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PROBLEMS FOR USCF

Most of us are probably aware that things have not been going too well with USCF. This has effected the individual mainly in that he has not been receiving his copy of the official USCF publication CHESS LIFE on time. Consequently the news has been two to three months late. I think each member is entitled to know what the problem is and what the prospects are for the future. CHESS LIFE has been silent on this. Fortunately USCF Vice President Kashdan has told in the LOS ANGELES TIMES of the problems involved and that things look hopeful for the future: I am reprinting his article here (Editor).

The United States Chess Federation (USCF), with headquarters at 80 E 11th St. in New York City, is the central chess organization in the country.

It has over 10,000 individual members and many clubs and state federations are affiliated. The USCF represents us in the International Chess Federation (FIDE). It runs national tournaments. Its rating system has won wide acceptance.

Perhaps the most important single activity of USCF is its official publication, the monthly magazine CHESS LIFE. It is much more than a house organ, carrying news of chess activities everywhere, games, articles, items for the casual reader, analysis for the serious student, etc.

Anything which affects the federation will affect every chess player in some measure, particularly those who are members or who are associated with any chess club or group.

Thus it is a matter of great concern that CHESS LIFE has fallen far behind in publication. The October 1966 issue was received in this area early in January. The November issue had not arrived at this writing, though it is reported to be in the mail.

Problems started at the advent of what seemed a promising new regime for USCF. Lt. Col. Edmund B. Edmondson, who had performed splendidly as federation president for three years, was offered the top salaried position of executive director.

Edmondson took on his new assignment last June. Unfortunately, J.F. Reinhardt, who had been editor of CHESS LIFE for several years and was very familiar with office routines, resigned at that time.

Edmondson, whose main responsibilities were to be expansion of the federation and increase in chess activities through the country, was thrown into the vast detail of running the office and issuing a highly technical magazine each month.

Evidently it was too much for one man, and things began to slip, particularly the timeliness of CHESS LIFE. Edmondson was perhaps at fault for not replacing Reinhardt sooner. Several weeks ago Burt Hochberg of New York was appointed as editor. Hopefully he will prove to be the right answer.

Based on our last conversation with Edmondson, CHESS LIFE is on the way back. The plan is to mail the magazine every two weeks until it is back on schedule. The December issue is practically complete, and most of the January copy is now in the hands of the printer.

As vice-president of USCF, this editor has been greatly concerned with the problem. If the schedule as above is followed, all is well. If not, the occasional call for a change which we have heard will undoubtedly increase in volume.

This article appeared in the Los Angeles Times about in the middle of February.

Just received a report from USCF President Marshall Rohland who states that USCF should be caught up with the delivery of Chess Life by April of this year.

BURRIS TOPS TENNESSEE RATINGS

According to the latest USCF ratings 61 Tennessee players were rated by USCF and nine more are given in a separate listing of players who are out of state but are TCA members and played last year in this state. For the Tennessee players this represents an increase of four over last year.

As last year we again have five exports. Dave Burris took the top spot by his excellent score in the Southern ($4\frac{1}{2}$ out of 7) and by winning the state open title with a score of 5 out of 6. This for the first time in many years gives this honor to a young player. The next five players in the top ten are much closer bunched than there were last year. In Alfaro we have a newcomer but don't know his residence yet. With Middleton, Tsitsoklis, and Woaks we are glad to welcome three players that had been inactive lately.

Besides the five exports the other classes had the following number of players: (It seems that Classes D, E, and F may be spread too far.)

Class A	13	Class D	9
Class B	15	Class E	4
Class C	14	Class F	1

A listing of the top ten players for 1965 and then of all players who played during this rating period (Oct '65 - Oct '66) is given below:

TOP TEN			
1. Burris	2085	6. Tsitsoklis	1968
2. Coveyou, R.	2081	7. Woaks	1960
3. Middleton	2074	8. Gilloy	1951
4. Morecor	2071	9. Alfaro	1950
5. Hurt	2056	10. Wright, J.	1943

Abrahams (Murfreesboro)	1286	Lynch (Nashville)	1810
Akers (Oak Ridge)	1766	McDowell (Memphis)	1753
Alfaro	1950	McNooly (Knoxville)	1806
Baker (Nashville)	1694	Matthews (Nashville)	1526
Bowen (Nashville)	1783	Morecor (Dayton)	2071
Buckmaster (Murfreesboro)	1163	Moyer, Jerry (Nashville)	1155
Burris (Knoxville)	2085	Moyer, John (Nashville)	1131
Churchill (Memphis)	1834	Middleton (Memphis)	2074
Clark (Murfreesboro)	1586	Mitchell (Memphis)	1554
Coffey (Oak Ridge)	1611	Moak (Oak Ridge)	1243
Coveyou, Mike (Oak Ridge)	1769	Murphy (Maryville)	1743
Coveyou, Robert (Oak Ridge)	2081	Nichols (Johnson City)	1226
DuPlantier (Nashville)	1835	Price (Murfreesboro)	1415
Estes (Nashville)	1651	Priddy (Memphis)	1782
Froedle (Murfreesboro)	1301	Rogan	1476
Galloway (Johnson City)	1375	Rigsby (Memphis)	1414
Garner (Memphis)	1651	Scowdon (Memphis)	1364
Gilloy (Memphis)	1951	Scrivener (Nasbit, Miss.)	1907
Hurt (Memphis)	2056	Shor (Oak Ridge)	1742
Irwin (Knoxville)	1560	Spiegel (Memphis)	1774
Jobo (Maryville)	1644	Stanceliff (Murfreesboro)	1431
Jollay (Talbott)	1266	Stein (Murfreesboro)	1473
Jones (Nashville)	1807	Stevens (Kingsport)	1109
Keathley (Murfreesboro)	1297	Tsitsoklis (Knoxville)	1968
Kyles (Knoxville)	1479	Woaks (Memphis)	1960
LaFollette (Nashville)	1601	Wais (Memphis)	1450
Lahde (Nashville)	1812	Wilcox (Nashville)	1453
LaVergno (Oak Ridge)	1727	Williamson (Nashville)	1486
Leinard (Nashville)	1531	Wright, James (Millington)	1943
Loiserson (Nashville)	1388	Wright, M. G. (Nashville)	1817
		Young	978

The following players have played in Tennessee and are from other states:

Armstrong (Illinois)	2005	Isaacson (Indiana)	1664
Bell, (South Carolina)	1826	Klofing (Alabama)	1809
Crawford (Florida)	1817	Long (Georgia)	2101
Fulkerson, G. (Ky.)	1812	Schickly (Kentucky)	1521
Fulkerson, S. (Ky.)	1652		

TOM WISWELL WINS IN SIMULTANEOUS

Tom Wiswell of New York gave a simultaneous exhibition at the YMCA in chess and checkers on Jan. 21 in Nashville. Twelve players opposed him in chess and thirteen faced him in checkers. He won seven games in chess while losing four. Two Nashville club players, John Meyer and Gary Matthews won. Two Murfreesboro players, Dr. Roy Clark and Sandy Abrahams also beat Wiswell. The only draw was obtained by Peter Lahde. The event was sponsored by the YMCA who took care of his fee and his accommodations. In checkers Mr. Wiswell did much better allowing only four draws while winning eleven.

USCF MEMBERSHIP UP IN TENNESSEE

According to the latest statistics Tennessee has increased in membership by sixteen from early 1966 to after the Tennessee Open. Membership stands now at 67.

WITH THE CLUBS

MEMPHIS - The Memphis Chess Club is now meeting at McLenore Christian Church. The annual club tourney got underway in the middle of Feb. with many top names - Hurt, Wright, Gilley, Garner, etc. Seventeen players in all. No results yet. How about some games?

Another group meets on Wed. nights at the Public Library. Has 35 members.

Still a third group meets at the home of Hunter Weeks.

A recent High School Tournament has just concluded. The two top players tied at 5-1 and received a trophy donated by the Optimist Club. (Hurt, reporter)

MURFREESBORO - The club tourney just began Feb. 10 leading after the first round are Stancliff, Price, Patterson, Clark, Abrahams, Wagner and Stein. Price narrowly missed being upset. His opponent, TCA Proxy Bob Keathley missed a mate in one. Patterson is a newcomer and a rated Class B player. There are 16 players in this year's club tournament. (From the club bulletins published by Bob Keathley)

Three players from Murfreesboro opposed Tom Wiswell in the recent exhibition in Nashville. They won 2-1. Clark and Abrahams won while Stancliff lost.

Murfreesboro got some nationwide publicity when their victory over Nashville was given recently in Chess Life. Nashville is anxious to correct this flaw(?)

NASHVILLE - As reported above Nashville was the scene of a simultaneous exhibition given by Tom Wiswell of New York. For some games of this event see next page.

A very successful high school team tourney took place Feb. 25. This is the second year in a row that this has been held. See page 10 for particulars.

The club ladder recently added two strong players back to its list. There are Al Bowen and Don Duflantier. After the January meeting the standings for the top ten were:

1. Estes	1926	6. Matthews	1689
2. Wright	1860	7. Pierce	1674
3. Lahde	1801	8. Lynch	1668
4. LaFollette	1791	9. Linor	1646
5. Leinard	1695	10. Meyer, Jerry	1643

AN INSTRUCTIVE CLUB GAME

By Peter Lahdo

The following game was played in the January club match in Nashville. It is quite instructive from the standpoint that material superiority is not always the prime consideration in winning. In this game the king is forced into the enemy lines and White had to spot a rook and a knight to finish him off there. My opponent, Gary Matthews, is a promising uprising youngster. He won the second game of the match to tie it and also played first board in the Nashville High School Team Tournament and posted a perfect 4-0 score.

SICILIAN DEFENCE		White: Peter Lahdo	Black: Gary Matthews
1. P-K4	P-QB4	8. B-N5	B-K2
2. N-KB3	P-QR3	9. N-B3	B-K2
3. P-Q4	PxP	10. R-K1	P-Q3
4. NxP	N-KB3	11. BxN	BxB
5. B-Q3(a)	Q-B2	12. P-QB3	N-Q2
6. O-O	P-K4	13. BxP1?(b)	PxB
7. N-KB3	P-QN4	14. NxP	Q-N3(c)
			15. NxPeh
			16. N-B5ch
			17. Q-Q2(o)
			18. RxB!(g)
			19. QxNeh
			20. R-K1ch
			21. P-KN3ch!
			22. Q-B5 mate

- (a) The O'Kelly Variation. More usual is here 5. N-QB3 P-K4 6. N-B3 and now B-N5 is very aggressive. In a game last year against Estes I tried the "apparent" pawn sacrifice 5. B-QB4 NxP 6. BxPeh KxB 7. Q-R5ch P-KN3 8. Q-Q5ch P-K3 9. QxN. Who stands better is a moot question. The game ended in a draw.
- (b) Initiating a combination in which White will get three Pawns for the Bishop plus a check. This should give White a slight advantage.
- (c) This seems to be the best square for the Queen.
- (d) Probably the losing move. But you cannot blame Black for not wanting to disconnect his rooks.
- (e) A fairly simple but strong move that should now win in all variations.
- (f) Insufficient is also 17...P-KN3 as after 18. QR-Q1! White wins. Both threats of 19. Q-Q6ch, QxQ 20. RxQ mate and 19. QxN mate cannot be parried. The attempt to stem the tide with 17...QR-Q1 fails by 18. N-N5ch, BxN 19. QxB as the mate threats at K7 and N7 are fatal.
- (g) After this White must throw in another piece to incapacitate the King. I did not completely see the winning line but because of the strong position of the Queen (at Q7) I felt sure there must be a win.
- (h) If instead 19...K-N3 the win is 20. Q-N4ch K-R3 21. Q-R3ch K-N3 22. R-N4 B-N4 (if K-B4 then 23. R-QN4 dis ch winning the queen) 23. RxBeh K-B3 24. Q-B5ch K-K2 25. R-Q7ch and mate follows. After 19...Q-K3 the win would be more difficult but the two pawn advantage will tell in the end.

EXCERPTS FROM THE SIMULTANEOUS

RUY BOPEZ White: Tom Wiswell Black: John Meyer
 1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 B-N5 P-QR3 4 BxN N-PxB?! 5 NxP Q-K2 6 P-Q4 P-B3! 7 Q-R5ch? P-N3 8 NxP? QxPeh! 9 Q-K2 QxQ 10 KxQ PxN 11 B-B4 B-Q3 12 BxB PxB 13 N-B3 P-QB4 14 P-Q5 B-N2 15 QR-K1 O-O 16 K-Q1 R-R4 17 N-R4 R-Peh 18 K-B1 R-B4 19 P-KB3 R-B5 20 R-K3? RxN 21 Resigns

BENKO SYSTEM White: Tom Wiswell Black: Gary Matthews
 1. P-KN3 N-KB3 2 B-N2 P-KN3 3 P-QN3 B-N2 4 B-N2 O-O 5 P-K3 P-Q4 6 N-K2 P-B3 7 O-O N-R3 8 P-Q4 B-B4 9 P-QR3 N-B2 10 P-QB4 Q-Q2 11 P-B5 B-R6 12 N-B4 BxB 13 NxB Q-R6 14 N-B4 Q-Q2 15 Q-B3 N-K5 16 R-Q1 P-B4 17 N-B3 NxN 18 BxN N-K3 19 NxN QxN 20 P-QN4 R-B2 21 Q-B4 Q-Q2 22 P-QR4 P-K3 23 Q-Q6? QxQ 24 PxQ B-B1 25 P-N5 PxP 26 PxP BxB 27 R-R4 R-B2 28 B-N4 BxB 29 RxB R-B7 30 P-N6 P-QR3 31 Resigns

ALEKHINE'S DEFENCE White: Tom Wiswell Black: Dr. Roy Clark
 1. P-K4 N-KB3 2 P-K5 N-Q4 3 P-Q4 P-Q3 4 PxP KPxP 5 Q-K2ch B-K2 6 B-KN5 B-K3 7 BxB QxB 8 N-QB3 NxN 9 PxN P-Q4 10 N-B3 N-B3 11 N-K5 NxN 12 QxN O-O 13 B-K2 Q-R6 14 Q-K3 KR-K1 15 O-O? B-N5! 16 P-QB4?? RxQ 17 Resigns

CENTER COUNTER GAME White: Tom Wiswell Black: Oscar Hofstetter
 1 P-K4 P-Q4 2 PxP N-KB3 3 B-QB4 B-Q2 4 N-QB3 P-B3 5 PxP NxP 6 N-B3 P-K3 7 B-N5 P-QR3 8 BxN BxB 9 O-O N-Q4 10 NxN BxN 11 P-Q3 Q-B3 12 P-Q4 BxN 13 QxB QxQ 14 PxQ B-Q3 15 P-QD4 O-O 16 P-B5 B-B2 17 B-K3 QR-Q1 18 P-B4 P-B3 19 K-N2 P-K4 20 BPxP PxP 21 QR-Q1 R-B3 22 PxP R-N3ch 23 K-R1 RxR 24 RxR P-R3? 25 P-B4 P-N3 26 PxP BxB 27 BxB RxB 28 P-N3 Resigns

HIGH SCHOOL TOURNEY IN NASHVILLE

The second Nashville High School Team Tournament took place at Overton High School on February 23, 1967. Again as last year there were nine teams representing five high schools in Nashville. A total of 36 players participated including three girls.

The new Champion for 1967 of the team tournament was the host and last years runner-up Overton I. Second place in a tight race was taken by Antioch I over the Glencliff I team with the same match but a more game point. Last years winner was only trailing Glencliff I by half a point and had to settle for fourth place. The winner received a team trophy plus four individual trophies. The runner-up received a team trophy.

The event was directed by Peter Lahde who was assisted by Roger Stevens. The Nashville Chess Club sponsored the event.

The results follow:

NASHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CHESS TEAM TOURNAMENT 1967

	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Match Points	Game Points
1. Overton I Loinard, Geier, Riggs, Ewing	W6	D4	W2	W3	3½	11
2. Antioch I Matthews, Pyle, Wright, Winkowski	3	2	2½	3½	2½	11½
3. Glencliff I Jo, Meyer, Griggs, Jo, Meyer, Pittard	W5	W9	L1	D4	2½	10½
4. Litton I Posey, Cayce, Young, England	4	4	1½	2	2½	10
5. Glencliff II Fishburn, Nalls, Jones, Edward, Wilson	W9	W7	D4	L1	2½	9
6. Hillwood Vix, Jonsson, Williams, M. Jonsson	4	4	2	½	2½	7
7. Overton II Martin, Copeland, Swanson	W8	D1	D3	D2	2½	4½
8. Antioch II McGuire, Boyd, McClarney, Cooper	4	2	2	2	1	4
9. Litton II Perry, Lacy, Copeland, Moran	L2	W6	W8	Bye	2½	3½
	0	3	4	2	1½	
	L1	L5	W7	D8	1	
	1	1	3	2		
	Bye	L3	L6	D9		
	2	0	1	1½		
	L4	Bye	L5	D6		
	0	2	0	2		
	L3	L2	Bye	D7		
	0	0	2	1½		

Here are a few of the games:

VIENNA GAME				White: Fishburn (Glencliff II)		Black: Matthews (Antioch I)	
1. P-K4	P-K4	4. P-KB4	B-B4	7. BxPch	K-K2		
2. N-QB3	N-QB3	5. N-B3	N-KN5	8. N-Q5ch	K-B1		
3. B-B4	N-B3	6. N-KN5	N-B7	9. Q-R5	P-KN3		
(Names should be reversed)				10. Q-R6 mto			

BISHOP'S OPENING				White: Riggs (Overton I)		Black: Young (Litton I)	
1. P-K4	P-K4	6. P-KR3	B-R4	11. K-N2?	N-R5ch		
2. B-QB4	N-QB3	7. P-QN3	Q-B3	12. K-R2	Bx4		
3. N-KB3	B-B4	8. P-Q3	N-Q5	13. N-Q5	Q-N3		
4. O-O	P-B3	9. K-R1	NxN	14. N-B7eh	K-B1		
5. N-B3	B-KN5	10. P-KN4	BxP	15. NxR	Q-N7 mto		

VIENNA GAME				White: Jerry Meyer (Glencliff I)		Black: Perry (Litton II)	
1. P-K4	P-K4	8. B-K3	B-K3	15. QxP	R-B2		
2. N-QB3	N-KB3	9. B-N3	BxB	16. KR-K1	Q-Q3		
3. B-B4	P-Q3	10. RfxB	P-Q4	17. NxP	Q-KB3?		
4. P-Q3	B-N5	11. PxF	NxP	18. N-N4ch	N-K2		
5. N-B3	N-B3	12. NxN	QxN	19. NxQch	PxN		
6. B-KN5	B-K2	13. O-O	B-KN4	20. QxP	O-O-O		
7. Q-Q2	P-KR3	14. BxB	PxB	21. RxN and White won			

GAMES FROM THE TENNESSEE OPEN 1966
Annotated by Games Editor Bob Coveyou

PETROFF DEFENCE		White: Richard Long	Black: Tod Merceer	
1. P-K4	P-K4	17. PxF	BxN	33. K-K2 Q-Q7oh
2. N-KB3	N-KB3	18. RxB	Q-N3	34. N-Q2 QxBP
3. P-Q4	NxF(a)	19. B-N5(n)	N-B3(o)	35. R-B4 QxNP
4. FxF(b)	P-Q4(c)	20. Q-Q2(p)	R-Q1	36. P-R4 P-N4
5. FxF e.p.	BxF(d)	21. QR-Q1	N-K5	37. P-R5 P-KB4
6. B-QB4(e)	O-O	22. RxN	QxR	38. R-B5 K-N3
7. O-O	B-KN5?(f)	23. Q-K3(q)	QxFeh	39. R-B6ch K-R4
8. B-Q5!(g)	N-B4(h)	24. K-B1	P-KB3	40. R-QR6 Q-K4eh
9. P-QN4(i)	N-K3(j)	25. B-R4	Q-R6ch	41. K-Q1 Q-Q5
10. BxF	N-Q2	26. K-K2	N-B5eh(r)	42. R-B6 QxNP
11. P-KR3(k)	B-R4	27. QxN	BxQ	43. RxP QxF
12. P-N4	Q-B3	28. RxRch	K-B2	44. R-B4 Q-Q4
13. P-B3	B-N3	29. R-Q4	Q-B4	45. K-K2 P-R4
14. BxR	RxB(1)	30. B-N3	BxB	46. K-K1 Q-N4
15. R-K1	P-KR4	31. FxB	Q-K5eh	47. K-B2 P-R3
16. K-N2(n)	FxF	32. K-B1	Q-B4	48. Forfeit

- (a) Just about equal to 3...FxF; in any case White should gain about one tempo by exploiting the N, but Black's easy development should keep this from becoming serious.
- (b) 4. B-Q3 is usual and better: 4 B-Q3 P-Q4 5 NxF, etc. Also 4. NxF may have no particular flaw except that it leads into the main variation of the Petroff: 4 NxF P-Q3 5 N-KB3 P-Q4, etc.
- (c) Best; 4...B-B4 5. B-QB4 leads to complications which favor White.
- (d) A simple count of development of pieces shows that Black has equalized and a bit more - if he does not lose a tempo with his Knight.
- (e) 6. QN-Q2 gets no edge, 6...NxN; 7. BxN, O-O, and White must develop his Bishop on K2. This happens because, although White is ahead in overall development, Black has gotten a start with his K-side development and castling.
- (f) Sacrifice or miscalculation?
- (g) It would be interesting to know if either or both of the players knew what they were getting into!
- (h) 8...NxBP is possible here; 9. RxN P-QB3! If 9. KxN, BxN! In either case, however, White seems to come out ahead.
- (i) The logical move to exploit Black's play. But White is drifting further behind in development, and also gravely weakening the Q-side. Sooner or later, Black will win an important tempo with Q-B3.
- (j) 9...BxN 10 QxB Q-R5 11 P-KR3 QxNP 12 B-R3 Q-Q5 13 BxN QxB 14 BxNP Q-K4 saves Black from fatal loss. But White could have played 11. P-KN3. In this case Black has to answer 13 BxN with ...QxR 14 BxB FxB 15 BxNP and White comes out a piece ahead. His play is better.
- (k) A very difficult move to judge. White may have thought that Black would take the opportunity to limit his deficit to a pawn, and/or that driving away the Bishop would break the attack. Then Black has to choose between QxB and Q-B3.
- (l) Time to take stock. Black's enormous lead in development and six pieces available for attack against the weakened King side are impressive.
- (m) 15. R-K1, directed against ...B-K5 or ...N-K4, seems reasonable. Somehow, this move does not. After, 16 P-N5 Q-B4 17 K-N2 B-B5 looks very powerful. But 16. Q-Q5 N-N3 17 P-N5 might give a different turn to the game by driving off the Queen, and preventing what follows.
- (n) Seemingly, an ingenious resource, saving the Rook and the Pawn. Actually the Bishop is too exposed here, the Pawn cannot be saved. Better was 19. B-K3, though no bed of roses either for White.
- (o) If 19...NxB, 20. Q-Q5 upsets the apple cart.
- (p) 20 BxN QxFeh 21 K-B1 N-B5 22 N-R4 Q-R6ch 23 K-N1 N-K7ch and mate in two. White is lost.
- (q) If 23 BxR N-B5eh and White must again give up his Queen to avoid mate. However, this would be better than in the game, since White keeps his KNP; 24 QxN QxQ 25 R-Q4 Q-B8, and White can't defend all his pawns.
- (r) Finis. The rest of the game is a time scramble in which White's position goes to pieces. Beautifully played by Ted.

GAMES FROM THE TENNESSEE OPEN 1966 (CONT.)

KING'S INDIAN DEFENCE		White: Hunter Weaks		Black: Bob Coveyou	
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	11. P-KB4(o)	N-B3	21. K-R1	B-N6
2. N-KB3	P-KP3	12. N-B3	P-B3	22. B-N5(g)	K-N2
3. B-N5	B-N2	13. B-R4	P-K4	23. RxRoh	RxR
4. QN-Q2	O-O	14. BPxP	PxKP	24. B-B3	Q-K4(h)
5. P-B3(a)	P-Q4(b)	15. PxKP	NxP	25. B-B4	BxB
6. P-K3	P-QN3(c)	16. NxN	BxN(f)	26. PxR	RxP
7. B-K2	B-N2	17. B-B3	Q-Q3	27. R-Q1	P-QR3(1)
8. O-O	P-B4	18. P-KR3	R-B2	28. BxP	BxB
9. N-K5	KN-Q2(d)	19. Q-Q3	R/R1-KR1	29. QxB	R-B8ch(j)
10. NxN	QxN	20. B-K2	B-R7oh	30. Resigns	

- (a) White's opening lacks purpose; there is no important central square he dominates, and the pieces thus far developed do not cooperate effectively. 5 P-K4 looks most natural here; if not for attack, at least to make a firm stand.
- (b) If White does not want the center, Black does.
- (c) I'm fascinated by the possibility of complete control of my K5 square.
- (d) I want the QN saved for QB3.
- (e) This should surely be wrong; the White QB is already a small liability, and this makes its state somewhat worse.
- (f) If White had, by B-B4 and N-KB3, only allowed ...P-K4 at the price of exchanges, particularly of his QB, Black would have a very hard job finding a real edge.
- (g) Black has accomplished all that could be reasonably expected from the opening; White's KP looks weak, and Black still has most of the center. Conclusion: Black stands better, but very hard to win. Black's QR is not as firm as one would wish, especially since White commands Black's Q1.
- (h) 22 BxB QxB 23 RxR RxR 24 R-KR1 R-K2; (Black's winning chances look slim without this Rook) 25 R-B3 Q-K4 is also better for Black.
- (i) Black wins a pawn but still has a tough job to face.
- (j) This move is half trap, half preparation for a tough job ahead. Its purpose is to suggest the variation 28 BxP BxB 29 QxB QxQ 30 RxQ R-B7 since now 31 R-Q7ch does not attack the QRP. But White should have no problem drawing the endgame.
- (j) Oops! I have found no real convincing winning line for Black if White had done nothing, say with 28. K-N1. - I cannot resist pointing out that Hunter had not lost a game before in a Tennessee Open.

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1. P-Q4	N-KB3	9. Q-B2	P-KR4	17. NxN(d)	NxN
2. P-QR4	P-KN3	10. PxP	PxP	18. B-B3	N-N5(e)
3. N-KB3	B-N2	11. N-KN5	N/2-B3	19. B-Q5(f)	RxRoh(g)
4. P-K4	P-Q3	12. N-K6	BxN	20. KxR	R-B1ch
5. N-B3	O-O	13. PxR	P-K5(b)	21. K-N1	B-Q5ch
6. B-K2	QN-Q2	14. P-B3(o)	Q-B1	22. B-K3	BxBch
7. O-O	P-K4	15. PxP	PxP	23. K-R1	QxB
8. P-Q5	N-K1(a)	16. NxP	QxP	24. Pxc	N-B7ch
				25. Resigns	

- (a) 8...N-B4 9 Q-B2 P-QR4 is usual here. The text and its sequel may be premature.
- (b) The attack on the KBP cannot be conveniently met otherwise.
- (c) 14. N-Q5 would have been much more embarrassing.
- (d) A critical position has arisen; because of the open lines, the player who falls behind in development will probably lose. This exchange, developing the obstructive DN, should not be good. 17. N-N5 also seems to work badly. Best is probably 17. N-N3.
- (e) Beautiful but indecisive. The best reply for White seems to be 19. B-Q2, since Black has no time to win the exchange.
- (f) Fatal, though probably irresistible.
- (g) The point! 19...B-Q5ch 20 B-K3! does not work. But this exchange assures Black the win.