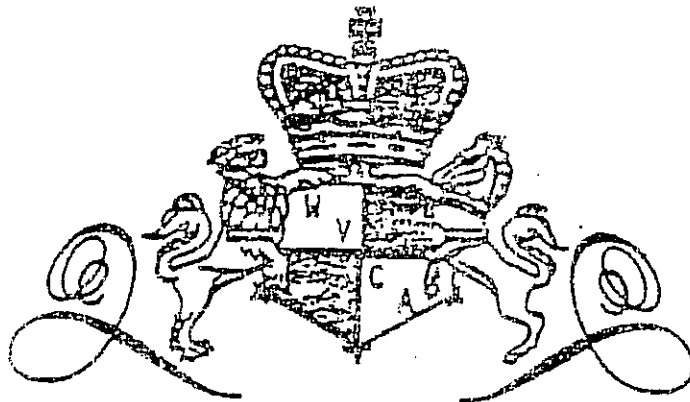


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Greetings,

As your new editor I will attempt to print a large number of games. Annotated games are welcome (and greatly appreciated) from any and all players. The bulletins will be produced in the English Algebraic notation. This is the current standard in most corners of the English speaking chessworld. It also happens to be the system I use. If you would like your games to appear in the bulletin it will help if the scoresheets are in algebraic.

Even the algebraic system has inconsistencies. One such is the inclusion of 'x' for a capture. To save space and my fingertips I will attempt to exclude these beasts.

As you are probably aware by now, I'm experimenting with a new form of reproduction for the Bulletin. Although the quality is not as good as a copying machine, it is more economical. Feedback on this topic is encouraged.

The bulletins are being produced with the help of a Tandy 1000 TX, Tandy dot matrix printer, and DeskMate 2 software.

Special thanks go out to Michael Cornell, John Roush, and Thomas Bergquist for their help in producing this edition.

The following is a list of symbols which will be used.

+ -	white is better	+	check
- +	black is better	++	mate
=	equal	?	blunder
?!	dubious, and probably a blunder	!	good move
!?	interesting but unclear possibilities		
	1-0 white wins	0-1 black wins	5/5 draw
<u>actual moves</u>	vs.	comments.	

Organizers are hereby beseeched to send in games and crosstables of their events. My only promise to the membership is that the bulletins will go out this year.

I hereby apologize for any and all mistakes which may unfortunately grace these pages.

Regards,

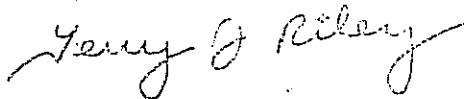


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WEST VIRGINIA CHESS ASSOCIATION

Minutes Annual Meeting September 2, 1989

The annual meeting of the West Virginia Chess Association was held on September 2, 1989 at West Virginia Rehabilitation Center, Institute, West Virginia.

In the absence of the President and Vice President, John Roush assumed the chair as acting chairman.

Randy Bierce nominated John Roush to serve as temporary President for this meeting until a new President is elected. Nominations were closed and John Roush was unanimously elected temporary President.

The minutes of the 1988 meeting were read. One correction was made; that the sentence of Appendix A be struck out that reads, "Second Place and First per Class - 1 year free membership." Dennis Funkhouser moved that the minutes be approved with the correction and after second motion passed.

The financial statement for the fiscal year, September 2, 1988 to September 2, 1989 was read. Randy Bierce moved that they be approved as read. After second motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

The following items were discussed:

1. Randy Bierce will have Certificates printed and donate the cost.
2. John Roush contacted Charlie Szasz concerning the High School Teams and there was no response. Dennis Funkhouser and Randy Bierce will contact John Homer to be at the High School Tournament and build interest for WVCA.
3. John Roush discussed the Grand Prix which did not get started this year.
4. Joe Barker submitted his verbal resignation as Constitution Secretary. Mike Cornell moved that it be accepted. After second motion passed.
5. Mike Cornell moved that the job of Constitution Secretary be combined with that of Editor. After second motion passed.
6. Lawrence Iorio submitted a letter on his report of the USCF Meeting which was read.
7. John Roush read a letter from Carl Kiser concerning the Grand Prix. His one concern was that a local club could produce a Grand Prix winner. Also included in the letter were historical notes on the '59 - '69 Tourneys.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. John Roush read a letter from Terry Riley about a West Virginia Absolute Championship. After discussion, it was decided we would not sponsor, to go ahead but do not use West Virginia in the name of the Tournament as this is the prerogative of WVCA's State Championship Tournament.
2. Randy Bierce moved a Constitutional amendment that the State Tournament be required to be moved North and South in the State alternately with Rt. 50 as the demarcation line with proposals to be made at the annual meeting. After second, motion failed to pass, 5 for to 6 against.
3. 1990 Tournament Site Selection
Randy Bierce proposed Moundsville with the follow guarantees and free offers.

a. \$1000 guaranteed prize fund

- 1st Place - \$250.00
- 2nd Place - \$150.00
- 3rd Place - \$100.00

	1st	2nd	3rd	Places
Expert	\$80.00	\$30.00	\$10.00	
Class A	60.00	30.00	10.00	
Class B	60.00	30.00	10.00	
Class C	60.00	30.00	10.00	
Class D/E & Unrated	60.00	30.00	10.00	

- b. West Virginia site guaranteed
- c. Limited Smoking
- d. Free Scorebook and pencil
- e. Free doughnuts and coffee
- f. Discount coupons to the "Land of Krishna"
- g. Daily Tours of the West Virginia Penitentiary

Mike Cornell offered the WV Rehabilitation Center again.

The Moundsville site with the above offers was selected 7 to 3 with the following additional stipulations;

- a. No change of site
- b. The President to notify Chess Life two months previous to tournament.

(The President has the right to change the site, should a written contract not be forthcoming by late January. This is not part of the minutes.)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

- USCF Delegate (1) - C. Waugh nominated by R. Bierce
K. Dolgovskii who declined
- USCF Voting Members (2) - M. Baker by R. Bierce
J. Hohn by J. Hohn
- Bulletin Editor and
Constitution Secretary - T. Riley by C. Waugh
- Secretary Treasurer - T. Bergquist by R. Bierce
- Vice President - M. Lewis by R. Bierce
- President - D. Funkhouser by D. Griffith
J. Roush by R. Bierce

Nominations were closed
Mike Lewis appointed chairman pro-tem during elections

John Roush is elected President and all others are declared
elected by acclamation.

John R. Davidson proposed a resolution of appreciation to Tom
Bergquist for his long service to Association. The resolution
was approved and Tom Bergquist thanked the members for their
appreciation.

President Roush entertained a motion for adjournment. Mike
Lewis so moved and after second, passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Below you will find the addresses of the numerous WVCA officers.
Should you have any questions these are the people to contact.

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WEST VIRGINIA CHESS ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENT Sept. 2, 1988 to Sept. 1, 1989

CASH ON HAND September 2, 1988 \$ 828.58

RECEIPTS:

1988 Tournament	\$447.00		
less refund	12.00	\$435.00	
WVCA Dues		237.00	
USCF Individuals Dues		75.00	
Interest		40.32	
Other		.84	788.16
			\$1818.74

DISBURSEMENTS

1988 Tournament			
Prize Fund	\$300.00		
Trophies	80.00		
Rating Fee	25.00		
Supplies	8.00		
Director Fee	7.00	\$420.00	
USCF Individuals Dues		71.00	
WVCA Affiliation Fee to USCF		30.00	
Bulletin Expenses			
Postage	\$ 39.14		
Printing	222.77	261.91	
Secretary-Treasurer Expenses		10.75	\$ 783.66

CASH ON HAND September 1, 1989 \$ 823.08

RECONCILIATION

First Bank of Ceredo - Savings Account			
Life Memberships	\$280.00		
Operating Funds Available	383.43	\$863.43	
USCF Affiliate Funds Available		158.65	\$ 923.08

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas O. Bergquist
Secretary-Treasurer

1989 WEST VIRGINIA CHAMPIONSHIP

September 2-4, 1989 Rehab Center - Institute, WV WF - M Cornell

This year there was not an out of state master to muddy the waters. Our fine players did this all on their own. With the small field of 24 players, any outside interference would have been helpful.

We crown three co-champions this year. John Roush (repeating as state champion), Donald Griffith, and Alex Chang. Is this the first time a junior high school player has won the state championship?

Winning the A class prize was Randy Pierce with 4 points. The B class was won by Stephen Tucker and Jerry Dingess with 3 points each. The C class was garnered by Markle Butcher (This is two years in a row.) scoring 3 points. The D class was won by John Davidson.

The average rating for the event was 1810. This is much higher than the state average, do to our large number of scholastic players. It is discouraging when only half of the top 25 are entered in the state championship.

PLAYER	RATING	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL
1. Roush, John	2192	W12	L6	D10	W11	W9	W8	4.5
2. Bukovac, Robert	2172	W13	W5	L6	W7	W4	L1	4.0
3. Funkhouser, Dennis	2144	W14	D7	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.5
4. Hathaway, Mark	2128	W15	W9	W11	D6	L2	D5	4.0
5. Griffith, Donald	2079	W16	L2	W13	W10	W3	D4	4.5
6. Walker, James	2068	W17	W1	W2	D4	L3	L7	3.5
7. Chang, Alex	2041	W18	D7	W8	L2	W19	W6	4.5
8. Dolgovskij, Konnie	1931	W19	HB	L7	W14	W12	L10	3.5
9. Komer, Paul	1914	W20	L4	W16	D11	L1	U--	2.5
10. Pierce, Randy	1902	W21	HB	D1	L3	W17	W18	4.0
11. Skeen, Jerry	1877	W22	W23	L4	L1	D13	D19	3.0
12. Hohn, Jeff	1875	L1	W17	W15	D2	L3	U--	3.5
13. Lewis, Philip	1797	L2	W18	L5	L2	W22	L15	2.0
14. Chang, Angela	1768	L3	D19	D23	L17	D20	U--	1.5
15. Tucker, Stephen	1741	L4	W20	L12	L19	W31	W13	3.0
16. Morris, Gary	1645	L5	W21	L9	W22	D11	W17	3.5
17. Dingess, Jerry OH	1633	L6	L12	W20	W14	L10	W16	3.0
18. Baker, Michael	1605	L7	L13	L19	W21	HB	D22	3.0
19. Butcher, Markle	1590	L8	D14	W18	W15	L7	D11	3.0
20. Waugh, Charles	1549	L9	L15	L17	L21	D14	D18	1.0
21. Miller, Galen	1415	L10	L16	HB	L18	L13	W22	1.5
22. Davidson, John	1038	L11	L24	U--	U--	U--	L21	1.0
23. Michaels, David	1562	HB	L11	D14	L14	L13	U--	1.0
24. Cornell, Michael	1768	U--	W22	U--	W20	U--	U--	2.0

U = Unplayed HB = Half point bye

ROUND 1:

This round was rather boring. There were not any upsets or even a well played "swiss gambit". Below are three of the more interesting games.

JOHN ROUSH CM - JEFF HOHN A

ENGLISH

A16

1. c4 Nf6 2. g3 g6 3. Bg2 Bg7 4. Nc3 c6 5. a4 d6 6. Nge2 e5 7. O-O
Be6 8. d3 Qc8 9. f4 No hedgehog for John. To fianchetto and attack
along the f-file is typically Roushian. Jeff would be well advised to
keep this file closed. 9...Bh3 This is a common theme in King's
Indian games versus the fianchetto bishop. 10. f5 Bg2 11. Kg2 Nbd7
12. Ng1 This begins the maneuver Ng1-f3-h4 or g5. 12...Qc7 13. Be3
h5 14. h3 gf5? Jeff has opened up John's favorite can of worms.
15. Rf5 Bh6 16. Bh6 Rh6 Both players discard the bishops based on the
closed position. 17. Qd2 Rg6 18. Nf3 Ke7? Why not 18...O-O to
hide the king from attack? 19. Nb4 Rgg8 20. Raf1 Qd8 21. Qh6 Ke6
22. d4 ed4 Removing the main defense to the d4 and f4 squares. Guess
where the knight will go now. 23. Ne2 Rh8 24. Nd4+ Ke7 25. Ng6+!!
fg6 26. Qg7 Ke3 Notice that the black rooks, king, and queen are all
on their original squares. Meanwhile, the knights have only moved
once each. 27. Qh8+ Kf7 28. Qh7+ 1-0 28...Ke8 29. Qg6+ Ke7 30. Rf6

JERRY DINGESS B - JIM WALKER CM

PIRC Classical Bg5

B08

1. e4 d6 2. d4 Nf6 3. Nc3 g5 4. Nf3 Bg7 5. Bg5 b6 6. Bh4 6. Bf4
is usually played here. 6...c6 7. Be2 Qc7 8. Bg3 O-O 9. Qd2 b5 10. e5
b4 11. ef6 bc3 12. Qc3 Bf6 13. O-O Bg7 14. Bd3 Bg4 15. Be2 Nd7 16. Qd2
Rbh8 17. c3 Nf5 18. Qc2 Bf5 19. Qc1 Ne4 Jim takes advantage of
white's numerous queen moves, and the open file. His pieces are
mobilized and ready for a minority attack. White's rooks are not
connected and are still at home. 20. Bf4 Kh7 21. Nd2 Nf6 He does not
want to free white's back row. Also the knight still has a job to do.
22. Re1 Nd5 23. Bg3 b5 24. Nb3 Bh6 25. Qd1 a5 26. Sc4 Nf4 27. Bf4 Bf4
This bishop pair looks pretty menacing. 28. Re2 d5 29. Bd3 Bh2+
30. Kh1 Bg4 31. f3 Kg7! Take my bishop please! 32. fg4? hg4 33. g3
Bg3 34. Kg1 Rh8 35. Qd2 Bf4 Still kicking the lady around. 36. Qc2
Rh6 37. Rg2 g3 38. Kf1 a4 Minority attack? No, just driving away the
rook's defender. 39. Nd2 Rh1+ 40. Rg1 Rbh8 41. Nf3 Be3! 42. Qg2 Bg1
43. Ng1 Qf4+ 44. Ke1 R2h2 49. Qf1 Qe3+ 0-1 Ten queen moves for white.

STEPHEN TUCKER B - MARK HATHAWAY CM

QG DECLINED Orthodox

D66

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. Nf3 Be7 5. Bg5 O-O 6. e3 c6 7. Rc1
Nbd7 8. Bd3 dc4 9. Bc5 b5 10. Bd3 a6 11. O-O? White must counter in
the center now. 11. e4! h6 12. Bf4 Bb7 13. e5! Nd5 14. Nd5 cd5 15.
O-O Ra8 16. Be3 Rc8 + 11...c5 12. dc5 Nc5 13. Bb1 b4 14. Ne2 Qd1
The Bengals have the attack offense. This is Mark's attack defense.
15. Rfd1 Bb7 16. Bf6 gf6 Forced. Will the bishop pair compensate for
the ugly pawns? 17. Nfd4 Rac8 18. f3 f5 19. b3 Rfd8 20. Bd3 Nd3
21. Rc8 Rc8 22. Rd3 The bishops are looking good. 22...Kf8 23. Kf1
Bf6 24. Ke1 Ke7 25. Kd2 a5 26. Ke1 Be5 27. Kf2 The king dolefully
waits to be put out of its' misery. 27...Bd5 28. Rd2 Rc5 29. Ke1 Kf6
30. Kf2 a4 31. ba4 Ra5 32. Nc1 Ra4 33. Ncb3 f4 34. Nc5 Bd4! 35. ed4
Ra2 36. Ra2 Ea2 White appears doomed. He will be forced to cover the
pawn while black munches on the kingside pawns. 37. Nd3 b3 38. Ke2
Bb1 39. Kd2 Kf5 40. Kc3 Bc2 41. Nb4 Bd1 42. Nd3 Be2 43. Ne1 Bc4 44. Kd2
e5 45. de5 Ke5 46. Nd3+ Bd3 47. Ka2 b2 48. Kc2 Kd4 49. Kb3 Ka3 50. Kc2
Kf2 51. Kd3 Kc2 52. Ke4 Kh2 53. Kf4 h5 54. Kg5 Kg5 55. Kh3 f5! 0-1

ROUND 2:

Round two would begin with 11 perfect scores, but end with only four. There was one big upset, namely number one seed John Roush losing to Jim Walker. In a lesser upset Alex Chang wrested one-half point away from annual contender Dennis Funkhouser. Dennis promptly withdrew from the tournament.

Below you will find the top four boards from this round. Some of the chess is surprising, but it is all interesting.

JIM WALKER CM - JOHN ROUSH CM NIMZO-INDIAN Bronstein E45

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. e3 b6 5. Ne2 Ba6 6. a3 Bc3+
 7. Nc3 d5 8. b3 O-O 9. Be2 Nc6 10. a4 dc4 11. Ba3? Re8 12. b4 Bb7
 13. Bc4 White regains the pawn before continuing his queen side
 pressure. 13. b5 Ne7 14. O-O +- Fischer. 13... Ne7 14. O-O Ncd5
 15. Nd5 ed5 16. Be2 Ne4 17. Rcl a6 18. b5 ab5 19. Bb5 White is
 restraining black's queen side nicely. 19... Re6 20. Bb4 Unpinning
 the bishop. 20... Rb6? This seems a little premature. 21. f3 Nd6
 22. Ba1 To prevent 22... Qh4. 22... Nf5 23. Bf2 c6 24. Bd3 Qd6 25. g3
 Qe6 The queen probes for weaknesses. 26. e4 Ne7 27. Be3 Rg6 28. Rb1
 de4 29. fe4 Nd5 White's center remains flexible. 30. Bd2 Qh3 31. Qf3
 Rf6? This will cost black his attack and a pawn. 32. Qe2 Rf1+
 33. Qf1 Qf1+ 34. Kf1 Ne7 35. Rb6 White is up a pawn, has the bishop
 pair, hanging center pawns, and the active rook. 35... Bc8 36. a5 Kf8
 37. Bb4 Ke8 38. Ke2 Kd8 39. Ke3 Kd7 40. Bc3 f5 41. d5 cd5 42. ef5 d4+
 43. Kd4 Nc6+ 44. Rc6 1-0 44... Kc6 45. Be4+

ROBERT BUKOVAC CM - DONALD GRIFFITH CM NIMZO-INDIAN Rubin. E41

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. e3 c5 5. Bd3 Nc6 6. Nf3 O-O
 7. O-O Bc3+ 8. bc3 d6 9. e4 e5 10. d5 Ne7 11. Nh4 Ng6 12. Nf5 Re8
 13. Re1 Ne7 14. Ne3 Ng5 15. Nf5 Ne7 16. Qf3 White having the slight
 advantage will not allow perpetual. 16... Bf5 17. e5 Messing the
 pawns up, but giving white the semi-open file. 17... Qd7 18. Bg5 e4
 19. Be4 Ne4 20. Re4 Nf5 21. Rae1 White is now rid of one bad pawn and
 has control of the open file. 21... h6 22. g4 Re4 23. Qe4 hg5 24. g5
 Kf8 25. Qg4 Qd8 26. Re3 g6? This takes away black's last protection.
 Instead he should activate the queen and rook. 27. fg6 fg6 28. Re6
 Kf7 29. Qf3+ Kg7 30. Qe4 1-0

MARK HATHAWAY CM - PAUL ROMER A PIRC BC7

1. e4 d6 2. d4 g6 3. Nf3 Bg7 4. Bd3 Nf6 5. O-O O-O 6. Qe2 Nbd7
 7. Nbd2 e5 8. de5 Ne5 9. Ne5 de5 10. Nb3 Nh5 11. g3 Qe8 Seems to bind
 the rook. 12. Be3 f5 13. Bc5 Rf6 14. Bc4+ Kh8 15. ef5 g5 16. Rfe1 f4
 17. Qe5! So much for a quiet game. 17... Re6 18. Be6 Be5 19. Re5 Ng7
 20. Rae1 Be6 21. Nd4 b6 22. Ne6 Ne6 23. Re6 Qh5 24. Bd4+ Kg8 Well we
 have a rook, bishop, and pawn for a queen. White does have strong
 doubled rooks, while black's king is vulnerable. 25. Re7 Rd8 26. Bc3
 Rd1 27. Rc7 Ba1+ 28. Be1 Qa2 29. Bc3 f3 30. Rd7 Qc2 31. Re7 Qb1+
 32. Re1 Qa2 33. b3 White is confident, he refuses the perpetual.
 33... b5 34. b4 Qc2 35. Re3 Qc1+ 36. Be1 An important transposition of
 pieces. 36... Qa1 37. Kh2 e5? 38. h4 b4 39. Bb4 Black has given up
 two pawns for nothing but a headache. 39... Qb1 40. Bc3 h5 41. Rf3 1-0

WEST VIRGINIA CHAMPIONSHIP '89 ROUND 2

ALEX CHANG CM - DENNIS FUNKHOUSER CM QC DECLINED Exchange D35

1. c4 Nf6 2. Nf3 e6 3. Nc3 d5 4. cd5 ed5 5. d4 Be7 6. Qc2 O-O
 7. Bf4 c6 8. e3 Nbd7 9. Bd3 Re6 10. a3 10. a3 Nf8 11. O-O-O Be6
 12. Kb1 a5 13. Rab1 a5 + 10... Nf8 11. b4 11. O-O Ne4 would have
 been Petrosian-Beljawski USSR 1983. 11... Ne6 12. Bg3 a5 13. Rb1 b6
 14. O-O Bd6 15. Na4 ab4 15. ab4 Na4 17. Bd6 Nd6 White pulls off a
 fast one. He drops his bad bishop for black's good one. 13. Nc5 Ng5
 19. Ne5 f5 20. Ng6 Bg4 21. Nf4 Ne6 22. Nce6 Be6 23. b5 cb5 24. Bb5 Nb5
 25. Rb5 Black does have the outside passer, but conversely has two
 isolated pawns. 25... Qd7 26. Qb3 Rab8 27. Na6 Qa6 28. Rc5 28. Qd5
 may be better. It forces a queen trade, would set-up a double attack
 on b7, while restraining the b pawn. 28... b5 29. Rb1 b4 30. Rc5 Qb3
 31. Pb3 Re7 32. Kf1 Kf7 33. Ke2 Ra7 34. Rc2 Ea6 35. Kd3 f5 36. f3 Rb6
 37. e4 fe4 38. fe4 Rab7 39. Ra2 Rc7 40. Ra4 Rcb7 41. a5 Conceding the
 draw. 41. Ra5 intending 42. e5. if 41... Rb5 42. Rb5 Rb5 43. Kc4!
 41... Kd5 42. Ra2 Rb5 42. Ra2 R5b6 44. Rd2 .5-.5

ROUND 5:

Day two dawns with only four perfect scores. These are by Robert Bukovac, Mark Hathaway, Jim Walker, and Jerry Skeen. Lurking close behind is Alex Chang, Connie Dolgovskij, and Randy Bierce at 1.5. The latter two are there by playing a particularly noxious version of the dreaded "swiss gambit". Both took half point byes in round two.

JIM WALKER CM - ROBERT BUKOVAC CM NIMZO-INDIAN E30

1. d4 e6 2. c4 Nf6 3. Eg5 Bb4+ 4. No3 c5 5. Nf3 e6 5... Bc3 6. bc3
Qa5 7. Rd2 Ne4= ECO. 6. Rc1 Nbd7 7. e3 Qa5 Resembling the Cambridge
 Springs Defense. 3. Bd3 8. Qb3 would hold the pawn. White is more
 concerned about evacuating the king. 8... Qa2 9. Qc2 Qa5 10. O-O Bc3
 11. bc3 Qc7 12. Qa4 O-O 13. Nc2 Kh8! A good stalling move. Black
 waits for white to commit to an attack. 14. f4 Ng4 15. f5 f5 16. fa6
Nb6! Black plays an attack which allows him to recapture the pawn
 while connecting the rooks. 17. Qd1 Be6 18. Bf4 g5 19. h3 gf4 20. hg4
fe3 21. Ne4 Qg7 22. Xd6 Bg4 23. Qa1 cd4 24. cd4 Rad8 25. c5 Nd5
 26. Ba4 Ba6 If you've peeked ahead your probably wondering how black
 lost this. 27. Qb4 Rg8 28. Rc2 Qg4?? 29. Qh7++ 1-0 This game reminds
 one of an action game. All attack and little defense.

MARKLE BUTCHER C - MICHAEL BAKER B KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE E72

1. c4 e6 2. Nc3 Nf6 3. g3 g6 4. Bg2 Bg7 5. e4 d6 6. d4 O-O 7. Bg5
Qd7 8. Qd2 c5 9. d5 ed5 10. Bf6 Bf6 11. Nd5 Bd4? A waste of time.
 12. Na2 Bg7 13. O-O Nc6 14. Rad1 b5 15. Nec3 Na5 16. b3 Rb8 Black
 needs to develop that queen side bishop and connect the rooks. 17. f4
Nc6 18. f5 gf5 19. ef5 Ne5 20. f6 Rb8 21. Qg5+ Ng6 22. Ne7+! Qe7
 23. fe7 Ke3 24. Rd5 1-0 Markle easily wins this battle of Lewis
 County alumni.

WEST VIRGINIA CHAMPIONSHIP '89 ROUND 3

JERRY SKEEN A - MARK HATHAWAY CM ENGLISH

A15

1. Nf3 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 d5 4. cd5 Nd5 5. e4 Nc3 6. bc3 Bg7
 7. Bb2 O-O 8. Be2 b6 9. O-O Bb7 10. Qc2 c5 11. d4 cd4 12. cd4 Nc6
 13. Rad1 Rc8 14. Qb3 Na5 15. Qe3 Nc4 16. Bc4 Forced. Black has the
 bishop pair and will gain control of the c-file. 16...Rc4 17. Rfe1
 Qd7 18. Re2 Rfc8 19. b3 Qa4 20. Qc3 Qb3 21. ab3 Rc2 Mark correctly
 grabs the 7th rank. 22. Rde1 a5 23. Ba1 Re2! 24. Ra2 Rcl+ 25. Re1
 Re1+ 26. Ne1 Be4 Jerry has a few problems. How to defend isolated
 pawns, stop the majority attack, and compete against those bishops.
 27. f3 Bd5 One pawn blockaded. 28. b4 ab4 29. Nd3 b3 30. Bb2 Kf8
 31. Kf2 Ke8 32. Ke3 e6 33. Kd2 h5 34. Kc3 Bh6 35. Nb4 Bb7 36. Kb3 Bf4
 37. Kc4 Ke7 38. Bc3 Kd6 39. Ba1 f6 40. Bf2 e5 41. de5+ fe5 42. g3 If
 42. Bb6 e4. 42...Bd2 43. Bb6 Bf3 44. Bc5+ Ka6 45. Kd3? 46. Bf2 is
 best. 45...Be1 46. Ke3 Pg2 47. g4 Bh3 48. gh5 gh5 49. Nd3 Bc3 50. Nf2
 Bg2 51. Nd1 Na5 52. Kf2 Bc6 53. Kg3 Be1+ 54. Kh3 Kd5 55. Be7 Ke4
 56. Bh4?? Bd7+ 0-1

RANDY BIERCE A - JOHN ROUSH CM ENGLISH Symmetrical

A27

1. c4 c5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. g3 g5 4. Bg2 Bg7 5. Nf3 e5 6. d3 Nge7
 7. O-O 7. a3 O-C 8. Rb1 a5 9. Bg5! Watson. 7...O-O 8. Ba3 Nd4 9. Rb1
 Nec6 10. a3 d6 11. b4 f5 12. Ng5 f4 Looks like they are playing two
 separate games, irrespective of each other. 13. Bc5+ Kh8 14. Bd4 Qg5
 15. Ne4 Qe7 16. Bc3 Bh3 17. bc5 dc5 17...Bf1? The exchange is not
 worth losing two pawns, one being protected on d6. 18. Re1 Rab8
 19. Qb3 Nd4 20. Qb2 b6 21. a4 Bf5 22. a5 Be4 23. Be4 Qf6 24. Bc4 ad4
 25. Rf1 Bb5 56. Kg2 Qd5 27. ab6 Rb6 28. Qa2 Ra6 29. Qb2 Rb6 30. Qa2
 .5-.5 Perpetual. This is two years running these guys have drawn.
 Randy will not give up his slight advantage. It surprises me that
 John doesn't go for this one. Possibly 30...Qd7 intending 32. Rfb8.
 This would be the last point or fraction thereof which John would
 yield.

DAVID MICHAELS C - ANGELA CHANG B CARO-KANN Exchange

B13

1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. ed5 cd5 4. Bd3 Nc6 5. c3 Nf6 6. Bf4 Bg4
 7. f3?! 7. Qb3! is the only good move. White needs to exploit the b7
 square. Mednis 7...Bh5 8. Ne2 e6= BCO 9. O-O Be7 10. Re1 O-O
 11. Qc2 Rc8 12. a3 a6 13. Nd2 c5 14. Nb3 Qb6 15. Bb1 e5 16. Na3 Bg6
 17. Bg5 hg5 This is a strong pawn formation. 18. Nc1 b4 19. ab4 ab4
 20. Qd3 bc3 21. bc3 Na5 22. Rb1 Qc6 23. Nce2 Nc4 24. Bg5 Ra8 25. Nf4
 Kh7 26. Re6! 26...fe6 27. Ng6! 26...Qd7 27. Rbe1? This may not
 work now. How about it you tacticians out there. 27...Bd6 28. R6e2
 Bf4 29. Bf4 Rfa8 30. Ra3?! Why give up the file? 30...Re8 31. Re8
 Qe8 32. Qe2 Kx8 33. Ce3+ Ne8 34. Ne2 Kf8 35. Bb8 Na3 36. Kf2 Nd1+
 37. Ke1 Ne3 38. g4 Ke7 39. Kf2 Nd1+ 40. Kg3 Nd6 41. Kf4?! Trade the
 pieces. That knight pair can be a headache. 41. Bd6 Kd6 42. h4!
 41...Nb5 42. Ke5 Nbc3 43. Nc3 Nc3 44. Bd6+ Kd7 45. g3? 46. Bf3 to
 grab the g7 pawn and then h4 and b5 to create a passed pawn.
 45...Nb5? 45...f6+ 46. gf6 gf6+ 47. Kf6 Kd6! 46. Bf8 f3+ 47. gf6
 xg6+ 48. Kd5 Nc7+ 49. Ke4 Ne6 50. Bh6 Kd6 51. Bf3+ Kd7 52. Bg3 Ng5+
 53. Ka3 Ke6 54. h4 Bf7! 55. Ke4 f5+ 56. Kf4 Kd5 57. Bf2 Kc4 58. Kz3
 Nh6 59. Be6 Nf7 60. Kf4 Kd5 61. h5 gh5 62. Kf5 h4 63. Kg4 Nd6 64. Bf2

MICHAEL - CHANG cont'd

64...Ke6 65. Kh4 Nf5+ 66. Kg5 Ne7 67. f4 Nd5 68. e5+ Kf7 69. Bg3 Kg7
 70. Be5+ Kf7 71. f6 We now have a knight versus two short pawns and
 one tall pawn. 71...Ne6 72. Kf4 Nd5+ 73. Ke4 Nc3+ 74. Rd3 Nd5 75. Kc4
 Nb6+ 76. Kc5 Nd7+ 77. Kd6 Nb6 78. d5? Nc4+ 79. Kc7 Ne5 80. d6 Kf5
 81. Kb7 Kf7 82. Kc7 Ke6 .5-.5

ROUND 4:

We begin round four with the big showdown. There are only two perfect scores left in the tournament. Herr Walker has been blitzing his opponents, defeating two candidate masters in a total of 73 moves. Mr. Hathaway has been methodically grinding out his games. This should be a good one.

Master Chang (That is master as in young man.) is still hanging around at 2.5. Our number one seed Mr. Roush is noticeably far back with only 1.5.

MARK HATHAWAY CM - JIM WALKER CM PIRC Austrian Attack B09

1. e4 d6 2. d4 Nf6 3. Nc3 g6 4. f4 Bg7 5. Nf3 O-O 6. Bd3 c6 More usual are Na6 or Nc6. 7. O-O Qc7 8. Qe1 a6 So where will the queen knight go? 9. Qh4 b5 10. e5 b4 11. ef6 Bf6 12. Ng5! Forces black to remove his dark bishop. This leaves the castled position weakened. 12...Bg5 13. Qg5 bc3 14. bc3 Mark has a small advantage but has paid the price, ugly pawns. 14...f5 15. Qh5 e6 Mega-hanging pawns. 16. Ba3 Rd8 17. Rf3 Qg7 18. Qh4 a5 19. Re1 Na6 The knight emerges from his hibernation. 20. Rfa3 Nc7 21. c4 Rb8 22. Qf2 f5 23. Rg3 Ne8 24. Bf1 Nf6 25. Rb3 Trying to keep the knight offside by shifting fields. 25...Qc7 26. Reb1 Bd7 27. Qe1 Eb3 28. cb3 Reconstructing his pawns at the cost of the open file. 28...Ne4 29. Rc1 Qa7 30. Qe3 Bc6 31. Bd3 d5 32. Be4 de4 33. Bc5 Qb7 34. Qc3 Qc7 35. Be3 Ba6 36. d5 Qd7 To avoid 36. Eb6! 37. dc6 Qc6 38. Bd4 a4 39. Qc3 ab3 40. ab3 Qd7 41. Be3 Qd3 42. Kf2 Bb7 43. Qd3 Rd3 44. Rb1 Rc3! The passed pawns will never reach the promised land now. Black can now become aggressive with his pawns. 45. Rb2 g5 46. Ke2 e5 47. fa5 f4 48. Bd2 Rd3 49. b4 Rd4 50. c5 a3 51. Bc3 Rc4 52. Kd3 Bd5 53. Bd4 e2 54. Re2 Rb4 55. Rc2 Rb3+ .5-.5 The two bishops have done a yeoman's job of defending. Think of how much more exciting this would have been with same color bishops.

JOHN ROUSH CM - JERRY SKEEN A ENGLISH A10

1. c4 g6 2. g3 Bg7 3. Bg2 Nf6 4. Nc3 O-O 5. e4 d6 6. Nge2 Nc6 7. d3 There are the Roush pawns again. 7...a6 8. O-O Bg4 9. f3 Bd7 10. h3 Qc8 11. Kh2 e5 12. f4 There goes the f-file. Players wanting to improve should take note that John has setup HIS type of position. 12...ef4 13. gf4 Ne8 Jerry needs to hurt John's kingside. 14. Ng3 f5 15. Nd5 Nf6 16. e5 de5 17. fe5 Nd5 18. Bd5+ Be6 19. d4 Ne7 19...Bd5 would get black crushed. 20. Qb3 Nd5? Equally suppressing. The pawns roller will eat black up. 21. cd5 Bf7 22. e6 Be3 23. Bf4 Bd4 24. Rac1 Bb5 25. Rc7! Qe8 26. Rd1 Bg7 27. d6 Some great author once wrote "P-Q6 wins by force". 27...g5 28. d7 Qg6 29. e7+ Rf7 30. Rc3+ Bf8 31. ef8(Q)+ 1-0

WEST VIRGINIA CHAMPIONSHIP '89 ROUND 4

GARY MORRIS B - DAVID MICHAELS C ENGLISH Symmetrical A36

1. c4 c5 2. g3 Nc6 3. Bg2 b6 4. Nc3 Nf6 5. e4 d6?? 6. e5! Ne5
 7. Ba3 Ne6+ 8. Ke2 Bg4+ 9. Bf3 Qa8 A valiant effort. 10. Kd3 Bf5+
 11. Ke2 Qc8 12. Qa4 Kd8 13. d3 Qe6+ 14. Be3 a5 15. Qc6 g5 16. Qb6+ Ke8
 17. Bc3+ Nd7 18. Qb8++ 1-0

ROBERT BUKOVAC CM - ALEX CHANG CM NIMZO-INDIAN E41

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. e3 c5 5. Bd3 Bc3+ 6. bc3 d6
 7. Nf3 Nc6 8. e4 e5 9. d5 Na5 9... Ne7. 10. O-O 10. Nd3 b6 11. Nf1
 Ba6 12. Ne3 Kd7 13. O-O Kc7 14. f4 Nd7 15. f5+- with a space advantage
 ECO. 10... b6 11. Qa2 Ba6 12. Nd2 Qd7 13. a4 O-O-O!? The queenside
 seems to be the center of operations. The text does shake things up.
 14. f4 Qg4 15. Nf3 Rde8 16. f3 Bc4?! 17. Bc4 Qe4 18. Ba6+ Kb8 19.
Qe4 Ne4 20. c4 Nf6 Black is down a piece for two pawns, but his
 opponent also has the bishop pair. 21. Bd2 Nb3 22. Ra3 Nd4 23. a5 Kc7
 24. Nd4 cd4 25. Bb5 Rb8 26. ab6+ ab6 27. Bc6 The bishop continues to
 restrain black's king position. 27... e4 28. Ra7+ Seventh rank,
 cink. 28... Kd8 29. Re1 e3 30. Be3! White gives back the material
 only after completely dominating the position. Black's king and rooks
 are helplessly passive. 30... de3 31. Re3 Ng4 32. Rg3 Ne5 33. Rg7 Nc4
 34. Rgf7 Ne5 35. Rh7 Rh7 36. Rh7 Nc6 37. dc6 1-0

PHILIP LEWIS B - CONNIE DOLCOVSKIJ A COLLE/KID A48

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 g6 3. Bf4 d6 4. Nbd2 Bg7 5. e3 O-O Neither
 player will cooperate. White wants to play a Colle Sytem, while black
 has set up a King's Indian formation. 6. Bd3 Nbd7 7. O-O Re3 8. c3 e5
 9. Bg5 h6 10. de5 de5 11. Bf5 Nf6 12. Ne4 a6 13. Qc2 Bg4 14. Nfd2 Nd7
 15. f3!? This is not the best way to dislodge the bishop. 15... Be6
 16. Rad1 Qe7 17. Ng3 Rad8 18. f4?! A poor idea. This might be great
 if black takes, but why should he? 19. fe5 will leave white with an
 isolated pawn on a black dominated file. 18... Bg4 19. Rde1 Nc5!
 20. Bc4 b5 21. Bf7+? A little drastic. 21. Be2. 21... Qf7 22. fe5
Qe6 23. Nde4 Ne4 24. Ne4 Bf5 25. Nf6+? White simply throws away his
 knight. 25... Bf6 26. e4 Qb6+ 27. Kh1 Re5 28. ef5 Re1 29. Qb3+ Kg7
 30. Re1 Qf2 31. Qe6 Qf5 0-1

STEPHEN TUCKER B - MARKLE BUTCHER C KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE E70

1. d4 g6 2. c4 d6 3. e4 Bg7 4. Nc3 Nf6 5. Be3 O-O 5... Ng4 6. Bf4
e5!? ECO 6. Bd3 Ng4 7. Q12 Na3 8. Qa3 Nc6 9. Nga2 e5 10. d5 Straps
 white with a bad bishop. 10... Nd4 11. O-O a6 12. b4 Bd7 13. Qd2 Ne2+
 14. Qe2 a5 15. ba5 Ra5 16. Rfb1 Qa3 17. Rb2 b6 18. Qd2 f5 19. f3 f4
 White's bishop kind of looks like a pawn. 20. Bc2 Qa7 21. Nb5 Bb5?
 Black trades away his good bishop, losing his advantage. 22. cb5 Ra3
 23. Bb3 Rc8 24. Rc1 Bf6 25. Rc6 Bd8 26. Rbc2 Qa5 27. Qe2 Qb4 28. Qd2
Qb5 29. Rd6? Wins a pawn but opens up black's bad bishop. 29... Be7
 30. Rdc6 Ec5+! Mate in one unless white drops material. 31. R2c5 bc5
 Cuts off the rook. 32. d6+ Rb3 33. Qd5+ Kf8 34. ab3 Qe2 0-1 Black
 wins on time.

ROUND 5:

At this point we crown the state champions: Walker and Hathaway right. Wrong, there are still two rounds to play. A severe case of too many rounds for the tournament, or is that too few players.

ROBERT BUKOVAC CM - MARK HATHAWAY CM QG DECLINED Lasker Var. D54

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 d5 4. Bg5 Be7 5. e3 h6 More usual is 5...O-O 6. Nf3 h6. 6. Bh4 Ne4 Heading into the Lasker Variation. 6...b6 would have led to a Tartakower Variation. 7. Be7 Qe7 8. cd5 Nc3 9. bc3 ed5 10. Qb3 Qd6 11. c4 dc4 12. Bc4 Recapturing with development and attack. 12...O-O 13. Ne2 Nc6 14. Qc3 Afraid of 14...Na5 forcing a trade of white's bishop. 14...Ne7 15. O-O White completes his development. 15...b6 16. Rad1 Rather surprising that Bob used his a rook. 16...Bb7 17. f3 c5 18. e4 Setting up a picket fence for the black bishop. 18...cd4 19. Qd4 Qd4 20. Rd4 Rfd8 21. Rfd1 Rd4 22. Rd4 Kf8 This may turn into an old fashioned minority versus majority attack. 23. Rd7 Grabbing the 7th rank. But can white benefit from the buffet. 23...Bc6 24. Rc7 a6 25. Nd4 Be8 26. Kf2 b5 27. Bd3 Rc8 28. Rc8 Nc8 So much for the 7th rank feasting. 29. Ke3 Ed7 30. Bb3 Ke7 31. Nc5 Kd6 32. Na6 Be6 33. a3 Nbc6 34. Bb5 Bc4 So much for a majority attack from black. 35. a4 Bb3 36. ab5 Nc4+ 37. Kd4 Na3 38. e5+! Kd7 39. b6 Kc6 40. Nc7 Kb6 41. Ne8 Nb5+ 42. Ke4 Nc3+ 43. Kf5 Nd5 44. Ng7 Kc6 Hathaway suggests 44...Kc7 as better. 45. Nh5 Kc7 46. Nf4 Ne7+ 47. Kf6 Nc6 48. Nd3 Nd8 49. Ke7 h5 50. h4 Kc8 51. Nb4 1-0 The black knight is trapped and must defend the f-pawn. The King is stuck defending the knight. Meanwhile white will create a passer via 52. g4 hg4 53. fg4.

ALEX CHANG CM - MARKLE BUTCHER C ENGLISH A10

1. c4 g6 2. Nf3 Bg7 3. Nc3 c6 4. g3 d6 5. Bg2 Nf5 6. d4 Bg4 7. h3 Bf3!? Surprising that black would give up his bishop so easily. 8. ef3!? Right back at you. What does Alex have in mind? 9...h5 9. f4 Qd7 10. Be3 Na6 11. Rb1 Rb8 12. Qa4 O-O 13. b4 There Alex goes with his pawn storms again. 13...Rfc8 14. b5 cb5 15. Nb3 Each side garners a semi-open file for their rook. 15...Nc7 16. Qa7 Nb5 17. cb5 Qc7?! Markle needs to keep his rooks active. He may be able to take advantage of white's uncastled king. Better would be 17...Ra8 Qb7 18. Ra2 if 18...Qd7 19. Nd7 and black has some counterplay for his pawn. 18. O-O Qd8 19. Qa4 d5 20. Qb3 e6 21. a4 Rc4 22. b6 Qd6 23. Qb5 Nd7 24. Rfd1 Ra8 25. a3 Ra6 26. Ef1! A nice long term threat. 26...Rc6 27. Rdc1 Nb8 28. Rc5 Rc5? This plays into the plans of white nicely. 29. dc5 Qc6? This loses the exchange at least. 30. Qc6 Nc6 31. Ba6 Na5 If 31...ba6 then the b pawn will cash in, or eat up the knight. 32. Bb7 Bf8 33. c6 Black is crushed, and hanging on for the time control. Alex is a little young for a heart attack, but you never know. 33...Nb7 34. c7 N36 35. b7 Nb7 36. Rb7 Kh7 37. c8(Q) Bg7 38. Rf7 Kh6 39. f5+ g5 40. Qg8 1-0

JIM WALKER CM - DONALD GRIFFITH CM QG DECLINED Exchange D14

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. Nf3 Nf6 4. cd5 Jim doesn't want anything to do with the myriad complications of the Meran or the Slav. 4...cd5 5. Nc3 Nc6 6. Bf4 Bf5 7. Qb3 Na5 8. Qb5+? 8. Qa4 Bd7 9. Qd1!?= ECO Others lead to --. 8...Bd7 9. Qd3 e6 10. Rc1 Rc8 11. b3 Bb4 12. Nd2 O-O Don finishes his development. He has a huge lead in development, because of Jim's queen scree. 13. Ncb1 Qe7 14. g3 Ne4 While Jim struggles to develop, Don presses his attack. 15. f3 Nc3 16. Nc3 Rc6 17. Bd2 Rfc8 Taking complete control of the file. 18. Kd1 So much for castling to safety. 18...a6 19. e4 de4 20. Ne4 Rcl+ 21. Bcl Bb5! The bishop pair rake white's position. ; 22. Qe3 Qc7 Threatening 23...Qc2++. 23. Nc5 Bf1 24. Rf1 b6 25. a3 bc5 26. ab4 cd4 27. Qf4 O-1 27...Qc2+ 28. Ke1 Qcl+ 29. Qcl Rcl+ 30. Ke2 Rf1 31. Kf1 Nb3.

DAVID MICHAEL C - PHILIP LEWIS B PIRC Austrian BC9

1. e4 d6 2. d4 Nf6 3. Nc3 g6 4. Bd3 Bg7 5. f4 c5? 6. dc5 dc5 7. Nf3 O-O 8. e5 Nd5 9. Nd5 Qd5 10. Qe2 Nc6 11. Be4 +- Intending 12. c3 and black has a space problem as well as a hemmed in king's bishop. Nunn 8. d5 O-C 7. Nf3 b6 8. O-O Ba6 Developing the bishop and forcing white to trade off his light bishop. 9. Ba6 Na6 Black develops his knight for free. 10. Qe1 Nc7 Guarding b4. 11. Qh4 A typical Pirc attack. 11...b6 12. f5 Nh5 12...gf5? The h-pawn would fall leaving the king to be crushed. 13. g4! Bf6 14. Qh3 b5?! Theory says to counter in the center not the opposite wing. Is there time for a queenside advance? Black also hangs the knight. 15. gh5 g5 This locks out the queen and gives the king some safety. 16. Qg4 White needs to give back the piece for the g pawn. 15...Kh7 17. Kh1 Rg8 18. Rg1 Bc3 19. bc3 f6 20. h4 gh4 21. Qg8 Qg8 22. Rg8 Rg8 White has a major headache. He is about to pay for not developing his queen's bishop. If it were already developed than 23. Rg1! would hold the advantage and the win. Where can he put the bloody thing. 23. Be3 Rg3! or 23. Bd2 Rg4! 24. Re1. 23. Nh4 Rg4 24. Ng6 Be4 25. Bd2 Nd5 The pawns start dropping like flies. 26. Rg1 a5 27. Rg2 b4! Black presses the attack where he is strongest. 28. Nf8+ Kh8 29. Rg6? Black overestimates his chances. He must take the perpetual here via 29. Ng6+ Kh7 30. Nf8+ etc. If 29. Kg7 Ne7+! and the knight and game fall. 29...Rh4+ 30. Kg2 Rh5 31. Bh6 Rh6 32. Rg4?? Where is that rook going. True after 32. Rh6+ Kg7 the knight falls, as well as the queenside pawns. But, this loses immediately. 32. Ne3+ O-1

CHARLES WAUGH C - ANGELA CHANG B ENGLISH A11

This is the dance of the West Virginia drawing chickens. 1. c4 c6 2. g3 d5 3. cd5 cd5 4. Bg2 Nf6 5. Nf3 Nc6 6. b3 Bf5 7. d3 e6 8. O-O Be7 9. Bb2 O-O 10. Nbd2 Rc8 11. a3 Qb6 12. Rc1 Nd7 13. Rc2 Rc7 14. Qb1 Rfc8 15. Rfc1 Bc5 16. Rf1 Bd4 17. Nh4 Bg4 18. Nhf3 Bf3 19. Bf3 Nce5 20. Rc7 Rc7 One, two, three, four. Trade some pieces, then trade some more. 21. Bd4 Qd4 22. Rcl Nf3+ 23. Nf3 Rcl+ 24. Qcl Qc5 25. Qc5 Nc5 26. b4 .5-.5 Five, six, seven, eight. A chance to think, but this they hate.

ROUND 6:

Out check time. Going into the sixth round we have two players ahead of the field. Donald Griffith and Robert Bukovac both have four points. These two will play for the championship right? Wrong again, they have already played (See round 2).

This is were TDs earn their peros. Michael Cornell had to reach into his pairing bag to find two players with 3.5 scores. Enter Roush, Hathaway, Walker, Chang, and Dolgovskij. Out of this group we take the top two and match them up with our two fours (Griffith - Hathaway, Roush - Bukovac). Meanwhile, Walker plays Chang, while Dolgovskij plays down. I hope all those scorecards are straight now.

DONALD GRIFFITH CM - MARK HATHAWAY CM SICILIAN Richter-Rouzer B23

1. e4 c5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. Nge2 d6 4. d4 cd4 5. Nc4 Nf6 6. Bg5 e6
7. Qd2 a6 8. O-O-O Signaling an all out effort is in the offing.
8...Bd7 9. f4 Be7 10. Be2 O-O 11. Nf3 Be8 12. Rhg1 b5 13. Bd3 b4 It
 looks like each player is setting up a flank attack. 14. Ne2 e5
15. g4 Nd7 The d5 pawn is sure to go. 16. Bb5 Nc5 17. Be7 Qe7 18. Qd6
Ne4 Recapturing the pawn. 19. Qe7 Ne7 20. Be8 Rfe8 21. Rd4 .5-.5 It
 is surprising that Mark will draw so quickly. This takes him out of
 the championship. But, then what would he have done with that knight?

Don would have the championship in his back pocket with a win. He decided to play it safe. This may have been influenced by the play on the other boards.

JOHN ROUSH CM - ROBERT BUKOVAC CM ENGLISH A14

1. e4 e6 2. e3 d5 3. Nf3 Nf6 4. Bg2 c5 5. O-O Be7 6. b3 John
 heads for a double fianchetto opening. 6...O-O 7. Bb2 Nc6 8. cd3 ed5
8...Nd5 leads to an = position and is more usual than the text. With
 the text black seeks to turn the game into a Queen Gambit Declined.
9. d4 Ne4 10. dc5 Bc5 = D30. 9. e3 Bg4 10. b3 John must have plans
 for that knight. 10...Be6 11. d4 Qd7 12. Kh2 To add a second
 defender to the h pawn. 12...cd4 13. Nd4 Rad8 14. Nc3 Rfe8 Rob plans
 to go off tackle with the play. Looks like the Mountaineers before
 Major. 15. Nce2 Rc8 16. Rc1 Ne4 17. Ne6 White can trade now that he
 has a replacement knight for the blockade. 17...Qe6 18. Nf4! Then
 again a free pawn is better still. 18...Qf5 19. Qd5 Qd5 20. Nd5 Bf6
21. Bf6 Nf6 22. Nf6+! Down a pawn black can not afford bad pawn
 structure. 22...gf6 23. Rfd1 Red8 24. Rd8+ Rd8 25. Bc6 bc6 26. Rc2
 Black is lost. He is down th e-pawn and has four pawn islands to
 maintain. His rook will become passive or he will lose more material.
26. Rc6? would give black counter play along the second rank.
26...Rd6 27. Kg2 Kg7 28. Rc4 f5 29. Ra4 Rd7 30. Ra6 Rc7 31. Kf3 c5
32. Ra4 Kg6 33. Rc4 a5 34. Ra4 Kf6 35. Ka2 h5 36. Kd3 Rd7+ 37. Kc2
 The king has been mobilized to the front, and all the preparations are
 in order. Now the pawns will fall before the white army. 37...Ra7
38. Kc3 Rf7 39. Ra5 Rd1 1-0

WEST VIRGINIA CHAMPIONSHIP '89 ROUND 6

ALEX CHANG CM - JIM WALKER CM

ENGLISH

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1. c4 Nf6 2. Nf3 e6 3. Nc3 b6 Black sets up a Queen Indian Defense. 4. g3 Bb7 5. Bg2 Bb4 6. a3 6. d3 O-O 7. e4 d5 8. e5 Nfd7 9. cd5 Bd5 10. O-O Bc3 11. bc3 +- Olafsson-Timman Reykjavik 1972 (13/37). 6...Bc3 7. bc3 d6 8. d3 Nbd7 9. O-O Qe7 10. a4 a5 11. Nd4!? Voluntarily giving up the king bishop. This does force white to give up his good and last bishop. The black queen bishop will be very strong considering white's pawn structure. 11...Bg2 12. Kg2 Nc5 13. e4 Qd7 14. f4 White looks like he is setting up a pawn roller. 14...O-O 15. f5 e5 16. Nb5 c6 17. Na3 d5 18. d4 It's decision time. Which pawn should black take. 18...ed4 19. e5 Roll pawns roll! 19...Nfe4 20. cd4 Nc3 21. Qh5 N5e4 22. Rf4 f6 23. Rh4! Threatening to win the queen after 24. Qh7+ Kf7 25. e6+! 23...Ng5 Black is lost. 24. Bg5 Qf5 24...fg5 leads to the loss of the queen again. 25. Bd2 Qd3 26. Bc3 Qc3 27. Qh7+ Kf7 28. ef6 Ke6 29. fg7 Qf3+ 30. Kh3 Rg8 31. Qg6+ Kd7 32. Qg4+! Qg4 33. Rg4 and 1-0 in 42.

PHILIP LEWIS B - STEPHEN TUCKER B

QUEEN'S BISHOP GAME

D02

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 d5 3. Bf4 c5 4. e3 cd4 5. ad4 Nc6 6. Bb5 6. c3 a6 7. Bd3 Bg4 8. Nbd2 e6 9. O-O Bd6 10. Bd6 Qd6 11. Qe1 Nd7 12. Qe3 Bh5 13. Rfe1 Bg6= Rakic-Bagirov Frunze 1983. 6...Bg4 7. Nbd2 e6 8. h3 Bh4 9. g4? Breaking the cardinal rule of kingside pawns. Never chase the bishop. 9...Bg6 10. Ne5 Qb6 11. Bc6+ bc6 12. Ng6 hg6 13. Nb3 Bb5+ 14. c3 Be7 15. f3 a5! Starting a minority attack with the isolani. Black's kingside pawns will be strong once he castles. 16. Qc2 a4 17. Nc1 Nd7 18. Nd3 Bh4+ The bishop continues its' hit and run missions. 19. Kf1 Be7 20. Re1 c5 21. dc5 Bc5 22. Nc5 Qc5 23. Kg2 O-O Black's king is very safe behind those ugly pawns. 24. Be3 Qd6 25. h4 Rfc8 26. h5? White goes for an attack which is not there. 26...d4 27. Qd2 Preventing 27. de3. 27...d3 28. h6 a3 29. hg7 ab2 30. Rh8+ Kg7 31. Bd4+? e5 32. Qh6+ Kf6 33. Qf4+ Ke6 34. Rc8 Rc8 35. Qd2 Qd4 O-1 36. cd4 Rc2!

GARY MORRIS B - JERRY DINGESS B

ENGLISH

A11

1. c4 c6 The idea here is to convince white to play into a Slav 2.d4 or a Caro-Kann with 2.e4. 2. g3 d5 3. b3 Bf5 4. Bg2 Nf6 5. d3 e6 6. Bb2 Nbd7 Black has a Queen's Gambit Declined structure with the queen bishop developed outside of the pawn chain. 7. Nf3 Bd6 8. O-O Qc7 9. Nc3 Bg4 10. Rc1 O-O 11. cd5 ed5 12. Nb5! Good bye bishop. 12...Qb8 13. Nd6 Qd6 14. Rc2 Rfa8 15. Qa1 Re7 16. a4 Qc7 17. e3 Re6 18. Nd4 Ree8 19. h3 Rh5 20. a5 White seems to be overextended. 20...Qd8 21. Nf5 Eg6 22. g4 Bf5 23. gf5 Qe7 24. a6 Qb4 25. ab7 Eight out of white's last ten moves have been with pawns. This does not bode well for him. 25...Qb7 26. e4 Qb3 27. Rc6 Qd3 28. e5 Nh5 29. e6 fe6 30. fe6 Ndf6 31. Rd1 Qg6 32. Be5 a5 33. Kh1 Qf5 34. Qd4 Re6 White goes down a pawn for good. The outside passer covered by the rook looks strong for black. 35. Re6? This takes away an attacker. This weakens an attack which had better happen soon. 35...Qe6 36. f4 Ng3+ 37. Kh2 Nf5 38. Qd3 a4 39. Bf6 Ne3 40. Bd5 O-1 40...Nd5 41. Qd5 Qd5 42. Rd5 gf6 This will restrict the rook to a1 or a2, this would be much too passive.

WEST VIRGINIA CHAMPIONSHIP '89 ROUND 6

MARKLE BUTCHER C - JERRY SKEEN B

ENGLISH

A20

1. c4 Nf6 2. g3 e5 3. Bg2 Bc5 4. Nc3 O-O 5. e3 Nc6 6. a3 a6
 7. Nge2 Ne7 8. O-O c6 9. b4 Shooing away the bishop while initiating
 a queenside advance. 9...Bb6 10. Bb2 Bc7 11. d4 ed4 12. ed4 d5!
 This forces white's hand. 13. c5 This has effectively taken the
 sting out of the double fianchettoed bishops. Black's bishops look
 very strong now. The alternative of an isolated d pawn are not any
 better. 13...Ng6 Since the queenside is bottled up, the knight
 heads for the new center of operations. 14. Re1 Re8 15. Qd2 Ne4
 16. Ne4 de4 17. Nc3 f5 18. Rad1 Be6 Black's pieces have seized the
 initiative all over the board. 19. f3 Bb3 20. Rol ef3 21. Bf3 f4
 Those bishops are looking more ominous as the king pawns disappear.
 22. Re8+ Qe8 23. Re1 Qf8 24. Rf1 Rd8 25. Kg2 Kh8 26. Ne2 Bc4 27. Qc3
Qf7 28. Re1 fg3 29. hg3 Bd5 30. Rf1 Rf8 31. Qe3 Ne7 32. Qf2 g5 33. Nc3
Bc4 34. Ne2 Nd5 35. Bc1 Qx7 36. Qg1 g4 37. Bg4 Rf1 38. Qf1 h5 39. Bh5
Be2 40. Qe2 Qg3+ 41. Kf1 Qh5+ 42. Kg1 Qg3+ 43. Qg3 Nc3 44. Qg3 Bg3
 White looks great with his bishop pair. 45. Bf3? White must attack
 the pawn chain from behind. 45. Bg4! 45...Kg8 46. Kg2 Bh4 47. Bb2
Nd5 48. Bd5? This leads to a drawish position. White's bishop is
 cramped by his own pawns, while black's bishop looks real strong.
 48...cd5 49. Kf3 Kf7 50. Kg4 Be1 51. Kf5 White gains the opposition,
 but black's will just run around. White's only hope is to play
 52. Bc4. 51...Bg3 .5-.5

JOHN DAVIDSON D - GALEN MILLER C

DUTCH DEFENSE

A34

1. d4 f5 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Nc6 4. Nf3 Bb4 5. a3 Bc3+ 6. bc3 h6 7. c5
Nf6 8. e3 Ne4 9. Qe2? Hanging the c pawn. 9...Nc3 10. Qd2 Ne4
 11. Qd3 d5 12. Be2 g5 13. O-O Qe7 14. Qd1 Bd7 15. Rb1? Setting up
 the fork on c3. 15...g4 Black chooses to continue his kingside
 advance first. 16. Ne5 Ne5 17. de5 Nc3 18. Qc2 Nb1 19. Qb1 Bc6 20. f4
h5 21. Bb5 Qc5 22. Bc6+ Qc6 23. h3 gh3 24. gh3 Rg8+ 25. Kh2 d4 0-1
 Black will double down the g file and attack the g2 square.

EDITOR'S AWARDS

The following are the winners of the 1989 Editor's Awards. These
 players have demonstrated high achievement in their particular
 categories. They each hereby receive a hearty "well done".

DRAWING CHAMPIONS: 1st Angela Chang 2nd Chuck Waugh

BEST SCORESHEETS: 1st Jim Walker 2nd Mark Hathaway

MOST AESTHETIC SCORESHEETS: 1st Robert Bukovac 2nd Jerry Skeen

SANDBAG (UPSET) CHAMPION: Markle Butcher This was for the
 combination of a win versus S. Tucker, and draws with An.
 Chang, and J. Skeen. These results should but Markle
 into the 1600s.

POSTAL NEWS

The 1987-88 Postal Championship has finally ended. In Class C, James Oincs of Morgantown won the playoff. The Class B champion was David Bruner of Grafton. In Class A there was still a tie after the match between David Marples of St. Albans, and Ed Garner of Greenwood. David was awarded the trophy by lot.

At last report Ed Garner had won a Master ICCF section. This qualified him for a World Semi-Final section. Hopefully he will share a game with us from this section. Congratulations and good luck Ed!

David Marples has joined the mass exodus from the state. David has retired to Durham, North Carolina. We wish him well in his move.

The 1989-90 Postal Championships have been underway since January. The number of entrants is a meager five, mainly due to a lack of advertisement and interest. The players are as follows: A) David Marples, Terry Riley, and John Roush B) David Bruner and Ray Lietz.

Scores so far are:

A: Marples 1.5, Roush 1, Riley 0.5 B: Bruner 1.5, Lietz 1.5

West Virginia Top 10 Postal Ratings (October 1989 postal insert).

1. James McAlister	2128 R	(Postal ratings are
2. Jeff E Hohn	2075 P	different from regular
3. Dennis Funkhouser	2021 F	ratings).
4. John Everet Roush	1920 Q	
5. Terry J Riley	1909 O	
6. Jeffrey Jackson	1877 N	
7. David M Hill	1830 N	
8. Randy M Harper	1757 N	
9. Jeffrey T Crook	1750/B	
10. David Lee Bruner	1749 M	

TERRY RILEY (A) - RAYMOND LIETZ (B) CATALAN Open E04

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. g3!? A little unusual move order. More usual is 3. Nf3. 3...Nf6 Black enters the main line Catalan. Black can gain easy play from 3...dc4 4. Qa4 Qd7 5. Qc4 Qc6 6. Qc6+ Nc6 +- Neishtadt, or by simply playing 3...c5. 4. Bg2 dc4 5. Nf3 Nc6 Striving to play Rb8 and b5. 6. Qa4 Playable. Better is 6. O-O. 6... Qd5 7. O-O b5? Yes, it does cost white a tempi, but it leaves the a8-h1 diagonal vulnerable. Book suggests 7...Bd7 which leads to a small advantage for white. 8. Qd1 Bb4 9. Ne5! Ne4 10. Nc6 Qc6 11. Bd2 a5 12. a3 Be7 13. Nc3. Increasing the pressure on e4 and b5, while forcing 13...f5 leading to a weak e6 and e5. 13...f5 14. Qc2 Bb7 15. Rfc1? Much too fancy. Better was 15. Ne4 fe4 16. a4 b4 17. Rc1. 15...a4! 16. Nb1? Either 16. Ne4, or 16. Na2 intending 17. Bb4 are better. 16...Qb5 17. Be2 c5 18. dc5 Bc5 19. Sc5 Nc5 20. Bb7 White has signed his own death certificate. He has traded off all his active pieces, leaving him nothing to attack black's weak squares 20...Qb7 21. Nd2 O-O 22. Qc3 Rd3 23. Rd1 Rd5 24. Qe3 Qd7 25. Rac1 Rd3 O-1

KANAWHA VALLEY OPEN (KVO)

August 12, 1989 Rehab Center - Institute, WV TD - D. Griffith

Jerry Skeen has won the 1989 Kanawha Valley Open with a perfect score of 3-0. Jerry has succeeded in winning back to back KVOs. This year he defeated perennial favorites Donald Griffith and James Walker.

Jim Walker and Sam Rhodes tied for second at 2-1. Sam was awarded the under 1600 prize. Sam, a native of Ripley, has migrated to the Carolinas via hillbilly highway in pursuit of a teaching career.

The KVO was held at a new site this year. The usual site was made unavailable at the last minute of preparations. This is the reason that the KVO was not advertised in Chess Life. This editor found the event only by being in Charleston on other business. The resulting problem was a rather small field of combatants. The event was also shortened to three rounds.

Despite the tourneys short comings, there was still interesting chess to be found. Below you will find some games and the crosstable.

PLAYER	RATING	1	2	3	TOTAL
1. Donald Griffith	2092	D5	W6	L3	1.5
2. James Walker	2087	W6	L3	W5	2.0
3. Jerry Skeen	1877	W9	W2	W1	3.0
4. Jerry Riley	1833	W7	U-	U-	1.0
5. Stephen Tucker	1732	D1	W8	L2	1.5
6. Galen Miller	1415	L3	L1	W9	1.0
7. Sam Rhodes	NC	L4	W9	W8	2.0
8. John Davidson	982	HB	L5	L7	0.5
9. Paul Jarrett	UNP	L2	L7	L6	0.0

U = Unplayed. HB = Half-point bye.

ROUND 1:

JERRY SKEEN A - PAUL JARRETT 0 QUEEN PAWN A40

1. d4 e6 2. Nf3 b6 3. e4 Bb7 Black is trying to play a Queen Indian Defense, but white will have done of it. He simply sets up a strong center. 4. Bd3 Nf6 5. e5 Ng8? Losing a full tempo. 5...Nd5 is the only viable move. 6. O-O Bf3? Giving up his only developed piece. 7. Qf3 Nc6 8. c3 Be7 9. Bb5 Na5 10. b4 c6 11. Ba6 b5 12. ba5 Qa5 13. Bb7 Rb8 14. Bc6 dc6 15. Qc6+ Kd8 16. Bd2 Rc3 17. Qf3 h6 18. c4 Qb6 19. Rd1 Poisoning the d pawn. 19...bc4 20. d5 Bg5 21. Bg5+ hg5 22. de6+ Ke7 23. Qf7++ 1-0

DONALD GRIFFITH CM - STEPHEN TUCKER B ALEXKINE Modern 3C5

1. e4 Nf6 2. e5 Nd5 3. d4 d6 4. Nf3 Bg4 5. Ba2 Nc6 6. c4 Nb6 7. ed6 cd6 7...ed6 is the standard. 8. Nc3 a6 8...Bf3 9. Bf3 Nc4 wins a

pawn. However, this gets him into trouble after 10. Qe4 Na5 11. Bc6 Nc6 12. d5. 9. O-O Be7 10. d5 Bf3 11. Bf3 Ne5 12. Qe6 Nf3+ 13. Qf3 fe6 Black's three pawn islands look very weak, but he does have the f-file if he can only manage to castle. 14. Re1 A huntin' we will go! 14... Qd7 15. Qg4 O-O 16. Qe6+ Bang. 16... Qe6 17. Re6 Bf6 18. Rd6 Nc4 19. Rd1 Rae8 20. Rb1 Bd4 21. h3 Bf2+ There goes Don's catch and now his king will be hampered for the rest of the game. 22. Kh2 Rf7 23. b3 Ne3 24. Be3 Be3 25. Re1 Rfe7 26. Rf1 Otherwise 21... Bf4+ and a rook hangs. 26... Rd4 27. Nd5 Re2 28. Rbc1 Be5+ 29. Kg1 Bg3 30. a4 h6 31. Rc3 Bb8 32. Rcf3 b6 33. h4 Ba7 34. Kh2 Rc8 35. Kh3 Rcc2 36. Rg3 Bb8 37. Rg4 Rcd2 38. Nf6+ Kh8 39. Ne4 Rd3+ 40. g3 Re5 41. h5 Rb3 42. Nc5 Rbb2 43. Rc4 b5 44. ab5 ab5 45. Rcc1 Rh2+ Black looks good up a pawn and with the bishop versus a knight in an open game. 46. Kg4 Rh4+ 47. Kf5 Rh5+ 48. Ke6 Bf6 49. Nd7 Re4+ These checks have merely driven white's king into the open. From there it is slowly pinning the black king into his own corner. 50. Kd6 Be7+ 51. Kc6 Rc4+ 52. Rc4 bc4 53. Re1 Rg5 54. Rc3 Rg6+ 55. Kb5 Bdd6 56. Kc4 The loss of this pawn severely hurts black's chances for victory, as all the pawns are now on one side 56... Bg3 57. Rd3 Rc6+ 58. Kb5 Rc8?? Whoops! If this is a planned sacrifice, it is unsound. 59. Rg4 g5 60. Nc5 Kh7 61. Kc4 Kg5 62. Kd4 Kf5 63. Nd3 h5 64. Rf3+ Kg4 65. Ne5+ Kh4 66. Ng6 .5-.5 Perpetual after 66... Kg4 67. Ne5 ...etc.

ROUND 2:

JIM WALKER CM - JERRY SKEEN A QG DECLINED Orthodox D60

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 d5 4. Bg5 Be7 5. e3 O-O 6. Nf3 c6 7. cd5 Nd5 8. Be7 Qe7 9. Bd3 9. Qb3 is seen more often. 9... Nbd7 10. O-O Nc3 11. bc3 e5 12. Qc2 h6 13. Rfa1 Qf6 14. Rad1 ed4 15. ed4 Nb6 16. c4 This tends to hamper the bishop by restricting its' scope. 16... Bg4 17. Re3 Rfe8 18. h3 Re3 19. fe3 Bf3 20. Rf1 Re8 21. Rf3 Qh4 22. Qf2 Qe7 23. e4! This further blockades the bishop. The bishop is now just a tall pawn defending the e4 and c4 pawns. 23... Nd7 24. Bb1 25! 25. d5 Forced. This sentences the bishop to a bad life in jail. 25... Ne5 26. Rc3 b6 27. Bc2 Rd8 28. Qf5 g5 29. Qf4 Kg7 30. Bd3 Rd6 31. Be2 Rf6 32. Qe3 Qd6 33. Ra3 a5 34. Rb3 Qd7 35. Qc3 Qd6 36. Rb3? White goes down the exchange for a pawn. He may be hoping to drive his pawn wedge to paydirt. Unfortunately the remaining bishop does not get a pardon. 36... Qb6 37. Qe5 Qb1+ 38. Kh2 Qb6 39. Qx3 Qd8 40. Bd3 Rb6 It was around here that Jim took a lengthy break to pick up his girlfriend. Jim can ill afford to lose any time with his habitual time scrabbles. This does not take anything away from Jerry's win, since he is already firmly in control. 41. e5 Qg5 42. d6 Qg3+ 43. Kg5 Kf8 44. Bc2 The bishop can only mark time on death row. 44... Rb4 45. Bb3 a4 46. Kf3 ab3 Midnight. 47. ab3 Rb3+ 48. Ke4 Rb2 49. Kd5 Rg2 50. Kc5 Rg5 51. Kd5 Ke8 52. c5 f6 53. Ke6 Re5 54. Kf6 Rc5 55. Kz6 Rg5+ 56. Kh6 Re2 57. h4 Kd7 58. h5 Kd6 59. Kh7 Ke7 60. h6 Kf7 61. Kh8 Rh3 62. h7 Kg6 63. Kg8 Rh7 0-1

GALEN MILLER C - DONALD GRIFFITH CM SECILIAM Najdorf Dragon B70

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cd4 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Bd3 Unusual, more common is 5. Nc3 in the Najdorf. 5...Nc6 6. c3 g6 7. Nd2 Bg7 8. O-O 9. Ndf3 d5 10. Re1 de4 11. Be4 Ne4 12. Re4 e5 13. Bg5? 13. Nf6 would have been okay. 13...Qd5! 14. Nc5 Qe4 15. Ne6+ Kh8 15. Nd5 Be5 17. Ne3 f6 18. Bh4 Rfd8 19. Qe2 Rd7 20. Nd2?? Leaving the bishop en prise 20...Qh4 21. b3 Rad8 22. Rd1 f5 23. Nf3 Rd1+ 24. Nd1 Qe4 25. Ne3 f4 26. Ng5 Qd3 27. Qd3 Rc3 28. Ne6 fe3 29. fe3 Rc3 30. e4 Rc2 31. a4 Bh6 32. b4 Be3+ 33. Kf1 Rf2+ 34. Kg1 Rf6 0-1

ROUND 3

JERRY SKEEM A - DONALD GRIFFITH CM ENGLISH A13

1. c4 e6 2. Nf3 d5 3. e3 Nf6 4. cd5 ed5 5. d4 Ef5 6. Nc3 c6 7. Nh4 Be6 8. Bd3 g6 9. O-O Bd6 It is understandable to line up on the h2-b8 diagonal, but not after playing g6. 10. f4 Ne4 11. Nf3 Nc3 12. bc3 f5 13. Qb3 Qe7 14. Ng5 b6 This is so the pawn will not hang after 15. Ne6 Qe6 16. Qb7. 15. a4 Nd7 16. Pa3 Jerry would be glad to trade his bad bishop for Don's good one. 16...c5 17. Bb5 O-O 18. Ne6 Qe6 19. Bd7 Qd7 20. Qd5+ Kg7 21. dc5 bc5 22. Bc5 Rad8 23. Rad1 Bc5 23...Rf6 might have been better. 24. Qe5+ Kg8 25. Rd7 Be3+ 26. Qe3 Rd7 27. Qe6+ Rf7 28. Re1 Rb7 29. c4 Forward march. 29...Kg7 30. c5 Rbc7 31. c6 Rf6 The following endgame is a great example of how to simplify and nail down the opponent's king. 32. Qd5 Rfc6 33. Re7+ Re7 34. Qc6 Kf7 35. Kf2 Kg7 36. Qc3+ Kg8 37. Kg3 h6 38. Kh4 Kh7 39. h3 Rf7 40. Qe5 Rb7 41. g4 fg4 42. hg4 Rd7 43. f5 g5+ 44. Kh5 Rd1 45. Qe7+ 1-0

SAM RHODES D - JOHN DAVIDSON E NIMZOWITSCH Defense B00

1. e4 Nc6 2. d4 Nf6 3. Nc3 d5 4. e5 Nd7 5. Nf3 f6 5. Bb5 fe5 7. Nd5 Nf6 and 1-0 in 13 moves. The rest of the scoresheet could not be deciphered.

NEXT ISSUE:

a) Lost classics. The 1988 West Virginia Championship. Anyone having games are encouraged to send them in within the next couple of weeks.

b) Huntington YMCA Championships. Mark Hathaway annotates two games.

c) Eastern Panhandle Action II and III.

d) More postal games.

e) This will be the bicentennial issue. Any historical information for this issue is welcome.