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MARKS WINS SECOND STATE TITLE; DR. WERTHAMMER IS RUNNER-UP

H. Landis Marks, of Huntington, won the ninth annual West Virginia Chess Association Championship Aug. 30-Sept. 1 at Huntington, without the loss of a game and with only one tie, giving him a score of $5\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$.

The tie was with Dr. Siegfried Werthammer of Huntington, the defending champion, who also was undefeated but yielded three ties to score $4\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ and win second place in the six-round Swiss System play.

It was Marks' second conquest of the title. He won the Charleston tourney in 1942, when he was neither beaten nor tied. Only one other person has captured the title more than once--Dr. Werthammer, who was champion in 1943, 1944 and 1946.

WVCA President William Hartling of St. Albans, 1940 champion, and Edward M. Foy of Charleston, both of whom drew against Dr. Werthammer, ended in a third place tie with scores of 4-2, along with Allen DuVall, last year's runner-up, and John Hurt, Jr., the 1939 champion, both of Charleston.

The 1945 titlist, Hal Liggett, of South Charleston, was in a tie for seventh place with 3 points, while the 1941 winner, Walt Crede of Charleston, did not participate in the play.

Eighteen players took part, matching the record 1945 crowd at Morgantown.

HERE IS HOW THEY FINISHED:

	W.	L.	D.	Points
1. H. Landis Marks, Huntington.....	5	0	1	$5\frac{1}{2}$
2. Dr. Siegfried Werthammer, Huntington.....	3	0	3	$4\frac{1}{2}$
3. Allen DuVall, Charleston.....	4	2	0	4
Edward M. Foy, Charleston.....	3	1	2	4
William Hartling, St. Albans.....	3	1	2	4
John Hurt, Jr., Charleston.....	4	2	0	4
7. Gene Collett, Pittsburgh.....	3	3	0	3
H. Reid Holt, Charleston.....	2	2	2	3
Harold W. Liggett, South Charleston.....	3	3	0	3
Rudd T. Neel, Huntington.....	3	3	0	3
F. A. Seward, Huntington.....	3	3	0	3
Tom Sweeney, Wheeling.....	3	3	0	3
13. William Cuthbert, Wheeling.....	2	4	0	2
Ray Martin, South Charleston.....	2	4	0	2
Everett Shinkle, Huntington.....	2	4	0	2
16. J. R. (Jack) Allison, Huntington.....	1	4	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$
Dr. V. S. Hayward, Huntington.....	1	4	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$
18. M. C. Scott, Huntington.....	0	4	2	1

Those who argue that White has the advantage found some sustenance for their belief. In this tournament, the white pieces won 28 games, lost 19 and drew 7.

In the first round. Shiggi Werthammer and Tom Sweeney had their game up to about the 9th or 10th move when Shiggi was called to the telephone. It was from one of his hospitals, an emergency summons, and Shiggi promised to go just as he was as soon as the game was over. The hospital said it was sending a car for him. We don't know whether this pressure from without had anything to do with it, but a few minutes later, Shiggi announced "Mate in 3," grabbed his hat and coat and departed on the run.

Here's the score of the game; you can figure it out for yourself. It's a Kings Gambit with Sweeney playing the white men. Shiggi got his call along about the 9th or 10th move.

1 P-K4 P-K4, 2 P-KB4 PXP, 3 N-KB3 N-KB3, 4 P-K5 N-R4, 5 B-B4 P-Q4, 6 PXP e.p. BXP, 7 O-O O-O, 8 P-Q4 N-QB3, 9 P-Q5 N-K2, 10 N-K5 P-KN3, 11 N-N4 N-B4, 12 B-Q3 B-B4ch, 13 K-R, and Black announces mate in 3 moves by 13...N(B)-N6ch, 14 PxN NXPch, 15 K-R2 Q-R5 mate.

This game, however, missed by two moves being the shortest in the tournament. That honor was reserved for a 13-move quickie which John Hurt, playing white men, pulled on Rudd Neel of Huntington, as follows:

1 P-K4 P-K4, 2 P-Q4 PXP, 3 N-KB3 N-KB3, 4 P-K5 Q-K2, 5 Q-K2 N-Q4, 6 NXP P-QB4, 7 N-N5, Q-K3, 8 P-QB4 Q-QN3, 9 PxN N-R3, 10 N-Q6ch BxN, 11 PxBch and White mates in 2 moves against any defense.

Ray H. Griffin and Kingsley Smith, members of the Clarksburg Chess Club, were guests at the tournament but did not take part in the play. There were also a large number of Huntington visitors, including eight or nine boys, showing considerable interest in the game among the city's younger set.

TOURNAMENT SCORESHEET, ROUND BY ROUND

The following table shows round-by-round results, with cumulative scores at the end of each round (player shown first had white men):

<u>ROUND 1</u>	<u>ROUND 2</u>	<u>ROUND 3</u>	<u>ROUND 4</u>	<u>ROUND 5</u>	<u>ROUND 6</u>
Liggett 0 Marks 1	Marks 2 Haywa 1	Marks 3 Hurt 2	Marks 4 Neel 3	Werth 4 Marks 4½	DuVall 4 Marks 5½
Sweeney 0 Werthammer 1	Marti 1 Werth 2	Neel 3 DuVal 2	Werth 3½ Hurt 2	Marti 2 DuVal 4	Foy 4 Werthammer 4½
DuVall 1 Holt 0	DuVal 2 Hartl 1	Werth 2½ Hartl 1½	DuVal 3 Sween 2	Neel 3 Foy 3½	Hartling 4 Sweeney 3
Hartling 1 Foy 0	Hurt 2 Cuthb 1	Sween 2 Haywa 1	Cuthb 2 Foy 2½	Hurt 3 Holt 2	Hurt 4 Neel 3
Collett 0 Hurt 1	Neel 2 Allis 0	Cuthb 2 Marti 1	Holt 2 Hartl 2	Hartl 3 Colle 2	Holt 3 Cuthbert 2
Scott 0 Neel 1	Foy 1 Ligge 0	Foy 1½ Holt 1½	Marti 2 Ligge 1	Sewar 2 Sween 3	Seward 3 Martin 2
Seward 0 Cuthbert 1	Colle 1 Sewar 0	Ligge 1 Colle 1	Shink 1 Sewar 2	Shink 2 Scott ½	Collett 3 Shinkle 2
Allison 0 Martin 1	Holt 1 Scott 0	Scott 0 Sewar 1	Haywa 1 Colle 2	Ligge 2 Cuthb 2	Allison 1½ Liggett 3
Hayward 1 Shinkle 0	Shink 0 Sween 1	Allis 0 Shink 1	Scott ½ Allis ½	Haywa 1 Allis 1½	Scott 1 Hayward 1½

Tournament financial report: Entry fees paid (less amount for WVCA membership fee), \$72.00; non-player contribution, \$4.00; total receipts, \$76.00.

Tournament expenses: Rental of tourney room, \$30.60; soft drinks for players, \$3.70; porter service, \$1.00; carbon paper, 70 cents; prizes awarded, \$40.00; total, \$76.00.

Prizes were awarded as follows, using the "plus-score" system: Marks, \$12.50; Dr. Werthammer, \$7.50; Foy, Hurt, DuVall and Hartling, \$5 each.

Scoresheets for the tourney were furnished by the Charleston Chess Club.

PLAYERS MAKE OWN CHESS CLOCKS

A feature of the tournament was the use, for the first time in West Virginia state tourney play, of chess clocks. There were six of them and all had been made by the players themselves. They were pronounced of excellent workmanship and all operated perfectly throughout the meet. The clocks drew many an "Ooh!" and "Ah!" from players who had not seen them previously. It is hopeful that by next year, enough clocks will be available to permit their use at all tables.

John Hurt made two of the clocks brought by Charleston players, while others were produced by Reid Holt, Bill Hartling and Allen DuVall. Jack Allison brought a clock made by his older brother, Herman. Allison's clock more nearly resembled those offered commercially (and not available at present).

The oldest player in the meet was 68-year-old F. A. Seward. He will 69 in October. Two other 68-ers played--Everett Shinkle and Rudd Neel. Youngest of the competitors was 16-year-old Jack Allison.

PROBLEM SOLVING CONTEST

At the close of the tournament proper, six of the players engaged in an informal problem solving contest, using three two-movers and two three-movers selected by Francis J. C. DeBlasio, WVCA problem director of Brooklyn, N. Y.

H. Reid Holt of Charleston completed his solving at 1:48 of the allotted two hours and made a perfect score of 12 points, surely an unusual accomplishment in an event of this kind. He was presented a copy of Kenneth S. Howard's "How to Solve Chess Problems" as a prize, tho it seems doubtful whether he is in serious need of such instruction.

Dr. Werthammer scored 7 points; Allen DuVall, 6; John Hurt and Tom Sweeney, 4 each; and Gene Collett, 0. Sweeney, who had twice won the WVCA mail solving contest, and Collett, who had won the annual event once, failed to make as good a showing as had been expected. Both vowed they'd do better next time.

Everyone agreed the event was fun and there is talking of making it an annual event with the title of "West Virginia problem solving champion" going to the winner.

For the benefit of solvers who think they might have bettered some of the scores, we are printing the problems in Forsythe notation. Total time permitted, two hours. Two points credit for a 2-mover; 3 points for a 3-mover. Equal credit for cooks (none were found by the tourney solvers). All the problems are from CHESS REVIEW. Solutions will be found on the back page of this Bulletin. A, B and C are two-movers (that is, White moves and mates in 2 moves); D and E are 3-movers.

- A (by E.M.Hassberg): 8-1B1NRp2-3p1Pp1-3Nnlpl-3k2pl-1P4K1-2Pp4-7Q.
 B (by Simon Costikyan): Bq1R4-B7-3n4-2rn4-Q1Nkp3-NP1p4-3P4-7K.
 C (by C.W.Sheppard): 5R1R-6kl-4plB1-r6p-1p2pN2-8-1q5NK-Br4Q1.
 D (by J.F.W.Hannay): K4R2-8-8-2Ppp3-1plk4-1P1p2pl-3P1pP1-2Q2B2.
 E (by W.S.Waterman): 8-b3pr1b-4R3-3klpN1-p4p2-5K2-2Q5-8.

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WVCA--NEW MEMBERS AND RENEWALS (1947-48 YEAR)

(Here begins our annual membership listing, starting as usual with the Tournament players and continuing with others in order of dues receipt.)

- George Koltanowski, PO Box 682, Santa Rosa, Cal. (HONORARY MEMBER)
- 1 H. Landis Marks, 933 Twelfth Ave., Huntington, W. Va.
 - 2 Dr. Siegfried Werthammer, 2008 N. Englewood Road, Huntington, W. Va.
 - 3 Allen DuVall, 630 Central Ave., Charleston 2, W. Va. (new address)
 - 4 Edward M. Foy, 4 Arlington Court, Charleston 1, W. Va.
 - 5 John F. Hurt, Jr., PO Box 891, Charleston 23, W. Va.
 - 6 William F. Hartling, 1979 Benedict Circle, St. Albans, W. Va.
 - 7 Gene Collett, 125 Meritt Ave., Pittsburgh 27, Pa. (LIFE MEMBER)
 - 8 H. Reid Holt, 164 Sunset Drive, Charleston 1, W. Va.
 - 9 Harold W. Liggett, 110 Central Ave., South Charleston 3, W. Va.
 - 10 Rudd T. Neel, 1505 Sixth Ave., Huntington, W. Va.
 - 11 F. A. Seward, 428 North Boulevard W., Huntington, W. Va.
 - 12 Thomas Sweeney, 527 Hawley Bldg., Wheeling, W. Va.
 - 13 William R. Cuthbert, 88 Washington Ave., Wheeling, W. Va.
 - 14 Everett Shinkle, Box 82, Huntington, W. Va.
 - 15 Ray Martin, PO Box 117, South Charleston 3, W. Va.
 - 16 J.R. Allison, 404 Eleventh St., Huntington, W. Va.
 - 17 Dr. V. S. Hayward, 1128 Ninth Ave., Huntington, W. Va.
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 - 19 Tyson E. Cobb, 509 Jefferson Ave., Huntington 4, W. Va. (new address)
 - 20 Jack T. Sergeant, Third Avenue Villas, Apt.No. 3, Texas City, Texas
 - 21 Ray H. Griffin, 303 Greaney Bldg., Clarksburg, W. Va.
 - 22 Sam Abrahams, Box 404, Huntington 8, W. Va.
 - 23 Mrs. Ludwig Frank, 1570 Kanawha Blvd., E., Charleston 1, W. Va.
 - 24 Kingsley Smith, 337 Washington Ave., Clarksburg, W. Va.
 - 25 Harry Berry, Jr., Box 67, Lexington, Va.
 - 26 Richard Grimm, 5412 Ohio St. SW., Charleston 3, W. Va.
 - 27 Mrs. Toni Grimm, 5412 Ohio St. SW., Charleston 3, W. Va. (NEW MEMBER)

KINGSLEY SMITH PUZZLE CORRECTED--OTHER ERRORS ADJUSTED

August has always been a bad month for your editor and last month it showed up in the Bulletin. On Page 1 we said Dr. Werthammer was the the WVCA champion for 1943, 1945 and 1946. It should have been 1944 instead of 1945; Hal Liggett won in 1945. On page 3 we had the Bulletin mimeographed professionally since July; what we meant was June. On the next page we messed up Kingsley Smith's puzzle, which should have read:

"Set up the board with the White pawns and pieces in their customary places, but with the Black pawns moved up to White's third rank and the Black pieces on White's fourth rank--so that the two sets of pawns are right against each other. Given the first move, can White break out? That is, can he get through the ranks of Black men to 'fresh air,' regardless of what happens to him after he gets out?"

Personally we don't think he can get any farther than the second rank but we will be interested in hearing from anyone who knows for certain.

Other errors in the August Bulletin will be corrected as soon as discovered.

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- American Chess Bulletin, bimonthly, \$2 a year, 150 Nassau St., New York 7, N.Y.
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THE BASIS OF COMBINATION IN CHESS, by J. Du Mont, 218 pp., \$3.00. This book is our favorite of the lot. It is a study of brilliancies from master play, showing just when, why and how the master begins his sacrificial, or other combinative attack; a total of 250 positions. A sheer joy just to read, even more delightful when played thru on the board.

MEET THE MASTERS, by Dr. Max Euwe, translated by L. Prins and B. H. Woods, 279 pp., \$2.50. A study of the lives, likes and dislikes, and tournament play of eight masters--Alekhine, Botvinnik, Capablanca, Euwe, Fine, Flohr, Keres and Reshevsky, including many illustrative games, with notes from an original viewpoint. There are many personal touches--such as the little known fact that Dr. Euwe's first name is Machgielis. A pleasing, refreshing book.

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THE ART OF CHESS, by James Mason, revised by Fred Reinfeld and Sidney Bernstein, 340 pp., \$3.00. The first half of the book, dealing with endings and combinations, stands practically as Mason wrote it. The second half, openings, is mainly new and applies Mason's theories to chess as it is played today. Throughout the book, the old illustrative games are replaced by modern examples.

KASHDAN WINS USCF OPEN

George Koltanowski, who directed the USCF Open at Corpus Christi, sends members a report on the tournament, which was won by Isaac Kashdan, of New York City with a score of $11\frac{1}{2}$ points in the 13 rounds of play. Anthony E. Santasiere, of Brooklyn, and Abe Yanofsky, of Canada, were tied for second, with 10 points each. Other high scorers were Miguel Cuellar of Bogota, Colombia, with $9\frac{1}{2}$; George Kramer, New York City; Augusto Sanchez, Bogota; Steven T. Shaw, Bronx, N. Y., and Norman T. Whitaker, Shadyside, Md., 9 points each; Weaver W. Adams, Deadham, Massachusetts; Al Sandrin, Jr., Chicago; Olaf Ulvestad, Seattle, Wash., and Herman A. Steiner, Los Angeles, $8\frac{1}{2}$ points each; Miguel Aleman, Havana; Arturo Colon, San Juan, Puerto Rico; Dr. Gustave L. Drexel, Miami Beach, Fla.; Larry Evans, New York City; Robert H. Steinmeyer, St. Louis; R. G. Wade, New Zealand, and Dr. Edward Lasker, New York City, 8 points each.

A total of 86 players took part, topping the previous record crowd of 57 in the 1946 Open at Pittsburgh. Other scores of interest to West Virginians included; Glenn E. Hartleb, Erie, Pa., $7\frac{1}{2}$; William M. Byland, Pittsburgh, $6\frac{1}{2}$; Waldo L. Waters, Reading, Mass., 6; Mrs. Mary Bain, Miami, Fla., former women's champion of the U. S., $5\frac{1}{2}$. Play followed the Swiss System pattern, familiar to West Virginia players, thruout.

Three women took part in the meet. This may not be the first instance of women playing the U. S. Open, but it is the first that we recall.

WVCA Member Waldo Waters, on his way back East after the Open, phoned your editor at 5:30 a. m. (EDT) the other day. Despite the earliness of the hour, it was good to hear Waldo's voice, to have a chat about the tourney (the talk had to be brief--his bus connection allowed him only 15 minutes in Pittsburgh and he had to be back at work next day). Waldo said the 13-round Swiss, as handled by Koltanowski, worked very well, the only complaint coming from fellows with tiny scores who in the final rounds said their opponents "kept getting tougher and tougher." This didn't seem to impress Waldo. "After all," he laughed, "they go the meet to win a tournament. How they can win without meeting some tough opponents is a mystery."

WVCA Member J. C. Thompson of Dallas writes (Aug. 24) that he couldn't arrange his vacation to get to the CorpusChristi Open but that he was following all the details thru the excellent coverage provided by the Corpus Christi papers, particularly the CALLER.

"Interesting was the upset between W. N. Kendall of San Antonio, strongest Texan in the tournament, and Adams," says J. C. proudly, and gives his score (Kendall playing White men, Weaver W. Adams the Black men):

1 P-QB4 P-K4, 2 N-QB3 N-KB3, 3 N-B3 N-B3, 4 P-Q4 PxP, 5 NxP B-N5, 6 B-N5 P-KR3, 7 B-R4 N-K5?, 8 BxQ NxQN, 9 NxN! (ouch! Adams didn't see this!) NxQch, 10 NxB NxKBP, 11 KxN KxB, and White wins easily.

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1946-47 MEMBERSHIP TOPS 100

WVCA membership for the 1946-47 year, which ended Aug. 31, passed the 100 mark even tho it waited till the final quarter to do it. It failed to equal the figure set the preceding year--125--but passing this mark should be a goal this year. The final 1946-47 members are:

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- 98 Everett Shinkle, Box 82, Huntington, W. Va.
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WHERE THE WEST VIRGINIA CLUBS MEET

- Carbide C.C.--Every Monday, Recreation Center, South Charleston
- Charleston C.C.--8 p.m. each Wednesday, K. of C. rooms, 1117 Quarrier St.
- Clarksburg C.C.--7:30 p.m. each Wednesday (temporarily at home of Dr. R.T. Humphries)
- Huntington C.C.--7:30 p.m. each Thursday, Huntington Y.M.C.A.
- Wheeling C.C.--8 p.m. each Monday, Wheeling Y.M.C.A.

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GAMES FROM THE 1947 W.VA. MEET

CARO-KANN

WHITE: AL DUVALL

BLACK: LANDIS MARKS

Sixth Round, Sept. 1

- 1 P-K4 P-QB3
- 2 P-Q4 P-Q4
- 3 PXP PXP
- 4 P-QB4 N-KB3
- 5 N-QB3 N-B3
- 6 B-N5 Q-N3
- 7 KN-K2 PXP
- 8 P-QR3 P-K4
- 9 PXP NXP
- 10 N-B4 B-QB4
- 11 Q-B2 O-O
- 12 BxN QxB
- 13 N(3)-Q5 Q-B4
- 14 QxQ BxQ
- 15 O-O-O QR-Q
- 16 B-K2 P-KN4
- 17 N-B6ch K-R
- 18 N(4)-Q5 N-Q6ch
- 19 BxN BxB
- 20 P-KR4 P-N5
- 21 R-K R-Q3
- 22 R-K5 B-Q5
- 23 RxB BxR
- 24 Resigns

SLAV DEFENCE

WHITE: LANDIS MARKS

BLACK: JOHN HURT, JR.

Third Round, Aug. 31

- 1 P-Q4 P-Q4
- 2 P-QB4 P-QB3
- 3 N-QB3 N-B3
- 4 PXP PXP
- 5 N-B3 N-B3
- 6 B-B4 P-K3
- 7 P-K3 B-N5
- 8 B-Q3 O-O
- 9 O-O B-Q2
- 10 R-B R-B
- 11 Q-N3 Q-K2
- 12 N-K5 N-QR4
- 13 Q-Q BxN
- 14 PxB N-B5
- 15 B-N5 K-R
- 16 Q-B3 N-Q7
- 17 Q-R3 N(7)-K5
- 18 BxN(4) PxB
- 19 Q-R4 Q-Q3
- 20 BxN PxB

- 21 QxPch K-N
- 22 N-N4 P-KR3
- 23 NXPch K-R2
- 24 N-N4 P-K4
- 25 QxQ BxN
- 26 P-KR3 Resigns

BENONI O.-G.

WHITE: HAL LIGGETT

BLACK: LANDIS MARKS

First Round, Aug. 30

- 1 P-Q4 P-QB4
- 2 N-KB3 PXP
- 3 QXP N-QB3
- 4 Q-QR4 P-Q4
- 5 P-K3 B-Q2
- 6 B-N5 N-B3
- 7 N-B3 P-K4
- 8 O-O B-Q3
- 9 R-Q P-K5
- 10 N-Q4 BXPch
- 11 K-B P-QR3
- 12 NxN PxB
- 13 NxQ PxQ
- 14 NXP B-B3
- 15 N-B5 B-Q3
- 16 P-QN4 B-K4
- 17 B-Q2 R-QB
- 18 QR-N P-Q5
- 19 N(3)xRP B-N4ch
- 20 K-K N-N5
- 21 N-N6 R-B3
- 22 N(6)-Q7 R-KR3
- 23 B-B PXP
- 24 N-Q3 PxN
- 25 PXP KxN

And Black Wins

TWO KNIGHTS DEF.

WHITE: DR. SIEG-

FRIED WERTHAMMER

BLACK: LANDIS MARKS

Fifth Round, Aug. 31

- 1 P-K4 P-K4
- 2 N-KB3 N-QB3
- 3 B-B4 N-B3
- 4 P-Q4 PXP
- 5 O-O P-Q3
- 6 NXP B-K2
- 7 NxN PxN
- 8 N-B3 O-O
- 9 P-QN3 NXP
- 10 NxN P-Q4

- 11 B-Q3 PxN
- 12 BxP B-B3
- 13 B-R3 BxR
- 14 BxR QxB
- 15 QxB Q-B4
- 16 P-QB4 B-B4
- 17 Q-N BxB
- 18 QxB R-Q
- 19 R-K P-KR3
- 20 P-KR3 P-QR4
- 21 P-KN3 Q-Q3
- 22 Q-K7 R-Q2
- 23 QxQ PxQ
- 24 R-K8ch K-R2
- 25 R-QR8 P-Q4
- 26 RXP P-Q5
- 27 K-B R-K2
- 28 R-R8 K-N3
- 29 R-Q8 P-QB4
- 30 R-Q5 R-R2
- 31 RXP RXP
- 32 P-QN4 P-Q6
- 33 R-Q5 R-R8ch
- 34 K-N2 R-R5
- 35 RXP RXP
- 36 R-B3 R-N2
- 37 P-B4 R-B2
- 38 P-QB5 K-B4
- 39 K-B3 K-K3
- 40 P-B6 K-Q4
- 41 P-KN4 RXP
- 42 RxR KxR
- 43 K-K4 K-Q3
- 44 P-R4 K-K3
- 45 P-B5ch K-Q3
- 46 P-N5 PXP
- 47 PXP P-N3
- 48 PXP PXP

- 10 P-KR4 P-B3
- 11 PXP NXP
- 12 N-N3 B-Q2
- 13 O-O O-O
- 14 P-R5 B-Q3
- 15 P-R6 BxN
- 16 PxB N-K5
- 17 PXP KXP
- 18 B-K3 NXP
- 19 Q-B K-R
- 20 R-K QR-B
- 21 Q-Q2 N-B4
- 22 BxN RxB
- 23 N-K5 NxN
- 24 PXP Q-Q
- 25 R-KB Q-B
- 26 RxR QxR
- 27 R-KB Q-K5
- 28 B-N5 R-B7

And White announces mate in 3 by 29 R-B8ch K-N2, 30 B-R6ch K-N3, 31 Q-N5 mate.

IRREGULAR

WHITE: DR. SIEG-

FRIED WERTHAMMER

BLACK: WM. HARTLING

Third Round, Aug. 31

- 1 N-KB3 N-KB3
- 2 P-KN3 P-QN3
- 3 B-N2 B-N2
- 4 O-O N-B3
- 5 P-Q4 P-K3
- 6 P-QB4 N-QR4
- 7 P-N3 P-B4
- 8 N-B3 B-K2
- 9 P-Q5 P-Q3
- 10 B-N2 O-O
- 11 Q-Q3 PXP
- 12 PXP Q-B
- 13 N-Q2 B-R3
- 14 N-B4 Q-B2
- 15 N-K4 NxN
- 16 BxN P-KR3
- 17 P-KB4 NxN
- 18 PxN Q-Q
- 19 Q-N3 P-KB4
- 20 B-Q3 B-B
- 21 P-K4 PXP
- 22 BXP B-B3
- 23 B-N6 BxR
- 24 QxB B-B4

FRENCH DEFENSE

WHITE: DR. SIEG-

FRIED WERTHAMMER

BLACK: JOHN HURT, JR.

Fourth Round, Aug. 31

- 1 P-K4 P-K3
- 2 P-Q4 P-Q4
- 3 QN-Q2 N-KB3
- 4 P-K5 KN-Q2
- 5 P-QB3 P-QB4
- 6 B-Q3 N-QB3
- 7 N-K2 Q-N3
- 8 N-B3 PXP
- 9 PXP B-K2

25 BxB RxB
 26 KR-K R-B2
 27 R-K6 R-K2
 28 QR-K RxB
 29 RxB Q-Q2
 30 Q-K2 K-B
 31 Q-N4 R-Q
 32 P-B5 Q-KB2
 33 P-B6 PXP
 34 Q-B4 K-N2
 35 K-B2 R-Q2
 36 P-KR4 Q-N3
 37 P-R5 Q-N4
 38 K-K3 K-KB2
 39 K-K4 QxQ
 40 PxB R-K2
 41 K-B5 RxB
 42 PxBch K-K2
 43 P-QR4 P-QR4
 44 K-N6 KXP
 45 KXP K-B2
 46 P-B5 P-Q4
 47 PXP P-B5
 48 P-Q6 P-B6
 49 P-Q7 K-K2
 50 K-N7 P-B7
 51 P-Q8(Q)ch KXP
 52 P-R6 P-B8(Q)
 53 P-R7 Q-N5ch
 54 K-B8 Q-R6ch
 55 K-N8 Q-N5ch
 56 K-B8 QXP
 57 P-R8(Q) Q-B4ch
 58 K-B7ch K-B2
 59 QXP Q-B5ch
 60 K-K7 Q-K5ch
 61 K-B7 Q-R7ch
 62 K-K6 Q-Q2ch
 63 K-K5 Q-Kch
 64 K-Q5 Q-R4ch
 65 K-B4 Q-K7ch
 66 K-N3 Q-Q8ch
 67 K-R3 Q-B8ch
 68 K-N3 Q-N8ch
 69 Q-N2 QxQ
 70 KxQ
 DRAWN

KING'S INDIAN DEF.
 WHITE: EDW.M.FOY
 BLACK: DR. SIEG-
 FRIED WERTHAMMER
 6th Round, Sept. 1

1 P-Q4 N-KB3
 2 P-QB4 P-KN3
 3 N-KB3 B-N2

4 B-B4 P-Q3
 5 N-B3 QN-Q2
 6 P-K3 O-O
 7 B-Q3 R-K
 8 O-O P-K4
 9 PXP PXP
 10 B-N5 P-KR3
 11 BxN NxB
 12 P-K4 P-B3
 13 Q-K2 B-N5
 14 P-KR3 BxN
 15 QxB Q-N3
 16 Q-K2 QR-Q
 17 KR-Q N-R4
 18 Q-B2 N-B5
 19 B-B R-Q5
 20 P-KN3 N-K3
 21 N-K2 R(5)-Q
 22 RxB RxB
 23 P-N3 N-Q5
 24 NxB PXP
 25 P-B5 Q-B2
 26 B-Q3 P-KN4
 27 K-N2 B-K4
 28 Q-K2 Q-R4
 29 R-Q8 K-N2
 30 R-B2 Q-B2
 31 R-B K-N3
 32 Q-N4 P-KR4
 33 Q-B5ch K-R3
 34 P-B4 PXP
 35 PXP BXP
 36 Q-B6ch K-R7
 37 P-K5ch K-N
 38 QxB R-K4
 39 Q-N4ch K-B
 40 Q-R6ch K-K2
 DRAWN

FRENCH DEFENSE
 WHITE: RUDD NEEL
 BLACK: EDW.M.FOY
 5th Round, Aug. 31

1 P-K4 P-K3
 2 N-KB3 P-Q4
 3 N-B3 B-N5
 4 PXP PXP
 5 B-Q3 N-KB3
 6 O-O O-O
 7 R-K B-N5
 8 P-KR3 B-KR4
 9 P-R3 B-Q3
 10 B-B5 P-B3
 11 P-Q4 QN-Q2
 12 P-QN4 P-QR3
 13 B-N5 Q-B2

14 Q-Q3 B-B5
 15 BxB QxB
 16 N-K2 Q-Q3
 17 N-N5 B-N3
 18 BxB RPB
 19 N-N3 Q-B5
 20 N-B3 KR-K
 21 R-K2 N-K5
 22 QR-K N(2)-B3
 23 N-B QR-Q
 24 P-N3 Q-B4
 25 K-N2 K-B
 26 N-K3 Q-Q2
 27 N-K5 Q-B2
 28 P-KB4 N-R4
 29 N-B N(5)XP
 30 NxBch PXP
 31 RxBch RxB
 32 RxBch KxB
 33 QXPch K-B
 34 Q-N4 N-K7
 35 P-B5 N(7)-B5ch
 36 K-B3 Q-K2
 37 N-K3 Q-K5ch
 38 K-B2 QxQP
 39 K-B3 Q-Q7
 AND BLACK WINS

RETI OPENING
 WHITE: WM.COUTHBERT
 BLACK: EDW.M.FOY
 4th Round, Aug. 31

1 N-KB3 P-Q4
 2 P-B4 P-K3
 3 N-B3 N-KB3
 4 P-Q3 B-N5
 5 B-N5 O-O
 6 N-Q2 P-B3
 7 R-B QN-Q2
 8 P-QR3 BxN
 9 RxB Q-R4
 10 P-QN4 Q-B2
 11 Q-B P-Q5
 12 R-B2 P-K4
 13 P-KN3 P-KR3
 14 BxN NxB
 15 B-N2 B-N5
 16 P-B3 B-B4
 17 O-O KR-K
 18 R-B2 QR-Q
 19 P-N5 P-B4
 20 N-B Q-B
 21 R-Q2 P-QN3
 22 Q-Q B-R6
 23 BxB QxB
 24 R-KN2 Q-B

25 P-N4 P-R3
 26 P-QR4 PXP
 27 RPB Q-Q2
 28 Q-K R-R
 29 Q-R4 N-R2
 30 Q-N3 Q-K2
 31 P-R4 N-B3
 32 P-K4 N-Q2
 33 R(Q2)-B2 R-R6
 34 R-Q2 N-B
 35 P-R5 Q-N4
 36 R(N2)-B2 N-K3
 37 R-Q N-B5
 38 R(B2)-Q2
 R(K)-R
 39 Q-R2 R-R8
 40 RxB RxB
 41 K-B2 R-R6
 42 K-K NxBch
 43 K-K2 N-B5ch
 44 K-B2 N-Q6ch
 45 K-K2 N-B8ch
 46 K-Q RxB
 47 Q-N2 R-B5
 48 R-QB2 N-Q6
 49 RxB PxB
 50 Q-B3 Q-B8ch
 AND BLACK WINS

SICILIAN DEFENSE
 WHITE: WM.HARTLING
 BLACK: EDW.M.FOY
 First Round, Aug. 30

1 P-K4 P-QB4
 2 N-KB3 P-K3
 3 P-Q4 PXP
 4 NXP N-KB3
 5 N-QB3 N-B3
 6 B-K3 B-N5
 7 B-Q3 O-O
 8 N(4)-K2 P-Q4
 9 PXP NXP
 10 B-Q2 N-K4
 11 N-B4 NxB(5)
 12 BxN NxBch
 13 QxN Q-B3
 14 B-Q2 R-Q
 15 Q-K2 B-Q2
 16 O-O-O B-B3
 17 P-B3 QR-B
 18 P-QR3 B-B
 19 N-K4 Q-N3
 20 P-KN4 B-R5
 21 B-B3 RxBch
 22 RxB P-K4
 23 K-N Q-N3

24 K-R2 Q-K3ch
 25 K-N Q-QN3
 26 K-R2 B-N4
 27 Q-Q2 B-B5ch
 28 F-N3 B-K3
 29 BxP Q-R3
 30 B-N2 P-QN4
 31 Q-Q3 P-R3
 32 P-R3 Q-N3
 33 P-KB4 B-K2
 34 P-B5 R-Q
 35 B-Q4 Q-R4
 36 PxB QxPch
 37 K-N PxP
 38 Q-K2 Q-N5
 39 Q-Q2 Q-R6
 40 Q-B Q-N5
 41 Q-Q2 Q-R6
 42 Q-K B-R5
 43 QxB Q-R4
 44 Q-K7 RxB
 45 QxKPch K-R
 46 RxB Resigns

PHILIDOR'S DEF.

WHITE: JOHN HURT, JR.
 BLACK: H. REID HOLT
 ROUND 5, AUG. 31

1 P-K4 P-K4
 2 P-Q4 PxB
 3 N-KB3 P-Q3
 4 NxB N-KB3
 5 N-QB3 B-K2
 6 B-Q3 O-O
 7 O-O P-B4
 8 N(4)-K2 N-B3
 9 N-N3 N-K4
 10 B-K2 P-B5
 11 K-R P-QR3
 12 P-B4 N(4)-N5
 13 P-KR3 N-R3
 14 BxP N-Q2
 15 P-B5 N-K4
 16 B-Q5 B-N4
 17 P-B6 PxB
 18 N-R5 R-QN
 19 NxBch BxN
 20 BxN B-N2
 21 Q-R5 Q-N3
 22 Q-N5 N-N3
 23 BxB KxB
 24 Q-B6ch K-R3
 25 R-B4 K-R4
 26 P-N4ch K-R3
 27 BxBP BxP
 28 RxB Resigns

Q. FIANCHETTO DEF.

WHITE: AL DUVAL
 BLACK: TOM SWEENEY
 Round 4, Aug. 31

1 P-K4 P-QN3
 2 P-Q4 P-K3
 3 P-QB4 B-N2
 4 N-QB3 B-N5
 5 B-Q3 N-KB3
 6 Q-K2 O-O
 7 N-B3 P-Q4
 8 P-K5 PxB
 9 B-B2 N-Q4
 10 BxPch KxB
 11 N-N5ch QxN
 12 BxQ NxN
 13 Q-R5ch K-N
 14 PxB BxPch
 15 K-K2 BxB
 16 B-B6 B-K5
 17 Q-N5 B-N3
 18 RxB N-Q2
 19 P-KR4 NxB
 20 PxB PxB
 21 QxP P-B4
 22 P-R5 BxPch
 23 P-N4 K-R2
 24 R-R Resigns

SICILIAN DEFENSE

WHITE: RUDD T. NEHL
 BLACK: AL DUVAL
 Round 3, Aug. 31

1 P-K4 P-QB4
 2 P-QB4 P-K3
 3 N-QB3 N-QB3
 4 N-B3 P-Q3
 5 P-Q4 PxB
 6 NxB N-B3
 7 B-K2 Q-N3
 8 N(4)-N5 Q-Q
 9 O-O P-QR3
 10 N-Q4 B-K2
 11 B-K3 O-O
 12 P-B4 B-Q2
 13 P-QR3 NxN
 14 BxN B-B3
 15 P-K5 N-K5
 16 Q-B2 P-B4
 17 PxBp. NxB
 18 Q-N3 R-B
 19 QR-Q Q-K
 20 Q-B2 N-R4
 21 B-N4 B-KR5

22 P-KN3 B-B3
 23 Q-K2 BxBch
 24 RxB R-B4
 25 RxB B-Q2
 26 BxB PxR
 27 RxB QxR
 28 QxN Q-Q5ch
 29 R-B2 P-N3
 30 Q-B3 R-Q
 31 P-N3 K-B
 32 N-Q5 R-K
 33 Q-B3 Q-Q8ch
 34 K-N2 R-K3
 35 Q-R8ch K-B2
 36 QxPch K-B
 37 Q-R8ch K-B2
 38 Q-B3 K-N
 39 N-K3 Q-QN8
 40 Q-B2 Q-K8
 41 R-K2 Q-QR8
 42 Q-Q2 QxP
 43 Q-Q5 Q-Q3
 44 QxNP RxB
 45 RxB Q-Q7ch
 46 K-B3 Q-Q8ch
 47 K-B2 Q-Q7ch
 48 R-K2 Q-Q5ch
 49 K-N2 Resigns

Q. G. DECLINED

WHITE: EDW. M. FOY
 BLACK: H. REID HOLT
 Round 3, Aug. 31

1 P-Q4 P-Q4
 2 P-QB4 P-QB3
 3 N-KB3 N-B3
 4 PxB PxB
 5 N-B3 P-KN3
 6 B-B4 B-N2
 7 P-K3 P-QR3
 8 B-Q3 O-O
 9 O-O N-B3
 10 Q-N3 P-QN4
 11 QR-QB B-N2
 12 N-K5 P-K3
 13 P-KR3 Q-K2
 14 N-K2 N-QR4
 15 Q-B3 N-B5
 16 P-QN3 NxN
 17 BxN QR-QB
 18 Q-R5 N-Q2
 19 BxB KxB
 20 R-B7 RxB
 21 QxR B-B
 22 R-QB Q-N5

23 N-B4 Q-Q7
 24 Q-B2 QxQ
 25 RxB N-B3
 26 P-B3 B-Q2
 27 K-B2 R-QB
 28 R-B5 P-N4
 29 N-K2 P-R3
 30 P-QN4 N-K
 31 N-B3 N-Q3
 32 P-R3 N-B5
 33 BxN QPxB

DRAWN

Q. G. DECLINED

WHITE: RAY MARTIN
 BLACK: HAL LIGGETT
 Round 4, Aug. 31

1 P-Q4 N-KB3
 2 P-QB4 P-K3
 3 N-QB3 P-Q4
 4 P-K3 P-QB3
 5 P-QR3 QN-Q2
 6 N-B3 P-QN3
 7 B-Q3 PxB
 8 BxB B-Q3
 9 P-K4 B-K2
 10 P-K5 N-Q4
 11 N-K2 B-N2
 12 N-B4 QR-B
 13 N-R5 O-O
 14 O-O P-QB4
 15 R-K PxB
 16 QxP B-B4
 17 Q-N4 P-KN3
 18 BxN BxB
 19 B-N5 BxN
 20 PxB B-K2
 21 BxB QxB
 22 K-R K-R
 23 R-KN NxB
 24 Q-N3 N-Q6
 25 P-B4 Q-N2ch
 26 R-N2 R-B8ch
 27 RxB NxB
 28 Q-QB3 P-B3
 29 NxB R-Q5
 30 Q-K3 N-Q6
 31 P-R3 N-B4
 32 N-N4 Q-Q4
 33 Q-B3ch P-K4
 34 NxB Q-N
 35 NxBmate

Black's 34th is a blunder but he's dead, anyhow.

MARKS' GIFT STARTS TOURNEY CUP FUND

Secretary Reid Holt has announced that Landis Marks, state champion, has donated his prize of \$12.50 to the West Virginia Chess Association, to be used as it saw fit. The Executive committee voted to enroll Marks as a sustaining member and to use the remaining \$8.50 as the beginning of a fund to provide a trophy cup for the annual meet.

The present cup, presented by the Morgantown Junior Chamber of Commerce at the 1945 tournament, must be won three times to remove it from circulation. Dr. Siegfried Werthammer, Landis Marks and Hal Liggett each have a leg on the cup.

PROBLEM TROPHY ON DISPLAY

The WVCA problem contest plaque was on display at the Huntington meet. Like the tourney cup, it must be won three times for permanent possession. Tom Sweeney has won it twice, Gene Collett once. Sweeney has proposed that after the close of the present year-long solving contest, now being conducted thru the mails to save Bulletin space, is concluded, that the trophy be used as an award for an annual solving contest to be held in connection with the State Tournament.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS!!!

Because of the difficulty of adjusting our mailing list in the brief period since the end of our Association year (Aug. 31, this issue of the West Virginia Chess Bulletin is being mailed to the full list, whether or not they have renewed for the new year. Beginning with our next issue (October), those who failed to renew by sending \$1 to Secy. H. Reid Holt, 164 Sunset Drive, Charleston 1, W.Va., will no longer receive copies of our publication. If you haven't sent your dues in, do it now!

THOMPSON SECOND IN SOUTHWESTERN OPEN

WVCA Member J.C. Thompson of Dallas, Tex., finished second in the Southwestern Open at Fort Worth, Tex., only a point behind R. G. Wade, champion of New Zealand, who had a perfect score of 7-0. J.C. had two draws and did not get to play Wade in the seven-round Swiss moment. A total of 68 players participated, including entries from Oklahoma, Kansas and Mississippi. Wade, who went to Ft. Worth after playing in the USCF Open at Corpus Christi, where he tied for 13th place, had rough going in a couple of his games in the Southwestern but emerged on top each time. He has been making a chess tour for the last year--came to Canada via Iceland and thence to Corpus Christi and Ft. Worth.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS NEXT MONTH

Secy. Holt has announced that election of WVCA officers will be held next month. Members should begin considering their choices for president, secy-treas. and directors. In this election, for the first time, out-of-state members will not be entitled to vote, and no out-of-state directors will be elected. This is in accordance with the amendment approved by members last year...Members should bear in mind also that the WVCA president may not succeed himself, so that a successor for William Hartling of St. Albans must be found for the executive post.

LETTER FROM KOLTI

George Koltanowski writes that his tour this winter may be his last. Clubs which desire his service, either for blindfold or ordinary exhibitions, should write him at P.O. Box 682, Santa Rosa, California.

SOLUTIONS TO STATE TOURNEY CONTEST PROBLEMS (see Page 3 before peeping):

1 K-K2 (threat Q-B6ch): (a) I..P-B6ch, 2 NXP: (b) B-B4, 2 K-Q3.
 2 K-R8, 2 R-R8, 2 Q-R1: (a) I..K-K5, 2 Q-R1: (b) I..P-K5, 2 R-R8.