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# Chess

## PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE TOURNEY RESULTS

The second annual Philippine Independence Day Chess Championships attracted 46 players to the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club in San Francisco, June 6-8, for a USCF rated, five-round open Swiss system tournament. Alan Benson was the tournament director.

### Open Division

1st, Craig Barnes, 4½-1½, \$153 plus trophy plus roundtrip airplane ticket to Manila; 2nd-5th, Ziad Baroudi, William Bills, Peter Cleghorn and Dan Switkes, 4-1, \$19.12 each.

### Class A

1st-2nd, Jerome Lerman (trophy) and Ben Gross, 4-1, \$81 each.

### Class B

1st-3rd, Paul Vayssie (trophy), David Abramson and Robert Fickling, 3-2, \$40.82 each.

### Class C

1st-3rd, Gerald Shebar (trophy), Mike Ruchlis and Gerardo Terrando, 2-3, \$33.50 each.

### D-E-Unrated Division

1st-2nd, Lino Magpantay (trophy) and Roscoe Willis, 2-3, \$43 each.

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Here are two more games from the LERA Memorial Class Championships, recorded in USCF sanctioned coordinate chess notation (files lettered "a" to "h", ranks numbered "1" to "8", always counting from White's lower left corner regardless of whose turn to move; pawn captures designated by file letters only).

**White: Roy Ervin. Black: Ziad Baroudi. Sunnyvale, May 24, 1975. Ruy Lopez** 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 Be7 6 Re1 b5 7 Bb3 d6 8 c3 Nb8 9 d4 Nbd7 10 Bf7 Kf7 11 Ng5 Kg6 12 f4 ef 13 Ne6 Qg8 14 Nf4 Kf7 15 e5 Resigns.

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**WWhite: Stephen Kornher. Black: Dennis Waterman. Sunnyvale, May 24, 1975. Sicilian Defense** 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 g6 4 0-0 Bg7 5 Re1 Nf6 6 c3 0-0 7 d4 cd 8 cd d5 9 e5 Ne4 10 Nc3 11 bc Na5 12 Bf4 Bf5 13 Nd2 Rc8 14 Qf3 Qb6 15 Bf1 Rfd8 16 g4 Bc2 17 Re3 Qb2 18 Rae1 Qa2 19 Qh3 Rc6 20 Bg5 Rc7 21 Qh4 Rdc8 22 Rh3 h5 23 Be7 Rc3 24 gh gh 25 Rc3 Rc3 26 Bb4 Rc8 27 Bh3 Re8 28 e6 Nc6 29 ef Kf7 30 Re8 Nb4 31 Qe7 Kg6 32 Qe6 Kh7 33 Bf5 Resigns.

## INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT AT CLEVELAND

Grandmaster Istvan Csom, 34, of Hungary posted six wins with eight draws, losing only one game to James Tarjan of Berkeley, to take first prize at The Plain Dealer International Chess Tournament in Cleveland, Ohio, May 1-22. FIDE arbiter George Koltanowski of San Francisco directed the 16-player round-robin competition:

1st, Istvan Csom, Hungary, 10-5; 2nd, Predrag Ostojic, Yugoslavia, 9½-5½; 3rd, Eugenio Torre, the Philippines, 9-6; 4th-6th, Miguel Quinteros, Argentina, Florin Gheorghiu, Rumania, and Andrew Soltis, USA, 8½-6½; 7th, Edmar Mednis, USA, 8-7; 8th-9th, Norman Weinstein, USA, and Bernard Zuckerman, USA, 7½-7½; 10th-12th, James Tarjan, USA, Julio Kaplan, USA, and Larry Christiansen, USA, 7-8; 13th-14th, John Grefe, USA, and Leonid Shamkovich, Israel, 6½-8½; 15th, Peter Biyiasas, Canada, 6-9; 16th, Tibor Weinberger, USA, 3-12.

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Persons interested in obtaining a pamphlet containing all 120 games from this event plus the 90 games played in the Eastern and Western Futurity-Qualifying Tournaments should write to Gene McCormick, 3506 West 145th St., Cleveland, Ohio 44111. Here is Csom's loss to Tarjan, transcribed from a USCF news release, June 2.

**White: James Tarjan. Black: Istvan Csom. Cleveland, 1975. Caro-Kann Defense** 1 e4 c6 2 d4 g6 3 c4 d5 4 cd cd 5 ed Nf6 6 Nc3 Bg7 7 Bc4 0-0 8 Nge2 Na6 9 0-0 Nc7 10 d6 Qd6 11 Bf4 Qd8 12 Qb3 Nce8 13 Be5 Nd6 14 Bd3 Be6 15 Qa4 Bd7 16 Qb3 Be6 17 Qa4 Bd7 18 Qd1 Nfe8 19 Wd2 Bf5 20 Rad1 Qd7 21 Rfe1 Rd8 22 Nf4 Bd3 23 Qd3 Nf5 24 Bg7 Kg7 25 d5 Nf6 26 h3 Qd6 27 g3 Rd7 28 Nb5 Qb6 29 g4 Nhr 40 d6 ed 31 g5 Nh5 32 Nd5 Qd8 33 Qd4 Kg8 34 Qh4 Re8 35 Re8 Qe8 36 Qh5 Time forfeit.

## **AN EPISODE IN THE CAREER OF PAUL MORPHY**

**By Philip Sergeant**

### **Part 3**

We have not Harrisse's side to the correspondence. But we gather that he wrote to Paulsen in September to the effect that Morphy maintained his attitude and would meet him on no less terms than he had previously offered — the odds of Pawn and move. On October 2nd Paulsen replied, in a letter which is somewhat surprising from a chessplayer's point of view:

"As soon as I received your letter I commenced analyzing the pawn and move game. I have not yet finished my work. Should the result prove that in the pawn and move game the advantage is really on the side of the player who receives the odds, I will play a match with Morphy at these odds; and should I beat him he will be obliged to play a match on event terms."

A few weeks after this Morphy left New York and, taking on his way Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore, went home to New Orleans, whence he issued another challenge, offering Pawn and move not merely to any American, but to any player in the world. "Receiving no response thereto," says Buck ("Paul Morphy: His Later Life"), "he declared his career as a chessplayer finally and definitely closed." It would not appear, however, that this resolution was taken until Morphy had for some time settled down at home and attempted to make for himself a career at the Law.

No further letters appear in the correspondence until July 4th, 1860, when Paulsen wrote to Harrisse, still from Du-buque:

"As you are doubtless aware, by this time that Mr. Morphy is already on his way to Paris, which he intends to make his future home (he was expected at New York last week), I think it needless to discuss the 'Pawn and move question,' since I should hardly be able to go to Paris even if I intended to do so . . . My brother in Germany writes me that both Anderssen and Kolisch intend to **defeat** Paul Morphy soon after his arrival in Europe. Morphy has promised to visit Germany also. —Be assured the most interesting Chess match will take place in the course of another year."