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by Jules Lazard.

Don't chatter, don't read,

Don't smoke a cheep weed,

Reckon singing and humming a sin,

Don't titter, don't frown,

Don't bang a piece down,

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TEST YOUR CHESS KNOWLEDGE.

Part II

A lot of readers have shown great interest in last months Quiz so we decided to continue this item.

As in the previous quiz you will find the answers printed at the end of this Magazine.

QUESTIONS :-

- a) A famous American chess-player gave simultaneous display at the age of 8.

 Can you name him?
- b) Wan you name the famous woman chess-player who was killed in London during the last war?
- c) What American player has written a book trying to prove that White wins every game with proper play?
- d) Who said "There are only three real chess players in the world, Lasker, Capablanca and a third I am far to modest to mentione?
- e) When did Staffordshire last win the M.C.C.U. Championship?
- f) Why was the "en-Passant "pawn move introduced

SIMULTANEOUS DISPLAY AT OLYMPIA. By Stewart Ruben.

On December 31st at Olympia I made an attempt on British Simultaneous Display record.

The chess stand is part of Daily Mail" Boys & Girls Exhibition and has room foral2 board simultaneous, an 8 player tournament(usually 5 minute chess) and 4 boards of friendlies. The Chess Education Society runs it but the "Daily Mail" pays all costs. The stand is open from 9.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. and normally there are about 5 simuls.

Of course mine lasted all day, and I played anybody who came along, nevertheless there was never a vacant board altough no special arrengements were made. Thus approximately 200 yougsters must play each day at the stand, despite the London Junior Championships taking place simultaneously.

The old record set by G.J.Martin in 1965 at Ilford County High School, was played 142, won 126, drawn 15, and lostl. I estimated that I would pass this at 5.30 and this was in fact so. In all I played 162, won 141 drew 6 and lost 15. Most of the opposition was extremely weak and practically all games were lost due to leaving queen or mate en prise.

To play such a small number of boards at a time was a disadvantage as it meant I sometimes had to wait while a player decided on his move, or at any rate dithered. Martin's display was against all the players at once and I imagine the opposition were much more ready to resign. My average rate of moves was estimated at 5 seconds per move, but I played more slowly at the start, playing 60 games in 2 hours I think in the early afternoon and I practically came to a halt in the last hour.

This was the biggest test of stamina I have ever had and was surprisingly little tiredat the end, despite flat feet!

The World Record is held by Stahlberg of Sweden, who if memory serves me correct, played 360 games in 26 hours 40 boards at the time. Fischer was to have made an attempt on this but it never came to anything.

I suppose I would be willing to do it, but the mind boggles. It would be quite easy on a revolving stage though.

THE BRITISH CHESS FEDERATION.

The following editorial was written by The British Chess Federations Secretary Mr. C.H. Simmons in "NEWS-FLASH" on December 31st 1966. I have reproduced this in our monthly Magazine and hope that readers will appreciate its contents, it reads as follows:- Now is the time to make fresh resolutions and to resolve to make 1967 the peak year for chess in Britain. I take the opportunity to wish all my readers a very happy and successful New Year, with a strengthening of their efforts to popularise our noble game.

The Federation made a start on the task of improving relationships between the chess-players of England and Wales, when they appointed a full-time secretary, and they are most anxious to learn the wishes of all players so they can provide the services that are needed and to gain the support of everyone in extending their efforts in the future. In February a special meeting is being called, to which all the Union Presidents (or Chairman) and Secretaries have been invited to attend, and if they are unable to do so to get someone to represent their Union, and they have been asked to go to this meeting with ideas on how to improve the structure and set-up of chess throughout the country. Will you please invite your readers to send in through their Clubs and Counties any views they have so that a fully comprehensive discussion can take place which will end in the ultimate improvement of the organisation?

Registration is one of the methods of ensuring a steady flow of revenue without which no organisation can possibly hope to continue and efforts are being made to streamline the present system and to persuade players it is in their own interests to be participants in the scheme. Many of the Leagues and Clubs in the country are already 100% in favour and give their full support, but there are several others who at present are not with us. To my surprise I have even found there are organisations who have no knowledge of the work done by the Federation, Unions, and so on and this is solely a result of bad communications. It is up to you to prevent this continuing in the future.

M. C. C. U. GRADING OFFICER.

J.H.Charles of Stewarts & Lloyds Chess Club has accepted the post of grading officer for M.C.C.U.

This post was vacated same time ago by Mr.J.T.Roe who moved north.

The task is not an easy one and I wish John Charles success as the new grading officer, and I am sure that the rest of Wolverhampton and District chess players will feel the same.

I would like to mentione that the grading procedure is not new to John, he did excellent work last year for Birmingham and District Chess League.

Leo Armstrong.

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT SCHOOLS CHESS.

We wish to thank Graham Humphreys for letting us have some results of the above. However we are not able to classify these as per Division or Zone owing to lack of information. The results are printed on next page.

We would appreciate any information regarding Schools chess and activities.

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OBITUARY.

We have learned with great regret of the sudden death of Mr.A.J.H.WEAVER at his office on December 2nd 1966. He has been Secretary and Match Captain of Charfield for well over 25 years.

Gordon Farrell wrote us the following letter:Quite a number of Midland chess players had met Mr.Weaver and
many more knew him by repute. I first met him in 1944 when the
late Alf Parsons persuaded me to take a team of six players from
WALSALL KIPPING to play the village club at Charfield near
Gloucester, They gave us such a good time that I took another
team down in 18946 and altogether I have now played 17 times
against Charfield.

Mr. Weaver could not persuade his team to pay us a return visit so he decided to come by himself and he spent the evening at my home in Walsall. The following day he went to see the late C.S. Kipping.

The fixture lapsed when I moved to London in 1947 but fortunately Wolverhampton Kipping Chess Club restarted the matches in 1951. It has now become an annual affair and the match is always played on the third Saturday in May. The chess is not always brilliant but it is a great occasion and meeting place of old friends. At the match you can usually meet the following "old hands": - Howard Owen, Will Guy, Laurie Green John Greenly, Graham Humphreys, Victor Jenson, John Charles, W. New, Ken Hopley, Harry New, Burt Smith, Richard Duncanson and Gordon Stoke-Roberts.

During the whole period Charfield never won a match, although there was great excitement one year when we drew six all after winning two games by adjudication, incidentally Graham Humphreys was the Captain on that occasion.

Since 1952 when I came to live in Bath I have seen more of Mr.Weaver and he has done a lot for chess in the West Country. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him and to me Charfield will always mean MR.WEAVER.

Gordon Farrell.

B.C.F. GRADING SYSTEM.

We have received the following comments from Stewart Reuben on Dr.V.G. Jenson's article on B.C.F. Grading System in last months issue.

I read Mr. Jenson's article in your Magazine on Grading with interest. I would like to see two major reforms in the present system and one minor. First each game graded should be paid for This would provide a substantial source of income, be it to the B.C.F. or Local organisation. It would also prevent games being rated which were not appreciated and thus save the graders valuable time.

Guesstimations of a newcomers rating should not be made and this used to decide the grading of hid opponents, this is all to liable to lead to attrition especially where young improving players are involved. players grade should be determined from his results against established players and then this number fed-back to determine its effect.

It is probably absurd that in the British system, if you play a player of sufficiently low rating no points are exchanged unless the weaker player scores. It is just not true that there is a standard of player whom one beats 100%, this is a statistical impossibility. In addition it leads to attrition as it is impossible to regain these points due to lack of opportunity to play the players supposedly infinitely better than the Grade 4a player. A maximum of 1(0 points should be lost and a minimum of 5 points gained.

Stewart Reuben.

Stewart Reuben points out that Fischer did not insist on playing on the Jewish Sabbath against Reshevsky, but rather refused to play on a date arranged unsuitable to nim, which date came about because Reshevsky could not play on Saturday.

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ADJOURNED GAMES.

I was hoping that I would not need to write this because in my honest opinion the Wolverhampton and Didtrict Chess League has not functioned so well for many years. I feel justified saying it almost reached perfection, but for one small detail—adjourned games.

Very often an adjourned game " drags on" for four or five weeks before the game is finally plyed, and no result sent to me. Consequently I keep loosing track, and have to search my records constantly in order to discover the missing results.

I would be most grateful if players concerned and club secretarys including captains would make an effort to ensure that the adjourned games are completed as per League

Your Records Secretary.

CHESS CHAMPION AT 17.

SEVENTEEN - YEAR OLD NANA ALEKSANDRIYM IS THE NEW RUSSIAN
WOMEN'S CHESS CHAMPION. SHE BEGAN PLAYING WHEN SHE WAS SIX
HER FATHER BEING HER FIRST TEACHER. SHE IS STUDYING LANGUAGES
AT TIFLIS UNIVERSITY. - 7 -

WOLVERHAMPTON & DISTRICT CHESS LEAGUE REVIEW.

DIVISION I

Walsall Kipping "A" had a disasterous trip to Stafford, they suffered a heavy defeat by Stafford Chess Council 4-2. Undoubtedly the home side played well and deserved to win, but the question is, was this the strongest side Walsall could select? I am quite aware of the defaulted game which did not help.

After completing the adjourned games W-ton Kipping "A" improved their League position and have taken the lead by

defeating Bushbury "A" 5-1.

Stewarts & Lloyds made a tremendous improvement this season and, I may add , have been trifle unlucky in loosing some of the matches.

John Thompsons "A" showed slight signs of " getting

better" by snatching a point from W-ton Kipp. "B".

The bottom position is wide open, where Dudley"B" and Wolverhampton "B" need points desperately in order to survive in Div.I. However, on 12.1.67 Dudley "B" gained their first two points by defeating Wolverhampton "A 5-1.

DIVISION II.

Before the Xmas recess Bushbury "B" defeated W-ton Kipp.
"C" by 4 games to 2 and became the undisputed leaders (4 out of 4).

However, their reign did not last long. In the return match against West Brom. Central A" on 5.1.67 they failed to maintain their unbeaten record by loosing $3\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$.

I would like to point out to readers who are not familiar with W-ton & District Chess League, that Division II & III are played on home and away basis (double fixture list)

Advisson III. A

Walsall Kipping "B" had a difficult task in disposing of Rubery Owen, but eventually managed to win 3-2. Had Margaret Sedgley(Rubert Owen) not been absent on this important occas ion the reult might have been different.

Bradley & Foster showed a vast improvement against Thompsons and recorded their first win. As I stated in my previos League review B&F is newcomers to the League and it will take a little time to get "acclimatised" to League chess.

AHEAD OF A MASTER.

Michael Stevenson fulfilled all that was expected of him in the challengers tournament at Hastings. He was equal fourth behind the Yugoslavian winner, the Russian runner-up, and a Dutch player.

He was the highest placed of the home contingent, ahead of many strong British championship contenders, including one Master.

He scored $5\frac{1}{2}$ points out of a possible nine. He won four games, drew three and lost only to the Yugoslav and the Russian. He met all the strongest opposition in the tournament and, therefore, earned his points the hard way.

Most important of all he displayed resilience in defeat and was able to come back with a fine win after loosing a tough game to the Russian.

He could now be said to have broken through to the top ranks in British chess.

David Anderton.

STAFFORDSHIRE I V WORCEBTERSHIRE I

The adjudications have now been received of the above county match and are as follows:-

1	M.A. Ste venson	1	Dr.B.A. Dudley	0
2	D. W. Anderton	1	A.L. Homer	0
4	Dr.V.A.Jenson	1 2	T.E. Waites	1 2
14	W.P. Taylor	ī	D. W. Wooldridge	Ô
18	G. M. Jones	0	J.D. Ashfield	1
19	P. G. Jackson	7	B. Whitehouse	0

Staffordshire won the match 13-7. Now all results are in it is interesting to note that on the top 12 boards
Staffordshire wo n seven games and drew five.

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. NATHERLANDS VERSUS BRITISH CHESS FEDERATION.

The Annual Inter-national match between the Dutch Chess Federation and the B.C.F. took place in Flushing on December 17th and 18th 1966.

Mr.V.J. Scanes was unable to attend as non-playing captain for the B.C.F. Team and C.Kottnauer acted for the side in that capacity, with Dr.J. Penrose speaking on their behalf at the official dinner. As usual the whole match was arranged perfectly by our Dutch friends.

The detailed r score is given below, showing a victory to

the home team by a narrow margin.

	NETHERLANDS		lodby. Brosna	BRITISH CHESS FED	ERATI	EON.
1	J. H. DONNER	1	1/2	DR.J.PENROSE	0	1/2
2	LOD, PRINS	0	1	C. KOTTNAUER	1	0
3	K. LANGWEG	0	1	W.R. HARTSON	1	0
4	F.R.KUIPER	1	(1000	N. LITTLE WOOD	0	0
5	T.D.VAN SHELTINGA	1/2	1/2	M.J.HAYGARTH	1/2	1/2
6	PROF. J.E. BARENDRE	GT	<u>1</u> 1	O. HINDLE	1/2	0
7	H•Ree	1/2	1/2	R. D. KEUNE	1/2	1/2
8	H.J. BREDWOUT	0	1/2	A.S HOLLIS	1	1/2
9	JANSEN	1	0	M.J.BASMAN	0	ì
0	L. KERKHOFF	1/2	0	A.J. WHITELEY	1/2	1
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	Tota		6	Total	9	4

The match between the ladies saw Mvr.M.C.Vreeken-Bouman defeat Mrs.E.Pritchard by 2-0, after much skilful defence on the part of the Dutch player

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TO THOSE ABOUT TO TAKE UP CHESS: DONT

BY VIRGINIA IRONSIDE.

If ever a game needed a good public relations officer, it is chess. Chess is associated with furrowed brows, spectacles bald heads, old age and pipes. It could scarcely have a worse image.

The Hastings 42nd Annual International Chess Congress started this week; gloomy chess players sat in wicker-plastic chairs overlooking the grey rain swept front, brooding about their game.

"I am totally abscrbed by chess," said 19 year old William Hartston, who spends any free time studying maths at Cambridge "I dream about chess. I own ten chess sets. I spend most of my university holidays in chess tournaments. All my friends are interested in chess and I talk about it incessantly".

Raymond Keene, an 18 year old from Clapham, who is about to go to university to study French and German, is a member of three chess clubs and is carrying on a correspondence game with someone in Australia. He is entering the contest for the first time, and, with William, is one of the ten chess players under 20 taking part.

Both have little magnetic chess boards that they keep in their pockets to draw out at any spare moment for a quick browse, and both started young - William at seven and Raymond at six. ("My parents gave me the pieces just to keep me quiet".

GROUSE.

Their biggest grouse is the fact that chess in Britain isn't a subsidised competition.

"In Yugoslavia little boys want to grow up to be train drivers, film stars - and chess players. In Russia chess is like a science; they have computers working out all the moves. In America someone just won £7, 000 playing chess. It is like gclf there," said Raymond.

In Ingland chess players pay their own expenses, hotels, meals and all - and they look out on the rainy front at mastings. The image is bad. No glamour.

"Chess is just as exciting as football really" said Raymond "and chess players are certainly no less interesting than footballers. They certainly aren't all intellectuals. Most of them are morons. They just have a feel for it."

"I think that's why women don't play chess" said William,
"They're too sensible. I mean, you have to have a very
warped sense of humour to play chess seriously. When you
think about it, it's ridiculous."

Before anyone starts getting out their board, take a word of advice from Raymond. "If you are living a fairly successi'ul life and you don't know anything about chess, don't start"
he says, looking up from his miniature board. "It'll obsess
you, and you'll ruin yourself."

The above column is taken from the "Daily Mail".
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PETROSIAN VERSUS LARSEN.

Recently I read a very interesting article by grand-master Alexander Kotov who rates Bent Larsen, the Danish grandmaster, to be second best player (after Robert Fisher U. S.A.) among the Western challengers for the World chess crown.

I arsen has emerged victorious more than once in major tournaments, but has never succeeded in reaching the final stages in a world title event. Other grandmasters have repeatedly shown their excellent skill yet consistently failed to reach the top rung of the challengers ladder. I most sincerely hope that Larsen will not suffer such a fate,

He never misses a chance of declaring on the eve of any chess duel that he will emerge the winner, and warned Petrosian to prepare to meet him in the world title final in 1966, despite knowing that he would have to beat such as Ivkov, Tal and Spassky. on the way. (Spassky in fact was the final challenger).

This year especially has been a bumper year for Larson. He showed superb form in the Piatigorsky grandmasters tournament at Santa Monica, California, where he defeated the present world champion, Tigran Petrosian, in both their encounters.

Naturally Larsen's supporters (I am one of them), inspired by such form, eagerly awaited his next clash with Petrosian and his next major tournament - the 17th World Chess Team Tournament at Havana. In the final stages, Denmark met U.S.S.R with Larsen v Petrosian at Board One. This encounter between the two giants evoked great interest in chess circles. The opening adopted was the French Defence and Larsen had the White pieces. He tried to introduce a new variation into the opening but gained no advantage. After 5 moves, the experts consider that the position reached was equal:

	LARSEN	PETROSIAN
1	P - K4	Р - КЗ
2	N - KB3	P - Q4
3	N - B3	N - KB3
4	PXP	PXP
5	P - Q4	carry firms are areas

The world champion displayed his profound knowledge of chess secrets, which has enabled him to reach the summit and stay there, and Larsen was eventually forced to resign on move 49.

Nevertheless, the score still stands at 2-1 in Larsen's favour and I would like nothing better than to see Larson sitting opposite Petrosian in the world title match in the near future.

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UNIVERSITY CHESS. By Phillip Porter.

Most Universities in this country participate in chess activities of some sort. Most have teams in their local leagues, and the majority of these teams take part in inter-University

chess leagues.

These leagues cover a particular region of the country. I will take the Northern Universities League as an example. This league is comprised of nine teams: Birmingham, Bradford, Leeds, York, Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle and Nottingham. They play each other once a season either at home or away or at some intermediate venue. The final League positions depend on match points (2 for a win, 1 for a draw) In the season 1965-66 Leeds won this League.

The main Universities chess events each year is the British (& Irish) Universities Chess Congress, this season to be held at York during Easter vacation. First of all there is an individual event-Swiss System-this is followed by the Team event Jubilte pairing system. In this team event there is a preliminary round which consists of each player playing 2 games for his team. The preliminary round has 3 sections of equal importance to sort out the "sheep from the goats! The team then go to the Final round, again each player playing 2 games for his team. There are again 3 sections but this time of unequal importance, -final sections A, B, & C.

Section A ranks above section B which ranks above section C.Cambridge (I) won this event last year with W.Hartston on top board. There are many fine players in University Chess: - M.J.Basman and J.Russell from Leeds, P.N.Lee and A.Whiteley from O.Lford, W.Hartston from Cambridge, V.Lambshire

os Southampton and P. Jamieson of Glasgow.

The accompanying game is from Northern Universities League match.

P.PORTER- White. NEWCASTLE P.Townend -Black

Bradford.

CLIVE HENRY COOK.

It was with deep sorrow that I learned of the tragic death of Clice Cook in a road accident on 12th January 1967, returning from the Dudley "B" v Wolverhampton" a" league match. With him were his two brothers Nigel and Robin also badly injured.

He will be sadly missed by all his chess colleagues and other friends.

He started his league chess with tipton Alexandra and I had the pleasure of playing against him on many occasions. When Tipton Alexandra were in difficulties Clive tried his hardest to prevent the closure of the Club but in spite of all his efforts the Club eventually ceased to exist.

Some months later when visiting his home I persuaded him to join the Wolverhampton Chess Club and since then he has always been a most loyal and active member of the Club.

He was educated at Tettenhall College and Bangor University. He taught at Tipton Grammer School and was a lecturer at Wulfrun College Wolverhampton.

Finally on behalf of our readers I would like to extend to his family our sincere sympathy and regrets on their tragic bereavement

Leo Armstrong

By Harry Baines.

Following his success in finishing 3rd equal in the Hastings Premier, BOJAN KURAJICA, the 18 years old Yugo - slavian Junior World Champion pitted his strength against 30 of our local players at John Thompsons on Monday 9th January 1967. The individual results of our players were as follows:-

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edt 10 3	J.H.Baines Walsall Kipping	1/2
4	D. M. H. Evrington Shrew sbury	0
5	J.Fellows Wolverhampton	11,75
6	S.G.Johnson Walsall Kipping	0
adeque 7	E.W.Lees ""	1/2 \
8	J.H.Greenhalgh Wolv.Kipping	1
9	B.McDonough ""	0
10	M.Fleury " "	1/2
11	G.Stokes-Roberts J.Thompsons	0
12	C.Rix Bushbury	0
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13	J.V. Bargery	W-Ton Kipping	0
14	Mrs.J.Briscoe	J. Thompsons	0
15	A. I. Houston	W-ton Kipping	0
18	P.S.Walkins		i k.joynold
17	Mrs.M.Lloyd	Dudley	0
18	F.Lloyd	Dudley	0
19	G.Link	W-ton Kipping	0
20	D.G.Edwards	17 17	0
21	K. Francis	West Brom. Central	0
22	R. Rowe	Bushbury	0
23	J.Waters	West Brom Central	0
24	R.Jukes	sois " recognition bros	$\frac{1}{2}$
25	R.Jones	W-ton Kipping	19. E. O dere
26	C.Winmill	Rubery Owen	
27	R.F.Walker	W-ton Kipping	22 D.Devides
28	W.Clark	West Brom Central	It is comercial
29	Miss.M.Sedgley	Rubery Owen	0
30	L.Razalag	Cannock	d nellong ense ob e O had

Thus Kurajica wona 22, drew 5 and lost 3, giving him a score of over 80%. Noteworthy was the speed at which he moved as he completed 33 circuits in $3\frac{1}{4}$ hours play. Of particular interest was the fact that the o county players scored $4\frac{1}{2}$ points against the champion while the remaining 22 players could muster only 2 draws! It is hoped to give the scores of some of the more intersting games played in our next issue.

Venue: Kynoch Chess Club, Oscott Road, Perry Bar, Birmingham.

10th December 1966.

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22	D•Dav tes	92	R.F. Falker W-ts	122

It is rather difficult to give an accurate account for the loss of this match. I do not know if this is coincidence or a regular occurrance on the last ten boards. It seems that the same problem has troubled Staffs I. many times previously.

Matches could have been won easily but for the bottom boards always deciding the result in favour of the opposition. As is clearly shown in this match, Staffordshire only obtained $3\frac{1}{2}$ points on the last ten boards. The top ten boards had a very dissapointing day but managed to scrape an extra point making it $4\frac{1}{2}$ which is well below average.

The question I would like to ask is, has Saturday afternoon chess lost ots appeal, because the majority of good players seem to be absent?

HASTINGS INTERNATIONAL CHESS TOURNAMENT 1967

As anticipated M.Botvinnik won the Premier event with $6\frac{1}{2}$ points ahead of Uhlmann $5\frac{1}{2}$, followed by M.Basman, B.Kurajica and Balashov. with 5 points.

Undoubtedly the blunder of the century must be Botvinnik's miscalculation against Keene. This cost him the game and the only point he dropped. However, Botvinnik has commented since that he played badly and did not deserve first prize.

I feel that oury corger representatives Keene, Hartston and especially Basman proved worthy of future International tournaments providing they get financial support from somewhere.

Basman deserves special recognition because his game with Botvinnik lasted 9 hours - 3 adjournments. Basman undoubtedly had victory in his sight for many hours. On both the first and second adjournments it seemed he should win.

The ex - world champion had to use all his theoretical in knowledge in order to save the game, which he eventually succeeded and the game ended in a draw.

The game between Dr.J.Penrose and Botvinnik cannot be regarded as of special value both players permitting too many errors.

ROCK CUP. Round II Results.

R.J.S.Rowe	0	G.Lines 1
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L.G. Hesbrook	1	J.H.Charles O Def.
G.Elwell	Disq.	T.R.D. Groves Disg.
P.J. Hickman	1	P.N.Cook 0
M.Nicol	.1	L.G. Palethorre 0
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B. Nagle	0	N.V.Sims 1
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7.Lloyd, R. D. Nicholls, R. Jukes, C. Woodall, J. V. Bargery. BIDGOOD CUP.

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H. New	0	G. Mohr	1 -
R.E.F. Duncanson	0 Def	K. Francis	1
ars.J.Briscoe	0 Def	Mrs. M. LLoyd V	1
F.T. Burgess	O Def.	S. Simonovic	1
D.G.Edwards	0	J. Holboway	1
C.F.Bennett	0	K.Pittaway	1
D.Conway	Disq.	P.M.Greenland	Disg.
C.C. Winmill	0	G. Stokes-Roberts	1
J.Wyer	0	R. Maillin.	1
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L. Onions, J. Southall, S. S. Rait, R. Briscoe, Miss. M. Sedgley A. Moore.

ROCK CUP Round III.

F.Lloyd v G.Lines 2) R.D. Nicholls v J.D. Hughes.

3) L.G. Hesbrook Bye. 4) R. Jukes v P. J. Hickman 5) C. Woodall v L.Nicol.6) J.E. Jones v J.V. Bargery. 7) N.W. Sims v C. Chelvan 8) V.E. Cox or M.A. Stevenson v W.D. Clark.

B I D G O O D C U P Round II.

1) 1. Onions v L. Armstrong 2) G. Mohr v Mrs. M. Lloyd

3) J. Southall v K. Francis 4) S. Simonovic v J. Holloway

5) K.Pittaway v S.S.Rait 6) Miss M.Sedgley v G.Stokes-Roberts

7) R. h. ullin v A. Moore. R.Briscoe BYE

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Venue: Evode Ltd., Stafford. Saturday 7th January 1967.

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2	A.J.Sutton	1	C.J.Elkes	0
3	R.A. Beach	1	D. M. H. Evrington	0
4	Dr.V G. Jenson	0	F.J.O'Reilly	101
5	Dr.N.Young	1	A. Samwotth	0
6	G.Homer	0	0.Schalscha	1
7	E,N,Hawkins	1	Miss C. M. Murphy	0
8	A.Sadler	1	D.C. Mease	0
9	J.Fellows	1	D.R.G. Bass	0
10	R.V.H.Butters	1	J.JOnes	0
11	A.Schroeder	1	G.O. 'Reilly	6
12	J.H.Baines	101	Mrs.E. Ingram	$-\frac{1}{2}$
13	S.G. Johnson	1	A. H. Cammell	0
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15	R.J.Edwards	1	n.C. Dearlove	0
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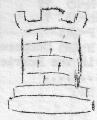
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Staffordshire had White on odd boards.

36 moves in $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours plus 6 per $\frac{1}{4}$ hours.







COINCIDENCE.

We have received a very interesting letter from

Mr.T.E.L. Chataway from Clent, who is no stranger to W-ton

chess players. He has always taken part in the annual

Stourbridge V Wolverhampton Chess Club matches, he also plays

for Birmingham Chess Club.

Mr. Chataway writes:-

The combination in the game between Msgr.Perrier and Wellmuth(in our December issue) occurred in one of my postal games this year. I take no credit for this as my opponent was a youg novice and made several errors in reached the opening, and at move 9 we had a position similar in all essentials, but with colours reversed, and I had managed to cast. Here is the score - only 14 moves.

	White	- Pryor	Black - Chataway
1.	P-K4	P-K4	11 K-K2 B-N5 ch
2	N-KB3	N-QB3	12 K-Q3 N-K4 ch
3	P-04	PXP	13 KXN P-B4 ch
4	NXP	N-KB3	14 K-Q5 QRXB
5	B-KB4	? B-QB4	The combination is identical
6	N-N5	?? P-Q3	with Msgr.Perrier
7	KN-B3	? 0-0	15 Resigns.
8	P-QR3	R-Kl	White cannot play K-K6;
9	B-KN5	Compere this p	osition And is threatened
	in the	e Perrier-Wellm	
9.		NXP	
10	BXQ	BXP ch	Notes by : T.E.L.CHATAWAY.

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Round I. South Section.

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L.G. HESBROOK	V	G.LINES
D. W. ANLERTON	V	B. SANDERS
D. J. WWDMAN	V	J.D. HUGHES
M. A. STEVENSON	V	J.E.JONES
W.P. TAYLOR	V	G. HOMER
N.W.SIMS	V	G. STOKES - ROBERTS
J.H.BAINES	V	T.J. HOLLINGTON
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Preliminary Round

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WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT SCHOOLS CHESS LEAGUE.

We have just received the completed list of Schools taking part in this year's League :-

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Bushbury Hill Sec.
Woodfield Primary
Tipton Grammer School
Wednesfield Grammer School

Under 15 Walsall

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STAFFORDSHIRE CHESS CONGRESS 1967.

We shall publish all details relating to the above Conress in our next months issue.

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GAMES SECTION.

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	English Opening.	

1.	P-QB4	P-K4		P-R5	В-К3
2	N-QB3	P-Q3	17	P-R6e).	B-KBl
3	N-B3	N-QB3	18	B-Q2	ର୍-02
4	P-K3	P-KB4	19	P-R4 2)	P-R4
5	P-Q4	P-K5	20	R-QB1	QKB2
6	KN-Nl a)	NB3	21	B-B2 gu)	N-B5
7	P-B4 b)	P-Kn3	22	Q-K2	N-N9 h
8	N-R3	BN2	23	BXP !i	PXB
9	N-B2	N-K2	24		NXNP
10	B-K2	P-B3	25	N-B6 ch	K - Q1
11	P-KW+	P- Q4 -	26	P-K4	B-B5
12	P-N5	N-Q2	27	Q-N4.	N(2)-Q6 ch
13	P-KR4 c)	PXP d)	28	NXN	NXN ch
14	BXP	N-N3	29	K-K2 j)	N-K4 Dis.Ch
15	B-N3	N(S)-04	30	Resigns.	

- a) The usual move is 6.N-Q2.The text is rather slow.
- b) This move initiates a plan which has no strtegical merit and in the result is of no tactical value.
- c)
 13 P-B5 is bad on account of 13... P-QN3 and if 14.P-QN4
 P-QR4 leads to the opening up of the game on the Queen
 side in circumstances favourable to Black.
 - d) Now Black secures an impregnable central post for his pieces on Q4
- e) If White had opened the file ultimate control of it would soon have to be ended to Black, The complete blocking of the Kingside however seems unnecessary as Black can now devote his individed attention to the Queenside where he already holds a slight advantage.
- f) Creating a weakness on his QN4. White's Queenside is now riddled with outposts for the Black Knights.
- Black was threatening 21..NXRP. It would probably have been better however to exchange some material on Blacks Q4 to try and ease the pressure.

ROCK CUP. ROUSED II.

	.D. HUGHES- WH		The second second	CLER- BLACE	
	Wolverhampton			on Kipping (
1	N-KB3	P-QN3	24	P-35	P-KN3
2	P-K4	B-N2	25	PMMP ch	PXP
3	N-QB3	P-K3	26	B-834	QR-KBl
4	P-Q4	N-KB3	27	3-26	RXR ch
5	P-K5	N-NI	28	RIR	N-B4
6	P-QR3 a)	P-Q4	29	P-104	NXB
7	B-KB4	F-QB4	30	QEES	N-K2
8	B-N5 ch	QN-B3	31	Q-Q2	B-B3
9	QN-K2	KN-K2	32	3-32	K-B2
10	P-QB3	P-QR3	33	R-36 b)	B-Q2
11	B-Q3	Q-B2	34	N-34	R-QR1
12	QR-B1	P-B5	35	16-1633	B-N7
13	B-QN1	P-Q14	36	N-K05	R-R8 ch
14	0-0	P-QR4	37	E-12	в-в8
15	Q-Q2	N-KN3		M(N5) IP ch	BXN
16	B-N3	B-K2	39	303 ch	K-Bl
17	QR-Kl	P-N5	40	Q-332	Q-N7
18	RPXP	PXP	41	R-38 ch	K-Q2
19	P-KR3	Q-N3	42	R-Q8 ch (
20	N-KR2	K-Q2	43	R-Q6 ch	K-N2
21	P-KB4	PXP	44	N-085 ch	K-N1
22	PXP	B-R6	45	Q-38 ch	N-B1
23	K-R1	KN-K2	46	R-115 ch	Resigns (e)
-				-	TopTem (c)

- a) From now on White's strategy consists of increasing his slight advantage in space and further restricting Black pieces.
- b) This begins a cohcentrated attack on the backward King ?
- c) 42. B-R4 ch would also have won.
- d) And not 42.....KXN because of 45, 9-36 mate.
 e) For if 46.... QXR. 47.N-7 ch forks King and Queen .

Notes by J. D. Hughes.

WOLVERHAMPTON & DISTRICT CHESS LEAGUE.

DIVISIONI.

H. NEW. White STEWARTS& LLOYDS	BOARD 1	J.H.BAINES Black WALSALL KIPPING "A"
1. P-Q4 2 P-QB4 3 N-QB3 4 P-K3 5 PXP 6 NXN 7 B-Q2 8 N-B3 9 B-K2 10 0-0 11 P-QR3 12 R-B1 13 Q-K1 14 P-R3 b) 15 B-N4	P-Q4 P-QB3 N-B3 B-B4 NXP QXN P-K3 N-Q2 N-B3 B-K2 O-O B-K5 a) B-Q3 B-B2 KR-KL	16 R-B5 Q-Q1 17 Q-B1 N-Q4 18 B-Q2 g) Q-Q3 19 P-KN3 P-KR4 20 N-K5 P-B3 21 N-B3 d) P-KN4 22 K-N2 ?? P-R5 e) 23 Q-K1 f) P-B4 24 R-N1 G- P-N5 25 NPXP Q-R7 ch 26 K-B1 QXRP ch 27 R-N2 K-R1 28 K-N1 PXN 29 R-N3 BXR 30 Resigns.

- a) So that B-B4 can be met by BXN
- b) If 14.B-B4 then Q-R4 wins.
- c) Whites last four moves has cost him valuable time.
- d) Probably best is 21.N-Q3 although Black still has an overwhelming game.If 21.N-B4,Q-Q2 and White cannot play BXP because of P-QN3.
- e) P-N5 wins a piece. However Black with nine moved to make in two minutes automatically played the text before realising Whites blunder.
- f) If PXP then Q-R7 mate
- g) Relatively best was K-R2 although Blacks attack still wins.

- 29- Notes by : J.H. Baines.

BIRMONGHAM LEAGUE . DIVISION I. DR. V. G. JENSON T.R.D.GROVE - WHITE Opening - Irregular W-TON KIPPING DUDLEY. 16. P-KN3 P-KIV4 N-QB3 P-K4 KPXP) f) PXB P-KB4 a) 17 2 N-KB3 18 B-Q2 N-K4 PXP 3 N-B3 K-N2 19 B-N4 ch P-Q4 N-KN5 P-N5 20 Q-K2 P-Q3 ! b) P-K6 в-к8 N-B6 ch 6 21 P-K4 PXP K-Q1 B-K3 ? g) 22 P-Q5 P-K4 23 B-R4 QXP 8 N-B3 N-Q5 24 NXQ 9 QXQ NXN ch 6XII K-K2 P-N3 ? h) 25 10 P-QR3 B-K2 26 B-36 R-KN1 0-0 c) 11 B-K2 R-B1 d) 27 B-Q2 R-KB1 12 Q-R3 28 N-B6 P-B3 RXR ch KXR 13 NXP ch 29 PXP ? 14 B-R5 BXN 15 Q-B3 ch B-B5 e) 30 Resigns

The only playable alternative to P-K4 which transposes into irregular lines.

- b) A very strong move. If Black replies PXP, BXP wins the KR Pawn in all variations.
- c) Otherwise White will control his KB7 with R-B1 and B-R5
- d) White chooses to attack instead of proceeding solidly with N-B3 followed by 0-0.
- e) Black also plays for the win instead of accepting the draw by perpetual check 15... K-K2.16.Q-B7ch,K-Q3 \ 17. Q-Q5 ch etc.
- f) Freeing a wonderful square for the Knight, and securing a won endgame.
- g) Black misses the best lines as the time control approaches 22... P-B3 wins the Bishop.
- h) Gives the White Bishiop too much play.N-B6 was better 30 Notes by Dr.V.G.Jenson

	1		RHAMPTON KIPPING		V JOHN THOMPS	
J.	BARGERY	- WI	HITE	J.	S. HATTON -BLA	ion
			BOARD 3.			
1.	P-24		P-Q4	18	RXR	R-Q1
2	P-QB4		PXP	19	RXR ch	BXR
3	N-QB3	a)	P-K4	20	B-Q6	B-B3 !
4	N-B3	b)	PXP	21	N-Q2	P-QN4 e)
5	NXP		P-QB4	22	BXP	BXP
6	N-B3		QXQ ch	23	N-N1	P-B6 !
7	NXQ		N-KB3	24	K-Q3 f)	P-N5
8	N-B3		B-B4 c)	25	P-B4	P-B4
9	B-B4		P-QR3	26	K-B2	P-QR4
10	P-K3		B-Q6	27	P-QR3	P-N3
11		d)	BXB	28	P-KR3	K-B2
	R-Q1 RXB	uj	N-B3	29	P-QR4	K-K3
12			B-K2	30	K-N3	K-Q4
13	K-K2		0-0	31	B-B8	K-K5
14	R-Q2			32	B-B5 g)	K-Q6
15	KR-Q1		KR-Ql	33	Resigns.	
16	N-Q5		NXN))	WonTSun.	
17	RXN		RXR			

- a) This is inacurate.N-KB3 was essential to prevent 3... P-K4
- b) If 4 PXP then QXQ ch 5.NXQ, B-N5 ch etc. with a good game for Black.
- c) To prevent White from playing P-K4 also prepearing to answer P-K3 with...B-Q6
- d) After this move White has difficulty in regaining his Pawn Better was 11 N-K5 when there could follow ll...BXB. 12. K or R X B,B-Q3. 13.NXQBP,BXB 14. PXB,N-B3.
- e) Obviously if 21 ...BXP then White plays 22.NXP followed by 23 BXP recovering his pawn with good position.
- f) Otherwise P-B7 wins immediately.
- g) If 32 K-B2 then 32... KXP and followed by N-Q5 ch is decisive.

ITALIAN MASTER TOURNAMENT. JUNE 1966 :

J.A.L.WREI BIRMING		Vujovic- Black YUGOSLAVIA.			
1. P-Q4 2 P-QB4 3 N-QB3 4 P-K4 5 B-K2 6 P-B4 7 P-Q5 8 N-KB3 9 KPXP 10 0-0 11 P-QR4 12 B-Q3 13 P-B5: 14 RPXP 15 RXR 16 KBPXP 17 PXP 18 P-N6 19 P-R3 20 N-KN5 21 N-K6 22 PXB 23 B-QB4 24 P-K7 25 B-KN5 d) 26 BXN 27 RXB 28 Q-Q6: 29 QXQ ch 30 R-B4 31 RX P 32 N-R4 33 NXP 34 RXN 35 R-KB4 36 R-B2 37 K-B1 38 R-K2	N-KB3 P-KN3 B-N2 P-Q3 O-O P-B4 P-K3 PXP N-R3 N-B2 P-QR3 B-Q2 P-QN4 RPXP QXR BPXP O-N5 N-N5 C N-QR3 N-B3 Q-N2 BXN P-Q4 R-K1 PXB BXB QXKP K-N2 RXQ R*N2 RXP K-N2 RXQ R*N2 RXP R-R3 R-B3 RXN R-B5 R-K5 R-Q5	- 32 -	39 40 41 42 44 45 46 47 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 57 57 57 57 77 77 77 77 77 77 77	R-KB2 R-K2 K-K1 R-Q2 R-K2 R-Q2 R-K2 R-Q2 K-B2 P-QN3 R-QN2 K-K3 K-Q3 R-B2 ch: K-B3 R-Q2 R-Q3 K-Q4: R-N3 K-K5 P-R4 R-Q5 ch RXP P-N4 K-B4 R-KN5 K-B3 P-N5 ch P-R5 K-B3 P-N5 ch P-R5 K-B3 K-K4 R-K95 R-R5 K-B3 K-K4 R-K95 R-R5 K-B3 K-K4 R-K95 R-R5 K-B3 R-R5 K-B3 K-K4 K-B5 K-N6 R-K5 ch R-K5 ch R-K85	R-K5 R-Q5 K-B3 R-Q5 R-Q5 R-Q5 R-K5 ch P-KR4 e)R-QN5 K-K4 K-P4 K-P4 K-N4 R-K5 R-K4 R-K5 R-K8 R-K8 R-N5 R-B6 R-B6 RXP R-N6 P-N6 P-N7 K-B3 R-R6 R-R2 R-R2 R-R2 K-B2 K-B2 K-B1 Resigns.

- a) Needing a win in this round to stay with the leaders I have opted for the agressive and in my opinion underrrated, four Pawns attack against the K Indian. Black has a variety of moves at this stage instead of the text viz: R-Kl, B-B4, P-QR3, N-KR4 or Tal's wild idea P-QN4!
- b) My opponentis a most dynamic player (as most Yugoslavs are !) so he chooses the riskier way to recapture "Capture towards the centre" is a pretty reliable rule so I prefer RPXP here.
- c) Black cannot recapture on Q5, because of B-QB4 pinning.
- d) I considered several sacrifices at this stage of the game based on R X N(For example on this move but simply P X B is adwquate for Black) but could find nothing. Can fou? I decided instead to transpose into a superior ending.
- e) Time trouble explains why the last 13 moves have not been very productive. White, however, is in no hurry and adjournment analysis soon finds the right plan.
- f) White is slowly evolving his winning plan, his extra pawm on the Queen's side having now forced Black to tie his King to the Queen's side and Rook to the weakened King's side.
 - g) The rest is easy.
 - h) The careless 77.P-R7,R-B3 ch. 78 K X R Stalemate would spoil hours of hard work.

Notes by : J.A. Lawrence.

INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT AT ROVIGO, ITALY.

This tournament consisted of sixteen Masters and Grand-Masters, and was played 9 rounds Swiss System. The winner was Grandmaster Damjanovic (Yugoslavia) with 7 pts. followed by Pomar & Ostojic. with 6.

The Birmingham player J.A.Lawrence (KYNOCH) only lost one game -to the winner Damjanovis in the final round. This was a commendable performance on J.A.Lawrence's part, especially when one considers it was his first venture in the international field.

The Editor.

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LEAGUE TABLES.

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		P	W	L	D	£,	Pts
1.	Wolverhampton Kipping""	7	6	M's	1	ju-	13
	Walsall Kipping "A"	7	6	1	_	-	12
3.	Stafford Chess Council	6	5	9 - 9	1	-	11
4.	Wolverhampton """	6		.1		1	10
5.	Stewarts & Lloyds "A"	7	2	3	1	1	5
6.	Wolterhampton Kipping "B"	6	1	2		1	4
7.	Dudley """	7	1	3	2	1	4
8.	Bushbury ""	6	1	4	1	-	3
9.	John Thompsons ""	6	1	4	1	-	3
10.	Dudley "B"	6	1	5	-	-	2
11.	Wolverhampton "B"	6	-	5	-	1	0

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Division II

L.	Bushbury "B"	5	4	1	-		8
2.	West Bromwich Central	5	4	1	-	-	8
3.	Stewarts & Lloyds "B"	2:	1	2	1	-	3
4.	Wolverhampton Kipping "C"	4	-	2	2	-	2
5.	John Thomosons "B"	4.	-	3	7		7

Division III

1.	Walsall Kipping "B"	4	4	-		-10	8
2.	Rubery Owen	4	3	1	1-0	- 10	6
3.	Bradley & Foster	5	1	3	1	-130	3
4.	John Thompsons "C"	- 5	1	3	1	1-184	3
5.	West Bromwich Central "B"	4	-	3	1	-300	1

h) Playable was 22..NXNP for if 23. R-QN1 N-BB and the Knight cannot be captured by 24 QXN because of 24..NXKP winning the piece back with a material advantage of two pawns.

The text however seemed stronger because Black now threatens 23..NXNP followed by 24..B-B5 winning the White Queen.

A desperation sacrifice which only hastens defeat.
 Losing the Queen but 29k+Ql allows a family fork on KB7.

Notes by: David Anderton.

Robert Fischer

Grandmaster Bobby Fischer, Champion of the U.S.A has issued a challenge to grandmaster Leonid Stein, present U.S.S.R. Champion, to a match, the winner to be the first to reach ten points, draws not counting. Grandmaster Stein has accepted and the match is scheduled to take place in Havana in early 1967.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ.

- a) Grandmaster Reshevsky. b) Miss Vera Menchik (Mrs. Stevenson)
- c) Weaver Adams d) Janowski. e) 1934 f) To overcome the advantage of the Two Square" first move of the pawn