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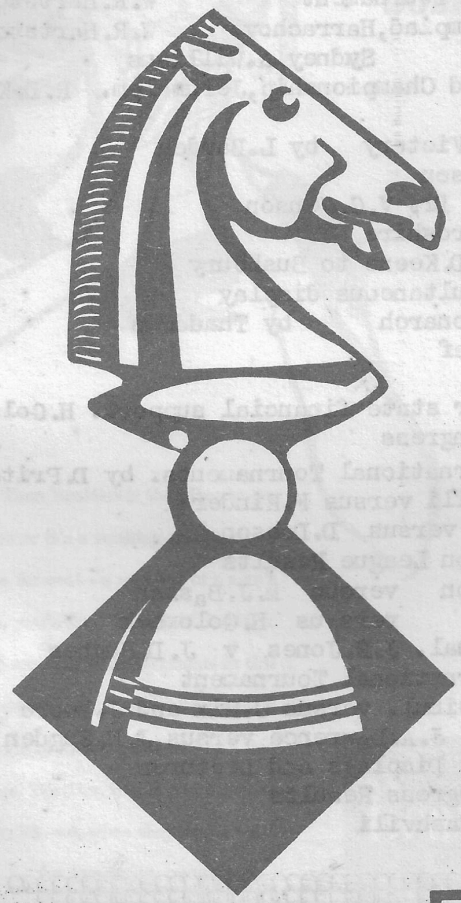

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P×P; 43 B—Kt 5, B—Kt 2!; and 42 P×P, P×P; 43 Kt—Kt 5, Kt—R 1!—K 3 allow Black some counterplay), 42 ... B[illegible]; 43 Kt—Q 1, B—Kt 3; 44 Kt[illegible] (trying for ..., Kt—K 1—[illegible]—Kt 4, P×P; 46 P×P, and [illegible] with a not too laborio[illegible] w[illegible]s.

Of cou[illegible] may refrain from 41 ..., P—Q R [illegible] together. But then too he will find the inevitable advance P—K Kt 4, etc., properly prepared, very hard to meet.

41 P—R 4 B—Q 2

41 ..., P—Kt 4 (for 41 ..., P—Kt 3—see previous note) makes things easier for White, since after 42 P—R 5, the white Knight will soon establish itself on the commanding outpost c5 (reaching it via d1, b2, and d3, or b1, d2, and b3), thus adding considerable strength to the break through P—K Kt 4, etc.

42 B—Q 3

Completing his preparations for P—Kt 4.

42 ... Kt—R 1

43 P—R 5

Whilst keeping the door open to P—Kt 5, White also quells any counterplay Black would obtain in the event of an untimely 43 P—Kt 4. For example, 43 P—Kt 4(?), P×P; 44 K×P, Kt—Kt 3; 45 P—R 5, Kt—B 5!

43 ... Kt—B 2

44 P—Kt 4 P×P

Otherwise White exchanges on f5, whereupon his King's pawn becomes passed and Black is saddled with three isolated pawns, all vulnerable.

45 K×P K—B 2

Warding off 46 P—B 5, P×P ch; 47 B×P, which at the moment can be vigorously countered by 47 ..., P—R 4 ch!; 48 K—Kt 5(B 4), B×B; 48 K×B, Kt—K 3 (hence 45 ..., K—B 2); 50 Kt—K 2, K—K 2!; and suddenly it is Black who has the better of it.

The alternatives, 45 ..., B—Kt 4 and 45 ..., Kt—Kt 4, facilitate White's task, viz.—

(*a*) 45 ..., B—Kt 4; 46 Kt×B (46 B—B 2, and P—B 5, is also feasible; but not 46 B×B, P×B; 47 P—B 5, in view of 47 ..., P×P ch; 48 K×P, K—B 2!), 46 ..., P×Kt (46 ..., Kt×Kt; 47 B×Kt and so on transposes into (*b*)); 47 P—B 5, K—B 2 (or 47 ..., P×P ch; 48 B×P, Kt—R 3; 49 B—B 8); 48 P—B 6 (if 48 P×P ch, K—K 2!), 48 ..., Kt—R 3; 49 B×P, Kt×P; 50 K—R 5, Kt—B 7; 51 B—B 6!, Kt×P (51 ..., P×B?; 52 P—R 6—R 7—R 8 = Q); 52 B×P, Kt—Kt 4; 53 P—R 6, and wins (53 ..., P—Q 5; 54 B—K 4).

(*b*) 45 ..., Kt—Kt 4; 46 Kt×Kt, B×Kt (46 ..., P×B; 47 P—B 5 is just as bleak) leads to a hopeless King and pawn ending after 47 B×B, P×B; 48 P—B 5, P×P ch (best); 49 K×P, K—B 2; 50 K—Kt 4! K—Kt 3; 51 K—R 4, K—R 2; 52 K—R 5, K—Kt 2; 53 P—K 6, K—B 3; 54 K×P, K×P; 55 K—Kt 6, presently obliging Black to surrender his Queen's pawn.

The fact that nearly all King and pawn duals stemming from this ending are lost for Black is of vital significance to its proper appreciation.

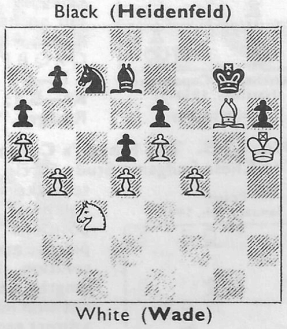
46 K—R 5

Making use of the temporary circumstance that Black's last move has denied him the possibility ..., B—K 1 ch.

46 ... K—Kt 2

47 B—Kt 6!

Black (**Heidenfeld**)



White (**Wade**)

Placing Black in positional *zugzwang*, meaning that any move Black now plays will amount to some concession—

(*a*) If the King moves, the King's Rook's pawn falls.

(*b*) If 47 ..., Kt—K 1(R 1); 48 P—B 5!, P×P; 49 Kt×P secures White two connected passed pawns, which ensure him victory.

(*c*) 47 ..., B—Kt 4 or 47 ..., B—B 3 allows 48 P—B 5, etc.

(*d*) 47 ..., B—K 1; 48 B×B, Kt×B; and now either 49 P—B 5, as in (*b*) above, or 49 Kt—R 4—B 5, soon gaining material.

(*e*) 47 ..., B—B 1; this gives the white Knight access to the square a4, from where it can leap to c5 or b6; viz., 48 Kt—R 4, B—Q 2; 49 Kt—B 5, B—B 1 (on 49 ..., B—Kt 4 not 50 Kt×Kt P?, B—K 7 ch; but 50 P—B 5, and if 50 ..., B—K 7 ch; 51 K—R 4, etc.; similarly, if 49 ..., B—B 3; 50 P—B 5, P×P; 51 B×P, with B—B 8 to follow); 50 B—Q 3, and now—

(1) 50 ..., Kt—K 1; 51 P—Kt 5, P×P; 52 B×P, Kt—B 2; 53 B—R 4, K—R 2; 54 Kt—Q 7 (threat: 55 Kt—Kt 6), 54 ..., Kt—R 1 (if 54 ..., B×Kt; 55 B×B, K—Kt 2; 56 B—B 8, Kt—Kt 4; 57 B×K P, Kt×P; 58

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National Chess Week

OCTOBER 23 rd
to
OCTOBER 28 th

Dear Chess Player,

Once more, we are approaching National Chess Week, which will take place from 23rd - 28th October.

The NCW Committee had a lengthy discussion about the form in which it should take place. It was decided that the Rally will be run on the same basis as last year. The venue to be at John Thompson's Social Centre on Tuesday the 24th October at 6.45 p.m (For details see next Page).

However, I regret to say that we have had a set back with the simultaneous display. This event has, for the last few years, taken place on Saturday afternoon, and we had hoped this year to engage the ex-British champion C.H.O'D. Alexander, but he declined our invitation. In view of this the Committee decided not to have the display this year. For players who enjoy the simultaneous displays, we shall try to arrange one with a foreign grandmaster after " THE TIMES- HASTINGS INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ".

I hope to see an increased attendence at the Rally on Tuesday 24th October and that the Schools will enter a few more teams for the Lightning Tournament.

NATIONAL CHESS WEEK 1967.

R A L L Y.

a) Team Lightning Tournament (of four) Adults.

b) Team Lightning Tournament (of four) Schools

c) Problem solving corner.

d) Kriegspiel.

e) Tip the scales.

f) When did the clock stop ?

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Tea and biscuits will be available during the Rally.

Editorial,

Miss Margaret Sedgley has resigned as Secretary of the Staffordshire Chess Congress and National Chess Week.

It is always sad to lose a person with organizing ability, as they are not easy to replace. Both the Staffordshire Chess Association and Wolverhampton and District Chess League owe her much gratitude for all the work she has done for them, and also for the charming way in which she did so.

L.Armstrong.

THE MORALS OF CHESS

Benjamin Franklin
1779

"Playing at Chess is the most ancient and most universal game known among men; for its original is beyond the memory of history, and it has, for numberless ages, been the amusement of all the civilized nations of Asia, the Persians, the Indians, and the Chinese. Europe has had it above a thousand years; the Spaniards have spread it over their part of America, and it begins lately to make its appearance in these states. It is so interesting in itself, as not to need the view of gain to induce engaging in it; and thence it is never played for money. Those, therefore, who have leisure for such diversions, cannot find one that is more innocent.....but advantageous, to the vanquished as well as the victor.

"The game of Chess is not merely an idle amusement; several very valuable qualities of the mind, useful in the course of human life are to be acquired and strengthened by it, so as to become habits ready on all occasions; for life is a kind of Chess, in which we have points to gain, and competitors or adversaries to contend with, and in which there is a vast variety of good and ill events, that are, in some degree, the effect of prudence, or the want of it. By playing Chess then we may learn:

"1st, Foresight, which looks a little into futurity and considers the consequences that may attend an action; for it is continually occurring to the player, "If I move this piece, what will be the advantage or disadvantage of my new situation? What use can my adversary make of it to annoy me? What other moves can I make to support it, and to defend myself from his attacks?"

"2nd, Circumspection, which surveys the whole Chessboard, or scene of action;- the relation of the several Pieces, and their situations; the dangers they are repeatedly exposed to; the several possibilities of their aiding each other; the probabilities that the adversary may make this or that move,

and attack this or that Piece; and what different means can be used to avoid his stroke, or turn its consequences back against him.

"3rd, Caution, not to make our moves too hastily. This habit is best acquired by observing strictly the laws of the game; such as, if you touch a piece, you must move it somewhere; if you set it down, you must let it stand."

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BLIND CHESS OLYMPIAD.

The 3rd. Olympiad for blind chess players will be held in Weymouth from March 26th to April 12th 1968. It is expected that at least 20 countries will each provide teams of four. Costs involved will be at least £ 3500, and though some financial support has been promised by the Nuffield Foundation Marks & Spencers, St. Dunstan's, George Bell & Son, Tesco Ltd, and many individuals. Donations are still welcome to cover the full cost. At a later date a full list of donations will be issued.

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OXFORD 1967.

by M.A. Stevenson.

Oxford " that sweet City with her dreaming spires" as Matthew Arnold wrote over a century ago, provided the setting for this year's British Chess Federation Congress. Several competitors were heard to use less prosaic terms with which to describe the City and, indeed, the writer would be less than honest if he did not admit that other places have afforded him greater inspiration.

Dr. Jonathan Penrose, however, did not need any inspiration to emerge the comfortable winner of the British Championship for the eighth time. He was followed by Hartston half a point behind, Golombek ; Whiteley and Lee tied for the third prize. Bonner, Clarke, Lambshire and myself were half a point further behind to share fifth place.

It was clear that Penrose and Hartston were in a class of their own. Hartston in particular played some beautiful chess and his win against Golombek was a most accomplished performance. Penrose, although not quite at his best, was again good enough to win the title a little more comfortably than the margin suggests. He was in serious trouble in several of his games, notably against Littlewood, Phillips and Hartston and the fact that he scored two - and a half points from these three games is testimony itself to his coolness, ability and, seemingly, his opponents conviction in his indestuctibility.

Golombek, Whiteley and Lee put in typically solid performances, but Clarke was probably a little disappointed although he went through the tournament undefeated. As is so often the case with such ultra- solid players he conceded too many draws ever to seriously challenge.

Possibly the greatest surprise was the partial eclipse of Basman who only tied for seventeenth place with a 50% score. This is obviously nowhere near his true placing and it seems incredible that he should be so far down the list having challenged the best in the world at Hastings. The writer's opinion (necessarily humble) is that Basman indulges in the dangerous practice of seeking originality for its

own sake rather than to complement soundness and directness.

Another disappointment was ex-international Hindle who has recently announced his engagement to the British Girls Champion Kathleen Patterson. It was conspicuously obvious that her presence markedly affected his play, but doubtless,, like all betrotheds, he will get over it and return to his normal form.

The abiding impression one is left with is that the Championship lacked any really strong personalities. There was no one with the self assurance of Capablanca, no one with the doggedness of Lasker and no one with the naked will to win of an Alekhine. Rather there were too many frightened draws (and the writer does not exonerate himself completely from this indictment) and Penrose was given all too easy a passage to what is beginning to seem his birth-right. It is certainly quite clear that the time is ripe for action again on the menace of prematurely agreed draws. As mentioned the number of these were legion and it was good neither for chess as a game nor as a spectators sport. Indeed, looking back one realises that the ability to get round it, did at least induce some fight in all but the most confirmed drawing players.

Finally a quick word about some of the other tournaments B.H. Wood won the Major Open with the splendid score of nine-and-a-half points and thereby qualifies for next year's British Championship. The British Ladies Championship produced a tie for the first place between the redoubtless Mrs Bruce and twenty year old Dinah Dobson. Miss Dobson is clearly destined for greater things and once she overcomes the excitability which is one of the traditional curses of women players she will be a very tough proposition indeed.

The junior tournaments for boys showed very clearly that there is no lack of talent and the writer was most impressed with the standard of play. It is difficult to single out any one for special commendation but, if forced to do so , it would have to be Tate bearing in mind that he is still only eighteen.

B.C.F. TRAINING SCHEME.
NOTTINGHAM 19-21st May 1967

The purpose of this tournament was twofold:

a) To encouradge Junior chess in the Midlands by contact with senior English Internationals.

b) To facilitate comparison between the best juniors of the Midlands and the South.

The followinf players took part in the top group:- R.D.Keene $3\frac{1}{2}$, M.Horton(Notts) 2pts, I.Edwards (Leics) 2, S.Webb (South) 2, P.Hutchinson (Lincs) $\frac{1}{2}$.

Second group :- R.Woodford (Warwicks) 4 pts, C.Shephard (Warwicks) 2, A.Warren (Leics) 2, J.Cooksey (Notts) 1, R.C.Leese (Notts) 1 .

Hutchinson came in as last-minute replacement for D.W.Adams (Warwicks) and Shephard as replacement for P.L.Morris (Staffs)

THE CLARE BENEDICT TOURNAMENT.
June 8 - 13th 67.

by W.R. Hartston.

This is an annual event for teams of four players in which six European countries are represented. This year the English team scored one of its best ever results to finish equal second with Spain behind West Germany, but ahead of Holland, Austria and Switzerland.

Our team of Kottnauer, Clarke, Hartston and Lee defeated the Dutch by three games to one, and Switzerland and West Germany by $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$. We drew with Austria but lost to Spain 1 - 3.

Kottnauer was in splendid form on top board winning two and drawing the remaining three of five games. His wins against Grandmaster Donner and Unzicker were very impressive indeed. The Tarrash - like elegance of the West German top board's play is well illustrated in the following game.

WHITE - KUPPER BLACK - UNZICKER.

1. P-K4, P-K4 2. N-KB3, N-QB3 3. B-N5, P-QR3 4. BXN, QPXB

5. 0-0,P-B3 6. P-Q4, B-N5 7. P-B3, B-Q3 8. P-KR3,B-R4

9. QN-Q2, N-R3 10.R-K1,N-B2. 11. N-B1,0-0 12 N-N3, BXN

13. QXB, PXP 14. PXP,BXN 15 QXB, QXP 16. QXP,Q-QN5

17 B-K3,N-K4 18 Q-N6, QXQ 19 BXQ, R-B2 20.P-QN3, P-QR4.

21. QR-Q1,P-R5 22.R-Q6, R-Q2 23.KR-Q1, R XR 24.RXR, PXP

25. PXP, R-R8ch 26 K-R2, R-QN8 27.R-Q8ch, K-B2 28. R-QN8, RXP

29. RXP ch, K-N3 30. P-B4,N-B5 31. P-B5 ch, K-R3 32 Resigns.

JUNIOR TEAM TOURNAMENT IN THE HAGUE, JULY 3rd - 8th 1967

by William R. Hartston.

As expected the English team won this event for under 21's for the first time. Accused by some of fielding our full senior side, our team of Hartston, Keene, Whiteley and Perkins scored a comfortable victory, though largely owing to my luck of form on board one, perhaps not as convincing as it might have been. The final scores were:-

ENGLAND 21 pts, W.Germany 19½, Denmark 18½, Holland 16½ Switzerland 16, Austria 11,Luxemburg 5½ and Belgium 4.
The English team won every match. I offer the following game as a poor imitation of Unzicker's style by me.

White - G.Goetgeluck Black W.R.Hartston.

1. P-QB4,P-KN3 2.P-KN3, B-N2 3. P-Q4,N-KB3 4.B-N2,P-Q4.
5. PXP,NXP 6. N-KB3,N-N3 7. N-B3,N-B3 8.P-K3,0-0 9.0-0,P-K4
10.PXP,NXP 11.NXN,BXN 12.Q-B2,P-QB3 13 P-N3,N-Q4 14 NXN,BXR
15. B-R3,B-B3 16,NXBch,QXN 17.BXR,KXB 18.R-Q1,B-K3 19 Q-B5ch
Q-K2. 20. Q-Q4,K-N1 21. P-KR3-P-QR4 22. R-Q2,Q-R6 23.K-R2,R-QB1
24.Q-N6,Q-N5 25. R-Q8ch,RXR 26. QXRch,K-N2 27.P-K4,P-R5.
28.PXP,QXRP 29.P-K5,Q-QN5 30.Q-B6ch,K-N1 31.Q-Q8ch, K-N2
32 Q-B6ch,K-N1 33 Q-Q8ch,Q-B1, 34.Q-B7,Q-B1 35. Q-R5, P-R4
36 P-KR4,P-QB4 37.P-R4,P-B5 38.Q-B3,P-N3. 39.B-B1,Q-B4.
40.K-N1,Q-R4 41 Q-B2,P-B6 42 B-N5 and White resigned.

The Students Olympiad, Harrachov, Czechoslovakia, July 67.

by William R. Hartston.

After an atrocious start to this year's Students Olympiad the English team staged a superb recovery to finish third behind the USSR and USA but ahead of Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Roumania and many others. Our team of Basman, Hartston, Keene and Whiteley with Botterill as reserve narrowly negotiated the qualifying section 'A' After four rounds we were lying in the last place with five points.

In round five, however, we felt insulted by the Danish team who played two reserves against us instead of their two top boards. Incensed by this we won 4-0. Even I, who had drawn my previous eight (!) games, scored a convincing victory. In the next round we won a sensational match against the USSR by 3-1. The next to fall were Yugoslavia by 3½-½ and Sweden 4-0, by which time our final round loss to Roumania did little to affect our high placing.

THE AMAZON.

A Master to the Congress bound
Cried, " Steward, do not tarry.
Set up the boards, let in the hordes,
For I am in a hurry ".
The scene was set, the rabbits came,
Directed by a porter
Who called the roll, and marched them in
Like lambs prepared for slaughter.

The Master moved with lightning speed
So eager to dispense with
The crowd of hopeful aspirants
Who sat there apprehensive,
Twiddling thumbs, and biting nails,
Some looking downhearted
' Twas plain to see they'd lost their game
Before they'd even started.

A few could match the Masters touch,
But soon they too had gone,
As ninety nine in line abreast
Were whittled down to one.
The Master smiled as he espied
The pigtailed Mary Anne.
Quoth he, " I'll polish this one off
As quickly as I can ".

Alas to say,'twas not his day,
The stars foretold his doom,
Impending as it were, through her,
On the other side the room.
He moved across to meet his fate,
Not knowing as he did so,
The little Anne had mastered Chess
Like Latins swing Calypso's.

Then face to face they stood alone,
With steady nerves and bated breath,
And quickly crouched to strike in turn
and battle unto Death.
Each cunning thrust was checked at will
or parried with an equal skill
By little Annie perching there,
So calmly poised astride her chair.

The Masters end came swift and neat,
As he endeavoured to retreat.
She'd placed a Rook to check his King
And covered it with everything.
A Petroff's hold she had procured,
And thus his downfall was assured.
Quoth he," I've left it far too late,
I must concede 'ere she calls mate.
'Tis wiser to withdraw they say,
And live to fight another day".

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JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP, JERUSALEM, AUGUST 1967.

by R.D. Keene.

By now you will probably have read in the B.C.M and "Chess" that the 1967 Junior World Championship was won by 17 year's old Julio Kaplan - originally from Argentina but now resident in Puerto Rico. Kaplan should receive the International Master title for this achievement in the FIDE congress in October, and the " Times-Hastings " director Frank Rhoden has already invited him to this year's Premier (other invitations has gone to Stein & Tal USSR, Hort Czechoslovakia, Portish - Hungary, Ostojuc - Yugoslavia. Hartston, Basman, Keene and Whiteley - England, Dr. Penrose has declined an invitation)

My second place in the Junior Championship was naturally a little disappointing. considering the rewards attendant upon first place, but Kaplan played better chess so I shall not complain.

Final placings:-	J. Kaplan	$6\frac{1}{2}$ pts	
	R.D. Keene	$5\frac{1}{2}$ pts	
	J.H. Timman	5 "	Holland
	Hufner	$4\frac{1}{2}$	W. Germany
	Asplund	4	Sweden

followed by Ghizdavu, Balshan, Dry and Wise.

Here is my game against Timman, which has not been published elswhere(appart from the Tournament Bulletin.) Timman is only 15 year's old has shoulder long hair and sucks his Thumb during the game. He annihilated Hartston in their game at the Hague Team Tournament earlier in the year. The combination of all the factors left me in a somewhat terrified frame of mind before the the game began. (I play badly against people with long hair who suck their thumbs and can beat Hartston).

PIRC - UFIMTSEV DEFENCE,

White- J.H. Timann Black- R.D. Keene - B.C.F

1. P-Q4, P-KN3 2. P-K4, B-N2 3. P-QB4, P-Q3 4. N-QB3, N-QB3 5. B-K3, P-K4 6 P-Q5, QN-K2 7 P-KN4 !P-KB4 8 NPXP, NPXP 9 Q-R5 ch , N-N3 ? A serious mistake, K-B1 is necessary

The move played was suggested by Dr. Euwe luckily for him I don't think he ever played it.

10. PXP, Q-R5 11.Q-B3 !, N-B5 12. N-R3 !,N-B3 13.Q-N3, A very fine move Black is now a pawn down with a lost game.

13... QXQ 14. BPXQ,N-N5 At this stage Timman started to stroke his blond hair and I began to feel even more unhappy.

15. B-Q2,NXN 16. BXN,BXP 17. 0-0, B-Q2 18.N-K4 A ray of hope, Timman misses the immediate decisive N-QN5.

18... P-KR4 19. B-N5,R-KB1. 20.P-B5, B-B4 21. B-N2,BXN
22. BXB, PXP 23. B-N5 ch,K-Q2 24.BXP, N-B3 25 B-N6, NXP
26 P-KR4,B-B3 27. B-R6,R-R1 28. B-Q2,QR-KN1 29.P-R5, K-K3
30 P-KN4 , RXB 31. PXR, R-KN1 32. K-N2,RXP 33. K-R3,P-B5
34. QR-K1, P-N4

Suddenly White is no longer winning. The material is equal, Black has a wedge in the centre and Whites passed pawn is blocked. The game was agreed drawn after a few more moves. An escape which verges on the miraculous.

This game is also an indication of an important new trend in English International play. Some years ago foreign masters used to play deliberately for endings against British players and then they used to win almost automatically. Now this trend has been reversed. At the Hague and in Harrachov Hartston won some remarkable endings against foreigners (Krantz - Goetgeluck) which many a player would have agreed drawn without even trying - while in Jerusalem whenever I seemed to be in danger of losing I played for the endgame - after which I had no trouble! Against the Argentinian Bront, for example, I was in severe difficulties in the middlegame, so I exchanged into an endgame material down - and almost won!

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B.C.F. GRADING COMMITTEE.

Due to ill health Mr. J.Woodcock has resigned as Secretary after many years of excellent service. The Committee are fortunate to secure Dr. V.G. Jenson as his successor.The new grading lists are now available.

AN ENGLISH VICTORY.

By. L.Barden.

An English victory over a reigning world champion is an occasion worth special mention because of its extreme rarity. When Penrose beat Tal at Leipzig in 1960, he was the first Englishman to win against the current champion since 1899.

Now K.C. Messere, our representative in the world postal championship finals, has matched Penrose's feat by defeating the Russian holder of the postal title, Zagarovsky The victory has a special sweetnes in that Messere uses an opening gambit first popularised in this country. The notes are supplied by the winner.

K.C. MESSERE - ENGLAND ZAGAROVSKY - SOVIET UNION.

1. P-K4, P-K3 2. P-Q4,P-Q4 3. P-K5, P-QB4 4.P-QB3, N-QB3 5 N-B3, Q-N3 6. B-Q3, PXP 7. PXP, B-Q2. 8. 0-0

The Milner-Barry Gambit, with which I have so far scored 100% in correspondence chess. In postal play I am convinced that a reasonable initiative is always worth more than a pawn ; for there is nearly always a way to exploit the initiative even though it may take hours of analysis to find it.

8.... NXQP. 9. NXN,QXN 10 N-B3,P-QR3

Recommended by Tal as Black's best. In the postal world championship semifinals M.Sheikh (Pakistan) accepted the second pawn against me by 10..QXP and the game continued 11 R-K1,Q-Q3 12.N-N5,Q-N1 13.Q-B3,B-Q3 14.NXB,ch,QXN 15. B-KB4,Q-K2 16. Q-N3,P-B3 17. Q-B1(an improvement on the book 17. BXP,RXB 18.Q-N6,ch) 17... Q-B2. 18R-B7,N-K2 19. B-Q6, R-Q1 20. RXNP, 0-0 21.Q-R3, P-N3 22. R-QB1,Q-K1 . 23. B-N5,R-B2 24,BXB,RXB 25.R-N8, R-Q1 26.RXR,QXR 27.QXKP, Q-N3 28. R-B7, Resigns.

11. Q-K2

It is unclear whether K-R1, B-K3, R-K1 or Q-K2 is best. In an article in the magazine " Fernschach" I had recommended 11. K-R1,N-K2 12. P-B4 but Black can play 11.... QXP.

11... N-K2 12.R-Q1,Q-N3 13.B-K3, Q-B2 14.P-B4,N-B3
15. B-KB2,B-K2 16. QR-B1,Q-R4 17 B-N1, P-KN3 18.R-Q3,N-R2
19. Q-K3,B-QB3 20 N-K2,B-QN4 21. R-N3, N-B3. 22. N-Q4,
Although on principle White should avoid exchanging pieces. Black's knight would be the better piece after 22 N-N3.

22..... NXN 23 QXN,Q-Q1. If 23 .. B-QB3 24. P-N4 with complications.
24. R(3)-QB3, B-QB3 25. Q-Q1,R-QB1 26. B-Q4. Changing blockaders a la Mimzovitch.
26... B-N5 27. R-KR3, K-Q2 28.P-QR3, B-K2 29.R(3)- QB3.
It is a commentary on postal chess with Russia that the slow manoeuvring of both sides during the last eleven moves took one year to complete

29... P-B4 30.B-Q3, P-KN4 ?
Black is in difficulties, since White threatens to win back the pawn byQ-B2 and BXQRP with much the better game - but to allow White to open up the game with his pieces so aggressively posted seems positional suicide.

31.P-KN4 ! Of course. White has been waiting to play this for the last 17 moves.
31.... NPXP 32.NPXP,Q-N1 ch 33 K-R1, P-KR4 34 Q-B2.
The winning move. There is no answer to the threat R-KN1,PXP ch and B-B5ch If 34 ... R-B1 35 RXB or 34 R-R3, 35 R-KN1 and PXP ch

34. ... Q-N5 35 PXP ch, KXP 36 R-KN1, Q-R6. Or 36... Q-B6 ch 37 R-N2 with B-B5 ch threatened.
37. R-N6ch Stronger than winning the Queen by 37 B-B5ch QXB
38 R-N6ch
37 .... K-B2 38 B-B5, Q-R5 39 BXR, P-B6 40 P-K6 ch, Resigns
If 40... K-B1 41. RXP ch,K-K1 42 QXB ch ! PXQ
43 B-Q7 ch, K-Q1 44 B-N6 mate.

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L. Armstrong.

DR. V.G. JENSON

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This month's personality is Dr. V.G.Jenson of Wolverhampton Kipping. He joined the club in 1945, which was his first season. He has won the Club's Championship nine times including this year. Whilst at Birmingham University he won the University Club's Championship in 1954. He was the winner of the ROCK CUP, the Wolverhampton League individual Championship in 1956 and 1958. He first played for Staffordshire on the 4th December 1948 and won on board 47 of a 60 board match. The following week he was promoted to board 42 against Worcestershire where he again won.

In 1950 he secured a place in the first twenty boards and has played virtually every county match since. In 1958 he became the county first team captain and, save for a break of a year, when he went to America, has held the position ever since. His predecessor was Mr. C.Duffield who held the position for 22 years and it would seem that this record could be in peril.

He has over the years played in a number of local Congresses, including all three Staffordshire Whitsun Congresses. His best performance was in 1965 when he was joint second with M.A.Stevenson and W.Broome on four points, half a point behind P.C. Griffith the winner. He was undefeated in this tournament and produced three fine wins of which the game against E.Pein was most notable

In 1962 he undertook the post of Staffordshier Grading Officer and is one of the few people in the country who understands the grading system in depth. In July this year he was appointed secretary to the B.C.F. National Grading Committee. His grading work cannot be unconnected with his work which involves lecturing at Birmingham University on mathematics and its applications to Chemical Engineering. He is the co-author of a standard University text book on this subject which was first published in 1963.

He is one of the strongest players in Staffordshire and perhaps the most remarkable fact about his strength is his lack of book knowledge.

It is well known that until recently his only Opeming text book was an edition of M.C.O. 30 years old. Not surprisingly he finds some unusual lines in it which, if mystic in appearance are unfamiliar to his opponents. For nearly a century a debate has raged in the chess world about respective merits of bishop and knight. He has always striven for a good knight and in this respect many of his games have a truly Nimzo - vitchian stamp about them. The following game is a classical example of the almost mystical use he can make of two knights.

S.J.Leigh. V Dr. V.G.Jenson.

West of England Union — Midland Counties Chess Union

White	Black.
1. P - Q4	N - KB3
2 P - QB4	P - K3
3 N - QB3	B - N5
4 P - K3	P - B4
5 B - Q3	P - Q4
6 P - QR3	BP X QP
7 KP X P	P X P
8 B X BP	B X N ch
9, P X B	Q - B2
10 B - N5 ch ?	

Leaves white very weak on the white squares, particulary QB4 and Q5. Q-Q3 or Q-N3 were better.

10.....	B - Q2
11 B X B ch	QN X B
12 N - K2	O-O
13 O - O	N - Q4
14 Q - Q3	QR - B1
15 B - Q2	N(Q2)- N3
16 KR - B1	N - N5

The black knights are now on very good squares blocking the " hanging pawns ", but white evidently thinks his bishop is more valuable than either of them because:-

17 B - K1	KR - K1
18 Q - B3	Q - Q3
19 R(B1)- N1	P - QN3
20 R - N3	P - K4
21 P X P	Q X KP

22. K - B1 N - B5
23 N - N3 ?

White sees that 23. QXN is answered by 23... QXN ch. 24. K-N1, QXB ch and mate next move, and that after 23. NXN, QXB ch 24. RXQ,N-Q7 ch 25. K-N1, RXR mate, but the move chosen is no better. 23. R-R2 is the only defensive hope.

23..... Q X B ch
24 R X Q N - Q7 ch
25 K - N1 R X R ch
26 N - B1 R X N mate.

Notes by Dr. V.G.Jenson

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Hail Staffordshire.

Staffordshire County Chess Association Postal Chess Team are the M.C.C.U. champions for 1967 half a point ahead of Worcestershire.

The Conductor would like to thank the team for their splendid support throughout the season which has made this fine result possible.

STAFFORDSHIRE		M.C.C.U COMPOSITE TEAM.	
1. C.Duffield (Victory)	½	P.N.Wallis -Leics	½
2 R.A.Beach	1	Dr.H.D.Gemmell	0
3 A.Schroeder (W-ton)	1	M.Hill -Derbys	0
4 P.G.Jackson - Stafford	0	C.H.Blasdale - Notts	1
5 N.Blackmore - Tipton	1	R.J.Tyler - Lincs	0
6 P.Paskin - Victory	1	T.Janikoski - Hunts	0
7 T.G.Farrell - W.Kipp.	½	T.D.Harding - Worcs	½
8 P.J.Gregory -Stoke	1	H.Launchbury - " "	0
9 A.R.Agg - W. Kipp.	½	M.G.Smith - Leics.	½
10 S.L.Wiggin - W.Kipp.	½	W.E.Maddocks-Salop	½
11 G.G.Booth - Kidsgrove	1	N.Toon - Derbys	0
12 R.Copeland -Victory	½	D.R.Burton- Notts	½
13 E.V.Foulds - Stafford	½	P.A.Hutchinson -Lincs	½
14 G.H.Birch - Kidsgrove	1	B.Calvet - Hunts	0
15 G.Benton - Burton	0	D.G.Lambley - Leics	1
16 C.Warren - " "	1	S.Sharples - Salop	0
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VISIT OF R.D. KEENE(B.C.F.) TO WOLVERHAMPTON ON 8th & 9th SEPTEMBER 1967.

by John Moore.

Through the contacts made by the Editor of this Bulletin, Bushbury Chess Club invited R.D.Keene (B.C.F.) to give a simultaneous display against the members of the Club on Friday, 8th September. Mr.Keene also kindly agreed to extend the visit to play against junior players from the Wolverhampton district on Saturday, 9th September.

The venue of both events was at Northicote School and appreciation must be extended to the Chairman and Secretary of the Bushbury Community Association for the arrangements made with the School to enable the simultaneous displays to be held in such comfortable and delightful surroundings.

As most of you are aware, R.D. Keene is one of the strongest junior players in the country and his recent achievements include beating M.Botvinnik at the last Hastings Congress, being undefeated when playing on board 2 in the Junior Team Championships, held at the Hague (England won this event), being undefeated when playing in the individual Junior Championship held in Jerusalem when he finished second only a point behind the eventual winner.

Prior to the games commencing on Friday evening, the Chairman of the Bushbury Community Association presented Mr. Keene with an illuminated address as a small token of appreciation from Bushbury Chess Club on Mr. Keene accepting the office of Honorary President.

In the simultaneous display Mr Keene soon showed his considerable ability for this type of chess when he had completed 15 moves against 20 players in a little over half an hour! By the time of the interval the only hope for most of the players was that ' fatigue ' would set in! During the interval, when excellent refreshments were provided, more than one player commented that he had only just time to put the last move down when Mr. Keene was there for the next one.

Following the break, it was soon apparent that there would be no need for adjudication and the final result was to Keene, won 18, drew 2 and lost nil. A most sterling performance. To soften the blow, Mr.Keene mentioned that this was a 100% better performance than that given by the Essex League in a recent simultaneous display over 25 boards they only managed to draw one!

Results in board sequance:- P.Staley 0,P.Porter 0, R.Tudor 0,C.Rix ½,J.D.Hughes 0, J.Moore ½, G.Hicks 0, J.Kenwricj 0, B.Shuttelworth 0, R.Rowe 0,P.J.Lapham 0, P.A.Bower 0, L.Wilkinson 0,M.C.Swash 0, D.Rhodes 0, J,Southall 0, M.Ashley 0, S.Swinbourne 0, T.Grosvenor 0, E.Guy 0.

Following the simultaneous display, R.D.Keene kindly gave a short lecture and ran through from memory various recent games played at Jerusalem, giving commentary on each.

JUNIOR SIMULTANEOUS DISPLAY ON SATURDAY 9th Sept.

On Saturday afternoon, R.D.Keene accepted a firm challenge from 35 juniors from the Wolverhampton and District Schools Chess League, and everyone was highly impressed by the natural apptitude and keeness displayed by these " Budding Capablancas " who gave an extremely good account of themselves.In just over two hours Keene registered 32 wins , 2 draws and 1 loss (to Martin Fleury a very promising junior).

The youngest competitors were Miss J.Rowe 5 years, Michael Gibbons 6 years and Miss Jean Walker 8 years old. The organisers are to be heartily congratulated for their enterprise in arranging this two day chess fiesta, which from every angle was a huge success, and particularly in the light of the junior attendance on Saturday afternoon when their local heroes - Wolves (playing at home) were forsaken in favour of the celebrated R.D.Keene.

The following juniors took part :- M.Mallin,J.Rowe E.Rowe, P.Sandford,D.Brown, G.Doneld,G.Butcher,D.Clarke M.Fleury 1,M.Minshall, C.Nash,C.Steele,M.Gibbons, M.Steadman,J.O'Reilly ½, G.Link ½, D.Carter,A.Moxall, I.Fleury, J.Walker,R.Guest,A.R.Houston,P.Wojachowski, S.Carter,A,Palca,S.Klek,A.Southall,A.Hill,R.F.Walker, B.M cDonough,J.Briscoe,C.Sanders,S.Shears,A.Bosi,D.Abbott

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DECLINING MONARCH

by Thaddeus

Is the present world chess champion gradually losing his crown?

There has been much criticism of Petrosian's poor form in the press. After his victory over Boris Spasky chess enthusiasts expected him to go from strength to strength, but this was not so. After the disasterous tournament at Santa Monica 1966, critics argued that to regain his former prestige Petrosian needed a tournament with a strong grandmaster contingent.

In last year's world team championship he received the top board award and this temporarely stopped the argument. Later it was announced that Petrosian would take part in the Moscow international tournament which had its usual gallaxy of stars, 18 grandmasters in all. In such exalted company one naturally expected him to rise to the occasion and regain some of his former glory.

Once again Petrosian experienced difficulties, he tied for the 9th place with Najdorf, Geller and Keres. His loss to Gligoric caused quite a stir in chess circles. He also lost to Tal and he must dread meeting Portisch who is the only grand-master to beat him four times so far.

In his hey-day he did not lose more than two games a year, so far he has lost five games in 1967 and some of the critics say that Spasky and Botvinnik failed to exploit the champions weakness. Petrosians only failing appears to be the negative attitude which he seems to adopt during play. This peculiar mood was again reflected during his match with Gligoric. Whilst this idiocyncrasy does little to impare his brilliance, it may however, have the effect of stimulating his adversaries.

However, Petrosian must be aware of the criticism and no doubt will square the account in the near future and we should bear in mind that even Kings have moments of weakness.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

HOBSONS CHESS CLUB.

After a long absence from League chess Hobsons have re-joined . Welcome back.

WOLVERHAMPTON CHESS CLUB.

One of the oldest clubs in the W-ton League has changed its club night from Tuesday to Thursday at the Vine Hotel, Stafford Street, W-ton.They have also appointed a new Secretary Mr. P.D.Garner.

WALSALL KIPPING CHESS CLUB.

Walsall have moved their club premises to Walsall Central Library. This move will be welcomed by all the clubs in the League, after the various comments on excessive noise at the old premises.

WEST BOMWICH CENTRAL Chess Club.

K.A.G.Francis resigned as the club Secretary due to pre ssure of work, his place has been taken by M.Normand.

BUSHBURY CHESS CLUB.

A Lightning Tournament was held on the club premises on Wednesday 13th September, 20 members taking part. The Tournament was run on the Swiss System and the result at the end of the contest after 7 rounds was:-

Equal 1st, P.Staley and P.Porter 6 points.

Equal 3rd C.Edwards and L.Armstrong 5 points.

In the play off for the distribution of prizes, Porter beat Staley and Armstrong beat Edwards. Following this, the League Secretary K.Pittaway presented the Trophy to P.Porter, and books to P.Staley and L.Armstrong. An extremely enjoyable evening was had by all members due in no small measure to the efforts made by Mssrs. B.Shuttelworth and J.Kenwrick who carried out all the organisation for the event.

WOLVERHAMPTON KIPPING CHESS CLUB.

K.G.Humphreys has resigned as the Club Secretary, for health reasons. He entered Wrightington Hospital,Nr Wigan, Lancs. on Monday, 11th September.

On behalf of the W-ton & District Chess League,Schools Chess League, and everyone connected with chess, we send the following message - " We all wish you a speedy recovery and will be glad to see you back home. "

CONGRATULATIONS.

J.N.WINGFIELD, one of W-ton Kipping's first team players, married Miss Judith Ann Brookbanks at St.Michael's and All Angels Church, Tettenhall, on 11th Sept. 1967.They are both honours graduates, the bridegroom of Bristol University and the bride of Manchester University.

WOLVERHAMPTON KIPPING CHESS CLUB.

The club opened the new season with a Lightning Tournament on 8th Sept. 1967, and at the end of an entertaining evening the result was :-

1st equal	A.Sadler & G.Edwards.
3rd equal	J.N.Wingfield & M.Fleury.

A.J. BUTCHER.

A.J.Butcher has taken up the duties of Chess Correspondent for the "Express & Star ". Anyone having some news or chess material should contact him at 3 Church Hill, Tettenhall,W-ton.

WEST BROMWICH CHESS CLUB.

I would like to take this opportunity of welcoming W.B. into W-ton & District Chess League, the majority of their members are no strangers to us.The team will take part in Division III under the captaincy of C.Southall.

MIDLAND SCHOOL'S CHESS CONGRESS - Burton - on - Trent

Fifteen Schools competed here. The winners were the Central Birmingham School

THE CASE FOR STATE FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

by Harry Golombek.

In a most interesting and informative article in the current British Chess Magazine, Dr.Edelstein puts a strong case for state financial support of British chess. His comparison of chess with athletics is entirely valid since, after all, considered from one aspect, what is chess but athletics of the mind ? He also makes the point that while the number of chess clubs listed in the British Chess Federation Year book for 1961-62 is less than that given in the A.A.A. Handbook for 1964 (717 as opposed to 1,353), there must be an immense number of chess clubs not listed in the B.C.F. Yearbook, so that, by and large, the number of participants in each activity should be roughly equal

I should hasten to add that I do not agree with all that Dr. Edelstein has to say about the suggested uses for this financial support if it materializes. In particular, I am repelled by the strained mathematical fantasy of an " automatic tele-chess network".

Nevertheless, Dr. Edelstein's main theme is vitally important for the progress of chess. For too long we chess players have been trying to lift ourselves up by our boot-strings ; no, the metaphor does not go deep enough, in many cases we are even without the boot-strings. Consider the immense aid that the Soviet Union has always devoted to chess and compare it with our utter lack of state support. Little wonder that Soviet teams regularly occupy the first place in chess Olympiads whereas our own team over the last 20 years has had to fight desperately to qualify for the top final section and has failed even to achieve this on the last three occasions.

What does arise vividly from Dr.Edelstein's article is the perennial controversy about the status or definition of chess - is it art, science, a sport, or a game? The answer is of great practical value. If it is an art then surely the ARTS COUNCIL must be responsible for fostering it ; if it is a science or a sport then the state has its obligations. Only if chess is regarded as a sort of parlour game on a par with ludo

shove halfpenny and the lesser card-games can the state deem it too trifling to have any influence on the prestige of this country in international culture or sport.
The sporting element is clearly evident in chess. But to me, and, I think, to a large number of chess lovers, the artistic element is greater. Masterpieces of the great chess-masters, the best games of Morphy,Steinitz,Lasker, Tarrash, Capablanca, Alekhine,Botvinnik and Tal, are just as much works of art as the paintings of Velasquez, the symphonies of Mozart or the poetry of Shakespeare.

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L.Armstrong.

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CASH FOR CONGRESS.

By S.A.W.

We urgently appeal to all dedicated chess fanatics who have not yet secured their copy of the 1967 Staffordshire Congress Book to "cough up" five shillings and help to clear the way for the 1968 Congress, which is mainly dependent on receipts from sales of the current issue.

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LADIES INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENTS.

by David Pritchard.

The first Ladies International Tournaments ever to be held in this country took place at Havering (Essex) and Paignton during August and September. The same eight players took part in both events. The sequence of play was the same at Havering and Paignton but colours were reversed in the latter tournament so that each player effectively played every other player twice, once with White and once with Black.

Interest was stimulated by the participation of the World Champion, Nona Gaprindashvili of Russia, who proved herself a class above the rest by easily winning both events. The same three players occupied the next three places on each occasion. Miss K.Polihroniade(Yugoslavia),Miss K.Jovanovic(Yugoslavia) and Mrs.E.Pritchard (U.K.). The draw definitely favoured Jovanovic, who faced the World Champion in the last round therefore picking up valuable half-points, since Gaprindashvili had nothing to play for (neither game went beyond 14 moves).

Mrs.Pritchard did very well to lose only to the Champion but Mrs Bruce, who had perhaps suffered from playing at Oxford, had disappointing results.

Arrangements at both tournaments were excellent and the prizes generous, and much credit is due to the organisers among whom one must mention Victor Soanes at Havering and Ron Bruce at Paignton.

Ladies chess is a field in which we are able to hold our own, and it is to be hoped that these events may be the forerunners of many.Ladies chess, we must remember, is good publicity ! What about the play ? Uneven, but hard fought and at times of high quality- as might be expected, as all participants were International (Ladies) Masters. One curious feature was,that of the 56 games played, half were Sicilians and nobody played 1... P-QB4 as Black.

A tournament book, giving all the games together with photographs, tables etc. will be available shortly, here is an example of the World Champion's style from Havering.

White- N. Gaprindashvili U.S.S.R Black - F.Rinder W.Germany

1.	P-K4	P-QB4	16.	N-B5	R-K1
2	N-KB3	P-K3	17	B-Q2	N-B1
3	N-B3	P-Q3	18	Q-R5	B-B1
4	P-KN3	N-KB3	19	N-N3	N(1)-K3
5	B-N2	QN-Q2	20	QR-K1	P-N3
6	0-0	B-K2	21	Q-R4	N-Q5
7	P-Q3	0-0	22	R-K5	N-B3
8	N-Q2	R-N1	23	RXP	NXR
9	P-QR4	P-QR3	24	BXN	N-N5
10	P-B4	P-QN3	25	BXP ch	KXB
11	P-KN4	B-N2	26	QXP ch	K-B1
12	P-N5	N-K1	27	P-B5	Q-Q5 ch
13	N-B3	P-Q4	28	K-N2	PXP
14	PXP	PXP	29	NXP	B-N2 ch
15	N-R4	N-B2	30	K-N3	Resigns

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Played in the British Ladies Championship at Oxford 67.

White- Miss A.Sannucks Black-Miss D.Dobson.

1.	P-K4	P-K3	13	P-KN3	PXP
2	P-Q4	P-Q4	14	BPXP	0-0
3	N-Q2	N-KB3	15	N-B4	R-K1
4	P-K5	KN-Q2	16	P-KR4	B-B1
5	P-KB4	P-QB4	17	B-K3	B-R3
6	P-B3	P-QN3	18	NXQP	BXB ch
7	B-Q3	B-R3	19	NXB	N-K2
8	B-N1	P-KN3	20	B-K4	R-N1
9	N(2)-B3	PXP	21	Q-N3	N-B1
10	PXP	B-N5 ch	22	N-N4	Resigns
11	K-B2	QN-B3			
12	N-K2	P-B3			

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WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT CHESS LEAGUE RESULTS.

DIVISION I

JOHN THOMPSONS A V WALSALL KIPPING "A" POSTPONED

WALSALL KIPPING "A" 0 v WOLVERHAMPTON KIPPING "B 1

with 5 games adjourned

BUSHBURY "B	V	BUSHBURY "A"	
L.Armstrong	½	C.Rix	½
P.Porter	½	A.Boxley	½
R.Rowe	0	P.Staley	1
D.Rhodes	0	R.Kurmeen	1
M.Swash	½	P.Hickman	½
J.Moore	0	R.Tudor	1
	1½		4½

W-TON KIPPING A"		DUDLEY "A"	
M.A.Stevenson	a	A.V.Kent	a
D.W.Anderton	1	H.G.Billinge	0
Dr.V.G.Jenson	1	G.Elwell	0
R.J.Keeley	1	J,Mansell	0
R.Duncanson	½	H.Morgan	½
R.F.Walker	½	M.Nicol	½
	4		1

WEST BROMWICH CENTRAL "A" 6 (claim by Default)
v
STEWARST & LLOYDS. 0

STAFFS CHESS C V J.THOMPSONS ?

WALSALL KIPP. "A"		W-TON KIPP. "B"	
J.H.Baines	½	M.Fleury	½
S.Johnson	1	J,Bargery	0
J.C.Sturrock	1	G.Edwards	0
E.Lees	1	J.A.Elliott	0
B.Marshall	0	R.F.Walker	1
B.Sanders	½	F.Bassett	½
	4		2

BUSHBURY A		WEST BROM. CE.	
C.Rix	1	D.FIDGLEY	0
A.Boxley	1	W.Clarke	0
P.Staley	1	G.Normand	0
R.Kurmeen	1	J.Southall	0
P.Hickman	½	R.Jukes	½
C.Edwards	½	J.Waters	½
	5		1

DIVISION II.

DUDLEY "B"		WOLVERHAMPTON B"	
H.Morgan	½	P.S.Walkins	½
W.Cox	0	F.D.Fiels-Hyde	1
C.Woodall	1	P.Garner	0
J.Moss	1	J.Loyer	0
J.Tromans	½	L.Williams	½
G.Stokes Roberts	0	D.Wynn-Jones	1
	3		3

W-TON KIPP.C		WALSALL B"	
R.Walker	½	B.Sanders	½
A.Houston	0	B.Marshall	1
L.Hes brook	0	J.Withnall	1
G.Link	1	S.Dutton	0
C.Hemming	0	J.Dutton	1
B.McDonough	½	A.Shrimpton	½
	2		4

DIVISION III.

WEST BROMWICH		BRADDLEY & FOSTER	
C.Southall	1	A.Staite	0
W.Wiater	A	A.Turner	A
D.Woodman	1	B.Holland	0
C.Hockley	1	D.Price.	A
F.Ellsworth	1	N.King	0
	3		0

HOBSONS		DUDLEY "C"	
K.Phillips	½	J.Horne	½
F.Whitehouse	1	F.Lloyd	0
W.Nixon	0	A.Moore	1
H.Terry	1	J.Wilkes	0
I.Cartwright	1	Mrs.M.Lloyd	0
	3½		1½

BRADLEY & FOSTER		HOBSONS	
1 A.Turner	½	K.Phillips	½
2 A.Staite	1	W.Nixon	0
3 B.Holland	1	F.Whitehouse	0
4 D.Price	0	I.Cartwright	1
5 T.Bickley	0	H.Terry	1
	2½		2½

STEWARTS & LLOYDS 'C 1
V
,Bushbury 'C' 4

J,THOMPSONS B 2 W-ton KippC 4

White - M.A. STEVENSON Black - M.J.Basman

1.	P-K4	P-QB4	15	R-B3	P-B4	29	P-R5	PXP
2	N-KB3	P-Q3	16	P-QR3	N-Q4	30	Q-Q2	Q-B1
3	P-Q4	PXP	17	NXN	PXN	31	QXP	N-R1
4	NXP	N-KB3	18	B-K3	Q-B2	32	R-B3	Q-N1
5	N-QB3	P-K3	19	B-Q4	B-K3	33	QXRP	QXKP
6	B-K2	B-K2	20	B-K2	K-R1	34	Q-Q4	Q-Q3
7	B-K3	N-B3	21	R-B3	Q-Q2	35	B-N3	Q-Q1
8	0-0	0-0	22	N-B5	BXN	36	R-R7	Q-N4
9	P-B4	B-Q2	23	BXB	R-KN1	37	B-B4	Q-R5
10	N-N3	N-QR4	24	B-B3	P-QN3	38	P-N3	Q-Q1
11	P-K5	N-K1	25	B-B2	N-B2	39	B-R5	R(K))KB1
12	B-Q3	PXP	26	R-Q3	Q-N4	40	B-K5	Q-N3
13	PXP	N-QB3	27	P-QN3	QR-K1	41	QXQ	NXQ
14	B-KB4	N-N5	28	P-QR4	Q-R3	42	R(3)-B7	N-Q2
						43	RXN	BXR
						44	RXB	R-B1
						45		Resigns

Basman offered a draw on move 39.

British Championship Games

White - W.R. Hartston Black- H.Golombek.

1	P-K4	P-QB3	20.	P-N3	R-Q2	41.	K-K4	K-K3
2	N-QB3	P-Q4	21	B-B3	KR-Q1	42	P-R6	K-B2
3	P-Q4	PXP	22	N-K4	K-B1	43	B-R5	N-B1
4	NXP	B-B4	23	K-B2	RXR	44	K-Q5	Resigns
5	N-N3	B-N3	24	RXR	RXR			
6	P-KR4	P-KR3	25	QXR	Q-Q2			
7	N-B3	N-Q2	26	N-Q6ch	BXN			
8	P-R5	B-R2	27	PXB	P-B3			
9	B-Q3	BXB	28	Q-Q4	K-Q1			
10	QXB	Q-B2	29	P-KN4	K-K1			
11	B-Q2	KN-B3	30	P-R4	Q-B1			
12	0-0-0	P-K3	31	P-R5	N-Q2			
13	Q-K2	0-0-0	32	Q-K3	K-B2			
14	N-K5	NXN	33	QXRP	P-QB4			
15	PXN	N-Q4	34	P-R6	PXP	35	Q-B7	QXQ
16	P-KB4	B-N5	37	K-Q3	K-K2	36	PXQ	N-N3
17	P-B3	B-K2	38	P-N5	RPXP			
18	K-N1	K-N1	39	PXP	P-K4			
19	P-B4	N-N3	40	PXP ch	PXP			

' ROCK CUP ' FINAL

WHITE J.E.JONES W'ton Kipping		BLACK J.D. HUGHES. W'ton chess Club.			
1.	P-K4	P-Q4	30	R-B2	R-B1
2	PXP	N-KB3	31	P-R3	Q-N6
3	B-N5 ch	B-Q2	32	P-Q4	Q-B5
4	B-B4	B-N5	33	N-Q3	B-N3
5	P-KB3	B-B4	34	N-B5	QXQ
6	N-QB3	QN-Q2	35	KRXQ	R-R1
7	KN-K2	N-N3	36	RXP	RXR
8	P-Q3	KNXP	37	NXR	R-K1
9	NXN	NXN	38	RXR	BXR
10	0-0	P-K3	39	N-B5	K-B2
11	N-N3	B-N3	40	K-N1	K-N3
12	P-B4	N-N3	41	B-B4	B-B3
13	B-N3	B-B4 ch	42	K-B2	K-B2
14	K-R1	0-0	43	K-K3	B-N2
15	Q-B3	Q-B1	44	N-Q3	K-K3
16	B-Q2	P-QR4	45	N-B5 ch	K-B3
17	P-QR3	P-R5	46	P-KR4	K-N3
18	B-R2	P-QB3	47	P-KM3	K-R4
19	QR-K1	Q-Q2	48	K-B3	K-N3
20	P-B5	PXP	49	B-K5	B-B1
21	NXP	N-Q4	50	N-K6	B-R3
22	BXN	PXB	51	B-B4	B-N2
23	NXP	B-Q5	52	B-N5	B-Q2
24	N-R5	R-R3	53	NXB	KXN
25	P-B3	B-R1	54	K-B4	K-B2
26	B-N5	P-B4	55	K-K5	B-K3
27	R-K7	Q-N4	56	P-R5	Resigns.
28	N-B4	B-B2			
29	Q-K2	R-QN3			

Dr.S.Tarrash - White I.Gunsberg - Black.

RUY LOPEZ.

1.	P-K4	P-K4	6	B-R4	P-QN4	11.	N-Q4	Q-Q2
2	N-KB3	N-QB3	7.	B-N3	P-Q4	12	NXB!	
3	B-N5	N-B3	8	PXP	B-K3		and white	
4	0-0	NXP	9	P-B3	B-K2		wins	
5	P-Q4	P-QR3	10	R-K1	0-0			

MOSCOW INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT.

Leonid Stein was the winner, he went through all the rounds brilliantly. Biding his time at the start, he made sure of his finishing burst. Stein's victories in recent competitions suggests that he will be next claimant for the world chess crown.

It has become a rule that a player showing the best results in the years preceding the world title clash, meets the chess king. And who can compete with Stein in the number of victories ? And what a win. Let us look at his splendid game below against Paul Keres a recognised chess expert.

RUY LOPEZ.

	White - Stein	Black - Keres.
1.	P-K4	P-K4
2.	N-KB3	N-QB3
3.	B-N5	P-QR3
4	B-R4	N-KB3
5	0-0	NXP
6	P-Q4	P-QN4
7	B-N3	P-Q4
8	PXP	B-K3
9	P-B3	B-QB4
10	QN-Q2	0-0
11	B-B2	P-KB4
12	N-QN3	B-N3
13	N(B)-Q4	NXN
14	NXN	Q-Q2

This is Keres novelty. According to theory, the best move hereis 14.. BXN

15	P-KB3	N-QB4
16	K-R1	N-N2
17	B-K3	P-QB4
18	NXB	QXN
19	P-QR4	N-R4

Black could capture this KP as after 20.R-K1 Stein would regain a P with an excellent position

20.	B-KB2	K-R1
21	R-K1	R-R2
22	Q-K2	P-QN5
23	PXP	PXP
24	BXB	QXB
25	R(R)-Q1	Q-B4
26	B-Q3	Q-N3
27	B-N1	Q-QB3
28	Q-Q2 !	QXP
29	QXP(Q)	N-B3
30	BXP !!	Q-N4
31	Q-Q6	Q-N1
32	QXN	RXB
33	P-K6	R-K2
34	R-Q7	R-K1
35	R-QN7	Q-B1
36	R-QB7	Q-N1
37	Q-Q7	R-KN4
38	P-B4	R-KN3
39	P-B5	R-KN4
40	P-B6	Resigns

R.D. KEENE'S SIMULTANEOUS DISPLAY

White - R.D.Keene Black - C.Rix.

1	P-Q4	N-KB3
2	P-QB4	P-K3
3	N-KB3	P-B4
4	P-Q5	PXP
5	PXP	P-Q3
6	N-B3	P-KN3
7	P-K4	B-N2
8	B-K2	0-0
9	0-0	R-K1
10	N-Q2	P-N3
11	R-K1	QB-R3
12	BXB	NXB
13	P-QR4	N-Q2
14	N-B4	N-K4
15	NXN	BXN
16	P-B3	P-B4
17	N-K2	PXP
18	PXP	Q-R5
19	N-N3	KR-KB1
20	B-K3	BXN
21	PXB	QXP
22	Q-K2	N-N5
23	B-B2	Q-Q6
24	QR-Q1	QXQ
25	RXQ	QR-K1
26	B-B3	R-B3
27	B-R4	R-B5

Draw agreed.

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White - R.D.Keene Black - J.Moore

1.	N-KB3	P-Q4
2	P-KN3	P-QB4
3	B-N2	N-KB3
4	0-0	N-QB3
5	P-Q4	PXP
6	NXP	NXN
7	QXN	P-K3
8	P-B4	B-K2
9	PXP	PXP
10	N-B3	B-K3
11	B-N5	0-0
12	KR-Q1	Q-R4
13	B-K2	Q-N5
14	QXQ	BXQ
15	NXP	NXN
16	BXN	BXB(K2)
17	BXB?	KR-Q1
18	B-N3	QR-B1
19	P-K3	P-KN3
20	K-B1	K-B1
21	K-K2	B-B4
22	RXR	RXR
23	R-Q1	RXR
24	KXR	B-B2
25	B-Q5	P-N3
26	K-B2	B-Q3
27	K-Q3	K-K2
28	K-B4	B-B4
29	K-N5	P-QR4
30	K-B6	P-R3
31	P-QR3	P-KN4
32	K-N5	P-B3
33	P-QN4	PXP
34	PXP	B-Q3
35	P-B4	K-Q2
36	K-B4	K-Q1
37	P-N5	K-Q2
38	K-Q3	B-B4
39	K-K4	K-Q3
40	B-B4	K-K2
41	P-R4	K-B1
42	RPXP	RPXP
43	K-B3	PXP
44	QPXP	K-N2
45	P-N4	K-B1
46	P-B5	K-K2
47	K-B4	B-B7
48	Draw	agreed

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White - J.A.Lawrence Black - J.N.Sugden

	White	Black		White	Black
1.	P-Q4	N-KB3	16	P-QR4	P-N5
2	P-QB4	P-B4	17	N-N5	Q-N3
3	P-Q5	P-K3	18	K-R1	P-N6
4	N-QB3	PXP	19	B-N1	NXRP ? d)
5	PXP	P-Q3	20	NXQP !	NXNP e)
6	P-K4	P-KN3	21	BXN	QXN
7	P-B4	B-N2	22	BXB	KXB
8	B-N5 ch	KN-Q2	23	Q-Q4 ch g)	K-N1
9	B-Q3	0-0	24	P-K5	Q-N3
10	N-KB3	N-R3	25	P-K6 !	PXP
11	0-0	R-N1 a)	26	PXP	QXP
12	N-Q2 ?	P-QN4 !!	27	N-N5	Q-K7
13	P-QR3 b)	P-B5	28	B-K4	N-B3
14	B-B2	QN-B4	29	QR-K1 h)	Q-N5
15	N-B3	P-QR4 c)	30	B-Q5 ch	K-N2 j)
			31	R-K7 ch	K-R3
			32	QXN	Resigns

a) All"book"to here except that Black has altered his move sequence on move 10 & 11 - and White falls for the trap. Better is 12. K-R1 or P-QR4

b) After 55 minutes thought not 13. BXP,BXN wins a piece or 13. NXP,P-B5 14.BXP,RXN ! 15. BXR,Q-N3 which is much better for Black.

c) Young Sugden has a tremendous position as a result of my blunder on move 12 and his superior opening knowledge. Yet he resigns 17 moves later ! His youthful exuberance probably underestimated the " old man " on other side (at 25). I have a bad position yet I tell myself - fight, I feel that I must have a good motto here.

d) Now Sugden falls in White's trap.Better is 19.. B-QR3

e) .. P-B6 leads in untold complications e.g.21 NXB, PXP 22 NXQ,PXR=Q 23. NXN,N-B6 wins for Black,I think. However White plays 22BXP,NXB 23,NXQ,NXQ. 24 NXN,BXR 25 NXKR and wins.

f) Better is .. 21 P-B6. 22 B-R3 when the position is most unclear.

g) Despite Blacks Q side 3-0 pawn majority, Whites superiority in the centre is fatal.

h) At the expense of another pawn White has an overwhelming attack.

j) If 30.. K-R1, R-K8 !! end the game in spectacular style or 30.. NXB 31. QXN ch, K-R1 32 R-K7 wins.

Notes by, J.A.Lawrence.

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Final score Premier, 1-2 R.G.Wade & N.J.Patterson 5 pts

3-5 W.R.Hartston, M.J.Basman P.C.GIBBS $4\frac{1}{2}$

6-12 L.de Veauce, A.N.Walker, J.A.Lawrence P.C.Griffith, P.H.Clarke, A.P.Sombor K.Richardson 4 pts

13-15. P.W.Hempson & S.Milner-Barry

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