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-----**Around the State**

TCA Elections: It's that time of year again, when hopeful candidates for TCA office seek nomination through this magazine (deadline: June 1, 1989.) Each candidate gets 50 free words in his/her behalf, more at the ad rate of \$50/page, 35/half, 20/qtr. Send all nominations and campaign statements to *Texas Knights*, P.O. Box 501, Helotes, TX 78023.

Offices available: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Both nominator and nominee must be TCA members in good standing (check mailing label.)

Steve Welborn has announced that he will not seek reelection as TCA President, and he has instead nominated the current V.P., **Bob Montgomery** of Midland, as the next TCA President.

TCA Secretary **Ken Hackney** plans to bring a tape recorder to the next TCA business meeting this Labor Day Weekend in Austin, and he will be able to dub copies for those who want them.

The TCA video "**How to Play Chess**" was nominated for an award at the 1989 Cable TV Access Awards ("Cammies") held March 31 in San Antonio, in the category of special audience. It is still available for the nominal price of \$4.00 from the *Texas Knights* address.

NM Burton Carpenter scored 3.5-.5 to win the **Fort Hood Open**, held March 11-12. Robert Barber (1898) was second with 3. Mark Hoogervorst (1799) won the reserve section with 4.5-.5, followed by Allen Mauldin (1631) with 4 and Herman Hampp (1769) with 3.5.

The **San Jacinto Open**, held March 4-5 at Texas A&M, ended in a 3-way tie between Michael Calogridis, Roger Smith and Todd Thomas, all with 3.5-.5. W. W. Chamberlain won the 'C' prize. (1st B??) Dr. Dusan Djuric' of the Meteorology Department directed for the A&M Chess Club.

Gregg Small won the 13th Annual **Red River Open**, held last Nov. 12-13 in Wichita Falls, with 4-1 points. Trailing with 3.5 were Maria Ivanka, Mike Richards, Andras Budinsky, Robert Epstein, Gary Hewitt and Steve Alden. The turnout was surprisingly topheavy, with almost half the participants over 2000. Charles E. Davis directed for the Wichita Falls Chess Club.

If you want your tournament reported, you must send something in to Texas Knights!

Rumors are OK, but crosstables and game scores are even better.

(Articles? Hey--we don't expect miracles!)

David Peterson of Austin has been selected to represent the United States at the 1989 World Youth Championships this summer in Puerto Rico. David, who won the 1988 Texas High School Championship as a first grader, was selected based on having the highest rating in the U.S. for those 10 and under. His current rating of 1959 is the highest ever for an 8 year old, and breaks the former mark of 1823 held by two time 10 and under World Champion, John Vilorio of New York. In the past six months, David has been winning tournaments across the country, including the New York Primary which he swept 6-0, successively defeating the players ranked 2-5 in his age group. He also won both the primary and elementary sections of the Murray Regional Tournament, despite having to run back and forth between rooms as the sections were held simultaneously(!) As Texas' first scholastic All-American Team member and youngest high school chess champion, David was honored by the TCA as its chess ambassador. --R. Peterson



An apology is in order to *The Houston Chess Express*, as well as the *A.C.E. Fianchetto* and the *Amarillo Club Newsletter*, for materials used in previous issues of *TK* without due credit. That is a serious breach of editorial protocol, as Todd Thomas has rightly pointed out.

While I'm on the subject, Mark Hulseley certainly deserved a byline on his fine article covering his performance in the A.C.E. championship. Please do not allow my previous slips to discourage the continued flow of articles to *Texas Knights* from around the state. --Ed.

Letters

Thanks for the article about me in the Nov/Dec issue.

I enclose copies of some thoughts on chess promotion that Les Brennan, President of the Montana Chess Assn., asked me to prepare. [*Includes requiring state membership to play in tournaments, a directory of all players including inactives, support of business organizations & school chess. J. C. has since proposed getting John Jacobs' Dallas Times-Herald column in more Texas newspapers.*] If any of you have any additional ideas, please let me have them.

I have one suggestion for TCA: Have several classes of sponsoring membership, not just Patron. CCLA has a sliding scale and I believe TCA could benefit from one, especially if TCA has finally been cleared by IRS as a social organization to which donations would be tax deductible.

The work to have TCA so declared was started in Pat Long's tenure as TCA President. I bring up the subject at each annual meeting, but so far have learned nothing definite. It is a matter which should be pursued.

J. C. Thompson
Billings, Montana

Past TCA Treasurer Jim Gallagher said the legal work certifying TCA as a not-for-profit organization has been done. Will someone please send a copy of the document to TK? --Ed.

S.A. wins Texas Team Championship

Jim Gallagher of San Antonio led the Sandbagger Express to victory with a 3.5-.5 score (Board 1 prize & a performance rating of 2597), more than making up for last year's score of 1-3 (including one bye!) Andy Smith on Board 3 was hot, with the only perfect 4-0 score in the event and the Board 3 prize. Stephen Cheyney and Mike Moore on Board 2 (1-1 and 1.5-.5 respectively) and Robert Barber on 4 (2-2) held their own to shore up the team score, 3.5-.5.

Igor Shtern's Austin team, The Promoters (including Graeme Cree, David Rubin and Peter Kappler), won second place with 3-1. Third place on tiebreaks went to the S.A./A&M combo Four Pawns Up (Roger Smith, Dale Dike, Tom Patton and Brian Oarr), with 2.5-1.5. They edged out the lowest rated team, the Fish Killers (Bret Treadway, David Peterson, Jeff Ledford and B.S. Pandit) -- which of course won the under-1750 prize.

Other board prizes: Dale Dike (Board 2) over Graeme Cree on tiebreaks; and Joel Senger (Board 4) over Peter Kappler and David Young. All scored 3-1.

At the risk of making this the Jim Gallagher show, we present the available games:

Jim Gallagher 2199 vs. Bill Reuter 2446 CARO-KANN B13 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.ed ed 4.Bd3 Nc6 5.c3 Nf6 6.Bf4 Bg4 7.Qb3 Qc8 8.Nd2 e6 9.Ngf3 Be7 10.0-0 Bh5!? 11.Rae1 (11.Ne5! 0-0 12.Rae1 Ne5 13.Be5 Bg6 14.Bg6 hg6 15.Qd1 b5 16.Re3 a5 17.h4 b4 18.g4 a4 19.h5 a3 20.cb Bb4 21.h6 Re8 [Dzindichashvili-Karpov, Mazatlan 1988] 22.b3± Dzindichashvili.) 11...Bg6 12.Bg6 hg6 13.Ne5 0-0 (13...Ne5 14.Be5 Ng4!?) 14.Bg5!? Re8 15.f4 Qc7 16.Qd1 Bd6 17.Re3 Nh7, 18.Qg4 f5 19.Qh4 Ne5 20.fe5 Be7 21.Nf3 Qd8?! (b5) 22.Be7 Qe7 23.Qe7 Re7 24.h4! += Rc7 25.Kh2 Kf7 26.Kg3 Rb8?! (b5) 27.Kf4 b5 28.a3 a5 29.Ng5 Ng5 30.Kg5 b4 31.ab ab 32.g4 bc 33.bc Rb2 34.Rff3± Rcb7 35.h5 gh 36.gf Rg2 37.Rg3 Rbb2 38.fe Ke6 39.Kh5 Rh2 40.Kg6 Rb7 41.Rh3 Rf2 42.Ref3 Rg2 43.Rfg3 Rf2 44.Rh7 Rff7 45.Rh8 Rfe7 46.Rg8 Rf7 47.Re8 (47.Kh7 Rbc7! 48.R8g7 Rg7 49.Rg7 Rc3=) Rbe7 48.Re7 Re7 49.Rg1! Rf7 (49...Rc7 50.Rc1 ZZ) 50.Ra1 Rf3 51.Ra6 Ke7 52.Kg7 Rg3 53.Kh6 Rc3 54.Rd6 Rg3 55.Rd5 Rg1! (55...Ke6 56.Rd6 Kf5 57.Rf6 Ke4 58.Rg6 Rh3 59.Kg7 +-) 56.Rd6 Rg4 57.d5?! (57.Kh5! Δ Rf6-f4) Rd4! 58.Kg6 Rd1! 59.Re6 Kd7 60.Kf7!! Rd5 61.Re7 Kd8 62.Re8 Kc7 63.e6 Rf5 64.Ke7 Rf1 65.Rf8 Rd1 66.Rf2 Rc1 67.Rd2 Kc8 68.Ke8 Re1?! 69.Rc2 +- Kb7 70.e7 Kb6 71.Rc4! [Lucena's bridge] Kb7 72.Kf7 Rf1 73.Ke6 Re1 74.Kf6 Rf1 75.Ke5 Re1 76.Re4 1-0. Notes by Jim Gallagher and Editor.

Mark Hulsey 2373 vs. Jim Gallagher 2199 SICILIAN B79 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cd 4.Nd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.0-0-0 Qa5 11.Kb1 Rfc8 12.Bb3 Ne5 13.Rhe1 Nc4 14.Qd3?! Ne3 15.Qe3 Rc5! 16.h3?! Rac8 17.Rd3 b5 18.f4 b4 19.Nd5 Nd5 20.Bd5?! Bd4 21.Rd4 Rc2 22.g4? Ba4! 23.f5 Qc5 24.Qg1?? Rb2 25.Ka1 Qc3 0-1.

Jim Gallagher 2199 vs. Igor Shtern 2416 SICILIAN B33 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cd 4.Nd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Nbd5 d6 7.Bf4 e5 8.Bg5 a6 9.Bf6 gf6 10.Na3 b5 11.Nd5 f5 12.Qd3 Bg7 13.ef 0-0 14.0-0-0 Qg5 15.Qe3 Bh6 16.Kb1 Bf5 17.Bd3 Qe3 18.Ne3 Be3 19.Bf5 Bc5 20.Rd3 Ne7 21.Be4 Rad8 22.Rhd1 Rd8 23.c4 bc 24.Nc4 Bd4 25.Rg3 Kh8 26.Bc2 d5 27.Ne3 Rb8 28.b3 Be3 29.fe3 Rg8 30.Rg8 Kg8 31.Bd3 Rd6 32.Rc1 e4 33.Bf1 Nf5 34.Rc3 d4 35.ed Nd4 36.Bc4 Kg7 37. Rg3 Kf6 38.Rh3 Kg6 39.Rg3 Kf6 40.Rh3 Kg7 41.Rg3 Kf8 42.Re3 f5 43.g4 fg 44.Re4 h5 45.Ba6 Nf3 46.Rf4 Kg7 47.h3 Ra6 48.hg Nd2 49.Kb2 h4 50.g5 h3 51.Rh4 Kg6 52.Rh3 Kg5 **DRAW.**

Greg Wren 1766 vs. Andy Smith 2071 VERESOV A45 1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 c5 3.dc e5! (Qa5) 4.Nf3 (4.e4 Bc5 5.Bc4) Nc6 5.Be3? b6! 6.cb d5 7.Bg5 d4 8.Ne4 Bb4 9.c3 Ne4! 10.Bd8 dc 11.a3 c2 12.ab4 cd1(Q) 13.Rd1 Nb4 14.Rc1 Kd8 15.Rc4 Bb7 16.Rb4 ab 17.Re4, (17.e3 Ra1 18.Ke2 Ba6) Be4 18.Ne5 Ke7 19.f3 f6 20.Nc4 b5 21.Nd2 Bc2 22.e4 Rhd8 23.f4 Ra1 24.Ke2 Rd1 25.Nf3 Be4 26.Rg1 Rb1 27.Ke3 Bf3 28.gf g6 29.f5 gf 30.Rg7 Kf8 31.Rh7 Rf1 **0-1.**

Robert Barber 1921 vs. David Buhner 1921 1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.g3 Bc5 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Nf3 (5.e3) Nc6 6.0-0 d6 7.d3 Bg4 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bd2 Qd7 10.Qc1 a6 11.Bh6?! gh6 12.Qh6 Nh7 13.Ng5 f6 14.Qg6 Qg7 15.Bd5 Kh8 16.Nf7 Rf7 17.Qf7 Qf7 18.Bf7 Nd4 += 19.e3 Nf3 20.Kh1 Nhg5 21.Bd5 c6 22.h4 Kg7 23.Bf3 Bf3 24.Kh2 f5 25.g4? fg 26.Kg3 Rh8 27.Rh1 d5 28.hg5 Rh1 29.Rh1 Bh1 30.Kg4 dc 31.dc Bb4 32.Nd1? e4 33.Kf5 Bf3 and **0-1.**

UT Chess News

Gerald Georges and Ricardo Macias tied for the ACUI Regional Championship this Feb. 24-26.

UT Spring Open Championship (Jan. 1989)

R. Ketcham 2230 vs. R. Macias 1894 CARO-KANN B18 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 de 4.Ne4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.Bc4 Nf6 7.Nge2 e6 8.0-0 Bd6 9.Bf4 0-0 10.c3 Qc7 11.Bd6 Qd6 12.Qd2 Nbd7 13.Rad1 Rad8 14.f4 Nb6 15.Bb3 Rfe8 16.f5 ef 17.Nf5 Qc7 18.Neg3 Nbd5 19.Rf3 Ne7 20.Nh6 Kf8 21.Nf7! Bf7 22.Rf6! gf6 23.Qh6 Kg8 24.Nh5 **1-0.** A very artistic finish!

G. Georges 2112 vs. R. Ketcham 2230 ALEKINE'S B05 1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.Nf3 d6 4.d4 Bg4 5.Be2 Nc6 6.0-0 (6.c4 Nb6 7.e6) g6 7.h3 Bf3 8.Bf3 e6 9.c4 Nb6 10.ed cd 11.d5 ed 12.Bd5 Be7 13.Bh6 Qd7 14.Nc3 0-0-0 15.Rc1 Bf6 16.Qd2 Kb8 17.Be3 Nc8 18.Ne4 Be5 19.b4 f5 20.Ng5 Rdf8 21.f4 Bf6 22.b5 Nd8 23.Nf3 Re8 24.Nd4 Re7 25.Rb1 Nb6 26.a4 Rhe8 27.Bf2 Qc7 28.a5 Nc4 29.Qb4 Na5 30.b6 ab 31.Nb5 Qc2 32.Bb6 Ndc6 33.Qd6 Kc8 34.Ba5 **1-0** (time.)

G. Georges 2112 vs. B.S. Pandit 1798 2 N's C55 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Nd4?! (Bd4=) 6.Ne5 d5? (Ne6) 7.ed Qd6 8.Bf4 Bg4 9.Qd2 g5 10.Bg3 Ne4 11.Ng4 Nd2 12.Bd6 Nc4 13.Bc5 Nc2 14.Nc3 Na1 15.Bd4 f6 16.Ra1 h5 17.Nf6 Kf7 18.N3e4 and **1-0.**

(From the *Lonely Knight*, University Chess Club.)

The 1989 Texas Junior

Richard Peterson and Selby Anderson

The brothers Fraley, George (1709) and Steven (1545), share the 1989 Texas Junior title after each scoring 5.5-.5. Their high school in Houston, Westbury, won the team event.

Tied for 3rd-5th places were Thomas Santellana (1574), Eric Odum (Unr) and Thanh Van (Unr), all with 5-1. Top seeded David Peterson (1725) lost in Rd. 1 to Cummins (Unr) and in Rd. 3 to Havel (1359), and his strong finish only left him in the pack with 10 others who tied at 4-2. Honorable mention goes to Fernando Alvarez (1522), who alone scored 4.5.

Westbury High School of Houston won the Team Championship with a total of 19 points, thanks to the Fraleys and Santellana (who scored four wins and drew both Fraleys.) Just one point behind at 18 was Round Rock High School, which had the help of 5-1 scorers Odum and Van. The "Rockers" added a touch of class to the tournament by each wearing a tie to the event. Two San Antonio teams finished respectably close: Edgewood (16) and Tafolla (15.)

Fifty-five junior players in all competed in this event, more than triple the size of last year's Texas Junior in Midland. William Tompkins directed the tournament, held March 25-26 at Austin's Wyndam Hotel, in conjunction with the Texas Senior and the Capital City Grand Prix.

The Fraley brothers will advance to the Arnold Denker Tournament of High School Champions at this year's U. S. Open in Chicago.

Here is an epic battle of three minor pieces vs. Queen:

Fernando Alvarez 1522 vs. Steve Fraley 1545 PIRC B08 1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Bg5 Bg7 5.Nf3 Nbd7 6.Qd2 h6 (c5 = ECO) 7.Bf4 Nh5 8.Bg3 c6 9.Be2 b5 10.a3 a6 11.Bh4 g5 12.Bg3 Bb7 13.Qd1 Nf8 14.Ng5!? Ng3 15.Nf7 Ne2!? (Kf7 16.fg3 ∞) 16.Nd8 Nc3 17.bc3 Rd8? (Kd8) 18.Qh5 Kd7 19.Qf5? (19.Qg4 Ne6 20.0-0-0 h5 21.Qh3 d5 22.ed cd 23.Rhe1 Rh6 24.Re6! +-) 19...Kc7 20.Qf7 Bf6 21.f4 h5 22.e5 de 23.fe Rh7! (Banishing the troublesome Queen. Black has gained the initiative.) 24.Qb3 Bg5 25.h4 Bf4 26.Qb4 Ng6 27.a4 Bg3 28.Kd1



Position after 39...Bc6

(28.Ke2 Nf4 is also difficult for White.) 28...Ne5 29.Rh3 Rg7 30.Rg3!? Rg3 31.Qe7 Nd7 32.ab Rg2!? (cb. I sincerely hope it was the loser who wrote "RxP"!) 33.b6 Kc8 34.Ra4 Rf8 35.Kc1 Rgf2 36.Rb4 R2f6 37.d5 cd 38.c4 dc 39.Rc4 Bc6 (Diagram. Remarkably, White has no shot here.) 40.Qe4 Kb7 41.Qe7 Kb6 42.Qe3 Kb7 43.Rb4 Bb5 44.Qe4 Kc7 45.Qd4 Rf4 46.Qc3 Kb7 47.Rf4 Rf4 48.Qg3 Rg4 49.Qf3 Kb6 50.Qe3 Kc7 51.Qc3 Rc4 52.Qg3 Kb6 53.Qd6 Ka5 54.Qa3 Ba4 55.Kd2 Nc5 56.c3 Ne4 57.Ke1 Rc3 58.Qa2 Re3 59.Kf1 Ng3 60.Kg1 Re1 and 0-1.

The Texas Senior Championship

There was a four-way tie at 4-1: Paul Fisher (1955) of Mission, Frank LaCava (1950) and Raymond Smith (1946), both of San Antonio, and George Abood (1778) of Beaumont.

Seventeen players age fifty and over competed in this event.

Frank LaCava 1950 vs. George Abood 1778 FRENCH C17 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3

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| | <p>Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.Nf3 N Nc6 6.Bb5 Bd7 7.Bc6 Bc6 8.Be3 Qa5 9.Bd2 Qc7 10.0-0 cd 11.Nd5! Bd5 12.Bb4 Ne7 13.Nd4 Qe5 14.f4 Qe4 15.Qd2 a5 16.Be7 Ke7 17.Rae1 Qg6 18.f5 Qh6 19.Qh6 gh6 20.fe fe 21.Nf5 Kd7 22.Nh6 Rhf8 23.b3 b5 24.Rf8 Rf8 25.Ng4 Rg8 26.Ne3 Bc6 27.Rd1 Ke7 28.Rd4 Rg5 29.Kf2 Rh5 30.h4 e5 31.Rg4 Bd7 32.Rd7 Kd6 33.g3 Rh6 34.Ke2 a4 35.b4 Be6 36.a3 e4 37.Rg5 Bc4 38.Nc4 bc4 39.Rf5 (39.Ke3) Rg6 40.Rg5 Rf6 41.Ke3 Rf3 42.Ke4 Ra3 43.Rd5 Ke6 44.Re5 Kd6 45.Rd5 Ke6 46.Ra5 Rg3 47.Ra6 Kd7 48.Ra4 Rg4 49.Kd5 Rh4 50.b5? (51.Ra7+) 50...Kc7 51.Rc4 Rc4 52.Kc4 (Diagram) 52...h5?? (52...Kb6 =) 53.Kd3 1-0.</p> |
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Position after 52.Kc4

George Abood 1778 vs. Raymond Smith 1946 SOKOLSKY'S A00 1.b4 e5 2.b5 Bc5 3.e3 Nf6 4.Bb2 d6 5.d4 ed 6.ed Bb6 7.Nf3 0-0 8.Be2 a6 9.c4 ab 10.cb Be6 11.a4 Ba5 12.Nbd2 Ne4 13.0-0 Nc3 14.Bc3 Bc3 15.Rc1 Ba5 16.Qc2 Nd7 17.Nc4 Nb6?! (Bc4) 18.Na5 Ra5 19.Qc7 Ra4 20.Qb7 Bd5 21.Qc7 Bf3 22.Bf3 Rd4 23.Qa7 Ra4 24.Qb7 Nc4 25.Rfd1 Ne5 26.Bd5 Rb4 27.h3 Qa5 28.Rb1 Nd3? 29.Ra1 Qd8 30.Rd3 Qf6 31.Rad1 Rb2 32.Rf3 and 1-0.

Raymond Smith 1946 vs. Robert McGregor 1887 DUTCH A81 1.g3 d5 2.d4 f5 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.Nf3 e6 5.0-0 Be7 6.c3 0-0 7.Bf4 c6 8.Nbd2 Ne4 9.Ne4 fe4 10.Ne5 Nd7 11.f3 g5 12.Nd7 Bd7 13.Be3 ef 14.ef Qc7 15.f4 gf 16.Bf4 Bd6 17.Qg4 Kh8 18.Bg5 e5 19.Qh4 Bf5 20.Bf6 Kg8 21.Rf5 1-0.

Capital City Grand Prix

SM (love that abbreviation) Mike Calogridis of Houston won with 3.5-.5, ahead of Tim Bond (2038), Joe Binder (1887) and Michel Simpson (1883) with 3-1 each. Bret Treadway (1779) won the Reserve section with 3.5-.5, with Felix Castillo (1858) second at 3-1.

Only fifteen played in the Open section, and sixteen in the Reserve The choice of Easter weekend is a mistake not likely to be repeated, at least where older players are concerned.

Mike Calogridis 2404 vs. John Kolts 1945 KID E76 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f4 0-0 6.Nf3 c5 7.d5 Nbd7?! (e6; b5) 8.Bd3 Re8 9.e5 de 10.fe Ng4 11.e6 fe 12.0-0 Nde5 13.Ne5 Ne5 14.Be2 ed 15.cd Bf5 16.Bf4 a6 17.a4 Qb6 18.Qd2 Rad8 19.a5 Qa7 20. Kh1 Nf7 21.Bc7 Rc8 22.Bf4 Nd6 23.Qe3 Bd4 24.Qg3 Ne4 25.Ne4 Be4 26.Bc4 Rcd8 27.d6 e6 28.Bg5 Rd7 29.Rae1 Bf5 30.Rf5 gf5 31.Bf6 Kf8 32.Qg5 b5 33.Re6 Qb8 34.Qg8! Kg8 35.Re8# 1-0.

Jim Gallagher 2257 vs. Mike Calogridis 2404 FRENCH C19 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bc3 6.bc3 Ne7 7.Nf3 Qa5 8.Qd2 Nbc6 9.a4 Bd7 10.Bd3 Rc8 (10...c4; 10...f6) 11.0-0 (Recommended by MCO-10. ECO gives 11.Ba3 cd 12.Qg5 Qc3 13.Ke2 Nb4 14.Bb4 Qb4 15.Rhb1 Qc5 16.Qg7 Rg8 17.Qh7 Rg2 18.Rg1+- Schifferdecker-Unzicker BRD 1950. Did Calogridis have something new up his sleeve?) 11...cd 12.Qg5! Ng6 13.cd Qd8 14.Qd8 Nd8 15.g3?! (15.h4! ±) 0-0 16.h4 Ne7 17.Ba3 Re8 18.a5 Nec6 19.Bc5 f6 20.ef gf 21.c4 dc 22.Bc4 Kg7 23.Bb5 a6 24.Ba4 Nb8 25.Nd2 Ba4 26.Ra4 Nd7 27.Ne4 Nc5 28.Nc5 e5 29.Rc1 ed 30.Rd4 Kf7 31.Rd7 Re7 32.Re7 Ke7 33.Re1 Kf7 34.Ne4 Rc6 35.Rb1 h6 36.g4 Ke6 37.Ng3 Rc5



Position after 37...Rc5

38.Nh5!? (A *fingerfehler*; intended was 38.Nf5 when the game might continue 38...Ra5 39.Nh6 Rb5 40.Rd1 Nc6 41.Kg2 +=) 38...Rb5! 39.Ng7? (39.Rd1 Nf7 40.Nf4 Ke7 41.Ng6 Δ Re1+=) Kf7 40.Rb5 a5 41.Nf5 b4-+ 42.Nd4 Nc6 43.Nb3 Ne5 44.Kf1 Ke6! 45.Ke2 Kd5 46.f3 Kc4 47.Nd2 Kc3 48.Kd1 b3 49.Ne4 Kb2 50.Nf6 Ka1 51.Ne4 b2 52.Nc3 Nf3 53.g5 hg 54.h5! (Not 54.hg? Ng5 55.Kc2 Ne4 56.Nb1 Ka2 zz) 54...g4 55.Ke2 Nd4 56.Kf2 g3 (Nf5!) 57.Kg2 Ne2 58.h6 Nc3 59.h7 g1(Q) 60.h8(Q) Qb2 61.Kf3 g2 62.Qd4 Ka2 63.a6 Qe2 64.Kg3 ba 65.Kh2 Qh5 66.Kg2 Qd5 0-1. A magnificent struggle. (Anderson, Gallagher)

Bret Treadway 1779 vs. Raymond Doo 1692 SICILIAN B51 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bb5 Nd7 4. c3 a6 5.Ba4 b5 6.Bc2 Bb7 7.0-0 Ngf6 8. Qe2 Qc7 9. d3 e6 10.Bg5 Be7 11. Nbd2 0-0 12.Rac1 Rad8 13.d4 Rfe8 14.e5 de 15.de Nd5 16.Be7 Ne7 17.Rfe1 Ng6 18.Rcd1 f6 19. ef gf 20.Ne4 Be4 21.Qe4 f5 22.Qe3 Qf4 23.Qf4 Nf4 24.Rd6 Nb8 25.Rd8 Rd8 26.g3 Nh5 27.Re6 Ng7 28.Re5 c4 29.Nd4 Re8 30.Re8 Ne8 31.Nf5 Nc6 32.f4 Nf6 33.a3 a5 34.Nd6 and 1-0.

Joe Binder 1887 vs. John Kolts 1945 KING'S INDIAN E65 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Nf3 d6 6.0-0 c5 7.Nc3 Na6 (Nc6 is usual.) 8.b3 Nc7 N (Bg4: d5) 9.Qc2 cd 10.Nd4 Rb8 11.Bb2 Ne6 12. Rfd1 Nd4 13.Rd4 Bd7 14.Rdd1 Qa5 15.Nd5 Nd5 16.Rd5 Qc7 17.Bg7 Kg7 18.Rd2 Rfd8 19.Qe4 Qa5 20.Rad1 Be6 21.Qe3 b6 22.Bd5 Qc5 23.Qe4 Qc8 24.Qd4 Kg8 25.e4 Bg4 26.f3! Be6 27.e5 de 28.Qe5 Qc5 29.Kg2 Rd6 30.Qf4 Rbd8 31.Be6 Rd2 32.Rd2 Rd2 33.Qd2 fe6 34.Qd7 Qa3 35.Qe6 Kf8 36.Qe2 Qd6 37.Qb2 Kg8 38.b4 Qd7 39.c5 b5 40.Qc2 Kg7 41.c6 Qc7 42.Qc5 a6 43.f4 Kf7 44.Qd5 e6 45.Qc5 Kf6 1-0.

Bill Stouffer 2073 vs. Michael Simpson 1883 QGD D31 1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Be7 4.cd ed 5.Bf4 c6 6.Qc2 Nf6 7.e3 0-0 8.Bd3 Re8 9.Nge2 b6 10.0-0 Nbd7 11.Ng3 Nf8 12.Nf5 Bf5 13.Bf5 Ng6 14.Ne2 Nf4 15.Nf4 c5 16.dc g6 17.Bh3? g5 18.cb ab 19.Ne6 fe6 and 0-1.

Joe Binder 1887 vs. Bill Stouffer 2073 ENGLISH A32 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 e6 4.g3 cd 5.Nd4 Qc7 6.b3 Bb4 7.Bd2 Bc5 8.Nf3 Ne4 9.e3 b6 10.Bg2 Bb7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Nc3 f5 13.Ne4 Be4 14.Bc3 Qb7 15.Ng5 Bg2 16.Qh5 h6 17.Qg6 Rf6 18.Bf6 d6 19.Qe8# 1-0.

DALLAS NEW YEAR SPECIAL

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Jim Gallagher (2257) of San Antonio won with 5.5-.5, ahead of Sid Pickard (2239), David Sewell (1977) and Mack Williams (1963), tied at 5-1. Three masters fell by the wayside: Igor Shtern (2431) at 4.5; and Eric Cooke (2337) and Jan Rooswa (2200), who tied with six experts at 4 points each. Steve Alden directed for the Dallas Chess Club.

Jim Gallagher 2257 vs. John Bunch 2025 FRENCH C19 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5. a3 Bc3 6.bc3 Qc7 7.Nf3 Ne7 8. Bd3 Bd7 9.a4 b6 10.0-0 Nf5? (Nbc6) 11.Bf5 ef5 12.dc Qc5 13.Ba3 Qc3 14.Qd5 Qc6 15.Qd3 a5 16. Rfd1 Na6 17.e6 Be6 18. Ne5 1-0. (18...Qc8 19.Qb5 +-; 18...Qa4 19.Qd6 Nb4 20.Bb4 +-)

David Sewell 1977 vs. Igor Shtern 2431 SICILIAN B21 1.e4 c5 2.d4 cd 3.c3 dc 4.Nc3 d6 (A valuable alternative to 4...Nc6) 5.Nf3 (5.Bc4!?) Bg4! (ECO gives only 5...Nf6) 6.Bg5 e6 7.e5! +=) 6.Bc4 e6 7.0-0 Nc6 8.Bf4 a6 9.Rc1 Be7 10.h3 Bh5 11.g4 Bg6 12.Qe2 e5 13.Bg3 Nf6 14.Rfd1 Qa5 15.Nh4 Nd4 16.Qe3 0-0 17.Ng6 hg6 18.Kg2 Rac8 19.Nd5 Nd5 20.Bd5 b5 21.f4 Qb4 22.b3 Bf6 23.fe Be5 24.a3 Rc1! 25.ab4 Rd1 26.Be5 de5 27.Qg5 Re8 28.Qg6 Ne6 29.Qf5 Nf4 30.Kf2 Re7 31.Qc8 Kh7 32.Qf8 Nd5 33.ed5 Rd7 34.Qc8 R1d5 35.Qa6 e4 36.Ke3 Re7 37.Qc6 Rd3 38.Ke2 Rh3 39.Qb5 e3 40.Qf5 g6 41.Qf4 Rd7 42.Qe4 Rd2 43.Ke1 Rb2 44.Qd5 f6 45.Qf7 Kh6 46.Qf8 Kg5 47.Qc5 Kh4 48.Qd5 Rhh2 0-1.

Robert Epstein 2192 vs. Anatol Aleskovsky 2006 FRENCH C13 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5. e5 Nfd7 6.h4 a6 7.Qg4 g6 (Bg5; f5) 8.Nf3?! (8.Be7 Qe7 9.h5±) 8...h5 9.Qg3 c5 10.dc Nc6 11.0-0-0 Bg5 12.hg5 Nc5 13.Bd3 b5 14.Nh4 Nd3 15.Rd3 Qc7 16.Nf3 Bb7 17.Re1 Rc8 (0-0-0!?) 18.Rd2 Qa5 19.Qf4 b4 20.Nd5 ed5 21.e6 0-0 22.Qf6 Qa2 23.ef Kh7 24.b3 Na5 25.Kd1 Nb3 26.Re6 Qa1 27.Qa1 Na1 28.Ne5 b3 29.Rg6 Rf7 30.Rh6 Kg7 31.Nf7 b2? (bc 32.Rc2 Rc2 -+) 32. Rb6 Rc7 33.Nd6 Bc6 **DRAW.**

Sid Pickard 2239 vs. Steve Carter 2024 SOKOLSKY A00 1.b4 d5 2.Bb2 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.b5 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.c4 a6 7.a4 c6 8.Nc3 Re8 9.Be2 Qc7 10.Rc1 Qa5 11.cd ed 12.0-0 c5 13.d4 Qb4 14.Ba1 c4 15.Rb1 Qa5 16.e4 de 17.Ne5 Nbd7 18.Nc4 Qd8 19.Qc2 Nf8 20.Nce4 Ne4 21.Qe4 Bf6 22.Ne5 Ng6 23.f4 Qa5 24.Bc4 Nh8 25.ba Ra6 26.Ba6 Qa6 27.d5 Be7 28.Qc4 Qd6 29.Rfd1 Bf5 30.Rb7 Be6 31.Qc6 Qc5 32.Bd4 Qc6 33.Nc6 1-0.

David Sewell 1977 vs. Charles F. Davis 2027 CARO-KANN B18 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 de 4.Ne4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.f4 e6 7.Nf3 Bd6 8.Bd3 Qc7 9.Bg6 hg6 10.Qd2 Nf6 11.Ne5 Nbd7 12.0-0 Rd8 13.Qe2 Rh7 14.Ne4 Ne4 15.Qe4 Nf6 16.Qe2 Ke7 17.b3 Rdh8 18.h3 Ng8 19.Bb2 Nh6 20.c4 Kf8 21.Rae1 Nf5 22.Ng6 fg6 23.Qe6 Qd8 24.c5 Be7 25.Qg6 Nh6 26.Re6 Qe8 27.Qe4 Qf7 28.Re1 Ng8 29.d5 Bc5 30.Bd4 Bd4 31.Qd4 Qd7 32.Qc5 Kf7 33.f5 Qd8 34.dc b6 35.c7 Qc8 36.Qd6 Rh6 37.Qd8 Nf6 38.Re8# 1-0.

An Apotheosis for Brieger

Houston's (and Texas') most famous problem composer posed the subject of the February *Houston Chess Express* cover article: What is the shortest mate from the opening setup with strictly symmetrical play? (Answer on page 19.) Recently he corrected GM Boris Gulko's game analysis in a letter published in *Inside Chess* (March 20, 1989.) Here is the letter:

Dear Editor:

In Issue 25 of *Inside Chess*, in his excellent article, Boris Gulko showed *brilliant* defense in his game with Vaganian.

Now, I have a *serious* question:

Did Gulko really play the *losing* move?

53...Qe4+



(Instead of 53...Qe1+, which retains the well-earned draw.) Apparently, GM Vaganian missed the winning move, **54.Bg4!** After the text continuation, 54.Kg5 Qe3, the draw was the correct result.

But after **54.Bg4!** White wins by **54...Qe1+ 55.Kh5 Qh1+ 56.Kg5! Qc1+ 57.Kg6! Qc2+** (if 57...Qc6+ then 58.Kh5! wins; if 57...Qb1+ 58.Kf6! Qf1+ [if 58...Qb6+ 59.Kg5! wins] 59.Bf5! Qa6 60.Kg5! wins.) **58.Kf6!** (Not 58.Bf5? Qg2+

59.Kf6 Qg7+ 60.Ke6 Qxf7+ 61.Kxf7 stalemate) 58...Qf2+ 59.Ke6 Qe3+ 60.Kd7...

Robert Brieger
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Brieger:

Right you are! Congratulations.

Yasser Seirawan

Mr. Brieger is known for his internationally published endgame compositions, so it is small wonder that the above position attracted his eye. In tournament play Brieger is characterized by a love of unusual openings such as the Hippopotomus (1.f3) and a penchant for time pressure.

Walter Herbert 1962 vs. Robert Brieger 2164 (Beaumont 1982) SICILIAN B33
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cd 4.Nd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Nde2 Bc5 7.Be3? (7.Ng3 d6 8.Be2 Be6 9.0-0 a6 ∞ Fletzer-Benner 1953) 7...Be3 8.fe3 d5 9.ed Nb4 10.e4 Ng4 11.Qd2 Ne3 12.Rc1 Nc4 13.Qd1 Nb2 14.Qd2 Nc4 15.Qd1 Ne3 16.Qd2 Nc4 17.Qd1 Bg4 18.a3 Na3 19.Na4 Bh5 20.Qd2 Qa5 21.Nac3 Rc8 22.Ng3 Nbc2 23.Rc2 Nc2 24.Qc2 Rc3 25.Bb5 Kd8 26.Qa4 Rc1 27.Kf2 Qb6 0-1.

Weekend Swiss #37 (Jan. 14-15)

Carlos Lau won this 45/2 event with a perfect 4-0 score.

Carlos Lau 2340 vs. Michael Calogridis 2383 TWO KNIGHTS C55 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 ed 4.Nd4 Nf6 5.Bc4!? Be7 (5...Ne4 6.Bf7 Kf7 7.Qh5 g6 8.Qd5 Kg7 9.Nc6 bc6 10.Qe4 Qe8! 11.Qe8 Bb4 =+ Gligoric. See Simms-Farren elsewhere in this issue for a similar theme in the Pirc!) 6.0-0 d6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.a3 Nd4 9.Qd4 Nd7 10.Nd5 Bf6 11.Nf6 Qf6 12.Be3 Re8 13.Rae1 Qg6 14.Bd3 Ne5 15.f4 Bh3?! 16.Re2 c5 17.Qd5 Nd3 18.cd3 Rab8 19.f5 Qh5 20.Rd2 Bg4 21.h3 Bh3 22.gh3 Qh3 23.Bf4 c4 24.dc Rbc8 25.Rg2 Rcd8 26.Qd4 f6 27.Qd5 Kh8 28.Qf7 Rg8 29.Rg3 Qh4 30.Rf2 Rdf8 31.Qb7 Qh5 32.Qd5 Qh4 33.Qd2 g5 34.fg **1-0.**

Houston Sunday Cheapo (1/28/89)

Bill Reuter won 3-0, ahead of Jesse Matlock (2.5), Charlie Hayden, Sam Bridle, Jesse Tuggle & John Crawford (2.)



Position after 22...Nh4

Jesse Tuggle 1878 vs. Bill Reuter 2446 QGD D60

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Nf3 Nbd7 7.Bd3 c6 (dc! 8.Bc4 c5 9.0-0 a6=) 8.h3 (8.0-0) dc 9.Bc4 Nd5 10.Be7 Qe7 11.Nd5 ed5 12.Bd3 Re8 (f5 13.g3 g5 14.Qe2) 13.0-0 Nf8 14.Qc2 Be6 15.Rfc1 f6 16.Nd2 Bf7 17.Nb3 Bg6 18.Bg6 Ng6 19.Nc5 Rac8 20.b4 b6 21.Nd3 Qd7 22.Qb3 Nh4 (Diagram) 23.a4 (23.Rc3! Rc7 [23...Nf5 24.Rac1 Nd6? 25.Rc6!] 24.Rac1 Rec8 25.b5 cb [Ng6 26.Nb4] 26.Rc7 Rc7 27.Rc7 Qc7 28.Qd5 Qf7 29.Qb5+) 23...Nf5 24.Rc2 Nd6 25.Rac1 Nc4 26.Nb2

b5 27.Nc4?! (27.Nd3=) bc4 28.Qa3 Rb8 29.Rc3 Rb7 30.Rb1 Reb8 31.Rc2 a5 32.b5 cb 33.Rb5 Rb5 34.ab5 Rb5 35.Rb2 Qb7 36.Rb5 Qb5 37.Qe7 h6 38.Qe6 Kf8 39.h4 Qb1 40.Kh2 Qe4 41.Qd6 Kf7 42.g3 Kg6 43.Qd7 Qf5 44.Qe8 Kh7 45.h5 Qf2 46.Kh1 Qg3 47.e4 Qf3 **0-1.** (Anderson)

Bill Reuter 2446 vs. Charlie Hayden 2153 SICILIAN B22 1.e4 c5 2.c3 d6 3.d4

Nd7 4.Nf3 g6 5.Nbd2 Bg7 6.Bc4 cd 7.cd e6 8.0-0 Nb6 9.Bd3 Ne7 10.Nb3 0-0 11.Be3 f5 12.Rc1 f4 13.Bd2 Nc6 14.Bc3 a5 15.d5 Nb4 16.Bg7 Kg7 17.de Be6 18.a3 Nc6 19.Nbd4 Nd4 20.Nd4 Bd7 21.Qb3 Re8 22.Rc3 Na4 23.Rcc1 Nc5 24.Qc3 Qf6 25.b4 ab 26.ab Nd3 27.Qd3 Rac8 28.h3 Qe5 29.Rc8 Rc8 30.Nf3 Qe7 31.Rd1 Bc6 32.Qc3! Kh6 33.b5 Bd7 34.Qd2 Qe4 35.Qd6 Bb5 (Bh3 36.Rd4!) 36.Rd4 Rc1 37.Kh2 Qc6 38.Qf8 Kh4 39.Qf4 **1-0.**

Mike Calogridis 2383 vs. Mansour Bighamian 2316 (Jan. TNO) PIRC B08 1.e4

d5 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Be2 0-0 6.0-0 Bg4 7.Be3 Nc6 8.Qd2 e5 9.de (9.d5) de 10.Rad1 Qd2 (or Qc8) 11.Rd2 Rfd8 12.Rfd1 Rd2 13.Rd2 a6?! (Ne8 14.Nd5 Bf3 15.gf3 Nd4 16.Bd1 Ne6 17.c3 Bf8 = Larsen-Ivkov, Santa Monica 1966) 14.h3 Bf3 15.Bf3 Ne8 16.Nd5 Nd4 17.Bd1 Ne6 18.Bg4! Bf8 19.c3 Kg7? 20.Be6 fe6 21.Nc7! Nc7 22.Rd7 Kg8 23.Rc7 b5 24.Kf1 b4 25.c4 a5 26.Ra7 Rd8 27.Ke2 b3 28.Ra5 Bb4 29.Ra4 ba 30.Ra2 Rc8 31.b3 Rc7 32.Ra4 **1-0.**

(Games courtesy of the *Houston Chess Express*)

Tuesday Nite Open (March '89)

Mansour Bighamian and Todd Thomas tied at 3.5-.5, drawing their last round game.

Mansour Bighamian 2316 vs. Charles Hayden 2153 KI ATTACK A04 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d3 g6 4.g3 Bg7 5.Bg2 d6 6.Nbd2 Nf6 7.0-0 0-0 8.Re1 e5 9.a4 a6?! (9...h6 Δ Be6) 10.Nc4 Bg4? (10...b6 Δ Rb8,b5) 11.Bg5! (x d5,b6,d6) 11...h6 12.Bf6 Qf6 (Bf6) 13.h3 Bf3 14.Bf3 Nd4 15.Bg2 b5 16.Nb6! Rad8 (Ra7) 17.ab ab 18.Ra7! \pm Nc6 19.Rc7 Ne7 20.Qa1!? (Nd7) Qe6 21.Qa6 b4 22.Ra1 h5 23.Qb7 Bf6 24.Ra6! h4 25.Nd7 Rd7 (Re8 26.Nc5) 26.Rd7 Nc8 27.Ra8 Nb6 (27...Ne7 28.Rf8 Kf8 29.Qb8+) 28.Rf8 Kf8 29.Rc7! hg 30.fg b3 31.c3 Bg5 32.Qb6 Qf6 33.Qb3 d5 34.Qd5 Be3 35.Kh2 Bf2! 36.Rc8 Kg7 37.Qd8! Bg3 38.Kh1 1-0. (Bighamian)

Mansour Bighamian 2316 vs. Todd Thomas 2231 RÉTI DUTCH (Wagner Gambit) A04 1.Nf3 f5 2.e4 fe 3.Ng5 Nf6 (3...d5 4.d3! 3...e5! ∞) 4.d3 e5 5.de c6 (5...Bc5 6.Bc4 +=) 6.Bd3 (6.Nc3 d5 7.Bd3 d4 8.Ne2 h6 9.Nf3 Be6 10.0-0 Nbd7 11.c3 dc 12.Nc3 Bc5 13.Qe2 0-0 14.Be3 += Reshko-Lavdanski, SSSR 1957) 6...Bc5 7.0-0 0-0 **DRAW.**

Friday Night Blitz Games

Pete Gibson vs. David Peterson (U.S. Blind vs. U.S. Primary Scholastic Champs!!) TWO KNIGHTS C55 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 ed 4.Bc4 Nf6 5.0-0 (Pete is an expert with this line. He has also tried this against Mike Calogridis, winning brilliantly--see TK v. 30 #1, p. 15.) 5...Bc5 (5...Ne4 achieves full equality. However, Black must understand the resulting positions!) 6.e5 d5 7.ef6 dc4 8.Re1 Be6 (8...Kf8?! 9.Bg5 gf 10.Bh6 Kg8 11.Nc3 Bf8 12.Bf8 Kf8 13.Ne4+) 9.Ng5 Qf6?? (9...Qd5 10.Nc3 Qf5 11.Nce4 0-0-0! 12.Ne6 fe6 13.g4 Qe5 14.Bg5 g6 [14...Bb4 15.f4! Qa5 16.fg Rhg8 17.Bd8 Nd8 18.Qd4! Qb6 1-0 Murei-Azaritis, corr. 1966] 15.f7 Be7 16.f4 Qg7 17.Be7 Ne7 18.Ng5 d3 19.Ne6 Qf7 20.Nd8 Rd8 ∞ Keres) 10.Ne6 fe6 11.Qh5 Qf7 12.Qc5 Rf8 13.Nd2 0-0-0 14.Qc4 Qg6 15.Qd3 Qd3 16.cd3 Nb4 17.Re7 Rfe8 18.Re8 Re8 19.Ne4 b6 20.b3 c6 21.Bd2 Ne5 22.Nd6 1-0. (Bighamian, Anderson)

Sergio Martinez 2117 vs. Robert Harrington 2198 GRUENFELD D86 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cd Nd5 5.e4 Nc3 6.bc3 Bg7 7.Bc4 0-0 8.Ne2 Qd7 9.Qb3?! b6 10.0-0 Bb7 11.f3 Nc6 12.Qc2 Nc5 13.Bd3 e6 14.Be3 Rac8 15.c4 c5 16.d5!? ed 17.ed Qe7 18.Bd2 Ba1 19.Ra1 Rfe8 20.Nc3 (20.Ng3) f5 21.Ne2? Bd5 22.Nf4 Bc6 23.Nd5 Bd5 24.cd5 c4 25.Bf1 c3 26.Bf4 Qc5 27.Kh1 Qd5 28.Rd1 Qc5 29.Bg5 Rc6 30.h4 Rce6 31.Bd3 Re1 32.Kh2 Qg1 and 0-1.

Randy Hudson 1472 vs. Jesse Tuggle 1878 COLLE D05 1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e3 Nf6 4.Bd3 Be7 (c5) 5.Nbd2 0-0 6.e4 de 7.Ne4 Nbd7 8.0-0 c5 9.Re1 b6 10.Be3 Bb7 11.Nf6 Bf6 12.c3 cd 13.Bd4 Bf3 14.Bf6 Qf6 15.Qf3 Qf3 16.gf3 Nf6 17.Rad1 g6 18.Rd2 Rad8 19.Red1 Kg7 20.Bc2 Rd2 21.Rd2 h5 22.h4 Rc8 23.Bb3 Kf8 24.Kf1 Ke7 25.Rd4 Rc7 26.a3 Nd7 27.Rd2 Ne5 28.Ke2 Rc5 29.Ba2 a5 30.Rc2 b5 31.f4 Nc4 32.Bc4 Rc4 33.Kf3 b4 34.b3 Rc5?? (Rc3 -+) 35.ab ab 36.c4 Rf5 37.Ke4 Kd6 38.Ra2 Rc5 39.Ra4 e5 40.Ra6 Rc6 41.Rc6 and 1-0.

Andy Smith wins March Grand Prix

Andy Smith scored 4.5-.5 to take clear first, followed by Jesse Buentello and Martin Gordon (both of whom defeated NM Selby Anderson) to share 2nd-3rd places. Other winners: David Gonzales and William Booker, Section 2; Chris Shomonta, Section 3; Chris Walsh and Mark Senkiw, Section 4. Jim Gallagher, Sr. directed for free, cutting the tournament's losses.

Andy Smith 2100 vs. Fred Speck 1659 FRENCH C11 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.Nce2 (The original Steinitz treatment of this position) c5 6.c3 Be7 7.f4 Nc6 8.Nf3 c4?! (b5) 9.b3 b5 10.bc bc 11.Ng3 Rb8 12.Be2 Qa5 13.Qc2 Ba6 14.0-0 g6 15.Ng5 h6 16.Nf7 Kf7 17.f5 ef 18.Nf5 gf5 19.Bh5 Kg7 20.Qf5 **1-0**.

Selby Anderson 2277 vs. Jesse Buentello 2013 FRENCH C05 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nbd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ndf3 Be7 (Qb6) 8.Bd3 Qc7 9.Ne2 b6 10.a3 Bb7 11.f5 Nd8 12.Nf4 ef 13.Bf5 g6 14.Bd3 (14.Nh5!? [Hatton] (a) 14...gh5 15.Ng5 Ne5 16.0-0 Ng4 [16...Ng6 17.Qh5 Bg5 18. Bg5 0-0 19.Bf6 Qc6 20.Be5+-] 17.Bg4 hg4 18.Qg4 Bg5 19.Bg5 Ne6 20.Rae1 Qd6 21.Rf7 Kf7 22.Qf5 Kg8 23.Re6 Qd7 24.Qe5 +-: (b) 14...gf5 15.Ng7 Kf8 16.Bh6 Kg8 17.Nf5 Nf8 [17...Bf8 18.Qd2 Ne6 19.Ng5 Ne5 20.0-0 Ng4 21.g3 Bh6 22.Nh6 Nh6 23.Ne6 fe6 24.Qh6 Re8 25.Rf4 Qg7 26.Qh5+] 18.Ne7 Qe7 19.Bg5 Qe6 20.Nh4! ± A good postal line.) 14...Nf8 15.Bb5 Nd7 16.e6!? Ne6 17.Ne6 fe6 18.Ne5 0-0-0 19.Bd7 Rd7 20.Nd7 Bh4!? 21.g3 , Bg3 22.hg3 Qg3 23.Kd2 Qg2 24.Qe2! Qh1 25.Nc5 (25.Qe6 Qg2 26.Kd1 Qf3 27.Kc2 Qe4) 25...bc5? (Re8 26.Nb7 ∞) 26.Qe6 Kc7 27.Qe5 Kc6 28.Qh8 Qg2 29.Kd1 Qf3 30.Kc2 Qe4 31.Kb3 Ba6 32.Qf6 Kb7 33.Bf4?? (33.a4 Bc4 34.Ka3 Qc2 35.Qe7 +-) Bc4 34.Ka5 Qe8 **0-1**.

Jesse Buentello 2013 vs. Andy Smith 2100 ENGLISH A34 1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 c5 3.c4 Nc6 4.Nc3 e6 5.e4!? d5 6.ed ed 7.cd Nd5 8.Bg2 Nc3 9.dc3 Qd1 10.Kd1 Bg4 11.Re1 Be7 12.Re4 f5 13.Re3 0-0-0 14.Ke1 Rhe8 15.Bd2 g5 16.Rad1 c4 17.Re2 Rd3 18.Ng1 (18.Re3) Be2 19.Ke2 f4 20.gf Bd6 21.Kf1 Bf4 22.Nf3 g4 23.Re1 Re1 24.Ke1 Bc7 25.Nh4 Ne5 26.Be4 Rh3 27.Nf5 Rh2 28.Be3 h5 29.Ke2 h4 30.Bf4 g3 31.Ne7 Kb8 32.Nd5 Rf2 33.Kd1 Bd6 34.Bg5 h3 **0-1**.

William Booker 1724 vs. Carlos Zurita 1918 SEMI-SLAV D44 1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 c6 5.Nf3 dc 6.e3 (6.e4 is usual, but this is not bad.) 6...b5 7.a4 Bb4 8.Be2 (8.Nd2 = is book.) Bb7 9.0-0 Bc3?! (9...a6=+ The text weakens the dark squares.) 10.bc3 Nbd7 11.Qc2 a6 12.e4 h6 13.Bh4 g5 14.Bg3 Qe7 15.Nd2 Nb6 16.e5 Nfd5 17.Ne4 0-0 18.h4 Rad8 19.hg hg 20.Qd2 Na4 21.Nf6 Qf6 22.ef6 Nf6 23.Qg5 Kh7 24.Ra4 Nd5 25.Qh5 Kg7 26.Qg5 Kh7 27.Bd1 Ba4 28.Bc2 (28.Be5!) f5 29.Qh5 Kg7 30.Be5 Nf6 31.Qg5 and **1-0**.

Dale Dike 2150 vs. Jesse Buentello 2013 GRUENFELD D86 1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.d4 d5 4.cd Nd5 5.e4 Nc3 6.bc3 Bg7 7.Bc4 0-0 8.Ne2 b6 9.0-0 Bb7 10.f3 Nd7 11.Be3 Rc8 12.Qd2 Re8 13.Rac1 e6 14.Ng3 c5 15.e5 cd 16.cd Rc4 17.Rc4 Ba6 18.Rfc1 Bc4 19.Rc4 b5 20.Rc2 Nb6 21.Bg5 Qd7 22.h4?! (22.Ne4) h6 23.Be3 Nc4 24.Qf2 Rd8 25.Ne2? Ne5 **0-1**.

Amarillo Chess Championship

Gary Simms does it again

Gary Simms won this six man round robin with a perfect 5-0 score, ahead of Eddie Sanders (4) and Brad Webster (3.) Mrs. Garland Bell and the Amarillo Country Club hosted this event in conjunction with the Amarillo Chess Team qualifying Tournament. That event drew twelve players, with Burton Mjokus winning on tiebreaks over Randy Reyna, each scoring 4-1.

Gary Simms 2260 vs. James Farren 1555 1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Bc4?! (This is a move that occurred to me some years ago in a tournament game. It's based on the continuation 3...Ne4 4.Bf7 Kf7 5.Qh5 g6 6.Qd5 e6 7.Qe4. However, this position is actually favorable to Black due to his two bishops and White's inability to mount an immediate attack. [I don't know; 7...Bg7 8.Nf3 Rf8 9.h4! looks embarrassing. Perhaps the best try is 3...c6! Δ 4...d5 --Ed.] 3...g6 4.Qe2 Bg7 5.Nc3 0-0? (c6) 6.e5 de 7.de Ng4 8.e6!? (8.f4 is more solid.) 8...f5? (Ne5) 9.Nf3 Nc6 10.Bf4 Nd4? 11.Nd4 Qd4 12.Bc7 Nf2? 13.Nb5 Qc5 14.Bd6! Qb6 15.Qf2 Qf2 16.Kf2 Rd8 17.Rad1 Kf8 18.Bc7 1-0.

Brad Webster 2025 vs. Gary Simms 2260 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nd4 4.Nd4 ed4 5.0-0 c6 6.Bc4 Nf6 7.e5?! (7.c3; 7.0-0) d5 8.ef6 dc4 (Believe it or not, Black is already winning. His two bishops and central pawns more than compensate for the minor discomfort of his King.) 9.Qe2 Be6 10.f4? (10.d3 was imperative.) 10...d3! 11.cd cd 12.Qe4 (White must keep his Queen on the e-file to maintain the threat of f5.) 12...Bc5 13.Kh1 0-0 14.fg Re8 (Now Black's pieces are in complete control. Notice the sad state of White's Q-side pieces. Black's pawn on d3 is the thorn in White's side.) 15.Nc3 Bg4 16.Qc4 Be2 17.Ne2 de2 18.Re1 Qd4 19.d3 Qc4 20.dc4 Rad8? (20...Bb4) 21.f5 Rd1 0-1.

(Notes by Gary Simms in the Amarillo Chess Club Newsletter.)

Eddie Sanders 1874 vs. Gary Simms 2260 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cd 4.Nd4 a6 5.Be3 (?--Simms) 5...Nf6 6.Nc3? [This instead of 6.Nd2 is probably the culprit--Ed.] 6...Bb4 7.f3?! Qc7! (Δ 8...d5 without 9.e5) 8.Qd2 d5 9.Bd3? e5 10.a3 ed 0-1.

Gary Simms 2260 vs. Jim Clayton 1479 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 Nf6 4.d4 ed 5.e5 Ng4? 6.cd Bb4 7.Nc3 0-0? 8.h3 Nh6 9.Bh6 gh6 10.Qd2 Qe7 11.Qh6 f6 12.Bc4 Kh8 13.0-0 Nd4? 14.Nd4 Bc3 15.Nf5! Bd2! 16.f4! fe 17.Ne7 Bf4 18.Ng6# 1-0.

Darrel Hunter 1591 vs. Gary Simms 2260 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bb5 Nd7 4.0-0 a6 5.Bc4? e6 6.d4 cd (b5!) 7.Qd4 b5 8.Bb3 Bb7 9.Bg5 (9.Be3) Qb6 10.Nbd2? (Obstructs the d-file) Ngf6 11.Qb6 Nb6 12.e5 Nfd7 13.ed Bd6 14.a3 0-0 15.Rfe1 Nc5 16.Ba2 Rac8 17.Be3 Nd5 18.Bd4 Nf4 19.Bc5 Rc5 20.Ne4? Be4 21.Re4 Rc2 22.b4 Rfc8 23.g3? Nh3 24.Kg2 Nf2 25.Rd4 Be5 Ne5! 26.Be5 Ng4 27.Kh3 Ne5 28.Rad1 g6 29.Rd8 Rd8 30.Rd8 Kg7 31.Re8?? 0-1.

Lubbock Club Championship (Jan-Feb. 1989)

Steve Young 1786 vs. Richard Tse 2036 1.c4 (A surprise! Steve usually plays the Torre Attack as White. Perhaps he chose 1.c4 to avoid some prepared variation. As a matter of fact I did prepare something for him if he played 1.d4.) 1...Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.d4 Nbd7 7.0-0 e5 8.de (8.e4) Ne5 9.Ne5 de5 (or 8...de) 10.Qb3 c6 11.Bg5 Qc7 12.Rac1! Be6 13.Bf6 Bf6 14.Nd5! Qd8! 15.Nf6 Qf6 16.Rfd1 (If 16.Qb7 Rab8 Black's initiative at least compensates for his pawn deficit.) 16...Rab8 17.Rd6 Qe7 18.Rcd1 Rfd8 19.Qa3 Rd6 20.Rd6 Rd8 21.Rd8? (This move is the beginning of White's difficulty. Better is 21.Rd3 Qc7 22.Qc3 =) 21...Qd8 22.Qd3 Qa5! 23.a3 Qe1 24.Bf1 Qc1 25.e3?! (White has a better chance of defending this position with 25.b3.) 25...Qb2 26.Kg2 Bf5 27.Qd8 Kg7 28.Qe7 Be4 29.Kg1 Qa1 30.Qd6 Bf5 31.Kg2 Bh3 32.Kh3 Qf1 33.Kh4 Qf2 (Black avoids the last trap. 33...Qc4 34.f4 creates unnecessary complications.) 34.Qe5 Qf6 35.Qg5?! h6 36.Qf6 Kf6 37.Kg4 Ke5 **0-1**. The resulting King and pawn ending is hopeless for White.

(Notes by Richard Tse in the *Lubbock Chess Club Newsletter*.)

Midland Spring Tournament (March 11-12)

Juan Ramirez of Mexico won this tournament as well as the Friday night action tourney. Raymond Smith of S.A. tied with Mark McKee of Las Cruces, NM for the 'A' prize. Dr. Hector Martinez of El Paso won 'B', and Carlos Sullivan of El Paso won Class C/below.

Juan Ramirez 2300 vs. David Meier 1865 1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 c6 5.Bg5 Nbd7 6.Rc1 Qa5 7.Qc2 Ne4 8.Bh4 Bb4 9.e3 c5 10.Bd3 cd 11.ed Ndf6 12.0-0 Nc3 13.bc3 Be7 14.Ne5 dc 15.Bc4 a6 16.Rfe1 0-0 17.Bd3 g6 18.Re3 Nd5 19.Be7 Ne7 20.Rh3 Qc7 21.Qd2 f6 22.Qh6 Nf5 23.Bf5 ef5 24.Ng6 Rf7 25.Re1 Qd8 26.Rg3 Bd7 27.Ne5 Kh8 28.Nf7# **1-0**.

AUSTIN: 1989 A.C.E. Championship

Frank Adams vs. David Buhner GIUOCO PIANO C50 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Nc3 0-0 6.d3 h6 7.a3 a5 8.Be3 Be3 9.fe3 d6 10.Qe1 Ne7 11.Qg3 Kh7 12.Nh4 c6 13.Nf5 Bf5 14.ef5 b5 15.Ba2 b4 16.ab ab 17.Ne2 Qb6 18.Kh1 Ned5 19.Bd5 Nd5 20.d4 Rae8 21.Qf3 ed 22.ed Re3 23.Qf2 Rfe8 24.Rfe1 Qb5?! (Nf6!) 25.Ng3 Re1 26.Re1 Re1 27.Qe1 b3 28.c3 Qd3 29.h3 Nc3 30.Qe7? Qg3 31.Qf7 Nd5 32.Qe6 Ne3 33.Qe4 Qe1 34.Kh2 Nf1 **0-1**.

Robert Harrington 2200 vs. Steve Welborn 1653 (Beaumont Sunday Quad) SICILIAN B26 1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 d6 6.Be3 e5 7.Qd2 Nf6 8.Bh6 Bh6 9.Qh6 Be6 10.Nge2 Nb4 11.Qd2 d5 12.a3 Nc6 13.ed Nd5 14.0-0 Nd4 15.f4 ef 16.Nd4 cd4 17.Nd5 Bd5 18.Qf4 0-0 19.Qd4 Bg2 20.Qd8 Rfd8 21.Kg2 Rac8 22.Rf2 Re8 23.Rd2 Rc6 24.d4 Rec8 25.c3 Kf8 26.Re1 Rf6 27.Rf2 Rfc6 28.Kf1 a5 29.Ke2 b5 30.Kd3 b4 31.ab ab 32.Rc2 Rf6 33.c4 b3 34.Rc3 Rf2 35.Re2 Rf3 36.Kd2 Rf1 37.c5 Rd8 38.Rd3 Ra8 39.Rb3 Raa1 40.Ke3 Ra8 41.d5 Rd1 42.d6 Rd5 43.Rc3 Re8 44.Kf2 Rf5 45.Ke1 Ra8 46.d7 Ra1 47.Kd2 Rd5 48.Rd3 Rd1 49. Kd1 Rd3 50.Rd2 **1-0**.

Texas Postal Chess

I noticed in the newspaper the death of Harry Worthman in Houston at the age of 60. This was not on the obituary page, but in a small news article. The reason I was interested in this is that I met Mr. Worthman about five years ago by postal chess. During that game he explained as we corresponded that he was an artist, and that he was fairly well known in some circles. (I thought I recognized that last name.) He described himself as I would have described my wife and kids. I knew he was somewhat special. I never would have guessed he was in his seventies. He was very courteous. At Christmas time he sent all of us in his section a Christmas card with one of his pencil sketches. From the details of this newspaper article I think maybe we have something of value. Mr. Worthman studied under Norman Rockwell and has done portraits for many notables including the Kennedy's and Ronald Reagan. He was formerly a newspaper cartoonist. As I read this article I see how modest he was.

I write this because he was also a chess player. He was only an average player. He played all his games even though his results were not great. To me he represents a kind of person attracted to postal chess. We have many elderly chess players in postal. We have many professionals who otherwise do not have time to play weekend Swiss tournaments. You never know who you will meet by playing postal chess. Recently I played a fellow who had written a book. I expressed interest and he sent me a complimentary copy.

Postal chess attracts fewer of the young bucks that you see at large national meets. It is cheaper and more relaxed. You have people who love chess a little more and do not love winning so much. In the seven years I have been running the Texas Postal Chess Championship I have lost four players to death at an old age. We do not have many players who like the pace and the personal feel of the game. Yes, even though you do not actually see the opponent, it is often more personal than at a Swiss meet. In a Swiss meet you usually exchange handshakes and vital information. Often in postal you exchange personal information and discuss, in small amounts, comments about events of mutual interest.

Postal chess might fit your interests in a way that big tournaments do not. Come and join us if you would like this kind of chess. Texas Postal Chess is still only \$8.00 per section. It will give you hours of entertainment. It's different from playing your chess computer or video games. There's a real person on the other end! Tell your friends who like chess but would never be caught dead at a chess tournament. All of us have friends like that, some of whom are pretty fair players. It's a good way to recruit new members. Let me hear from you.

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Houston, TX 77023

Tournament Calendar

April 22-23 Neches River Chess Classic. 4-SS, 45/2, 25/1, Midtown Holiday Inn, IH-10 at S. Eleventh St., Beaumont, TX. EF: \$30 in advance, \$35 at site, TCA mem. req./other states OK. \$\$(\$1000 b/40): 1st 350, 1st X 150; A, B, C, D, E/Unr. ea. 100. Reg. 8-9 a.m., Rds. 9:30-2:30, 10:30-3:30. Ent. NRCC, Steve Welborn, P.O. Drawer 5066, Beaumont, TX 77726. (409) 866-8860. HR: \$30 S or D. ARDAMAN SIMUL 8 pm. Fri., The Chess Set, 3545 French Rd. at Concord. Info.: W. W. Chamberlain, (409) 892-7730. Free BBQ Sat. nite at hotel.

April 29-30 Champion Memorial. 5-SS, 45/90, Ramada Hotel, 3232 W. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas. EF: \$30 adv., 35/site. \$\$/entries. Reg. 8-9 a.m. Rds. TBA. HR: \$40.

May 6-7 San Antonio Spring Special. 5-SS, 45/2, 25/1, Deluxe Inn Northwest, 6023 IH-10W (Vance Jackson exit), San Antonio, TX 78201. EF: \$20 if rec'd by 5/4, \$25 at site, masters free. \$\$G 525: 150 1st; X, A, B, C, D/E/Unr ea. 75, guar. Reg: 8-9 a.m., Rds. 9:30-2:30-7:30, 8:30-2. 1/2 pt. bye any one round with notice before Rd. 1. Ent: SACC, P.O. Box 501, Helotes, TX 78023. (512) 520-6416. HR: \$24S/\$32D. LS. NC. W.

16th Annual Texoma Open. 5-SS, 45/2, 25/1, Wichita Falls Hilton, 401 Broad St., Wichita Falls, TX 76301. EF: \$40 if rec'd by 5/4, \$45 at site. \$\$G 1200: 500-250; A, B, C, D ea. 100, E/Unr 50 (b/5 ea. class.) Reg. 8-9:15 a.m., Rds. 9:30-2-7, 8:30-1:30. Ent: Charles E. Davis, Suite 306, 1st Nat'l Bldg., Wichita Falls, TX 76301. (817) 723-6031 wkdays, 692-4673 eve. HR: \$35, 1-4/rm. NS. NC. W.

May 21 Blitz Qualifier/U.S. Blitz Chp. RR, G/5. A.C.E., 1701 Palo Duro Rd., Austin. EF: \$1/WBCA members (\$10.) \$\$/entries. Winner seeded into U.S. Closed Blitz Championship, Jul. 5 at World Open. Reg. 6:30-7 p.m. Rds. TBA. Mack Novosad, (512) 295-3306.

May 27-29 Texas State Championship. 6-SS, 40/2, 20/1. Ramada Inn, 3232 W. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas (near Love Field.) EF: \$43 if rec'd by 5/25, \$48/site. \$\$(\$5000 Gtd.) CHAMPIONSHIP: 1000+T/500; Exp 600&T/300. AMATEUR: 600+T/300. B, C, D/E each: 400&T/100. Unr: 200+T. Reg. 9-11 a.m. Rds. 12-6, 9-3, 9-3. Ent: Dallas CC, c/o Roger Johnson, 2809 Southerncross, Garland, TX 75044. (214) 495-8668. Hotel \$40/tnt. players.

June 17 San Antonio Saturday Swiss. 5-SS, G/30, Deluxe Inn NW, 6023 IH-10W at Vance Jackson, S.A. EF: \$15, \$\$ (300 b/30, 4/class): 75, X, A, B, C, D/E/Unr: ea. 45. Reg. 10:30-11:00 a.m., Rds. 11:15-1:15-2:30-3:45-5. LS. NC. W. \$5 Blitz tourney: Reg. 7 p.m.

June 24-25 Shreveport Grand Prix. 5-SS, 30/90, SD/30. Mid-City Motor Hotel, 425 Jordan St., Shreveport, LA. EF: \$40 if rec'd by 6/17, \$50 at site. \$\$(\$1500 Gtd., 3000 b/80, 50%/prize Gtd.): 1000-500; X,A,B,C,D/below each 300. Reg. 7:45-8:45 a.m., Rds. 9-2-7, 10-3. Ent: Jan Holland, 8116 Lucille St., Shreveport, LA 71108, (318) 686-0827. Hotel \$27.50, (318) 425-7481. Airline: Delta offers special rates, 1-800-221-1212;

Special Meetings Network File #L23036.

Regular Club Events

Dallas Chess Club, 8020 Forest Lane (at U.S. Route 75), Dallas, TX 75243. SCHEDULE:

Monday: Beginners' Night (\$5.00 fee)

Tuesday: 5-minute BLITZ. EF: \$4. Reg. 7-7:30 p.m. \$\$/entries.

Wednesday: Game/30 tournament. EF \$5. Reg. 6:30-7 p.m. \$\$/entries.

Thursday: FM John Jacobs teaches 7:30-10, \$10 fee.

Friday: Game/30 . EF \$15, Club members \$10. Reg. 6:30-7 p.m. \$\$/entries.

Saturday: 5/21: 6-SS G/30.6/10-11: 12-SS Insanity. 6/17-18: 8-SS G/60.

Houston Chess Studio, 815 Jackson Hill, Houston, TX 77007. Ph. 880-3260. SCHEDULE:

Mon: 5-minute BLITZ. Reg. 6-p.m. (Note: Tue. thru Thu. trmts. start 1st wk in mo.)

Tues: OPEN. 4-SS, 40/2, EF: \$20. \$\$(\$120 b/10). Reg. 6:30 p.m. May 2 , Rds. 7 p.m.

Wed: AMATEUR. 4-SS, 40/2, EF: \$20. Open to <2000. \$\$(\$120 b/10). Reg. 6:30 p.m. May 3.

Thurs: NOVICE. 4-SS, 40/2, EF: \$20. Open to <1600. \$\$(\$120 b/10). Reg. 6:30 p.m. May 4.

Fri: Game 30 BLITZ. 4-SS, EF: \$10. Reg. 6:30 p.m., Rds. 7-8-9-10.

Sat & Sun: CHEAPO. 3-SS (ea. day), EF: \$10. \$\$(\$120 b/20). Reg. 11:30 a.m., Rds. 12-3-6.

San Antonio. (Club) Lion's Field Rec. Ctr., Broadway & Mulberry. Hotline: 299-9974

Tuesday: **Chess Haus**, 906 Avant (IH-10E & Gevers exit, 6 blks South), Blitz \$?, 7 p.m.

Thursday: **Club**, 5 min. Blitz or 3-rd. Action tmt. EF: \$2. \$\$/entries. Reg. 7:30-8 p.m.

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San Jacinto Open: NAME THAT OPENING

Robert Harrington 2200 vs. Steve Welborn 1653 IRREGULAR A04 1.Nf3 h5 2.e4 h4 3.d4 d5 4.ed Qd5 5.Nc3 Qa5 6.Bd2 Qh5 7.h3 Nc6 8.Nb5 Kd8 9.Bf4 Bd7 10.Bc7 Kc8 11.Bf4 f6 12.Be2 Qf5 13.Qd2 Nb4 14.Qb4 (14.Na3 Δ c3, Nc4) Qf4 15.Qc5 Kb8 16.Ne5 (Fancy schmancy) Bb5 17.Qb5 fe5 18.Qe8 Kc7 19.Qa8 ed 20.0-0 e6 21.Bf3 Bd6 22.Qb7 Kd8 23.Rfd1 Ne7 24.Qa8 Nc8 25.Qe4 Qh2 26.Kf1 Rf8 27.Qh4 Kc7 28.Qd4 Rf5 29.Qg7 Ne7 30.Qc3 Rc5 31.Qd3 Nf5 32.g3? Ng3 33.fg3 Qh3 34.Ke2 (34.Bg2? Rf5 35.Kg1 Bc5) Qh2 35.Ke3 Re5 36.Kd2 Qf2 37.Kc3 Re3 38.Qe3 Qe3 39.Rd3 Be5 40.Kc4 Qb6 41.Rad1 Qa6 42.Kb4 Qb6 43.Ka4 Qa6 44.Kb4 Qb6 45.Kc4 Qa6 **DRAW**. Truly disgusting. If I were White, I would find a place to hide after this game. I still have to ask myself if Robert and Steve are having a laugh on the rest of us.

Midland Spring Open: THE DOCTOR IS OUT

David Meier 1865 vs. Dr. Walter Stapp 1729 GIUOCO PIANO C54 1.e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 5.c3 Nf6 5.d4 (5.b4!? has become popular lately) 5...ed 6.cd Bb4 7.Nc3 0-0? (Ne4 8.0-0 Bc3! 9.d5!? Bf6 =+ or 9.bc3?! d5 10.Ba3 dc 11.Re1 Be6! 12.Re4 Qd5 Steinitz-Lasker match 1896) 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 d6 10.0-0 Re8 11.Qb3 Qe7 12.Bf6 Qf6 13.Nd6 Qd8 1-0.

SOLUTION (from p. 11): 1.c4 c5 2.Qa4 Qa5 3.Qc6 Qc3 4.Qc8#.



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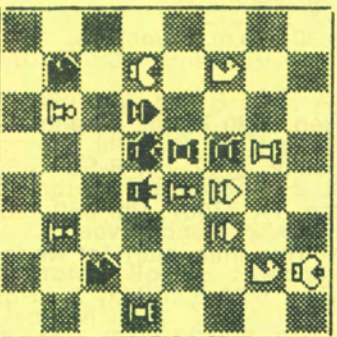
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White to mate in two.



Last Solution: 1.Qd2! If Qd2, Qe3 or Kd6, 2.Nc4#;

if Qb3 2.Nd7#; if Qf3 2.Qd4#; if g4 2.Qf4#.

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