (t)
10. P-KN4(f)	K-K4	26. Q-QB2	R-N5(k)	41. RxB	R-Lch
11. P-KR3	P-QN4	27. R-Q3	P-K3(l)	42. N-B3	PxR
12. Pxp	Pxp	28. Pxp	Pxp	43. Q-R5	PxN
13. BxNP	B-Q2	29. B-Q2(m)	Q-R8ch(n)	44. BxP	P-Q5
14. P-B4	BxB	30. Q-Q	Q-R7(o)	45. QxQ	PxQ
15. PxB	NxP	31. Q-B2	R-KB	46. Resigns	
16. NxB	Rxp(g)				

Annotated by Albert Bowen

- (a) The Scamisch variation. At this point 6...P-K4 is regular.
- (b) To preserve the option of advancing either the KP or the QDP.
- (c) Threatening B-R6, and preparing O-O-O with intent to storm the castled King.
- (d) Now if 8 B-R6, Pxp wins at least a Pawn and if 8 . Pxp, : Nxp Queens side Castling would not be so safe
- (e) To preserve the Black KB in case of 9. B-R6 and to prepare ...P-K3.
- (f) At this point 15. PxB was considered and accepted as a satisfactory "real" sacrifice in exchange for a powerful Queen-side bind.
- (g) The threat is 17...R-R8ch; 18. K-L2 B-N5ch; 19.K-Q3 RxR
- (h) 20. Pxp, Pxp; would unmask both Black's KR and B at once.
20. N-B3 would not aid the White King.
- (i) If 21. R-R, Q-R; 22. RxR, QxRch; 23. P-N5, Q-K5ch, wins the other Rook
- (j) The bind gets tighter.
- (k) To prevent 27. P-N5.
- (l) To open the long diagonal for the Q to strike from the other wing.
- (m) Threatening to unmask the B on the well placed Rook.
- (n) An encircling maneuver.
- (o) All men are still pointed at White's QNP.
- (p) To give the King some "air".
- (q) A bid for freedom.
- (r) The passed Pawns begin to roll. White is under severe time pressure.
- (s) If 40. BxP, QxPch. 41. K-B2, Q-B4ch; 42. Q-Q3, R-Bch etc.
- (t) This allows the threat ... R-Bch etc.

TENNESSEE OPEN 1958									
	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Rd6	SCORE	S.M.	
1. Coveyou, Robert	Oak Ridge, Tenn.	W22	D2	W9	W17	W3	W7	5 1/2 - 1/2	21 1/2
2. Sullivan, Jerry	Knoxville, Tenn.	W6	D1	W19	D13	W5	D3	4 1/2 - 1 1/2	25 1/2
3. Stallings, Charles	Huntsville, Ala.	W29	W8	W11	W5	L1	D2	4 1/2 - 1 1/2	21 1/2
4. Forsee, Pat	Louisville, Ky.	W16	L11	W20	W15	D10	W14	4 1/2 - 1 1/2	18 1/2
5. Wolfensberger, Wolf	Nashville, Tenn.	W17	W27	W15	L3	L2	W10	4 - 2	20
6. Trimble, Selden	Hopkinsville, Ky.	L2	D12	D16	W23	W9	A18	4 - 2	19 1/2
7. Wright, James A.	Millington, Tenn.	W20	L15	W27	W11	W13	L1	4 - 2	19
8. Bowen, Albert	Nashville, Tenn.	W23	L3	W22	L10	W15	W13	4 - 2	18
9. Schulman, Mike	Huntsville, Ala.	D10	W14	L1	W16	L6	A17	3 1/2 - 2 1/2	22
10. Scrivener, Robert	Memphis, Tenn.	D9	D24	W18	W8	D4	L5	3 1/2 - 2 1/2	21
11. Aydelott, J.F.	Nashville, Tenn.	W21	W4	L3	L7	D14	W26	3 1/2 - 2 1/2	20 1/2
12. Haskon, Walter	Louisville, Ky.	L13	D6	L14	W26	W27	A24	3 1/2 - 2 1/2	15 1/2
13. Spies, Carl	Memphis, Tenn.	W12	D19	W24	D2	L7	L8	3 - 3	20 1/2
14. Sellers, Charles	Nashville, Tenn.	D24	L9	W12	W19	D11	L4	3 - 3	19 1/2
15. Batson, Ben	Knoxville, Tenn.	W28	W7	L5	L4	L8	W21	3 - 3	19
16. Finucane, Tom	Kingsport, Tenn.	L4	W21	D6	L9	D24	W25	3 - 3	18 1/2
17. Ronning, Gerald	Birmingham, Ala.	L5	W23	W25	L1	W19	F9	3 - 3	16
18. Morris, Wentworth	Clarksville, Tenn.	L27	W29	L10	W22	W25	F6	3 - 3	9
19. Loew, Milton	Nashville, Tenn.	W25	D13	L2	L14	L17	W23	2 1/2 - 3 1/2	17 1/2
20. Hairfield, Harry	Manchester, Tenn.	L7	W28	L4	D24	L21	W27	2 1/2 - 3 1/2	14 1/2
21. McGuire, Jimmy	Gadsden, Ala.	L11	L16	A29	D27	W20	L15	2 1/2 - 3 1/2	13 1/2
22. Lahde, Peter P.	Nashville, Tenn.	L1	W26	L8	L18	L23	A28	2 - 4	16 1/2
23. Atkins, Lon	Gadsden, Ala.	L8	L17	W28	L6	W22	L19	2 - 4	15 1/2
24. Jackson, Claude A.	Kosciusko, Miss.	D14	D10	L13	D20	D16	F12	2 - 4	15 1/2
25. Groom, Robert.	Madison, Tenn.	L19	Bye	F17	A28	L18	L16	2 - 4	11 1/2
26. Miller, Lester E.	Ft. Campbell, Ky.	F	L22	Bye	L12	W28	L11	2 - 4	9
27. Cowgill, Guy H.	Hermitage, Tenn.	W18	L5	L7	D21	L12	L20	1 1/2 - 4 1/2	19 1/2
28. Branch, Wayne C.	Kosciusko, Miss.	L15	L20	L25	F25	L26	F22	0 - 6	13 1/2
29. Smiley, Horace B.	Marion, Tenn.	L3	L18	F21	F	F	F	0 - 6	7 1/2

Notation: W-Win, L-Loss, D-Draw, A-Win by forfeit, F-Loss by forfeit

NASHVILLE HAS NEW MATCH CHAMPION.

For six consecutive months Peter Lahde had successfully defended his No. 1 position. In winning six matches he won 10 games and drew only two. DuPlantier No. 4 player succeeded in winning both games of the match, thereby shaving 78 points off Lahde's 1692 rating. This gave Mr. Bowen a chance to take over the No. 1 spot as he defeated Lee, the No. 12 player in the Club. There were 32 players at this meeting. Here are the results of the Match for March:

DuPlantier-Lahde	2:0	Groom-Hearn	2:0
Bowen - Lee	2:0	Henry - Bell	2:0
Smiley - Pierce, R.	1:1	Wright - Tribke	2:0
Loew - Lisenby	2:0	Burton - Mattes	2:0
Jordan - Greenhouse	2:0	Stancliff, L - Randall	2:0
Cowgill - Williams, J.	2:0	Hopkins - Agee	2:0
Devison - Howser	1:1	Poag - Stallcup	2:0
Gallbreath - Kroehler	2:0	Oliver - Spann	2:0

The rankings for the top ten players are as follows:-

1. Bowen	1627	6. Smiley	1350
2. Lahde	1614	7. Pierce, R.	1342
3. DuPlantier	1484	8. Lisenby	1297
4. Loew	1461	9. Price	1296
5. Dicker	1372	10. Nelson	1267

Here is one of the games won by DuPlantier in this match. Unfortunately for Nashville, Mr. DuPlantier will make his home in Florida.

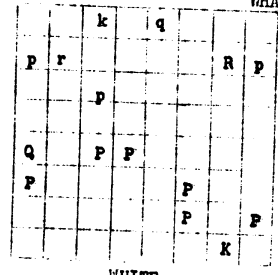
FRENCH DEFENSE

Nashville, March 17, 1959.

White, Donald A. DuPlantier		Black, Peter P. Lahde	
1. P-K4	P-K3	18. N(K2)xP	NxN
2. P-Q4	P-Q4	19. NxN	B-B4
3. P-K5	P-QD4	20. N-B3	R-B2
4. P-QB3	N-QB3	21. P-QN4	QR-B1
5. N-B3	Q-N3	22. B-N2	B-K2
6. B-K2	PxP	23. B-Q4	Q-N4
7. PxP	D-N5ch	24. KR-QB	R-B5!?
8. N-B3	KN-K2	25. BxP?!	Q-R5
9. O-O	H-B4	26. Q-N2	R-B7!
10. B-QN5	O-O	27. RxB	RxB
11. BxN	PxB	28. C-R	B-D5!
12. N-K2	B-R3	29. B-K3!	R-R7
13. P-QR3	E-K2	30. Q-Q4	RxRP
14. R-K	P-QD4	31. P-R3	R-N6
15. P-QN3	QR-QN	32. R-R1	QxN??(a)
16. R-QN	KR-QB	33. R-R3ch	B-D
17. Q-Q2	PxP		
		34. Q-B5!(b)	QxQ
		35. BxQ	P-R3
		36. RxBch	K-R2
		37. RxB	K-N3
		38. R-B4	R-N8ch
		39. K-R2	R-QB8
		40. D-K3	R-QR8
		41. N-Q4	R-F3
		42. P-N4	E-Q6
		43. P-R4	B-K5
		44. P-R5ch	K-R2
		45. K-N3	R-R8(c)
		46. P-E3	F-N4
		47. R-D2ch	K-N
		48. R-D6	K-N2
		49. NxPch	Resigns

- (a) Allowing the Rook to reach the 8th rank is a fatal mistake Correct is R-R6.
- (b) This is the move I had overlooked.
- (c) Hoping for 46. NxP then R-N8ch, forces a perpetual.

WHAT'S THE BEST MOVE?



This first problem is fairly simple. If we get enough players interested in this we will make this a regular Column. Write in your solutions to the Editor.

White mated in this position in six more moves. See if you can?

Solution will be in the next issue. We will also list the solvers.

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