

# West Virginia Championship

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This year's tournament was won by Paul Harless (1985) and Donald Griffith (1902).

As a part of the Charleston Regatta this year the tournament was a success. Held at the Central Charleston Community Center and directed by Carl Kiser, nothing could go wrong.

Of the 53 player field the tournament boasted 10 previous champs. Of these J. Roush and G. Cummings were the 1978 co-champs, R Bukovac, and B. Haynes were the 1979 High School Champs., also P. Harless and D. Griffith had been state champions. Ratings ranged from 1985 to 256 and unrated.

### ROUND 1

Only one surprize, but what a surprize. Anderson played well and really earned this point.

#### FRENCH DEFENSE

(by transposition)

(W) John Roush 1852  
(B) Charles R. Anderson 1201 est!

1 P-K4 P-QB4 3 P-Q4 P-K3  
2 N-KB3 N-QB3 4 P-QB3 ...

This move is much more popular today than even 5 years ago. Though White has a pawn center he gives Black something to attack, he may block in his own pieces, or create difficulties for himself in developing completely.

4 ... P-Q4 5 P-K5 ...

Now as a French Defense, Advance Variation, the game is in John's opinion better for White.

5 ... P-QB5

Usually Black plays Q-N3 and if he intends P-B5 he waits for White to play B-Q3 first.

6 B-K2 B-Q2 8 P-QR3 ...  
7 B-KB4 P-QN4

When I am faced with this, deferred Q-side attack I try to avoid loss of time, though it appears natural to try and stop the pawn avalanche, it is more effective to leave as many lines as possible closed. In a game versus D. Maples last year I sacked a pawn to block a continued Q-side action, then I continued the K-attack at his King (It worked.).

8 ... N-KR3

Questionable as the Knight has nowhere to go. If he wants to move the Knight N-K2, B1, N3 is the only reasonable maneuver. Though time consuming.

9 BxN PxB 11 N-R4 P-QR4  
10 P-KN3 QR-N

The natural continuation of Q-side expansion.

12 B-R5 KR-N 17 QxRP KR-B  
13 P-KB4 B-K2 18 Q-B2 N-R4  
14 N-N2 P-N5 19 N-Q2 N-N6  
15 RxBP PxB 20 NxN NXP  
16 Q-B2 Q-N3

Excellent, this cracks the nut wide open.

21 N-B5 ...

Otherwise, it gets taken.

21 ... PxB 24 PxB QxP+  
22 QR-N Q-R4+ 25 K-B B-N4  
23 K-B2 BxN

The question is, What did Roush do or not do to deserve this?

26 RxB P-B6+ 30 N-Q3 P-B7  
27 RxB RxB 31 K-N2 P-B8(Q)+  
28 N-K1 R-N7 32 K-R3 QxR  
29 Q-R4+ K-K2 33 K-N4 R-N+ 0-1

### ROUND 2

Now 11 of 53 have two points. There were no big upsets, but several nice games. Here Charles Jones shows "stuff":

#### VIENNA GAME

(W) Charles Jones (1234)  
(B) Sam Swanson (781)

1 e4 e5 5 Nf3 Bxc3+  
2 Nc3 Nf6 6 Bxc3 d6  
3 Bc4 Nc6 7 0-0 Bg4?

Better is 0-0, waiting, developing.

8 h3 Bd7 9 Re1 ...

Also possible is 9 Ng5 0-0 10 f4 e:f4 (11 R:f4 Ne5 12 Bb3 h6:f7)

9 ... 0-0 14 Qd2 N:b3  
10 Bg5 h6 15 a:b3 a6  
11 Bh4 Na5 16 Re3 c6  
12 Bb3 Qe7 17 Ra5 Rc8?  
13 d4 Rad8

Completely overlooking the threat.

18 d:e5 d:e5 20 Nd4 Rcd8  
19 R:e5 Be6 21 Rg3! ...

Great, if 21...c5 22 Qh6 wins.

21 ... Kh7 22 Qf4 ...

Now the threat is 23 Nf5, and it is too late to stop it.

22 ... c5 25 R:g7+ Kh8  
23 Nf5 Rd1+ 26 Q:h6+ Nh7  
24 Kh2 Qd7 27 Q:h7mate

Notice that the tactics here were allowed to White because of his superior forces on the K-side, and because they coordinated. This is better than attacking with less forces than your opponent has (unless he has some weak points you can capitalize on i.e. overworked piece, exposed K, etc.).

### ROUND 3

Now only 3 of 53 players have perfect scores, however the highest any of them finish is 8th! The following game shows that D. Griffith can play exciting chess

#### CENTER COUNTER GAME

Donald Griffith 1902  
Tracy Perkins 1279

1 P-K4 P-Q4 3 N-QB3 Q-QR4  
2 PxB QxP

3...Q-Q1 is the other alternative.  
6 P-KR3 BxN  
4 P-Q4 N-KB3 7 QxB P-QB3  
5 N-B3 B-KN5 8 B-Q3 P-K3

9 0-0 B-Q3

9...B-K2 "looks" better.

10 B-K3 0-0 11 N-K4 B-K2

Why not 11...NxN 12 QxN P-KN3?

12 B-N5 QN-Q2 14 B-KB4 ...  
13 NxN+ NxN

Typical maneuvering here, it avoids simplification.

14 ... QR-Q 16 Q-N3 Q-Q2  
15 B-K5 Q-Q4 17 QR-K B-Q3

Maybe P-KN3 is safest if 18 Q-R4 N-R4 19 Q-B3 P-QB4 or if 18 Q-N5 N-R4 19 Q-R6 B-B3 20 P-KN4 B-N2 21 Q-K3 N-B3 22 P-QB4 N-K or P-QB4

18 P-B4 P-QB4?

A blunder which loses immediately.

19 BxN Resigns

### ROUND 4

Now 1 of 53 players has 4 points with 2 rounds to go.

This is an example of a straight forward strategy (whether planned or not) and some tactics, all played consistently by Black.

#### CENTER COUNTER

(W) Bobby Justice (782)  
(B) Glenn Harshberger (1204)

1 P-K4 P-Q4 3 N-QB3 ...  
2 PxB N-KB3

More usual is 3 P-Q4

3 ... NxP 7 QPxB B-B4  
4 NxN QxN 8 B-Q3 BxB  
5 Q-B3 Q-K4+ 9 PxB P-KN3!  
6 Q-K3 QxQ+

Very good idea, White flubs the defense.

10 N-KB3 B-N2 12 0-0 ...  
11 B-Q2 N-QB3

12 K-K2 should be considered.

12 ... 0-0-0 13 P-Q4 ...

R-QN1 is safe if the King was on K2.

13 ... P-K4 15 N-Q4 N-B3  
14 PxB NxP

Now White should pray forgiveness for playing 1 P-K4.

16 NxN RxB 19 KR-Q R/1-Q  
17 NxB+ K-N 20 RxB ...  
18 N-N5 BxP

Now is the perfect time to play 20 N-Q4 if RxB 21 RxB P-QB4 22 N-B6+ wins if 21 BxN 22 RxB.

20 ... RxB 21 R-K1

Now there are no defenses left for White.

21 ... P-QB3 28 RxB K-N3  
22 N-Q4 BxN 29 K-B K-N4  
23 PxB RxB/5 30 R-R2 K-N5  
24 P-KN3 K-B2 31 K-K1 P-QB4  
25 R-K7+ R-Q2 32 R-Q2 RxB  
26 R-K4 P-QN4 33 KxR K-N6  
27 P-QR4 PxB 34 K-B K-B6

35 P-N4 P-N4 38 K-Q K-N7  
36 P-B3 P-B3 39 Resigns  
37 P-R3 P-R3

#### KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

(W) Tracy Perkins 1279  
(B) Robert Bukovac 1671

1 c4 Nf6 4 e4 d6  
2 Nc3 g6 5 f3 0-0  
3 d4 Bg7 6 Be3 ...

Moves 5 & 6 start the Samisch Variation usually (The reason Fischer gave up the K.I.Def. against some opponents.)

6 ... e5 8 Rcl ...  
7 d5 c6

B Bd3 look good, then if later 0-0 the K-Rook can go to C1 and the Q-Rook on A or B1.

8 ... c:d5 9 N:d5 ...

Now some of Black's problems ease with f5 coming early. Also ...Qa5+!

9 ... N:d5 11 Bd3 f:e4  
10 c:d5 f5 12 f:e4 Qh4+

Now White is in serious trouble. Watch as Black picks him apart.

13 g3 Qf6 15 Qc1 B:e3  
14 Rc7 Bh6 16 Q:e3 Na6

Looks odd, but makes sense.

17 B:a6 b:a6 19 b3 Rb4  
18 Ne2 Rb8 20 Qh6? ...

Suicide! How about 20 Rc4 R:c4 21 b:c4 Bh3 22 Rg1 Qd8? or 20 Nc3 Rd4 21 R:h7 (21 Ne2 Qf1 wins) Bg4 (with the idea of Rd3!).

20 ... Qf2+ 23 Kc1 Qa1+  
21 Kd1 Rd4+ 24 Kd2 Rf2+  
22 N:d4 Q:d4+ 25 Ke3 Qd4#

### ROUND 5

At this point Harless, Griffith, and Funkerhouser are tied. Here are several fun games.

#### SICILIAN DEFENSE

#### NAJDORF VARIATION

(W) Mark Hathaway 1807  
(B) Wietold Sieradzian 1258

1 e4 c5 4 N:d4 Nf6  
2 Nf3 d6 5 Nc3 a6  
3 d4 c:d4 6 f4 b5?

I missed the obvious 7 e5 winning a pawn. He should have played Qc7 or e5.

7 Bd3 Bb7 10 Kh1 Nbd7  
8 Qe2 e6 11 e5 d:e5??  
9 0-0 Be7

Safe is Nd5 (for a while).

12 f:e5 Nd5 13 N:e6 ...

Chess is fun again.

13 ... N:d3 15 Ne6+ Ke8  
14 N:g7+ Kf8

If 15...Kg8 16 Qg4+ wins.

16 Qh5 Ne5 17 N:d8 Resign

#### MODERN DEFENSE

(W) Bob Bukovac 1671  
(B) Charles Szasz 1827

1 e4 g5 4 Bc4 Nf6  
2 d4 Bg7 5 Nc3 0-0  
3 Nf3 d6 6 0-0 N:e4

A common theme for simplifying, though not often used in the Pirc. White should have played 7 B:f7+ - JEM.

7 N:e4 d5 13 Qe2 Na6  
8 Bd3 d:e4 14 Ng5 Bd7  
9 B:e4 c5 15 Rfd1 Rad8  
10 d:c5 Qc7 16 Bc2 N:c5  
11 c3 a5 17 Qc4 ...  
12 Be3 Be6

It's amazing how threats appear after this move.

17 ... b6 18 Qh4 h6

Black can hang this one up an go home.

19 Nf3 Bc6 20 Nd4 g5

The black K-pawn is also threatened by 21 N:B/c6 Q:N/c6 22 Q:e7.

21 B:g5 h:g5 22 Qh7mate.  
Truly Amazing!

ROUND 6

Harless beat Funkerhouser to clinch 1st (his first win over Funkerhouser) and Griffith beats Barker in a brutally fast Ruy Lopez.

SICILIAN DEFENSE

(W) Dennis Funkerhouser (1958)  
(B) Paul Harless (1985)

1 e4 c5 3 c3 ...  
2 Nf3 Nc6

The attempt is to get an imposing pawn center which would restrict Black's pieces.

3 ... d5

Also played is Nf6 with the idea of provoking e5 by White then to attack the fixed pawns.

4 e:d5 Q:d5 6 Be2 Nf6  
5 d4 e6 7 0-0 c:d4

I prefer to wait as long as possible before doing this, because the White recapture c:d4 will let him play Nc3 instead of Nbd2.

8 c:d4 Be7 12 N:d5 e:d5  
9 Nc3 Qd8 13 N:c6 b:c6  
10 Be3 0-0 14 Qc2 ...  
11 Ne5 Nd5

Now that the pawn structure has crystallized the maneuvering will reflect that.

14 ... Qb6 20 Rc5 Be7  
15 a3 Ba6 21 Rc2 Bf6  
16 Rac1 B:e2 22 Re1 Re4  
17 Q:e2 Rfe8 23 Rc5 Qb7  
18 Qd2 Rac8 24 Qc3 Rce8  
19 Rfe1 Bf6 25 R:c6?? ...

It's curious that Dennis who is usually tactically aware takes this pawn. 25 g3 should relieve the Black counterthreat and so, give a slight ad to White. From here on the combination is forced.

25 ... B:d4 28 f:e3 Q:d2  
26 Qd2 Q:b2 29 R:d2 B:e3+  
27 Rd1 R:e3 30 Resigns.

PUNKS VS FOSSILS  
August 21, 1979

These two games demonstrate the necessity of learning to defend as well as attack.

(W) Brent Haynes (B) A. Glancy  
SICILIAN DEFENSE  
NAJDORF VARIATION  
RAUSER'S ATTACK

1 e4 c5; 2 Nf3 d6; 3 d4 c:d; 4 N:d4 N:f6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bg5 e6 7 f4 Be7 8 Qf3 Qc7 9 0-0 0-0?

Too early, Black shouldn't let White know for sure that he is going to castle K-side.

10 g4 Bd7 11 h4 Nc6 12 Nb3 Rfc8 13 Bd3 Nb4 14 Kbl h6

Bad defensively, Black should once again be flexible, the K-side pawns need to be ready to block the White advances, not to open lines. 15 B:h6!

As the saying goes "As natural as a baby's smile".

15 ...g:h6 16 g5 h:g5 17 h:g5 N:d3 18 g:f6 B:f6 19 Q:d3 B:c3 20 Rdg1+ Bg7 21 R:g7+ K:g7 22 Qg3+ Kf8 23 Rh8+ Ke7 24 Qg5+ 1-0.

VERESON'S OPENING

(W) Philip Lewis  
(B) Tracy Perkins

1 P-Q4 P-Q4 4 N-B3 P-K3  
2 N-QB3 N-KB3 5 P-K4 ...  
3 B-N5 N/1-Q2

Now it transposes into a French

5 ... Pxp

Black chooses the Rubinstein-Burn Variation, passive but safe.

6 Nxp B-K2 8 P-B3 0-0  
7 Nxn+ Nxn 9 B-Q3 P-B4

Unsafe because of 10 Bxn BxB 11 Pxp or 10 Bxn PxB 11 Q-B2. Black's K-side disintergrates very quickly

10 Q-B2 P-KR3 11 B-K3 ...

White's last chance to win the pawn or mess up Black's K-side.

11 ... Pxp 12 Bxp ...

The next few moves are very good for White, Black doesn't defend well.

12 ... P-QN3 17 P-KN4 N-Q4  
13 0-0-0 B-N2 18 P-N5 Nxp/5  
14 N-K5 Q-B2 19 Pxp Bxn  
15 KR-KN B-Q3 20 B-R7+ K-R  
16 P-KB4 QR-QB 21 Pxp+ Resign

Aside from the 10 & 11 move this was a well played attack.

SICILIAN DEFENSE  
SNYDER VARIATION

(W) Dennis Funkerhouser (1958)  
(B) Paul Harless (1985)

1 e4 c5 5 Nc3 e6  
2 Nf3 Nc6 6 Bb5 Bd7  
3 b3 d6 7 0-0 a6  
4 Bb2 Nf6 8 B:c6 B:c6

This is a good Bishop, but it lost its effectiveness when White played e5.

9 d3 b5

9...Qc7 might keep the fight in the middle of the board. If 10 Re1 Rd8 so that 11 e5 is met with B:f3

12 e:d6 B:d6+. If 10 Re1 Rd8 11 d4 c:d4 12 N:d4 Be7 with better coordination for Black than in the game.

10 e5 d:e5 13 Qe2 0-0  
11 N:e5 Bb7 14 Rad1 Qb6  
12 Re1 Be7 15 Ne4 ...

Here and move 17-19 White is moving to the K-side where Black will find it hard to defend. Try yourself to find good defensive moves that coordinate well.

15 ... Rad8 17 Qg4 Kh8  
16 N:f6 B:f6 18 Re3 Qc7

Hoping to slow White down.

19 Rdel g6 24 Rg3+ Kh7  
20 Qf4 Kg7 25 Nc6 B:b2  
21 Rh3 h5 26 Ne7 Rd4  
22 Rle3 Qe7 27 Qg5 Resign  
23 R:h5 g:h5

Mike McAlister  
MODERN OPENING  
(by transposition)

1 P-KB4 P-KN3 2 N-KB3 B-N2 3 P-K4 P-Q3 4 P-Q4 P-QB4 5 B-K3 If 5 P-Q5 and later P-QB4 White will have transposed into the four pawns Attack Vs Benoni.

5...B-N5 6 P-B3 Q-N3 7 Q-R4+ N-Q2 8 Q-N5 White's P-B3 was feared when first played, because it appeared White's pawns became invulnerable. Now it is known that they are targets, though safe, so it is OK.

B...Q-B2 9 N/1-Q2 P-QR3 10 Q-Q3 N/1-B3 11 B-K2 P-K4 12 BPxp

I like the idea of 0-0 first leaving options open. Any capture by Black will be good for White.

12...PxpP 13 PxpP QNxP 14 Nxn Qxn 15 N-B4 BxB 16 NxB BxQ 17 NxB P-N3 18 0-0-0 Nxp Reaping the fruits of White's 15th move.

19 KR-K 0-0 20 B-B4 KR-K 21 P-B4 P-QM4 22 B-K3 QR-B 23 Bxp Pxp!

A cheap tactical shot...One that anyone would do if he saw it. Or more correctly, simply justifying the soundness of his (Blacks) position. 24 N-B2 NxB White Resigns.

CHAMPIONS

Four times John Hurt has won the West Virginia Chess Championship. Only players who love the game play like John.

MEMPHIS CANDIDATES

FRENCH DEFENSE

SPENITZ VARIATION

(W) John Hurt 1831  
(B) G. Hood 1884

1 e4 e6 12 Bb2 Nb6  
2 d4 d5 13 B:b5 a:b5  
3 Nc3 Nf6 14 N:b5 Qd7  
4 e5 Nf8? 15 Nd6+ Kf8  
5 f4 c5 16 Ng5 NdB  
6 d:c5 Nc6 17 Qh5 Ba6  
7 Nf3 Bc5 18 0-0-0 Nc4  
8 a3 a6 19 N:c4 B:c4  
9 Bd3 b5 20 N:h7+ Kg8  
10 b4 Ba7 21 Nf6+ g:f6  
11 Qe2 Qc7 22 Qg4+ Kf8



23 e:f6 Rg8 29 Qh6+ Ke8  
24 Qh3 Rc8 30 R:e6+ f:e6  
25 Rhe1 Qa4 31 f7+ K:f7  
26 Kbl Nc6 32 Qh7+ Kf6  
27 f5: d4 33 Bcl e5??

Two pieces up? Give one back 33...N:b4 with the threat of Qc2+

34 Rfl+ Ke6 35 Qf7+ Kd6 36 Rf6#

MODERN DEFENSE  
TENNESSEE OPEN

Nashville, Tn Sept. 79  
(W) John Hurt 1831 Bill Layton 2066

1 e4 g5 2 d4 Bg7 3 Nc3 d6 4 Be3 a6 5 Be2 b5 6 a3 Bb7 7 h4 Nf6 8 Qd3 Nbd7 9 h5 c5 10 h:g6 h:g6 11 R:h8+ B:h8 12 Bf3 Qc7 13 Ne2 c:d4 14 B:d4 0-0-0 15 Qe3 e5 16 Ba7 d5 17 e:d5 e4 18 Ne4 N:d5 19 Qb3 Ne5 20 0-0-0 Nc4 21 Bd4 B:d4 22 R:d4 Nf4 23 R:d8+ Q:d8 24 N:f4 B:e4 25 Qc3 If 25 B:e4 Qd2+ & Q:f4 with the threat of Nd2+ wins.  
25...B:f3 26 Q:f3 Qd2+ 27 Kbl Qe1+ 28 Ka2 Nd2 29 Qc6+ Kbb 30 Qb6+ Kc8 31 Qa6+ Kbb 32 Qb5+ Kc8 33 Qc5+ Kbb Draw.  
White could have won with 34 Qb4+ Kc7 35 Qc3+ Kbb 36 a4!

EDITOR'S PAGE

As the new editor of the WV Chess bulletin I'd like to state the goals we shall attempt this year.

First and foremost to publish a quality bulletin. That means professional like work, tournament reports, annotated games, unannotated games, tournament announcements, a WVCA business meeting report, a top 25 rating list, an editors page (or letters to the editor), advertisements, a masthead & contents page (with pages numbered), and any other stories pertinent to West Virginia chess.

Secondly, to promote chess activities in West Virginia. Activities which range from club tournaments to special awards.

Because the list is long, it will require help from many people. The bulletin must have game scores and annotations, tournament crosstables, etc. to publish. The information must come from you the interested reader! Beginners and advanced alike must contribute for the bulletin to be representative of West Virginia chess. Tournament directors in particular have access to game scores and crosstables.

Something new: The last issue this year I would like to publish a list of all the clubs which meet regularly. To do this I need you to send me names, days, times, and places.

If you have any Inquiries, comments, stories, games or miscellany; write to Mark S. Hathaway, 159 Sycamore St., Huntington, WV 25705.

A LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHER  
TO THE CHESSPLAYERS OF WV.

Welcome to The Chessman, your chess bulletin has been included with six others to make this magazine. Most of us delight in this opportunity to keep in touch with chessplayers in or out of the state. The magazine cost about the same as your bulletin, maybe less, \$.50 per magazine (includes postage). I could give you a list of advantages for The Chessman, others see weaknesses, but the real issue is do you like the magazine? If so it needs no other justification, if not it serves no purpose.

You should advise your officers accordingly.

I am sure I speak for all of us when I say we have enjoyed being with you, and wish you a Merry Christmas.

*Earle Morrison*



## Presidents Report

Our last year was a very good year for Arkansas chess, due in no small part to The Chessman. In order to maintain our growth, I ask each of you to keep your ACA membership current. If your membership expires 6/80, please send in \$5 for a year's dues (\$4 under 19) by May 10. If your membership expires at a different time, I will send you a card informing you of your membership fee, as all ACA memberships are set to expire at the end of June.

Please send any tournament games to Craig Kozel; we need good annotated games for the Arkansas section.

### LITTLE ROCK CHESS CLUB QUADS

(W) Conrado Mapiñ (1787)  
(B) Paul Blacksten (1467)

1 PQ4 NKB3 3 PK4 BK2 4 NQB3 00  
2 BN5 PK3

4...PQ4 would transpose into the French Defence.

5 PB4 PQ3 8 PQ5 PXP 11 QK1 PKR3  
6 BQ3 QN2 9 PXP RKL 12 QR4! NB1  
7 NB3 PB4 10 00 PQR3 13 BxKRP NN5

If 13...PxB 14 QxRP and Black has trouble getting his pieces over to the K-side.

14 BKN5 FB3 19 QRK1 BN2 23 QK4 RKL  
15 PB5 PxB 20 NxB+ QxN 24 NR4! QXR+  
16 QxN BB3 21 RK6 RxB 25 KxQ PxB  
17 NK4 NR2 22 BxPXR PN3 26 QxP+ 1-0  
18 PB3 PQN4

### GIUOCO PIANO

(W) Larry Barrentine (Unr)  
(B) Duane White (1649)

1 PK4 PK4 7 NB3 NB3 13 BQ3 QxN  
2 NKB3 NQB3 8 00 00 14 BxP+ KR1  
3 BB4 BB4 9 BKN5 QK2 15 QR5 PxB  
4 PB3 PQ3 10 NQ5 QxP? 16 BN6+ KN2  
5 PQ4 PXP 11 BxN BK3 17 QR7 mate  
6 PXP BN5+ 12 NN5 QB4

## West Virginia

### EDITOR'S COLUMN

Sorry for the long time between magazines. We got an overwhelming vote for The Chessman, but were too late to get into the January issue.

From here on it's clear sailing, as long as you the membership continues providing games, crosstables, etc. for publication. Thanks to Carl Kiser, in particular, things are progressing well. Remember to tell your friends that WVCA dues are only \$5 or for juniors (below 18) only \$3.

West Virginia will be represented in the National Chess League this year by the "Checkmates": 1 Dennis Funkhouser, 2 Joe Barker, 3 David Maples, 4 Cornelio Nolasco, 5 Donald Griffith, and 6 Mark Hathaway. More on the league later!

### LABOR LOBBYIST

Charleston, WV November 11, 79  
(W) T. Davis (B) C Jones

### VIENNA GAME (by transposition)

1 e4 Nf6 2 Nc3 ...  
2 e5 Nd5 is Alekhine's Defense.  
2 ... e5

Thus a Vienna Game. Black could have played d6 with the idea of playing a Pirc Defense, or he could play d5 after which e5 would lead to a peculiar Alekhine Variation and e:d5 would be a Center Counter Game.

3 d3 Bc5 4 Nf3? ...

Better is 4 f4 d6 5 Be2 White doesn't have to worry about---Bxg1 Rxg1 followed by a check by the Black Queen at h4 because when Black moves his Knight at f6 to do Qh4+, White gets at least one move to prepare.

4 ... Ng4 5 d4 e:d4 6 N:d4 ...

This resembles the two knights defense reversed.

6 ... Qf6 8 Qg3 B:c3+ 9 b:c3 d6!  
7 Q:g4 B:d4

This is good, it protects the c-pawn and opens the Queen Bishop line.

10 Bg5 Qe5 12 f4 Qa5 14 Qf3 Bf5?  
11 Qe3 00 13 Qg3 Re8

Safer is 14...Na6 with the idea of Nc5 or d5 15 e5 Bf5 all leave Black a clear advantage in the long run, but for a few moves White will be safe from attack, because of the inability of Black's pieces to go K-side. It appears to me that because of the 2 or 3 aggressive moves Black got to play earlier his attitude is less objective than it needs to be.

15 Bd3 Qc3+ 16 Kf2 Qd4+ 17 Kg3 B:e4?

The final blow to an impressive game built on sound moves, it comes from the player with the advantage, and it only takes one bad move to lose.

18 Rhd1 d5 22 Q:e4 Qa3+ 26 Q:b7 Re8  
19 Rad1 Qa4 23 Rd3 Qf8 27 Q:c7 Re3+  
20 Be4 de4 24 RdB Nd7 28 Kf2 Ra3  
21 R:e4 R:e4 25 R:f8+ Nf8 29 Be7 R:a2  
30 Qe8 Resigns

### MARSHALL UNIV. TORNADO

Huntington, WV October 20, 1979  
(W) Russell Modlin (B) Norman Ahern

1 PK4 PK4 7 NB4 PQ4 12 QB5+ KB2  
2 PQ4 NKB3 8 NK5 PKB3 13 BB4+ KN3  
3 NKB3 NXP 9 PKR4 PxB 14 QK5 NQ2  
4 NB3 NxBN 10 QR5+ KQ2 15 QN5 QxQ  
5 PxB PK5 11 QxKP PB3 16 BxQ PQ3  
6 NK5 PQ3 17 BQB mate

(W) David Schodlatz (B) Michael Weedon

1 PQ4 PQ4 4 QQ2 NB3 7 NB3 NR8  
2 NQB3 NKB3 5 000 QNN5 8 PK3 NN6 mate  
3 BB4 BB4 6 PQR3 NXP

### GRUENFELD DEFENSE

(W) Brett Thompson (B) Mark Hathaway

1 d4 Nf6 4 e3 Bg7 6 Bd3 d:c4  
2 c4 g6 5 Nf3 00 7 B:c4 c5  
3 Nc3 d5

Black tries to break up the White pawn center while developing rapidly; this allows Nc6 next

8 00 Nc6 10 Qe2 Bg4 11 h3 ...  
9 d:c5 Qa5

White wants the two Bishops, and to relieve some pressure.

11 ... B:f3 13 Qf4 Q:c5 15 e4 Nc4  
12 Qf3 Ne5 14 Be2 Rfd8 16 B:c4 ...

Because Whites Q-Bishop is blocked in and Black is better developed White exchanges again.

16 ... Q:c4 17 e5 ...

Another exchange is set up, but this puts the White King Pawn in a vulnerable position.

17 ... Q:f4 20 Rfe1 Rac8 23 Re2 e6  
18 Bf4 Nd5 21 Rad1 Rcd8 24 b3 Kf8  
19 Nd5 Rd5 22 R:d5 R:d5

This starts a maneuver to attack the White KP

With everything and then with White tied up to infiltrate his back ranks.

25 g4 Ke8 26 Bg3 Bf8 27 Kg2? ...

This and several other "nichevo" (Russian for nothing) moves don't help White survive.

27 ... Bb4 30 Bg3 Bd2 33 f4 g5  
28 Re2 Kd7 31 Kf3 b4 34 Kf3 ...  
29 Bh2 b5 32 Ke2 Bc3

If Ke3 g:f4+ 35 BxP+

34 .. Rd3+ 36 B:f4 Kc6 37 Re2 Kd5  
35 Kg2 g:f4

The completion of my King maneuver.

38 Bg3 Rd2 An easy chance appears, so why not; he won't be able to protect his KP.

39 R:d2 B:d2 40 Bf2 a6

Not a5, because then the pawn would be unprotected.

41 Kf3 K:e5 45 g:f5 e:f5 48 Bc5 f3+  
42 Ke2 Bc3 46 a3 b:a3 49 Kf2 Bd4+  
43 Bg3+ Ke4 47 B:a3 f4 50 B:d4 K:d4  
44 Bd6 f5 51 Resigns

### PIRC DEFENSE

#### AUSTRIAN ATTACK

(W) Carl Jones (B) Edwin Smith

1 e4 d6 4 f4 Bg7 6 Be2 c5  
2 d4 Nf6 5 Nf3 00 7 e5 d:e5?  
3 Nc3 g6

7...Nd7 looks much better.

8 f:e5 Nd5? Again Nd7 attacking the center rather than occupying it, looks better.

9 N:d5 Q:d5 11 d5 Bg4 13 Ng5 ...  
10 c4 Qd8 12 Bf4 Nd7

Very good, this forces something; doesn't it?

13 ... B:e2 14 Q:e2 N:e5? Bad; how about h6?

15 B:e5 f6 17 Bc3 Qb6 18 N:f8 R:f8  
16 Ne6 Qa5+ Black resigned

### CIMARRON VALLEY OPEN

#### FRENCH DEFENSE

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1 e4 e6 4 ed5 ed5 6 Qe2+ Qe7  
2 d4 d5 5 Bb5+ Bd7 7 dc5 ...  
3 Nd2 c5

Possibly stronger is 7 B:d7+

7 ... Q:e2+ 9 Nb3 Bb6 11 Bd6 000  
8 B:e2 B:c5 10 Bf4 Nc6 12 Bc5 B:c5

12...Bc7 seems to be a better alternative.

13 N:c5 Bf5 18 N:g6 h:g6 22 B:c6 K:c6  
14 000 Nf6 19 f3 Kc7 23 Nd3 Re2  
15 Nf3 Rhe8 20 Rhe1 Rde8 24 Rd2 Re8  
16 Bb5 Re7 21 R:e7 R:e7 25 g4? ...  
17 Nh4 Bg6

25 Kd1! is best.

25 ... g5 26 h4? ...

This still should have been prepared first by Kd1, but both sides have less than a minute to make the time control and "Blitz" krieg has taken over.

26 ... gh 28 Nb4+ Kc5 30 Rh2 Re3  
27 g5 Nh5 29 Nd3+ Kc6 31 Kd2! Re7

If 31 R:f3 32 Ne5+ +-.

32 Rh4 g6 33 f4 Kd6 34 Ne5?? N:f4!

