

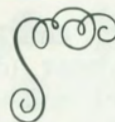
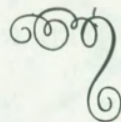
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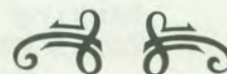
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*He always clobbers me
with the Orang-Utan Opening!*

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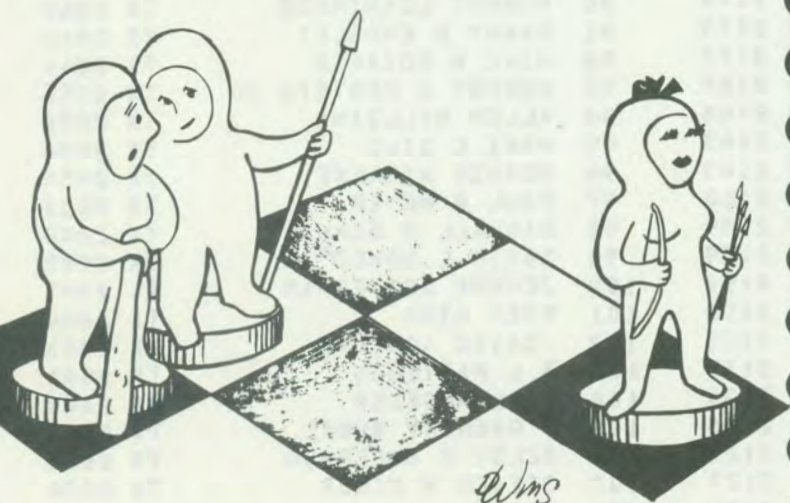
This year's event, held in Las Vegas, was a huge success in terms of number of participants. A total of 414 players flocked to the R&R center of the U. S. to enjoy beautiful weather, great accommodations, and a very strong national competition. Unfortunately, tournament directors and sponsors were not at all prepared for the large turnout. In keeping with USCF policy for national events, sets and boards were furnished. However, not enough sets were on hand. The supply of score sheets was insufficient, so makeshift scoresheets were used in one round. Rounds were regularly started an hour to an hour and a half late. Rounds that were the latest starting were the very ones even further delayed by announcements, anecdotes, pleas for increased membership, etc. A separate room was not provided for the TD's, so the difficult job of pairing 414 players was done in the midst of loitering, noisy people anxious to get at their next opponent. Wall charts were laid on tables, only one set of pairing sheets was posted, no trash receptacles, etc., etc.

Take note, Ft. Worth organizers of the 1984 U S Open. These are problems that can be foreseen and planned for in advance. I feel sure I will be taken to task for being too critical, but my attitude toward this is: If these problems can be addressed by the relatively low-effort technique of reviewing a checklist during the planning stage of a tournament, why not do it?

The turnout was not only large, but strong. 4 Grandmasters, 8 Senior Masters, and 22 other Masters topped the entrants. The average rating of the top 10 was 2516. Walter Browne, the #2 seed, was knocked out of contention by losing in Round 2 to Hamblin, a 2174-rated player. Ivanov, the highest rated player at 2604, lost to GM Quinteros in Round 5. Joe Bradford, at 2533, ranked 5th, drew with Martinovsky (2348) and then faced GM Quinteros in the last round. Joe showed his rating is no fluke by downing Quinteros with the Black pieces to tie for second, along with IM Anthony Saidy, Larry Remlinger, and Jeremy Silman, all finishing only 1/2 point behind Leonid Bass and taking home \$625 each for their efforts. IM Leonid Bass of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, posted a perfect score of 6-0, and took home \$1,500 and a replica of the Edmonson Cup.

Besides Bradford, Texas was well represented by Eric Bone, Gary Simms, Richard Weaver, Walter Heaton, Tom Kayma, Robert Toellner, LaValle Watson, Bill Snead, David Meier, Chester Reno, George Church, Charles Bell, O.L. Hughes, Raimundo Comas, James Roberts, Baltazar Rodriguez, Pablo Palomo, Marcus Benton, Joe Virden (who rode his BMW motorcycle round-trip from Amarillo), David Huckney, and Phillip Johnson.

PIECES OF EIGHT



"GUESS I'M JUST OLD FASHIONED; NOTHIN'S THE SAME ANY MORE."

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MAY 7-8. Steve Welborn Birthday Bash. 5-SS, 45/2, Parkdale Mall Community Room, 6155 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, TX 77704. EF: \$20, if rec'd by 5/6; \$25 at site. \$\$ b/merit system: 2 1/2 pts. w/o withdraw or forfeit wins money; each 1/2 pt. over 2 1/2 is worth a share of prize fund. Reg. 8-9 a.m., Rds. 9:30-2:30-7:30, 9-3. Ent: Steve Welborn, Vidor CC, 120 Northwood, Vidor, TX 77662. NS. NC.

MAY 7, 21, 28. Sat. Quads. 3-RR, Houston Chess Studio, 815 Jackson Hill, Houston, TX 77007. (713) 880-3260. 3 sections: I, 40/90. EF: \$15. \$\$ 36. Reg. 11:45 a.m., Rds. 12-3:30-7. II, 40/40. EF: \$10. \$\$ 24. Reg. 11:45 a.m., Rds. 12-2-4. III, 40/40. EF: \$10. \$\$ 24. Reg. 4:45 p.m., Rds. 5-7-9. Ent: Houston Chess Studio, address above. NS. NC.

MAY 14-15 Texas Studio Open. 4-SS, 45/2, Houston Chess Studio, 815 Jackson Hill, Houston, TX 77007. EF: \$20, if rec'd by 5/7; \$25 at site. \$\$\$: 175-75, Cat. I, II, III/below each 50. Reg. 9:30 a.m., Rds. 10-2, 10-2. Ent: address above (713) 8800-3260. NS. NC.

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★ ★ ★ EVERYTHING YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW
 ABOUT USCF-RATED TEXAS CHESSPLAYERS ★ ★ ★
 BUT DIDN'T CARE ENOUGH TO ASK

The information on the preceding page was taken from a listing spewed from the depths of the USCF computer system. Texas Knights takes no responsibility for completeness, accuracy, etc. The list was obtained in February, 1983, and should be fairly up-to-date through 1982. First, some amazingly perceptive observations:

1. 1324 USCF-rated players in Texas.
2. One's odds of rising to the top 10 are greatly increased if one's last name begins with the letter B!
3. One's chances of chess success increase in direct proportion to the number of times one's opponent must ask one the correct spelling of one's name. If one's opponent must finally, in exasperation, borrow one's scoresheet and make a letter-for-letter transcription of one's name, one is destined for Grandmasterdom. (For example: Waishek, Kutasov, Ostaszewski, Budinszky, Parreiras-Horta. These guys are on their way! Obviously, anyone with a discerning eye can readily detect that anyone with a name like Bradford, Hall, Cline, Jacobs, Bone, Smith, Simms, etc., must have overcome insurmountable odds!)
4. The top 50 USCF-rated Texas chessplayers comprise 3.75% of Texas' total players.

Other invaluable information:

If your USCF Rating is:	Your Texas Ranking is between these:	% of Texas Players in your category:
2200 and above	No. 1 - 26	2 %
2000 - 2199	No. 27 - 136	8.3 %
1800 - 1999	No. 137 - 360	16.9 %
1600 - 1799	No. 361 - 657	22.4 %
1400 - 1599	No. 658 - 961	23 %
1200 - 1399	No. 962 - 1189	17.2 %
1000 - 1199	No. 1190 - 1284	7.2 %
800 - 999	No. 1285 - 1324	3 %

In all seriousness, we've had several players request this information and we're delighted to furnish it for you. If you want to know exactly where you stand in Texas Chess, please let us know and we'll send you the info. We just didn't want to take up several pages of Texas Knights with a full list of all players in Texas.

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BOOK REVIEWS

Secrets of a Grandpatzer (How to Beat Most People and Computers at Chess) -
 by Kenneth Mark Colby, Malibu Chess Press, 1979.

This is a most refreshing little volume to run across. In searching for descriptive adjectives, the word that pops into my mind over and over is practical. Colby cuts through the fog surrounding study habits, attitudes, thought patterns, etc., and comes through loud and clear with his suggestions. Citing his improvement from a stable 1600 rating plateau to an 1800+ level in a year of weekly rating tournaments, he offers living proof of the success of his methodology. He includes many no-nonsense statements such as "Patzer's endlessly read books and chess journals containing master games annotated by masters. Most of this activity is a waste of time." He emphasizes the fact that one has a very finite allotment of time in life; this time must be carefully rationed and used for the most effective study to maximize one's return. At times the author introduces new concepts (or new nomenclature) such as "Pressing and Releasing." Also mentioned are psychological ploys such as acting as bumbling as possible against "booked-up teenagers" to increase their conceit and disdain for you. Chapters on how to play against women, "Young Guys", and "Old Guys" are written partly in humorous fashion but actually contain very concrete truths that will give you an edge against such opponents. Colby is a Professor of Psychiatry, Biobehavioral Sciences and Computer Science at UCLA. One glimpses the strong influence of these disciplines in his writing.

All in all, this 140-page book is well worth the purchase price, especially for the 1400-1800 player serious about improving his game.

.... Tom Cole

Potential consumers of chess computers need reliable information concerning product performance. Comparative information has been nonexistent in some cases and contradictory in others. All too often the machines have failed to live up to their advertised or "estimated" ratings. This Annual is devoted in large part to providing accurate, comparative information on commercially available chess computers.

Most of the currently available machines were fully tested with the exception of the Steinitz module, Philidor module, and Savant Royale. These were described in a preview section. The editor of the Annual, Dr. Enrique Irazoqui, conducted two separate round-robin computer vs. computer tournaments to determine the relative strength of each machine. The time control was set at 40 moves in 2 hours with each computer playing 10 games against each of its opponents. The nine computers involved played over two hundred games. Based on the results of these two tournaments and the already established USCF ratings of some of the machines, Dr. Irazoqui calculated a post tournament rating for each machine.

I am not certain that this is the best method for determining machine ratings, but it is a tremendous improvement over what has been done in the past. Machine ratings have been based on as few as 3 to 5 games. Chess computer performance ratings may fluctuate several hundred points just like their human counterparts! Even if Dr. Irazoqui's ratings are not completely accurate, enough games were played to make a very accurate determination of the relative playing strength of each machine. The chess enthusiast shopping for a computer will find several additional articles of interest.

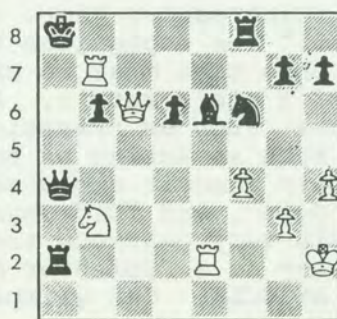
The Annual is more than just a guide to the current microcomputer chess market. It includes a variety of articles on computer chess in general. One article is devoted to comparing human and computer play to see if there are major differences. All twelve games played by the Prestige and Sensory Challenger 9 at the 1982 U.S. Open are included--those of the Prestige are annotated. If you are interested in one of these machines, you should play through the games.

In sum, the 1983 Annual is a very good guide for selecting a chess computer. Dr. Irazoqui is to be commended for a job well done. However, I am not in agreement with all of his conclusions. He found the Mephisto's opening book basically sound; I found it disappointing. Dr. Irazoqui believes the Capablanca end game module of the GGM enters the game too late to be of real value; true, but if the module is inserted much earlier in the game it can improve performance. The Mephisto may be slower than the Prestige and Elite as Dr. Irazoqui points out, but he fails to mention that the Mephisto is significantly faster than the Champion Challenger, Sensory Challenger 9, or the Steinitz. I have one recommendation for the 1984 Annual. Computer vs. Computer tournaments should be conducted at time controls faster than 40/2 since most USCF rated events use this faster time control.

Two major issues of Computer Chess Digest are published each year by Computer Chess Digest Inc., 34 Copperdale Lane, Huntington, N.Y. 11743. Full year subscription rate is \$30.00.

Here is an interesting situation.

White has his queen and one of his rooks being attacked. Should he back up and defend(wrong), or should he hold his position as best as he can(wrong), or should he attack(right). It is a forced mate for white, see if you can find it.



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THE AMARILLO CHESS CLUB NEWSLETTER



On December 7th, 1982, Texas lost a promising young player and I lost a good friend when Gary Wayne Gray of San Antonio died of complications of multiple sclerosis. The disease that confined him to a wheelchair progressively reduced his activity and prevented his playing in many chess tournaments. I am convinced that he had great talent for the game, however, and in remembrance of Gary, I would like to share the following game with readers of Texas Knights. It was played on Jan 26, 1980 in an infamous inter-city match between Austin and College Station. Our team was generally crushed, but Gary came through with a face-saving victory against a formidable opponent, Alan Laverty. At the time, Alan's rating was 2042 and climbing, while Gary's was only 1876, a misleading estimate as it turned out.

white: Alan Laverty
black: Gary W. Gray
Dutch Defence

1 d2-d4 e7-e6
2 c2-c4 f7-f5
3 g2-g3 Ng8-f6
4 Bf1-g2 Bf8-e7
5 Nb1-c3 0-0
6 Ng1-f3 d7-d5
7 0-0 c7-c6
8 Ral-bl Nf6-e4

MCO 12 gives 8..Kh8 here, which is incomprehensible to me. Gary's move is annoying to white.

9 Bc1-d2 Nb8-d7
10 b2-b4

Alan is clearly out for blood, playing to open the queenside before black can complete his development.

10 ... Nd7-f6
11 b4-b5! c6xb5

11..dc4 would be weak: 12 Nxe4 Nxe4 13 bc6 bc6 14 Bb4 when black would have a bad QB and attackable pawns.

12 Rblxb5?

Well, this sort of thing will happen to everyone sooner or later. Players with the calculation ability Alan Laverty has often times divert their attention from the more immediate consequences of their moves. Instead, 12 cxb5 would have kept a slight bind on the position.

12 ... Ne4-d6
13 Rb5-b1 Nd6xc4
14 Bd2-f4 Nf6-e4

I remember watching the sequence of moves beginning with this one; as usual, I had a difficult time predicting Gary's moves. 14..Ne4 begins a piece exchanging policy, but afterwards, the unexchanged pieces black has will not be his best ones. 14 b6 would be simpler.

15 Nc3xe4 dxe4?!

16 Nf3-e5 Nc4xe5
17 Bf4xe5 Be7-d6
18 Qd1-c2 Bd6xe5
19 d4xe5 Qd8-d5

19..b6 does not help black: 20 Rfd1 Qe7 21 Qc6 Rb8 22 Qd6 Qxd6 23 Rxd6 Re8 24 Rcl; black is worse. Realizing his position is on the edge, Gary starts playing very smart chess; he gives his opponent many possibilities to think about...which takes time!

20 Qc2-c7 Rf8-d8
21 e2-e3 Qd5-d2!
22 f2-f3

Alan escalates the complications with a seemingly powerful sacrifice of a second pawn.

22... Qd2xe3+
23 Kg8-h8 Rd8-d2!

Now the back rank looks ominously susceptible, but Gary coolly builds a counterattack while meeting Alan's threats. 24...Qe2 is threatened.

24 Rbl-e1 Qe3-d3
25 f3xe4 Bc8-d7
26 e4xf5

Alan tries his best chance; clearly black intends to double Rs on the 7th and white cannot stop this. Now white plans to answer 26..Rc8 with 27 Qxb7.

26 ... Rd2xg2!
27 Khlxg2 Bd7-c6+
28 Kg2-h3

White can't get away: 28 Kgl Qd2.

28 ... Qd3-c2!
29 Qc7-e7 Ra8-e8
30 Qe7-h4 Bc6-g2+
31 Kh3-g4 Bg2xf1
32 Relxf1 Qc2-e2+
33 Rfl-f3 e6xf5+
34 Kg4-f4 Qe2xe5+
35 Kf4-g5 Qe5-f6+
36 Kg5-h5 Qf6-g6mate.

I met Gary in the Fall of 1979, but in that short time that I knew him, I found him to be witty, interesting, caring, talented, and quite courageous. I feel fortunate to have known him.



Mark Hulsey

College Station, TX



EVANS ON CHESS



White mates in 2 moves
ATROCIOUS FORM

Despite official denials, and in clear violation of international rules, the Soviet boycott of defector Viktor Korchnoi remains in effect. The Soviet chess federation promised to send 3 grandmasters to the 45th annual Hoogoven tourney in Wijk aan zee, Holland, but withdrew them upon learning that Korchnoi was also invited.

Curiously, the Soviets no longer have that much to fear from Korchnoi even though he is in the current cycle to determine the next challenger for world champ Anatoly Karpov. Korchnoi, 52, is getting divorced and in atrocious form ever since Russia allowed his estranged wife to join him in Switzerland.

In a field of 14 Korchnoi was 8th with a dismal minus score of 6-7, including 6 outright losses! Sweden's Ulf Andersson took first at 9, closely pursued by Hungary's Zoltan Ribli (8 1/2) both undefeated. Next in line were America's Walter Brown and the Czech Vlastimil Hort (8), England's John Nunn (7 1/2), then America's great hope Yasser Seirawan (7).

Korchnoi's loss against Andersson in round 8 is almost beyond belief. It is simply inconceivable that a player of Korchnoi's caliber could lose a game in this fashion—even if he was in time-pressure. Korchnoi held an advantage all the way until his incredible decision to exchange Queens at move 49, releasing all the pressure that he had patiently accumulated. He resigned in view of 60 Bb3 Kg6 61 Ba2 Kg5 62 Bb3 Be2 gaining a second pawn.

White: KORCHNOI Black: ANDERSSON
Queen's Indian Defense 1983

1 d4	Nf6	31 Bc2	Mg4+
2 c4	e6	32 Nxp4	Bxp4
3 Nf3	Bb4+	33 Qe8	Qc7
4 Nbd2	b6	34 Bxa1	Nh7
5 a3	Bxd2+	35 f3	Nf6
6 Bxd2	Bb7	36 Qa8	Bd7
7 f5	b6	37 Bc6	Qc8
8 Bb4	d6	38 Qa4	Kf8
9 e3	Nbd7	39 Ba1	Ka7
10 Bd3	Qe7	40 Qa7	Ne8
11 b4	a5	41 Ba5	Nf6
12 0-0	axb4	42 g4	Kf8
13 axb4	0-0	43 Bb7	Qa8
14 Qe2	c5	44 Qb6	Qb8
15 e4	e5	45 Bd2	Nh7
16 bxc5	bxc5	46 Kg3	f6
17 d5	Rfb8	47 Ba5	Ke7
18 Rb1	Rxa1	48 Qa6	Nf8
19 Rxa1	Bc8	49 Qa8?	Oxa8
20 Ra7	Qd8	50 Bxa8	Ba4
21 Qa2	Nf8	51 Bc6	Bd1
22 Ra8	Rxa8	52 Bd2	Mg6
23 Qxa8	g5	53 Bb3	Nh4
24 Bg3	Qc7	54 f4	gx4+
25 h4	Nf6?	55 Bxf4	ex4+
26 hxg5	hxg5	56 Kxf4	Bc2
27 Ne1	Bd7	57 Kh3	Bxa4
28 Ne2	Qb6	58 Ba4	Kf7
29 Ne3	Nf6	59 Bd1	Bd3
30 Kx2	Kg7	White	Resigns

SOLUTION: White is in check 1 d5!



Texas Chessplayer Extraordinaire

(Editor's note: I asked Mr. Thompson to send some facts about his chess life and some of his reminiscences that he would be willing to share with our readers. The following was so interesting to me that I left it as he sent it to me. His story reveals a life greatly enriched by his efforts and the fruits of his labors in the chess arena.)

I learned to play chess in the Boys Division of the Dallas YMCA, taught a number of other boys, formed a club, and prevailed on the City Champion, J. Allan Anderson to be our instructor. Anderson played on the 1930 U. S. team at Hamburg, along with Frank Marshall, Isaac Kashdan, and Herman Steiner.

I didn't make much progress until I ran across Nimzovich's "My System." I won the city championship a number of times, beginning in 1930.

In 1932 we organized a Texas Chess Association with Frank Harold McKee as president. McKee was an excellent organizer but lacked staying power. The only accomplishment of the 1932 TCA was to hold a state tournament, which was won by Anderson. I was second.

The next year I started a chess column in the Dallas Journal, the afternoon sister paper of the Dallas Morning News, and began getting in touch with chess groups over the state. By 1935 it seemed that we had enough interest to form another TCA, so I called a meeting of the Dallas players and suggested that we have a Labor Day weekend tournament every year, the first to be held in San Antonio because of its central location. The 1935 tournament was won by O. W. Manney of El Paso. I was second. We had players from Dallas, Fort Worth, Lubbock, El Paso, Houston, San Antonio, and Brownsville, not a bad start.

We began calling it the Southwest Open in 1940, mainly because we had always admitted players from other states, so SW Open seemed appropriate. I played in all the tournaments from 1935 through 1950 and was always either president or secretary-treasurer of TCA.

A big step forward was made in 1942. George Koltanowski came to Texas for some exhibitions and we told him of the trouble we were having in being obliged to play 14 games in three days. So, he told us of the Swiss system and we used it in the 1942 SWO at Corpus Christi. The Texas Chess Association thus became the first U. S. organization to use the Swiss. Some chess encyclopedias say that Pennsylvania was first, having adopted the Swiss in 1943. I introduced it at the Southern championship, played in Knoxville, Tennessee in 1944.

The big break for chess world-wide came in 1947. That year the USCF Open was jointly sponsored by USCF and TCA. I was a USCF vice-president at the time and insisted on using the Swiss. Koltanowski was tournament director and also insisted. We had 87 players. The tournament was won by Kashdan. Some time later I read a comment by the Australian master C. J. S. Purdy, "When I read that they had played a tournament in Texas with 87 players in fourteen days, I wondered if it was a misprint or if the Texans are supermen after all."

That tournament put the Swiss on the map and it began to be adopted in other states and countries. The Swiss has been a godsend for chess since it made weekend tournaments possible, giving thousands of players the opportunity to play.

Speaking of the 1947 Open, I received a letter from Elbert Wagner, Jr. President of USCF warning me that Norman T. Whitaker would probably enter the tournament and not to let him play. I wrote Wagner that Whitaker had paid his debt to society, at Alcatraz. Wagner was astonished at my attitude, but I let Whitaker play.

In the early twenties Whitaker was in the class as Marshall and Edward Lasker but he eventually got mixed up in the Lindbergh baby kidnapping, tried to swindle the Lindberghs, was caught and sent to prison.

I am getting somewhat ahead of my story. We had the 1940 USCF Open in Dallas. There were 27 players, so we divided them into three groups of nine each and played preliminary round robins, the top three graduating to the championship finals, the next three to Class A and the others to Class B. I tied Reuben Fine for first in our group. He allowed three draws, with Arpad Elo, Albert Roddy and me. I lost to the Rev. Howard Ohman, Omaha and Nebraska champion, but won all the remaining games. The championship flight was won by Fine with a clean sweep. Steiner was second and Weaver W. Adams, the New England champion, was third. Erich Marchand was fourth and I tied with Bill Kendall for fifth.

Adams was an interesting fellow. He had published a book, "White to Play and Win," in which he maintained that the Bishop's opening would win in all variations and that any reply to 1 P-K4 except 1... P-K4 would also lose. In this tournament he won three games with the black pieces and not a single one with white! We asked him when his new book, "Black to Play and Win," would be published. He took the ribbing good-naturedly.

Adams took part in the 1940 USCF in Dallas, somewhat as a salvage operation. The war was going on and nobody wanted the Open, so we took it on in Dallas to keep the series from being broken. Counting the Western Chess Association tournaments, the series stretched back to the turn of the century.

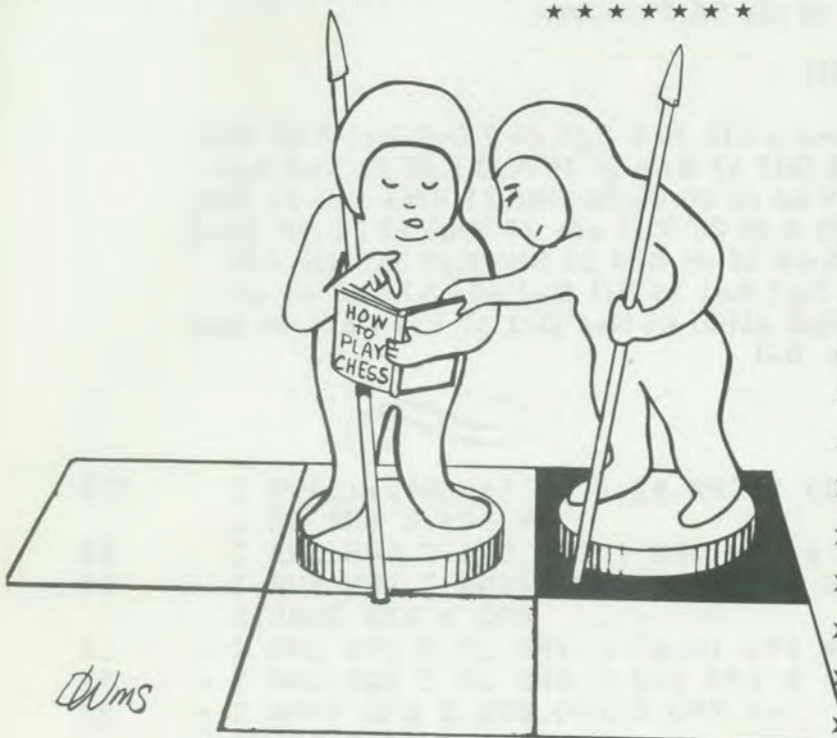
We only had 18 players, so we played a round robin (this was before Koltanowski told us about the Swiss). Herman Steiner and Abe Yanofsky, the Canadian champion, tied for first and Al Horowitz was third, I was fourth, and Erich Marchand fifth.

The circumstances of my game with Horowitz were amusing. Along about move thirty I thought I had a slight advantage so I offered Al a draw. Always the soul of honesty, he said, "You have the advantage but I need the half point. I'll have to beat Steiner to win the tournament (Al had beaten Yanofsky who in turn had beaten Herman)" After a few minutes he agreed to the draw: "I believe I can beat him." But Steiner was unpredictable and beat Horowitz with the black pieces in a beautifully played game.

In Texas Knights you state that I have won more SWO's than anybody, but I believe Ken Smith has won one more than I. However, I was second seven times, so on a point basis I have probably done better.

So far as I know, I hold two other records for a Texan - simultaneous exhibition in 1938 - 46 wins, two losses, and two draws, and simultaneous blindfold in 1939 - ten wins, one loss, three draws.

At the 1982 SWO one of the participants was George H. Smith, of Houston, whom I hadn't seen for thirty years. He told me that he conducted a chess column in the Houston Chronicle for twenty years. This is a real contribution to chess and I hope that TCA can recognize George's work in some manner. Whatever happened to the Hall of Fame idea? I received an award in 1979, I believe, but haven't heard anything about the following years. However, I have been living in Caracas, Venezuela, for the past five years and have been out of touch.

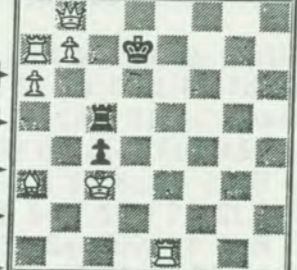


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AHA !! I KNEW HE WAS DOING IT WRONG !

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EVANS ON CHESS



- ★ White mates in 2 moves
- ★ OFFBEAT OPENINGS
- ★ In the frantic search for newness, moves once considered awful are now hailed as theoretical novelties. We tend to forget that some openings regarded as indispensable were once scorned.
- ★ The Nimzo-Indian Defense (1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4!) used to be condemned as ugly. Nimzovich replied to his critic that "the beauty of a chess move lies not in its appearance, but in the thought behind it."
- ★ Nowadays monographs and cassettes deal with offbeat lines without names that were lumped together as irregular. MYERS-OPENINGS BULLETIN is an obscure, struggling American magazine devoted to weird and wonderful openings both old and new. (\$18 yearly. 1506 1/2 Harrison, Davenport, Iowa 52803.)
- ★ Pergamon Press in England has just issued PLAY THE ST. DRAGON by Michael Basman for anyone willing to shell out \$10 for the 122-page paperback. What is the St. George and how did it get its name?

Basman writes: "It is a universal defense, playable against both 1 e4 and 1 d4. Its characteristic moves are 1...e6, a6, and b5. The most famous victory using this opening was Karpov's defeat by Miles in 1980, the first time a British player had defeated a reigning world champion for 20 years. St. George shows on the one hand that this defense was developed by English players--and on the other that it was used in heroic rearguard circumstances. St. George, to my knowledge, only killed one dragon and Miles has only beaten Karpov once."

It was introduced by British amateur John Baker at a London chess club during a rare blindfold display by Blackburne and Steinitz in 1868. Baker beat them both with this crazy defense!

Wilhelm Steinitz, who went on to become world champ in 1872, held the title for 22 years. Playing without sight of the board, he overlooked that 27 f3 holds everything.

White: STEINITZ Black: BAKER
St. George Defense 1868

1 e4	a6	f8 Be3	Ng6
2 d4	b5	19 Nxa5	Oxa5
3 Nf3	Bb7	20 Nd2	Hf4
4 Bd3	e6	21 Bxf4	Qxf4
5 Nc3	c5	22 Nc4	Qc5
6 dxc5	Bxc5	23 Nxd6+	Qxd6
7 a4	b4	24 Rad1	Qe7
8 Ne2	Nc6	25 h3	Qg7
9 0-0	Nge7	26 Bc4	Rc8
10 Ng3	Qc7	27 Rd2?	f3!
11 Qe2	h5	28 Qxf3	Rxc4
12 Be3	Bd6	29 Qf5	Rg6
13 Rfe1	f6	30 f3	Rd4
14 Nd2	h4	31 Rde2	Ke7
15 Nxf1	Na5	32 Rf2	Qg3
16 Nb3	g5	33 Qh7+	Rg7
17 Bd4	e5:	White Resigns	

SOLUTION: 1 Qa8 threatening b8=N. K.

SAN ANTONIO CHESS CLUB NEWS

Lion's Field II results-Wayne Griffin took 1st place in this ten man event with the only perfect score in the tournament. This 3 round event was held on three consecutive Thursday's beginning on Feb. 3rd. 2nd place went to Gary West who scored 2 1/2 points. Griffin was the second lowest rated player in the event at 1387 while Gary West was top rated at 1930.

SA Pro-Am results- Andy Smith (1951) was almost unstoppable as he earned three consecutive points to lead the top section of the SA Pro-Am Tournament after 3 rounds. His hopes were dashed though as he lost his final round to Randall Schwarz to end up in a 4 way tie for 1st place. Andy started his streak with a first round win over Michael Fletcher(2214). He went on to defeat both Tim Bond(2103) and Paul Meyer(2052) before suffering his only lose to Schwarz (2048). Andy Smith is the latest to join the growing number of SA players to achieve a Candidate Master rating. Other players to score 3 points were Randall Schwarz, Tim Bond, and Lonnie Liebbrand. Each took home \$62.50.

The amateur section had a total of 25 players and was restricted to players rated under 1800. This section played 5 games and was unusual in that there was a clear winner in each of the 3 prize categories. Mack Novosad(1797) won cat. II with a 4-1 score. Mack who is from Austin lost his first round game to Bruce Eberhard (1446) but managed a dramatic comeback to take the \$50 first place prize.

Robert Laubenstein took Cat. III with a total score of 4 points.

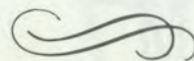
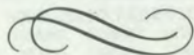
At 1462, Robert showed no fear in scoring points against mostly higher rated players. His only lose was to Mike Machado who at 1755 was the number two rated player in the under 1800 section.

John Ferguson of San Antonio outdistanced his competition to take the top prize in Cat. IV, V, unrated. His 3 1/2 points was one point better than his closest rival. John took home \$50 for his fine performance.

Here is a game from the top section of the SA Pro-Am:

Paul Meyer(2052) - Andy Smith(1951)

1 e4 e5 2 Bc4 Nf6 3 d3 Bc5 4 Nc3 o-o 5 Nf3 d6 6 Bg5 c6 7 0-0 Bg4 8 h3 Bh5
 9 g4 Bg6 10 Ne2 b5 11 Bb3 a5 12 a4 Qd7 13 B:f6 gf 14 Ng3 Kg7 15 Nh4 Rg8
 16 Qd2 ba 17 R:a4 Na6 18 Kh2 d5 19 ed cd 20 Ngf5+ Kh8 21 Rfal Bb6 22 Nh6
 Rgf8 23 Qe2 Nc5 24 Qf3 Qd6 25 N4f5 B:f5 26 N:f5 e4+ 27 N:d6 ef 28 Nf5 N:a4
 29 R:a4 B:f2 30 B:d5 Rac8 31 Re4 R:c4 32 dc Rd8 33 Nh6 Kg7 34 Nf5+ Kf8
 35 b3 Bc5 36 Kg3 f2 37 Kg2 Re8 38 Ng3 Re1 39 Nf1 Re2 40 c3 h6 41 b4 a4!
 42 bc a3 43 Kf3 Re8 44 K:f2 a2 45 Nd2 al(Q) 46 Ne4 Qc1 47 Kf3 Qh1+ 48 Ke3
 Q:h3+ 49 Kd4 Q:g4 50 c6 f5 51 c7 fe 0-1



#10 - 1 Ke6!!(Kg6?+-) h3 2 f4 Kg3 3 f5 h2 4 f6 h1=Q 5 f7 Qh8 6 Ke7=
 7 h5 Kh4 8 Kg6 +-
 #9 - 1 Kb5 Kc3 2 Kc5 Kd3 3 Kd5 Ke3 4 Ke5 Kf3 5 Kf5 Kg3 6 h6! gh
 #8 - 1 Bh6 Bh6 2 Rh2+- or 1...Rg8 2 Rh2+-
 3 g8=Q Ka6 4 Qa8
 #7 - 1 Rb7 Ka2 2 g7 Ka1 3 g8=R! Ka2 4 Ra8 or 1...Ka4 2 g7 Ka5 +-
 #6 - 1 Rh7 Rf8 2 g7 Rg8 3 Kf5 Ke7 4 Kg5 a5 5 Kh6 f6 6 Kg6 +-
 #5 - 1 Re6! Qb7 2 Kc2 Qg2 3 Qe2 +-
 least a piece.
 #4 - 1...Bd1! and after Black's checks are exhausted he loses at
 #3 - 1 Qh7 Kh7 2 Rh3 Rh5 3 Rh5 Kg6 4 Rh6 Kg5 5 h4 Kg4 6 Ne3
 2 Kh3 g1=Q 3 Rg5!
 with two black-squared Bishops!) 5 Kg2 Ne2 6 Kf1! = or 1...Kg7
 #3 Stalemate, 4...g1=B and you'll have a heckuva time mating
 #2 - 1 Rf5 Ke7 2 Re5 Kf6 3 Re1 Be1 4 Kh3 g1=N (4...g1=Q or R
 #1 - 1 Qd7! Bd7 2 Nf6 Kh8 3 Ne8

A SMALL MATTER OF OPENING THEORY Submitted by Jim Marfia

The following was presented by an anonymous chessplayer to an acquaintance of his, who happened to be a Grandmaster. The question posed was: from the following diagram, deduce the four moves by White and Black that led to it.



The Grandmaster took perhaps ten seconds to find the solutions:

1 e4 c6 2 Bb5 e6 3 B:c6 dc - or, for that matter, 2 Bc4 e6 3 B:e6 de - or you could advance the Black c- and e-pawns in the other order too, for two more solutions...

The GM felt rather smug about finding not one, but four solutions, and in a move less than stipulated - until his acquaintance coughed and said, "Excuse me, but you misunderstood. The task specifies four moves by both sides, not three."

Taken aback, the Grandmaster studied the position ... and studied it, and studied it some more. When he at last solved it, he took it to a circle of his acquaintances (all GMs), and presented it for their, ah, entertainment.

It made a curious picture: some half a dozen of the world's strongest chess-players, bent in rapt concentration over the starting position! One (low-rated) passerby stopped, regarded the scene, and then asked if the assemblage was "looking for a forced mate for White?" No one offered a word of reply.

So, folks, next time you have a chessplayer over for a social evening, and you discover you've forgotten the chip dip, give him this little puzzler to keep him occupied. I guarantee your chips, dogs and valuables will be safe until you return.

The solution? Ah yes; a simple bit of opening theory.

1 e4 e6 (Black threatens to play the French Defense) 2 Bb5 (White is on his toes) 2 ... Ke7! (Black is consistent; once again, ..d7-d5 is threatened) 3 B:d7! (now that threat is radically prevented) 3...c6 (unfortunately, the bishop is now trapped) 4 Be8! (Charge!) 4... K:e8 Voila!

PURE ENJOYMENT

You may not want to invest the time necessary to solve this endgame study. A great deal of enjoyment can be had, however, by just playing through the solution and thinking about the reasons behind the moves. The comments are John Nunn's in Tactical Chess Endings.

This study is one of my favourites, mainly because of its witty finish. Black threatens 1...Rg1+, so the lines 1 f7 Rf6 2 Rd7 Rf1+ and 3...b3+ or 1 Rf5 Rg1+ 2 Kc2 b3+ 3 Kc3 (3 Kd3 allows Black to promote with check) b2 4 f7 Rc1+ 5 Kd4 Rc8 are not good enough.

1 Bg5

Black's rook is immobilised and White threatens 2 f7. Black presses ahead with his counterplay.

1 ...b3
2 Rd2+ Ka1
3 f7!

The position of the Black king in the corner might tempt White to try 3 Be3, but 3...b2+ 4 Rxb2 Rxf6 5 Bd4 Rf1+ 6 Kc2 a3! leaves White with nothing better than 7 Rb1+ Ka2 8 Rxf1, with stalemate. 3 f7 looks very strong since the reply 3...a3 loses after 4 Rd1! Rd6 (the only chance) 5 f8=Q b2+ 6 Kc2+ Rxd1 7 Qxa3 mate.

3 ...Rxg5!
4 f8=Q Rg1+
5 Rd1 Rg2!

MAY 28-30

1983 Texas State Championship. both sections 6-SS (poss. accel.), 45/2, Hyatt Regency Austin, 208 Barton Springs Rd. (Congress and TownLake) Austin. \$\$ 3500 b/200. 2 sections: **Championship**, open to all 2000 and over. \$\$ (1500 b/200, \$1000 Gtd. to top 2): 750-350-200-100, top candidate master 100, top TX player gets "C. Harold Bone Memorial Trophy", trophy to 2nd place. **Texas Amateur**, open to 1999 and below. \$\$ (2000 b/200): 500-300-200-100, 1799/below 200-100-50, 1599/below 200-100-50, 1399/below/Unr.125-75, trophy to top 1799/below, 1599/below; trophy to top 2. **Both**, EF: \$30, if rec'd by 5/25; \$35 after. ST req. of TX res. Reg. 8-11:30 a.m., Rds. 1:30-7, 9-2:30, 9-2:30. HR: Hyatt Regency Austin, 208 Barton Springs Rd.; special rates for players who specify they are playing in the tournament, call by May 7; (512) 477-1234. Ent: Austin Chess Enterprises (Pat Long) P.O. Box 2307, Austin, TX 78768. (512) 472-6207. NS. C.
Grand Prix Points Available: 20

JUN 11-12

Houston Open II. 4-SS, 45/2, Memorial Plaza Holiday Inn, 2100 Memorial Dr., Houston, TX 77007 (713) 869-8261. EF: \$20, if rec'd by 4/10, \$25 at site. \$\$ (b/50, top 2 Gtd.): 175-75, Cat. I, II, III/below each 50. Reg. 9 a.m., Rds. 10-3, 10-3. HR: \$29.95 4 in room; special rates for chess tm. Ent: Houston Chess Studio, 815 Jackson Hill, Houston, TX 77007. NS. NC.
Grand Prix Points Available: 5

JUN 18-19

Ace Cream Cheese Classic. 45/2, Ramada Inn, LaSpada Room, 300 E. 11, Austin, TX 78701. 2 sections: **Above 1799**, 4-SS. \$\$G 250: 175-75. Rds. 9:30-3, 9-2. **Under 1800**, 5-SS. Trophies to CM, I, II, III, IV. Rds. 9:30-2-7, 9-2. **Both**, EF: \$20, above 2399 free. Reg. 8-9 a.m. Eligibility for prizes may be based on highest attained rating. Info: Robert Jaster, 3408 Speedway, Apt. 2, Austin, TX 78705. NS. C.
Grand Prix Points Available: 5

NEW MEXICO

MAY 14-15. 1983 New Mexico Team Championships. 4-SS, 45/2, NEA Bldg., 130 S. Capital, Santa Fe, NM. 2 sections: **Championship**, USCF rating limit 7400, Unr. count as 1600, under 1200 count as 1200. EF: \$50/team, jr. \$2 less, \$60 at site. \$\$ (b/8 teams): 140-80, top boards 1-4 each 15. **Reserve**, USCF rating limit 6400, no player over 1800, under 1200 count as 1200, Unr. count as 1500. EF: \$40/team, jr. \$2 less, \$50 late entry. \$\$ (b/8 teams): 100-60, top boards 1-4 each 10. **Both**, Team rating based on May Supplement. Reg. 8:30-9:30 a.m., Rds. 10-3, 9-2. ST. Ent: Ron Zwickl, 104 Rover, Los Alamos, NM 87544. NS. C.

OKLAHOMA

MAY 14-15. 8th Ponca City Open. 5-SS, 50/2, Attacks 5 Citizen Center, 1001 S. 12th, Ponca City, OK 74601. EF: \$10, in advance; \$1 at site. ST \$4, other states OK. \$\$G: 80-40; trophies to 1st each class plus prizes per entries. Reg. 8:30-9:30 a.m., Rds. 10-2:30-7, 9-2. Ent: Harold Bal Rt. 1, Box 43, Ponca City, OK 74601. NC.



White to move and win
Kasparian 1939

If 5...b2+ 6 Kc2+ Rxd1 7 Qa3 mate, but the surprising defence in the main line threatens 6...Rc2 mate and 6...b2 mate. What can White play? If 6 Qa3+ (6 Rd2 is just a draw by repetition) Ra2 7 Qc5, for example, then not 7...b2+ 8 Kd2+ b1=Q+ 9 Ke1 and wins, but simply 7...Rh2! threatening ...b2 mate again and leaving White with nothing better than a repetition. But there is a win hidden in this line!

6 Qa3+ Ra2
7 Rd2! Rxa3

Or 7...b2+ 8 Qxb2+ Rxb2 9 Rxb2 a3 10 Rb1+ Ka2 11 Rb8 Ka1 12 Kc2 a2 13 Kb3 Kb1 14 Ka3+ Ka1 15 Rh8 Kb1 16 Rh1+ winning.

8 Rb2 Ra2

A novel zugzwang!

9 Rb1 mate

The next position ends with mate, but the main interest lies in the intricate knight and pawn ending leading up to it.



Here and There: Received a note from George Smith of Houston recently. The former author of the chess column in the Houston Chronicle, George is apparently still alive and kicking. It's nice to hear from people like this from time to time. Brings back memories of 20 or so years ago! ...For you people involved in various aspects of chess instruction, I just got a note on a recently completed monograph that could be a help to you. How To Teach Chess In The Public Schools: A Course Outline is available for six dollars from Bernard Schmidt, 1503-B Tivoli Ct., Raleigh, N.C. 27604...Well, it's finally official. The PCA (Professional Chess Association) has closed up shop. According to a letter from Larry Evans, the group "is no longer needed. It is now possible to work for further reform within the USCF instead of in a separate group." The PCA will be "born again as the USCF Masters Affairs Committee"...Happened onto a copy of the "Singapore Chess Bulletin". There are 13 players in Singapore with FIDE ratings over 2200. If you think your club's rules are constricting, listen to some of the Singaporean Society's! "Gambling of any kind and the playing of mahjong or paikow; whether for stakes or not, are forbidden on the club's premises. The introduction of materials for gambling or opium smoking and of bad characters into the premises is prohibited. The funds of the society shall not be used to pay the fines of members who have been convicted in Court." C'est la vie!...You will notice the reappearance of Larry Evans' excellent column in this issue. This feature has been made available by the gracious benevolence of Lynne Babcock...The first of the Candidates Matches is over. Kasparov, as expected, outclassed a game Beliavsky by the score of 6-3. This result may not reflect the true strength of Kasparov, as Beliavsky turned in some very creditable efforts in the match. ...I'm currently in the doldrums (no, that's not a suburb of Amarillo) due to my poor showing in several recent 5-minute matches with one of our local denizens. Not that I've ever claimed to be among the world's best speed players. The guy never enters rated tournaments, just matter-of-factly mows down top speed players when it's convenient to his schedule. Take my word for it, if you happen to run into a friendly St Bernard type that is 6'5" and 325 pounds who politely suggests a 5-minute game, forget it! Oh yes, and to add to the irony, his name just happens to be Fisher...Bruce Baker, our Texas Postal Director writes that the 1983 Postal competition is underway and the average USCF Postal rating of the contestants is 1022. This provides some strong competition for almost everyone. The event is still open; several entrants are awaiting opponents now. Send \$5.00 (Cheap) to Bruce at 4321 Pease Houston, Tx. 77023 and start those cards and letters coming in. Bruce describes himself as a classy player (maybe he said Class C player) who proved my adage that "luck is better than skill" by winning \$100 in the January Houston Open. He tied for the Class C prize...The 1982 Chess Oscar went to Kasparov of the Soviet Union. This was (to me) a welcome change to the monotony of Karpov successes. Seirawan and Browne of the US also received votes for the award. The Women's Chess Oscar went to former World Champion Nona Gaprindashvili, also of the Soviet Union...There are several good tournaments upcoming, with San Antonio and Austin having significant spring and early summer events. Of course, the Houston Chess Studio is always active. Robert Jaster of Austin writes that his tournaments will now be conducted through the ACE (Austin Chess Enterprises) club, instead of UT...Rumor has it that the February El Paso tourney was won by Reuben Shocron. No official results or games have been made available to me. You organizers should give your events some publicity after the fact as well as before. People like to see their names and games in print....

TEXAS POSTAL CHES5

In the last issue of TK, we reported that Glen Clark had won clear 1st place in the 1979 Texas Postal Championship with a score of 10½-½. Glen hastened to let us know that he still has one game in progress with Vince Parsons. Even though the outcome of this game will not affect Glen's clear win, the correct statement should be that Clark is 9½-½ with one game in progress. Glen was gracious enough to send several of his games from this event and two games from recent OTB(Over-the-board) Houston tourneys. The level of play in these is high, reminding me once again that people that really know how to play postal can turn in some very accurate efforts. Witness these:

TEXAS POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIP 1979

White: Robert Clark (Postal - 1796) Black: Glen Clark (Postal - 1340)

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd4 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Be3 Bg7 7 f3 Nc6 8 Qd2 0-0 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 0-0-0 Rc8 11 Bb3 Ne5 12 h4 Nc4 13 Bc4 Rc4 14 g4 (The Russian System, a more cautious approach to the h5 expansion) Qa5 15 h5! Rfc8 16 Nb3 Qa6 17 hg6 (ECO +=) Rc3! (17...fg 18 e5 Ne8 19 Qh2 h5 20 Bd4 Rd4! 21 Nd4 Be5! ♞/+ = Hollis; 21...Rc3 2 bc Qa2 23 Kd2 de 24 Nb3 e4 ♞ Miles & Moskow; the analytic jewel played was found by Denis Strenzwilk in his game with G. McGowan, Virginia Open, '77) 18 gf7 Kf7 (18...Kf8!?) 19 bc3 Qa2 20 e5?! (White should try 20 g5 Ng4! 21 Bd4! to keep an edge) de5 21 g5?? Qa3! 22 Kbl Bf5 23 Nc5 Rc6! (The move Denis missed in the game) 24 Ne4 Be4 0-1

White: Glen Clark Black: Thomas Cunningham

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 Nd4 (Bird's Defense) 4 Nd4 ed4 5 0-0 Bc5 6 d3 c6 7 Bc4 d6 8 e5! (f4 Nf6 9 e5 Kasparov-Rojzman) d5 9 Bb3 h5 10 c3 Ne7 11 Kh1 Nf5 12 Nd2 Be6 13 Nf3 Qb6 14 Qel 0-0-0 15 Bc2 dc3 16 bc3 d4 17 c4 Rde8 18 Ng5 g6 19 Rbl Qd8 (19...Qc7!?) 20 Ne4 Be7 21 c5! Ba2 22 Rb2 Bd5 23 Qb4 Qd7 (Again 19...Qc7!?) 24 Qa4 a6 25 Bf4 g5 26 Rfbl b5 27 cb6 Kb7?? (27...Qb7 28 Bd2 +=) 28 Qa6! Ka6 29 b7! Qc7 30 Bd2 Ba3 31 Nc5! 1-0

White: Glen Clark Black: Rod Broeker (Postal 1422)

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d3 Nc6 4 g3 d5 5 Nbd2 Nf6 6 Bg2 Be7 7 0-0 0-0 8 Rel. b5 9 e5 Nd7 10 Nf1 a5 11 h4 b4 12 N/lh2 Ba6 13 Bf4 a4 14 Ng5 Qe8 (♞ Uhlmann) 15 c4! Nb6 16 Ng4 dc4?? 17 Nh7! Kh7 18 Nf6! Bf6 (18... gf6 19 Qh5 Kg8 20 ef6 Bf6 21 Be4) 19 Qh5 Kg8 20 f6 gf6 21 Bc6 (To make Bh6/Qg4/Qg7 mate possible, otherwise Black has ...Ne7/...Ng6) Qc6 22 Bh6 1-0

This game helped Glen to a 3½-½ 1st place finish and 5 Grand Prix points in the Houston Chess Studio Open in October, 1982.

White: Glen Clark (2099) Black: Don Marcott (2152)

1 e4 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 Nf3 d6 4 Bc4 Nf6 5 Qe2 c6 6 Bb3 a5 7 a4 0-0 8 0-0 Qc7! (8...Bg4 9 Nbd2 d5 10 e5 Nfd7 11 h3 Bf3 12 Nf3 e6 13 c4 Na6 14 Bg5 Qb6 15 Ba2 Nb4 += Matanovic-Botvinnik, Belgrade 1970) 9 e5 de5 10 de5 Nd5 11 Rel Bg4 12 Nbd2 e6 13 h3 Bf3 14 Nf3 Nd7 15 c3 h6 16 Bc2 Rfb8 17 h4 h5 18 c4! Nb4 19 Bbl Rd8?! 20 Bg5 Re8 21 Qe3 Rab8 22 Qf4 c5 23 Ra3 Nbc6 24 Rae3 Qb6! 25 g4! hg4 26 Qg4 Qb2 27 Re3e2! Nde5? 28 Ne5 Ne5 29 Qg3 Qd4 30 Re5 Be5 31 Qe5 Qg4 32 Kh2 Qc4 33 Qf6! Qd4 34 Re5! Qd8 35 Qd8 Red8 36 Bd8 Rd8 37 Rc5 b6 38 Rb5 Rd4 39 Kg3 Ra4 40 Rb6 Kg7 41 f3 Kf6 42 Be4 Ke5 43 Bc6 Ral 44 Be8 Time 1-0

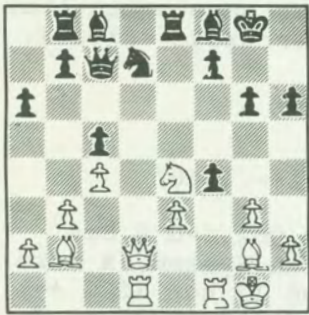
This game earned a first place tie for Glen in the February 83 Houston Open. Also tied for first with 4-0 were Eric Bone and Lee Gaskill.

White: Ostaszewski (2235) Black: Clark (2033)

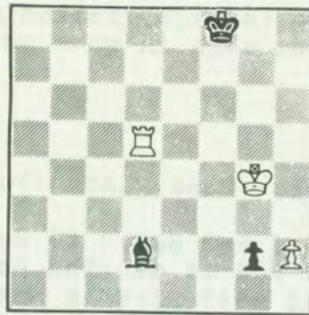
1 c4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 Nf3 e6 6 0-0 Nge7 7 b3 d5 8 cd5 ed5 9 Bb2 0-0 10 Na4 Bb2 11 Nb2 d4! (11...Bg4 = Taimanov) 12 d3 (12 Nd3!; 12 e3!?) Bg4 13 Qd2 Rc8 14 Rfcl b6 15 Nc4 Bf3! 16 Bf3 Nd5 (With the idea of 17...Nc3 18...Nb4 19...Nbd5) 17 Bd5 Qd5 18 Qf4 Rcd8 19 a3 Rfe8 20 Rel Re6 21 Nd2 Rde8 22 Ne4 f5 23 Qg5 Qd8! 24 Qd8 Nd8 25 Ng5 Re2 26 Re2 Re2 27 b4 Nf7 28 Nf3 g5 29 bc5 bc5 30 Rcl g4 31 Nh4 Re5 32 Kg2 Nd6 33 a4 Kg7 34 Kf1 Kf6 35 Ng2 c4! 36 dc4 Rc5 Time 0-1 (37 Ke2 Rc4 38 Rc4 Nc4 39 Kd3 Nb2 40 Kd4 Na4 41 Ne3 Nb6-+)

For your rainy days, here's a quiz to keep you from getting waterlogged. White moves first in all but #4. White to win is indicated by +, draw is =, Black to win - .

See solutions on page 10.



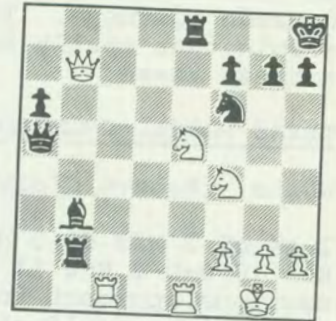
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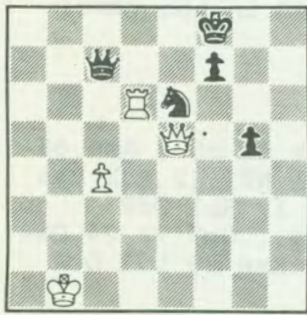
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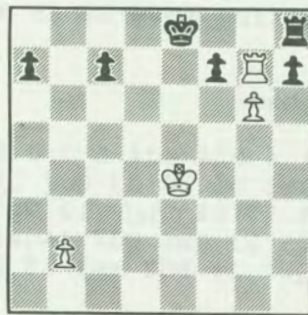
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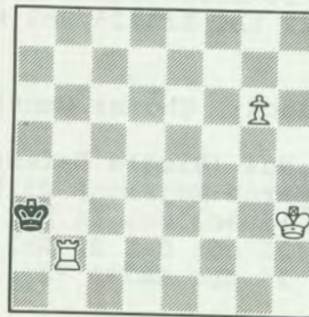
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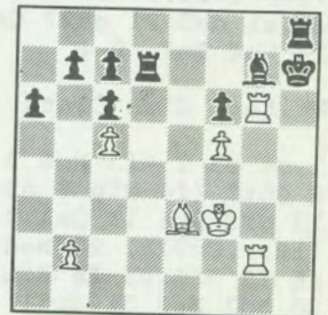
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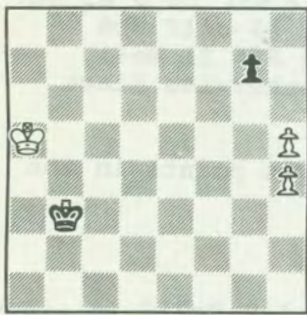
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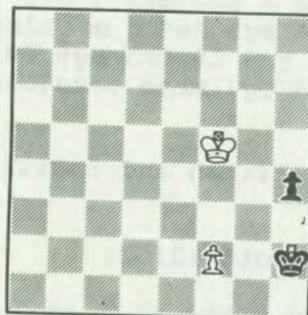
#7 Mate in 4



#8 +



#9 +



#10 =

FIDE has published its rating list for January, 1983. World Champion Karpov leads with 2710 (+10), followed by his likely challenger Kasparov at 2690 (+15). Yugoslav GM Ljubojevic vaulted into third place as the result of his tremendous performance at the Olympiad (2645; +30). The other "Super GMs" are:

Andersson	2635 (+25)
Huebner	2625 (-5)
Polugaevsky	2625 (+15)
Portisch	2620 (-5)
Tal	2620 (+10)
Spassky	2605 (-5)
Petrosian	2605 (unchanged)
Timman	2605 (+5)
Korchnoi	2600 (-35)
Seirawan	2600 (+5)

Top Women	
Gaprinidashvili	2355
Cramling	2355
Chiburdanidze	2355
Alexandria	2355

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Seirawan is the first U.S. player in some time to appear on this elite list, while former world number three Korchnoi has dropped sharply as a result of his disastrous performance at the Lloyds Bank tournament in London. Lev Psakhis also had a series of indifferent results and dropped out of the 2600 class.

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Black: Robert Fischer (GM 2760)

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g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 Be2 0-0
6 Nf3 e5 7 0-0 Nc6 8 d5 Ne7 9 Nd2
c5 10 a3 Ne8 11 b4 b6 12 Rb1 f5
13 f3 f4 14 a4 g5 15 a5 Rf6 16 bxc5
bxc5 17 Nb3 Rg6 18 Bd2 Nf6 19 Kh1
g4 20 fxc4 Nxc4 21 Rf3 Rh6 22 h3
Ng6 23 Kg1 Nf6 24 Be1 Nh8 25 Rd3
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Apr 30-May 1	A	Jul 2-4	A, D(CC)
May 7-8	B	Jul 9-10	
May 14-15	HCS, WF	Jul 16-17	HCS
May 21-22	SA	Jul 23-24	SA
May 28-30	A	Jul 30-31	A
Jun 4-5	A, EP	Aug 6-7	B, M
Jun 11-12	HCS	Aug 13-14	HCS
Jun 18-19	A, FW	Aug 20-21	A
Jun 25-26	SA	Aug 27-28	

Fischer-Timman match Tom Moore

As I write these lines, it's only a few days until Bobby's 40th birthday (born March 9, 1943). And now word has come that a major Dutch newspaper, "De Telegraaf", is trying to arrange a match between Fischer and Timman. Those who remember the abortive attempts to bring Fischer back by setting up matches with Karpov or Gligoric have no reason to hope that the current negotiations will be successful.

Fischer has asked for a fee of \$1½ million and a prize fund of \$1 million. The match will go to the winner of 10 games, draws not counting. In addition, no adjournments will be permitted. If these conditions were not enough to doom negotiations, Fischer

has also insisted on a \$5,000 cash fee per meeting for pre-match meetings. He wants to be referred to in all correspondence and all publicity as the world champion and, not surprisingly, wants to play in a hall without public admission. Fischer made one concession -- he is apparently prepared to accept a one-way mirror for a TV camera to hide behind, but wants a share in all TV and other rights.

The Dutch newspaper has, amazingly, managed to raise most of the money and is lining up other sponsors. It remains to be seen if they can meet all of Fischer's conditions. One other problem: Is Timman prepared to play a match that could last three months or more?

It has also been reported that Fischer played some 5 minute games with GM Peter Biyiasas and won 17-0. Fischer has also just published an account of a run-in with the Pasadena police, entitled "I was Tortured in the Pasadena Jailhouse". It's his account of his arrest by two policemen who thought he resembled the description of a bank robber. Fischer claims they roughed him up even after they realized they had the wrong man.

I doubt that Fischer will ever play competitively again. I hope that he proves me wrong.

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