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TWENTIETH ANNUAL STATE TOURNAMENT

Forty-three players, a record number, took part in the annual state tournament, held at Morgantown on Labor Day weekend.

In the Championship event, Dr. S. Werthammer of Huntington won by a score of 5-1, losing only to John Hurt of Charleston in a brilliantly played game. (The doctor was co-champion with Donald Burdick last year, and held at least a share of the title on ten other occasions.) Hurt and Edward M. Foy, also of Charleston, shared second place with a score of $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$. Tom Bergquist of Huntington (score 4-2) "ran interference"--so to speak--for Dr. Werthammer, drawing with Hurt and Foy and beating Morgan, those three being the doctor's closest rivals. Charles Morgan of Philippi and Joseph Viggiano, a promising newcomer from Lumberport, were also in the 4-2 bracket. There were 18 entries representing 10 cities.

In the Open, with 11 players taking part, Don McKee of Wheeling went undefeated but drew with Robert O'Dell of Beckley. Runner-up was Otto Zwicker, also of Wheeling, with $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$.

Harry McKinney, 16, of South Charleston, and Paul Styles, Jr., 14, of Morgantown, were declared Junior Co-Champions after tying for first with $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$. Ten-year-old Neil Cohen of Morgantown was next with 4-2 in a field of 14 players.

The WVU club, as host, spared neither trouble nor expense in making this the finest tournament in our 20-year history, as well as the largest. Dr. V. J. Lemke, the club's faculty sponsor, proved an ideal choice in his first assignment as tournament director. Cletis Pride, in charge of publicity, and the officers of the club--Phil Gallo, Richard Lee, and David Brown--also deserve much credit for putting the show over. Everyone was not only grateful, but more than a little astonished at the size of the field and the quality of the playing facilities. We salute the University Club and offer here part of Lee's letter--written at the editor's request--telling how they did it.

SPADEWORK

Lee writes: "Last spring when we first learned that the '58 meeting would be held here, we started to compile a list of players from the northern part of the state. We did this by simply asking all of the players we know to give us the names of all the players they could think of. Each new player seemed always able to give the name of another, and so on. After a few months of this we had a long list--about 175 or so. The task was then to contact all players near tournament time and give them the information and an invitation. We mailed about 80 letters and made a great many phone calls and personal visits. It was really a lot of fun and we were well satisfied with the results; but we still believe our club, or any club, could do it better next time."

The University Club, which had promised at least 20 players from the northern part of the state, "delivered" 25, or 1 in 7 of 175.

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BUSINESS MEETING: And tournament notes.

New officers elected were Edward M. Foy of Charleston, President, and Phillip Gallo of Morgantown. Morgan was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer.

The retiring president, Dr. V. S. Hayward of Huntington, was unable to attend, but sent a gavel as a parting gift to the Association. He regretted missing the tournament the more keenly, as it was to have been his last meeting with the members. When he retires, he and Mrs. Hayward will return to New York to make their home. Our new president expressed the feelings of all ~~who know him~~ in a note: "You were missed at the tournament. It just did not seem official with you absent."

A move for a rapid-transit tournament died a-borning, as it was decided to play 6 rounds instead of 5 rounds plus a speed tourney. However, several members tried a game with Sayre's 10-second clock and seemed to like it.

The rate of play chosen was 50 moves in 2 hours, with compulsory adjudication after 4 hours in rounds not ending a day. As was the case the last time this rate was used--1953--there were few, if any, adjudications or time forfeits. It will be recalled there were usually half-a-dozen or so of each when the 40-move rate was employed. Hurt, formerly in favor of the slower rate, played one of his finest games. Mr. Neel, still in favor of it, nevertheless made his highest score yet. There seems to be a certain trick of the mind which makes us honestly think we need more time--more than 3 minutes per move--when what we really need is less. The four-hour limit, another fine feature, gave us worlds of time between rounds--no rushing out for a sandwich. This innovation--for us--will doubtless be retained.

About two-thirds of the players in the Championship were in favor of having it rated, which would have required them all to be USCF members. But the other third did not wish to join. So--no ratings.

One of the most welcome sights of the tournament was the entrance of a young man carrying a tray containing 14 chess clocks, lent by the DuPont Club. They deserve the sincere thanks of the Association.

For the first time in its long history, and in spite of Dr. Lemke's best efforts, the Junior event was noisy. Fortunately, the hosts had provided a separate room for the senior event. (At the Tri-State the rule was, if you want conversation, step outside and help yourself. Koltanowski just wailed at the door. Very effective.) But there should have been an assistant director, too, considering the long hours.

Dr. Lemke writes: "Neil Cohen, who finished in third place in the junior division, was the youngest player in the tournament. A precocious ten-year-old, he learned the game from books and has been playing for a year and a half."

AT THE AWARDS

When Dr. Werthammer accepted his prize, a chess clock, he said he already had one, but thought somebody in his family could use the new one. His son Joe's face said, "Oh---Boy."

Don McKee of Wheeling, winner of the Open, pretended blissful ignorance that everyone was impatient to start home. Dialogue:

Chairman Foy: And now, Don McKee, winner of the Open. Here is your prize, Don. (Applause)

McKee: (Coming forward wistfully, notebook in hand) I--I wrote a speech if you'd like to hear it. (Turning away with prize, a bit crestfallen) Oh, you don't--want--to hear it.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL TRI-STATE--To be rated.

The Tri-State is a tournament that circumambulates. It rotates--counterclockwise, as it were--from West Virginia to Pennsylvania to Ohio, and is held on the weekend nearest Nov. 11. This year the Tri-State Championship (closed) and the Ohio Valley Open will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 8 and 9, at the Downtown YMCA in Pittsburgh. The Tri-State Championship is open to the 2 highest ranking players from the three states named, as decided by their respective state tournaments. It will be a round robin of 5 rounds. A similar Junior Tri-State may be held. The Ohio Valley Open will be a 5 round Swiss open to all. Both events will be 100% USCF rated. For the first time it will be necessary that all players be USCF members. So bring your sets, clocks--if any--and USCF membership cards, or be prepared to join before playing. USCF dues are \$5. There is no entry fee for the Championship or Junior tourneys. The entry fee for the Open is \$3. Registration deadline will be 10 A. M. Nov. 8 at the "Y". Rooms may be reserved at the "Y", or at the Hotel Sherwyn across the street. Come and meet your neighbors.

HUNTINGTON

The 1958 Huntington Open was held Aug. 15-16 as a 4-round Swiss with 12 players. Rudd T. Neel won with a score of $3\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$, beating Tom Bergquist and Jim Ballard but yielding a draw to Paul Sayre. Dr. A. J. Darbes was second with 3-1, beating Bergquist and Sayre but losing to Charles Boggs. Fred Smith, 3-1, won a prize for being the highest scoring student. Besides the players named, Dr. Hayward, Joe Werthammer, Rosemary Moeser, Charles Edwards, and Fred George took part.

Sayre directed and Darbes handled publicity.

CLARKSBURG--New pin in the map.

The Clarksburg Chapter, Order of DeMolay, 1958 Chess Tournament was won by Linden Perkins. In second place was Dave Stalnaker. There were 11 others, and Bill Bever directed.

MORGANTOWN

If your club would like to play the WVU club a team match, write Richard Lee, P. O. Box 971, Morgantown, W. Va., giving the times and dates that would be best for you.

FAIRMONT

The last issue raised questions which William S. Schmidt (address, 8 Sunset Drive, Fairmont, W. Va.) was interested enough to ask: Who publishes Chess Life, where, and how much is subscription?

The U. S. Chess Federation, Fred Wren, Editor, Perry, Maine. \$3 a year, or "free" with \$5 Federation dues--that is, the subscription is part of the dues.

Who runs the USCF?

It runs itself. Jerry Spann is President, Kenneth Harkness is Business Manager. Latter's address: 80 E. 11th St., New York 3, N. Y. There is also an active Board of Directors, and there are several committees with special tasks. They want more and better chess players and chess activities, a better representation for our country in international events, better public appreciation for the values in our game, and so forth.

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In the following tables, tied players are listed alphabetically.
 WEST VIRGINIA CHAMPIONSHIP - MORGANTOWN - 1958

	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1 Dr. S. Werthammer, Huntington	W2	W15	L3	W13	W4	W5	5-1
2 Edward M. Foy, Charleston	L1	W11	W6	W9	W7	D4	4-1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$
3 John F. Hurt, Jr., Charleston	W8	W6	W1	D4	L5	W11	4-1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$
4 Thomas O. Bergquist, Huntington	W17	W5	W9	D3	L1	D2	4-2
5 Charles T. Morgan, Philippi	W12	L4	W10	W7	W3	L1	4-2
6 Joseph Viggiano, Lumberport	W18	L3	L2	W16	W10	W8	4-2
7 Mike Wren, St. Albans	D10	W18	W14	L5	L2	W15	3-2-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
8 Phillip A. Gallo, Morgantown	L3	D10	D16	W17	W13	L6	3-3
9 Richard Lee, Morgantown	W16	W13	L4	L2	L11	W17	3-3
10 Rudd T. Neel, Huntington	D7	D8	L5	W14	L6	W16	3-3
11 Paul A. Sayre, Huntington	L13	L2	W18	W15	W9	L3	3-3
12 Harold E. Graham, Charleston	L5	L14	L17	W18	D16	Bye	2-1-3 $\frac{1}{2}$
13 Charles L. Ritter, Wheeling	W11	L9	W15	L1	L8	D14	2-1-3 $\frac{1}{2}$
14 James Rockwell, Depew, N. Y.	L15	W12	L7	L10	W18	D13	2-1-3 $\frac{1}{2}$
15 Charles L. Bishop, Wheeling	W14	L1	L13	L11	W17	L7	2-4
16 Allen Gilliland, St. Albans	L9	D17	D8	L6	D12	L10	1-4-4 $\frac{1}{2}$
17 Cletis Pride, Morgantown	L4	D16	W12	L8	L15	L9	1-4-4 $\frac{1}{2}$
18 Richard Fleming, Bridgeport	L6	L7	L11	L12	L14	-	0-5

WEST VIRGINIA OPEN

	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1 Don McKee, Wheeling	W11	W5	W2	W4	D6	W7	5-1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$
2 Otto Zwicker, Wheeling	D3	W10	L1	W7	W4	W6	4-1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$
3 Donald Brown, Washington, Pa.	D2	L4	W10	W8	L5	W9	3-1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
4 James A. Haught, Charleston	W9	W3	W6	L1	L2	D5	3-1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
5 Wm. R. Maxey, Morgantown	W10	L1	W8	L6	W3	D4	3-1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
6 Robert L. O'Dell, Beckley	W8	W7	L4	W5	D1	L2	3-1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
7 Robert Flowers, Morgantown	Bye	L6	W9*	L2	W10	L1	3-3
8 Ralph Rush, Washington, Pa.	L6	W11	L5	L3	D9	Bye	2-1-3 $\frac{1}{2}$
9 Stephen Maxey, Morgantown	L4	Bye	L7*	L10*	D8	L3	1-4-4 $\frac{1}{2}$
10 James M. McCartney, Bridgeport	L5	L2	L3	W9*	L7	-	1-4
11 Lloyd L. Rush, Columbus, O.	L1	L8	Bye	-	-	-	1-2

W. Va. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1 Harry McKinney, S. Charleston	W9	L7	W10	W3	W6	D2	4-1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$
2 Paul Styles, Jr., Morgantown	W8	W13	L7	W5	W4	D1	4-1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$
3 Neil Cohen, Morgantown	W4	L6	W8	L1	W9	W5	4-2
4 Charles Boggs, Huntington	L3	D8	W11	W9	L2	W10	3-1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
5 David Garlow, Morgantown	W13	W10	D6	L2	W7	L3	3-1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
6 Richard Petso, Morgantown	W12	W3	D5	W7	L1	L8	3-1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
7 Jimmie Pride, Fairmont	W14	W1	W2	L6	L5	D11	3-1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
8 Allen Veasey, Morgantown	L2	D4	L3	W10	W11	W6	3-1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$
9 David W. R. Brown, Morgantown	L1	W11	W12	L4	L3	Bye	3-3
10 Kenneth Ashcraft, Morgantown	W11	L5	L1	L8	Bye	L4	2-4
11 Joe Werthammer, Huntington	L10	L9	L3	Bye	L8	D7	1-4-4 $\frac{1}{2}$
12 Don Harrold, Clarksburg	L6	W14	L9	-	-	-	1-2
13 Richard Swanson, Morgantown	L5	L2	-	-	-	-	0-2
14 Stephen Zinn, Clarksburg	L7	L12	-	-	-	-	0-2

* - Forfeit.

WVCA FINANCIAL STATEMENT, FISCAL YEAR 1957-8

Cash on Hand 9/1/57		\$ 15.58
Receipts		
Entry Fees		
Championship - 10 @ \$5.00	\$ 50.00	
Open - 6 @ \$3.00	<u>18.00</u>	
		\$ 68.00
Dues - 12 @ \$2.00		<u>24.00</u>
Total Receipts		<u>92.00</u>
Total Cash Available		\$107.58
Disbursements		
Prizes, 1957 Congress	\$ 21.33	
USCF Rating Fees	4.00	
Bulletins 1957-8	57.82	
Postage and Expenses	<u>10.03</u>	
Total Disbursements		\$ 93.18
Cash on Hand 8/29/58		<u>\$ 14.40</u>

No report is given on the 1957 Tri-State Congress since it was underwritten by various players independent of the Association.

GAMES - W. Va. Championship, 1958

Due to lack of time, these games are sparsely annotated. Some of them could be cut, but perhaps our younger players would like to see how to win a won game.

One of those cycles of wins and losses happened in the Championship--Hurt beat Dr. Werthammer, who beat Bergquist, who beat Morgan, who beat Hurt. The first was the most admired of the tournament.

J. Hurt vs. Dr. S. Werthammer In effect saving a gambit pawn. P-N5 may be better. 21 B-B5ch,K-K;22 Q-K6ch, K-Q;23 B-N6,Resigns.

DANISH GAMBIT

1 P-K4, P-K4;2 P-Q4,PxP;/ 13 R-Q,Q-B2;14 NxBP
3 P-QB3,PxP;4NxP,P-Q3; If QxN,15 R-Q8ch.
5 Q-N3,N-QB3;6 N-B3, 14.., B-KN5;15 NxR,BxR;
N-B3;7 B-QB4,Q-Q2 16 QxB,B-N5;17 O-O,BxN;
18 PxB

A surprisingly quick finish. This game is worth a little extra study by the serious player.

Or perhaps N-QR4.

Dr. S. Werthammer
vs. T. Bergquist

8 N-KN5,N-K4

Black now decides he doesn't have time to take either P, so--

CARO-KANN DEFENSE

Better N-Q(Alekhine).

18..,K-K2;19 RxN!

9 B-N5,P-B3;10 P-B4,
PxP; 11 PxN,PxP;12 B-K3,

Preparing White's next.

Plus for White-MCO.
Hence Black should supposedly vary sooner.

19..,PxR;20 Q-Q5!RxN

Otherwise the N escapes. But...

1-P-K4,P-QB3;2 P-Q4,
P-Q4; 3 P-K5,B-B4;
4 P-KN4,B-N3;5 P-KR4,
P-KR3;6 P-R5,B-R2;
7 N-KR3,P-B3;8 B-Q3,
PxP;9 PxP,P-K3;
10 BxB,RxB;11 Q-Q3,
R-R;12 Q-N6ch,K-Q2;
13 N-B4,Q-K2;14 N-B3,
N-R3;15 B-K3,P-N3;

12..,P-QR3

16 O-O-O, N-B2; 17 Q-Q3,
P-KN4; 18 N-N6, Q-K;
19 NxR, N-K2; 20 Q-R7,
B-N2; 21 QxB, QxN;
22 QxQ, RxQ; 23 N-K4,
N-K; 24 P-KB4, K-B2;
25. N-B6, PxF; 26 BxF,
N-N2, 27 QR-N, Resigns.

T. Bergquist vs.
C. T. Morgan

QUEEN'S GAMBIT ACCEPTED

1 P-Q4, P-Q4; 2 P-QB4,
PxF; 3 P-K4, P-QB4; 4
P-Q5, N-KB3; 5 N-QB3,
P-K3; 6 BxF, PxF; 7 PxF,
B-Q3; 8 N-B3, O-O; 9 O-O,
B-N5; 10 B-KN5, P-KR3;
11 B-R4, R-K; 12 Q-Q3,
P-KN4; 13 B-KN3, P-R3;
14 P-QR4, BxB; 15 BPxB,
QN-Q2; 16 P-KR3, B-R4;
17 P-Q6, B-N3; 18 QxBch,
Resigns.

J. Hurt vs.
C. T. Morgan

FRENCH DEFENSE

1 P-K4, P-K3; 2 P-Q4,
P-Q4; 3 N-Q2, PxF; 4 NxF,
QN-Q2; 5 B-Q3, KN-B3;
6 KN-B3, NxN; 7 BxN, N-B3;
8 B-Q3, B-K2; 9 P-B3, P-B4;
10 PxF, BxF; 11 B-N5, O-O;
12 Q-B2, P-KR3; 13 B-R4,
B-K2; 14 O-O-O, Q-R4;
15 K-N, R-Q; 16 KR-K; 17 Q2;
17 N-K5, B-R5; 18 P-QN3,
B-K; 19 N-B4, Q-B2;
20 B-N3, Q-B; 21 K-N2,
P-QN4; 22 N-K5, P-QR4;
23 B-KB4, N-Q4; 24 B-Q2,
B-KB3; 25 P-KB4, P-R5;
26 B-K4, Q-R3; 27 PxF, PxF;
28 R-R, QR-B; 29 R-QB,

B-QN4; 30 B-Q3, BxB;
31 NxR, NxQB; 32 N-K5,
N-K7; 33 QxR, RxQ;
34 RxRch, QxR; 35 RxN,
Q-B7; 36 R-B2, P-R6;
37 B-K3, Q-Q8ch;
38 B-B, QxB mate.

T. Bergquist vs.
Edward M. Foy

QUEEN'S INDIAN DEFENSE

1 P-Q4, N-KB3; 2 P-QB4;
P-K3; 3 N-KB3, P-QN3; /71 R-N7ch, K-R; 72 RxPch, K-N;
4 B-N5, B-N2; 5 P-K3, B-K2;
6 P-KN3, O-O; 7 B-N2, P-KR3
8 BxN, BxB; 9 O-O, P-B4;
10 N-B3, P-Q3; 11 Q-Q2,
N-Q2; 12 QR-Q, B-B3;
13 N-K, BxB; 14 NxR, PxF;
15 PxF, R-B; 16 P-N3, B-K2;
17 P-Q5, P-K4; 18 P-B4,
PxF; 19 QxP, N-K4; 20 N-K3,
B-N4; 21 Q-B2, Q-K2; 22 N-
B5, Q-B2; 23 N-N5, Q-B4;
24 QxQ, QPxB; 25 P-KR4,
B-B3; 26 N/N-Q6, R-N;
27 N-K4, B-Q; 28 N/5, Q6,
N-N5; 29 R-B4, N-B3; 30 R-K,
NxN; 31 R/4xN, B-B2;
32 N-B5, B-Q; 33 N-K7ch,
BxN; 34 RxR, R-R; 35
P-Q6?

White should double Rs
on the 7th rank with
probable win (CTM).

E. G., 35 R-N7, 36R/1-K7.

35.. KR-Q; 36 P-Q7, K-B;
37 K-B2, QR-N; 38 K-B3,
R-R; 39 K-B4, QR-N; 40
K-B5; R-R; 41 P-KN4,
QR-N; 42 P-R5, R-R; 43
P-N5, PxF; 44 KxF, QR-N;
45 P-R6, PxFch; 46 KxF,
P-N4; 47 PxF, R-N3ch;
48 K-R7, R-K3; 49 R/7xR,

PxR; 50 RxP, RxPch; 51
K-N6, R-QB2; 52 K-B6,
P-B5; 53 R-B6, R-B2ch;
54 K-K5, PxF; 55 PxF,
R-QN2; 56 R-B5, K-K2;
57 K-Q5, K-Q2; 58 K-B4,
R-N3; 59 K-N4, K-Q3;
60 R-R5, K-B2; 61 R-R7ch,
K-N; 62 K-B5, K-R; 63
R-QB7, R-N3; 64 R-B6,
R-N4ch; 65 K-N4, R-N5ch;
66 K-R5, R-N6; 67 K-R6,
K-N; 68 R-B6, RxP;
69 R-B8ch, K-B2; 70 R-B7ch K-N
71 R-N7ch, K-R; 72 RxPch, K-N;
73 R-N7ch, K-B; 74 K-N6,
RxPch; 75 KxR, KxR; Draw.

C. T. Morgan vs.
Dr. S. Werthammer

FROM GAMBIT REVERSED

(We recall part of
Morgan vs. DuVall,
Wheeling 1958.

(1-N-KB3, P-KB4; 2 P-K4,
PxF; 3 N-N5, N-KB3; 4 P-Q3,
PxF; 5 BxF, P-KN3; 6 NxRP

K-B2, played in the
new game, seems to re-
fute the offer of the N.

6.., RxN; 7 BxFch, R-B2;
8 B-N5 and White wins.)

1 N-KB3, P-KB4; 2 P-K4,
PxF; 3 N-N5, P-K4; 4 P-Q3,
P-K6; 5 BxF, N-QB3;
6 B-K2, B-K2; 7 B-R5ch,
P-N3; 8 NxF, K-B2!
9 Q-B3ch, K-N2; 10 Q-N3,
RxN; 11 BxNP, B-R5;
12 Q-N4, P-Q4; 13 B-B5ch,
K-R; 14 BxB, QxB; 15 QxQ,
RxQ; 16 N-R3, R-KB; 17 O-O,
P-R3; 18 P-QB3, R/2-B2;
19 N-B2, N/N-K2; 20 P-KN3,
B-B3; 21 P-KB4, N-B4;
22 PxF, BxF; 23 P-Q4, NxR;
24 NxN, NxF; 25 RxR

NxF seems better.

25.., RxR; 26 PxN, BxQP;
27 Resigns.

If 27 R-K, R-B6.

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