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Robert J. Fischer, of the United States, and Tigran Petrostan, of the Soviet Union, are playing first board for their respective teams in the World Chess Olympics, currently being played in Havana, Cuba. The photograph below shows them competing in a previous international match.

(With this issue En Passant is inaugurating the practice of using photographs. We should like to hear readers' reactions to this process and to receive any photographs they would like to see printed. Photographs of regional events will be preferred



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SOLUTIONS TO LAST MONTH'S PROBLEMS: No. 1-Q-N5; No. 2-N-K4; No. 3-B-B2 (which is a three-mover, not a two-mover as problished-sorry).

The problems that I am publishing are naturally taken from books that are on the market. I do not claim or wish to claim credit for composing any of them. I publish them in this column only in hopes of supplying the readers with entertainment and a challenge.

I feel it is more of a challenge to compose a problem than it is to solve one. With this in mind I challenge the readers to compose problems, or when they discover a problem of interest hidden in an old book, to submit it for publication.

Problems should be adequately labelled as to their source. Details for submission of material are given on page 2. I should dikerespecially to receive original problems!

By ROY MC COLLOUGH En Passant Games Columnist

Game #1: was played in the third round of the Oakland Chess Club's Third Annual Summer Tournament, July 23, 1966.

White Black
Pablo Lasso William Parker
Oakland Oakland
1 P-K4 P-QB4
2 B-KB4 N-QB3

White's unusual second move can become very dangerous if Black fails—as he does in this game—to neutralize the Biship quickly.

3 K-KB3 N-B3 4 N-B3 P-K3 5 P-03

Black should now play 5...P-Q4 or even 5...N-QR4 and 6...NxB, in either case exploiting the inexact early sortie of the White King Bishop.

An error which allows White to wind up the game rapidly.

9 PxP e.p.! BxP

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Mr. Cool!

Here is the bad, bad move! The bishop becomes embroiled in its own pawns and pieces, and the struggle to extricate it (to put a "good face" on a bad move) leads directly to the final bad, bad position. Black should either first develop the Queen Knight and settle the center with P-K4 or P-B4, or else take the bishop to N5 immediately and plan to trade it for White's King Knight or else save the Q2 square for its retreat.

7 0-0 QN-Q2 This last move puts the fat in the fire, and Mr. Hough immediately begins to stoke the furnace!

8 N-KR4! P-B3 9 P-K4 B-K3 10 P-Q5 PxP 11 BPxP B-N5 12 P-B3 P-KN4 13 BxP B-R4 14 N-B5 B-RI 15 Q-Q2 B-N3 16 N-R6ch K-N2 17 P2B4 P-K3 18 P-K5 QPxP 19 BPxP NxKP 20 BxNch QxB 21 RxQ KxR 22 Q-Q4 K-N4 23 Q-B4ch! K-R4 24 Q-R4 mate

Game #3: was played in round five of the Oakland Chess Club's Third Annual Summer Tournament, July 24, 1966.

White Black David Betagno Jerry Friedman San Leandro Oakland 1 P-Q4 P-04 2 P-QB4 P-K3 3 N-QB3 N-KB3 4 B-N5 B-K2 5 P-K3 P-QN3

This development of the Queen Bishop was very nearly destroyed when Pillsbury developed this famous attack against

the Queen's Gambit. In recent years a few grandmasters have demonstrated that 5...P-QN3 can be played, but it requires accurate positional judgment.

6 PxP Nx

Black's and White's sixth move turns this sequence into a sort of Queen's Gambit Exchange Variation. If White is to play for a win, here he should first capture 6 BxN and then 7 PxP, thus closing the diagonal of the Black Queen Bishop and setting up an unbalanced pawn structore, which, although not without dnager, provides White with the potential for a minority attack and good chances.

7 BxB 8 B-Q3 B-N2 9 P-B3 N-02 10 KN-K2 P-OB4 11 0-0 PxP 12 NxP 0-0 13 Q-K2 N-04 14 QR-B1 R-Bl 15 NxN RxR 16 RXR BxN 17 P-QN3 N-B4 18 B-B4 B-N2 19 R-Q1 Q-B3 20 Q-QB2 R-Q1 21 N-K2 RxRch 22 QxR Q-K2 23 P-QN4 0-02 24 drawn by agreement

Game #4: was played in the Oakland Chess Club's Third Annual Summer Tournament, July 23-24, 1966

White Black George James Hurt Teslawski Saratoga San Frnacisco 1 P-Q4 N-KB3 2 N-QB3 P-KN3 3 B-N5 B-N2 4 0-02 0-0 5 P-K4 P-03 6 B-K2 QN-Q2 7 P-KR4?! P-B4 8 P-Q5 Q-N3 9 0-0-0 NxKP! 10 Q-K3 NxN 11 PxN Q-RA 12 K-N2 N-N3 13 R-N1 NxP 14 Q-Q3 NxP 15 K-B1 Q-R6ch 16 R-N2 NxBch 17 NxN OxReh 18 K-02 OXRP

Jim could have finished a bit more economically with 18... B-B4.

19 N-N3 B-K3
20 P-R5 P-B5
21 Q-K4 Q-R4
22 K-K2 QxB
23 PxP QxP

Game #5: was played at the Sonoma Chess Festival, 1966, with a finish to tickle the most sated palate!

White	Black molife
Ronald Thacker	Leroy Post
Richmond	Mill Valley
1 R-K4	P-K4 bradel
2 P-KB4	PxP
3 N-KB3	P-KN4 trede
4 P-KR4	P-N5
5 N-N5	P-Q4
6 PxP	QxQ
7 Q-K2ch	N-K2
8 N-QB3	Q-0B4
9 N(3)-K4	Q-K4
10 P-Q4?!	QxP?
11 B-Q2!	P-KB3
12 B-B3	0-K6
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Ron may not be the "soundest" player hereabouts, but he is certainly one of the most refreshing!

EAST BAY CHESS ASSOCIATION RATINGS

EBCA ratings are computed by and supplied through each player's own chess club on the basis of games played between EBCA members and thus subsume club ratings. The ratings are com uted on the USCF and DFNC standard of sixtten points, plus or minus four per centum of the difference in rating points between the players

If your rating soes not seem correct or is not listed, see your club rater. The tilub raters are: John Smail, Berkeley YMCA Chess Club (B); James Bush, Concord Chess Club (C); Jerry Friedman, Hayward Chess Club (H); Raymond Ng, Oakland Chess Club (O); Peter Brown, Jr., Richmond Chess Club (R); and Saleh Mujahed, Walnut Creek Chess Club (W).

The following is the monthly listing of members EBCA ratings; each member's name is followed by his club affiliation(s) and then his EBCA rating.

MasterM 2200 and above
Expert E 2000 to 2199
Advanced ... A 1800 to 1999
Intermediate B 1600 to 1799
Average C 1599 and below

Alexander, Richard	0	1767	Cabral, Albert	0	1623
Amberstone, W.	R	1767	Castollano, William	H	1615
Anderson, Theodore	0	1624	Cook, Fred	0	1773
Andrews, W. S.	H	1469	Crossland, Maurice	0	1619
Armstein, P.	R	1408	Cuneo, Raymond	0	1978
Ausmus RRaymond	H	1647	Dennis, J.	R	1666
Bartholemew, E.	H	1651	Dobsevage, Bernard	0	1800
Beaus, 8.	R	1640	Dos Santos, Anthony	0	1585
Boles, Robert	0	1827	Drinkwater, David	H	1722
Britton, Edward	0	1587	Ehmann, Carl	H	1671
Brown, Hr., Peter	R	1780	Enright, Paul	0	1685
Burlingham, K.	R	1437	Fenzl. Edward	0	1548

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Fong, Phillip	0	118	1789	Phillips, R.	Н	1600
Fouch, Roy	H		1525	Quinlivan, Michael	0	
Frideman, Jerry	H,		1577	Rapoport, David		1971
Ma-3- 477	C		1560	Roberts, Joseph	О	1658
Ghanville, David	0		1607	Rosen, Gary	A Abril was	1742
Golbert, Allen Mass	0		1730		0	1519
Gorse, M. Hand worted	R		1724	Salna, Janis Salo, Eric	0	1985
Gunston, Albert	0		1651		H	1670
Hansen, Richard	0		1816	Schwab, Francis	0	1581
Hough, Randall	0		827	Shepperson, A. P. Shore, C.	H	1867
Jacobs, Robert	W		552		R	1188
Jansen, Ben	0		585	Sletner, Anton	0	1628
Jee, James	0		5580	Sloan, Warren	0	1560
La Bonte, Carlo	B,		419	Sloane, Margaret Smail, John	0	违560
Lasso, Pablo SMA	10		670		В	2052
Lee, Richard	0		715	Smith, Norman Smith, Steven	C	1650
Loxie, David			660	Teazr, Bruce	0	1540
Long, A.	R		336	Thacker, Ronald	0	1800
Long, Jerome			706	Thompson, J.	0	1968
McCollough, Roy	0		938		R	1458
Marks, Allen" ava	0		450	Thompson, Lawrence	H	1744
Meyers, Elwin	0		673	Tucker, Roger Travers, K.	0	1599
Morrison, Martin	0		571	Travers, R.	R	1359
Morton, Jr., Joseph	0		682	Tremberth, Robert	TOTAL YEAR	1379
Mujahed, Saleh	W		706	Trottier, Leonard	0	1921
Nave, Jay	0		693	Wallan, John	R	1630
Ng, Raymond	0		811	Walten Joseph	1132	1924
Notor, John	0		560	Walter, Jeffrey	0	1693
O'Brien, Mel	0		485	Weber, Gary	0	1848
Ortega, David	Н		604	Weber, Michael	0	1765
Osternig, Louis	Ho		691	Wheeler, John	H	1509
Pelletier, Richard	0		653	Young, A.	R	1578
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First Annual Bay Area Amateur Open Championship By MARTIN MORRISON and ELWIN MEYERS

En Passant Oakland Chess Club Reporters
PLACE: Oakland Chess Club (sponsors), Lincoln Elementary

School, 225 Eleventh Street, Oakland, California.

DATE: Saturday and Sunday, December 17 and 18, 1966.

PRIZES: Rirst Place: \$100 plus title

2nd: \$75 3rd: \$50 4th & 5th: engraved chess clocks
1st B: \$75 2nd: \$40 3rd: \$20 4th & 5th: engraved chess clocks
1st C: \$50 2nd: \$30 3rd, 4th, & 5th: engraved chess clocks
Trophies also will be awarded to the first-through thirdplace winners in each class. Door prizes and special book and

place winners in each class. Door prizes and special book and trophy prizes for advance entrants will be awarded as well.

ELIGIBILITY: Open to all who are or will become United

States Chess Federation members with ratings less than 2000 points. Unrated players will be given a provisional rating after three rounds of play for the purpose of awarding prizes. All games played in the tournament will be fully rated by the USCF.

ENTRY FEE: \$10; players under 15 years of age: \$3. December, 1966, is the last opportunity to join the USCF for \$5 annually; thereafter membership will be raised to \$10 annually.

REGISTRATION: Send advance entry fee (including USCF

membership fee if not already a member) to: Oakland Chess Club (Amateur Open), Post Office Box 1622, Oakland, California 94604. Fees will also be accepted from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Saturday, December 17, but there will be special book and trophy prizes reserved for advance entrants, including a fine trophy to be awarded to the highest-scoring player not otherwise Winning a prize.

TIME OF ROUNDS:

Saturday

Round 1: 10:00 a.m. Round 4: 10:00 a.m. Round 2; 2:00 p.m. Round 5: 4:00 p.m.

Round 3: 6:00 p.m. saeub glideredness wen to elibertoe Rounds 1 through 3 will be played at the rate of 45 moves in $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours; rounds 4 and 5 will be played at the rate of 40 moves in 2 hours.

EQUIPMENT: All players are requested to bring chessboards,

men, and clocks, if possible.

QUESTIONS: Any questions about this tournament will gladly be answered; simply write to the post office box above, or telephone (415) 444-9831, 7:00-11:30 p.m. Fridays only.

N.B.: If you have housing available for players in this tournament, please contact the tournament authorities as soon as possible at the address or telephone listed in "Questions."

Shatt Sweeps Qualifier By DAVID LYNN

En Passant Peninsula Reporter

Raymond Shutt, phaying sharp and aggressive chess, swept to a 5-0 victory in the Central Valley Qualifying tournament, played Saturday-Monday, October 29-31 at the Lockheed Employees! Recreation Association Chess Club, Sunnyvale. He thus secured a position in the Invitational California State Championship, which will be played in San Francisco during the Christmas holdays.

The tournament was a terrific struggle among 62 players of whom three were masters, five, strong experts, nineteen, "A"'s, fourteen, "B"'s, and 21 "C" or Unrateds. As the tournament approached the critical last two rounds, every potential winner sweat blood over the board! The games between John Blackstone and Raymond Shutt, Mr. Baroudi and Mr. Shean, Frank Thornally and James Hurt were terrific struggles, and very wild positions arose as each competitor fought to win, no matter what the risk.

Not to be overlooked is the significant showing of young (15 years old) David Amkraut, who exhibits great promise with his score of 3-2 and his tie for first place in the "C" and Unrated Division. Dr. Benjamin Gross with a fine 32-12 won the "B" prize, and the "A" award went to R. L. Henry with a 4-1 showing. David Blohm, also 4-1, took the junior prize and R. Shepard, rated 1620, took the upset award with an incisive victory over W. Stenberg, rated 2040.

CFNC October Open The Chesby MARTIN MORRISON and ELWIN MEYERS En Passant Reporters-At-Large

The Chess Friends of Norhtern California October Open Chess Tournament, played on the weekend of October 22-23, drew 48 players to the Berkeley YMCA. Play was in the form of a five round Swiss System tournament in three classes: Expert/A, B, and C. Winning the top division was Robert Trenberth, of Oakland, with a score of 4-1. Following were Kon Grivanis, of Oakland, $(3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2})$ and James Ulrich, of Berkeley, $(3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2})$. Don Hoekman, of Novato, took first place in the "B" s with a score of 42-12; second was

David Betanco, of San Leandro, (4-1) and Ronald Miao, of Berkeley, $(3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2})$. Leading the "C" Division was James Fosaaen, of Concord, with a perfect score. Michael Sullivan, of Sunnyvale, and Johan Weiler, of Walnut Creek, placed second and third, respectively, with scores of $3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$.

United States Chess Federation Membership Dues
By MARTIN MORRISON and ELWIN MEYERS

En Passant Reporters-At-Large
The United States Chess Federation has announced the following

Type of Membership	Through 12/31	After 1/1
One Year	\$5.00	\$10.00×
Two Years	9.50	19.00
Three Years	pen 8113.50 819 11A	27.00
Life Membership	100.00	200,00
Sustaining Membership**	10.00 and MA	20,00
Family Membership***		y oe answere
One Year	2.50	5.00
Two Years	4.75	9.50
Three Years	6.75	13.50
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* \$5.00 for juniors under twenty—one. ** Becomes Life Membership after ten payments. Anyone (including present USCF members) who makes his first \$10.00 payment before

January 1, 1967, is entitled, but not obligated, to make the

remaining payments at \$10.00 each.

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There are tremsndous savings to be made by becoming a member of the United States Chess Federation before January 1, 1967. Compare the three year membership today with the one year membership after January 1.

USCF membership includes: a) a subscription to the monthly magazine "Chess Life" b) a national chess rating, c) discount prizes on chess books and equipment, d) USCF membership is required for participation in many chess tournaments each year.

The United States Chess Federation is a non-profit organization, the official governing body and FIDE (Fédération Internationale des Echecs-International Chess Federation) unit for the United States area. It is responsible for the US Championship, the US Open, the National Open, US participation in the chess Olympics, the international student team championships, and many other local, national, and international events.

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Hayward Ladder Prizes to Thompson and Wheeler
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Lawrence Thompson is the winner of the prize given by the Hayward Chess Club for gaining the most rating points in the month of October. His winning improvement consisted of a gain of 29 EBCA rating points. John Wheeler's ten rated games earned him another prize, that for the most rated games played during the month.

Oakland Chess Club Cancels Holiday Meetings

By MARTIN MORRISON and ELWIN MEYERS

En Passant Oakland Chess Club Reporters

The Oakland Chess Club announces that because of the holidays,

there will be no cl b meetings held on December 23 and 30.
Regular meetings will resume on Friday, January 6, 1967.

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