

THE CHICAGO INDUSTRIAL CHESS LEAGUE BULLETIN

(Chess is) "the game which reflects most honor on human wit." Voltaire

(Chess) "is a foolish expedient for making idle people believe they are doing something very clever when they are only wasting their time."

G. B. Shaw

Upsets in Openers. The new season began with some unexpected results. The biggest upset occurred in the Bank-Hawthorne match; undefeated, untied Expert Jim Warren was beaten by Casey Salkauskas. In an even endgame Jim had a stroke of chess blindness and gave away a rook. The League newcomers suffered an upset defeat by Stewart Warner which had to depend on relatively green players at the bottom boards to come through with the win. Stewart Warner, a team beset with problems, will play this season without 2 of its real stalwarts: Roger Lombardi, who left the company, and Carl Beitler, who is in the service. Illinois Bell, last year's cellar team, managed to tie the Motorola powerhouse. Again, the lower boards turned the trick. The Hawthorne-Donnelley match, held Oct. 5th, had a fine turnout and a predictable result. Sechler added another feather to his cap by beating Les Meyers, one of the best.

Match details follow:

Western Electric 7

1. Jim Warren	lost to
2. Les Meyers	beat
3. Will Hammerschmidt	beat
4. Walt Elliott	beat
5. Tony Vikrikas	won
6. Erwin Ruto	won
7. Paul Elarde	won
8. Jim Norlock	won

1st National Bank 1

K. Salkauskas
Math Balciunas
Miroslav Mejzr
Don McCluskey
Forfeit
Forfeit
Forfeit
Forfeit

Stewart Warner 4-1/2

1. Hugh Williamson	lost to
2. Z. Swedak	drew with
3. Francis Peterson	beat
4. Claude Iuth	lost to
5. O. Svilan	lost to
6. L. Martin	beat
7. Henry Leonik	beat
8. R. Lucchessi	beat

Argonne Lab. 3-1/2

Ed Rudzitis
Slavko Mihailovich
Bruce Dieter
R. Uphaus
R. Fabijonas
D. Baker
R. Warshal
Lolita Woodard

Motorola 4

1. Nick Goncharoff	beat
2. Phil Greenspan	beat
3. Dragi Lazarevich	beat
4. Les Whitman	lost to
5. Al Cohen	lost to
6. Jim Hoglund	beat
7. Mike Barabash	lost to
8. B. McGurn	lost to

Illinois Bell 4

Karl Selander
George Unruh
D. C. Green
Paul Blachley
J. Biester
Clarence Underwood
Ray Lauth
Joe Costello

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<u>Western Electric 6-1/2</u>			<u>Donnelley 1-1/2</u>	
1.	Warren		beat	Jim Brotsos
2.	Meyers		lost to	Chas. Sechler
3.	Hammerschmidt		beat	Bob Moeller
4.	Elliott		beat	Jarvis Ross
5.	Vikrikas		beat	Nich Tomashevich
6.	Ruto		beat	Ted Mayer
7.	Elarde		drew with	Ed Smith
8.	J. Fajkus		beat	John Harwood
9.	Joe Shagg		drew with	Tim Galvin
10.	U. Tamm		beat	Jim Jennings
11.	Robaszewski		beat	Rad King
12.	W. Scheck		lost to	Steve Haver

Financial Statement. Following is an income-expense statement from Sept. 9, 1959 to Sept. 15, 1960:

Balance 9-9-59		\$ 46.61
Dues:		
9-2-59 Motorola	\$20.00	
11-27- Donnelley	20.00	
11-27 Western Electric	20.00	
1-5-60 Ill. Bell	20.00	
2-1 Stewart Warner	20.00	
3-23 1st Nat'l	20.00	
3-23 Donnelley (for '60-'61)	20.00	
Total Dues		140.00
Interest		<u>.49</u>
Total Income		\$187.10
Exhibition Fees:		
Tautvaisas	\$30.00	
Henin	<u>25.00</u>	
Total	\$55.00	
Team Trophies	28.64	
Banquet Cash Prizes	60.00	
Gift to League Typist	<u>6.00</u>	
Total Expenses		<u>149.64</u>
BALANCE 9-15-60		<u>\$ 37.46</u>

October 6, 1960

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Bell Loses Team Captain. The C.I.C.L. will miss Don Johnson who has been in charge of the Illinois Bell Telephone team during the past 3 years. Don has just received a promotion which takes him to New York City's A.T. & T. offices. In addition to his active participation in League affairs, Don organized a simultaneous chess exhibition with Sam Reshevsky which many of us in the League attended and he contributed one of the biggest upsets of last year by beating Hammerschmidt and bringing home a victory for his team against the champs.

Replacing Don will be Karl Selander, an old hand in leading the Bell club. Karl's address is Room 1401, 208 W. Washington; his phone number is RA-7-3201.

Game Publication. All team captains are encouraged to keep an eye out for interesting games by their team mates. We are hopeful that several worthwhile games or portions of games appear in this bulletin during the season.

TURN YOUR LEAGUE-ACTIVITIES QUESTIONNAIRES IN!

Brotsos

Jim Brotsos, Chairman
The Chicago Industrial Chess League

"The game of chess is less an amusement than a vain occupation, a laborious frivolity, which does not exercise the body, which tires the mind instead of refreshing it, which dries up and hardens the soul. It is neither a social game, nor an occasion of friendship; it is the simulacrum of war, of that cruel game to which necessity alone can serve as an excuse, because to nourish the pride of one and to mortify the egoism of the other, is the least evil or greatest good it can do."

Dr. Dubourg

Bank Beats Bell. This month the 1st National Bank bounced back after a poor start and trampled Illinois Bell, 7-1. Bell, playing without Amann and Blatchley, suffered from two forfeits. The bank, however, again demonstrated great potential power and gave notice that it's out to nail down a trophy this year (a feat which would be simple if they could depend on regular attendance by their first 6 boards shown below plus Bill Mann, Matt Balciunas, and Steve Haenflein - all experts at chalking up points for their team).

1st National Bank of Chicago 7

Illinois Bell Telephone Co. 1

1. Bill Nyman	beat	Bob Rachaitis
2. K. Salkauskas	beat	Joe Costello
3. Carl Reichstetter	beat	Karl Selander
4. Rinaldo Tiranti	beat	Ray Lauth
5. M. Mejer	beat	Harry Jaeger
6. Don McCluskey	lost to	Clarence Underwood
7. W. Conway	won	Forfeit
8. E. Gerstberger	won	Forfeit

The Lakeside Press downed half of Stewart Warner's team, 7-1, as follows:

The Lakeside Press 7

Stewart Warner 1

1. Brotsos	beat	Williamson
2. Seehler	lost to	Leonik
3. Holder	beat	Lucchesi
4. Moeller	beat	Curtis
5. Ross	won	Forfeit
6. Hough	won	Forfeit
7. Harwood	won	Forfeit
8. Galvin	won	Forfeit

Kirby on Tap for December Exhibition. The partial returns of the recent questionnaires on C.I.C.L. activities showed considerable interest in another simultaneous chess exhibition, preferably with a local master. In accordance with this desire, Robison Kirby, Chicago's second ranked master, has been approached about playing our League on a Friday night in December. He has agreed to play up to 35 members for \$25 to be paid from our treasury. The evening of Dec. 2 was tentatively agreed on for this event. If any of you find this date particularly objectionable, please contact me by November 11th. Possible locations mentioned to Mr. Kirby were The Lakeside Press, The 1st National Bank, and Western Electric. If any of you have a definite preference for the location of this match, please let me know.

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Greater Chicago Chess League Extends Invitation. Gerald Johnson, Vice President of the G.C.C.L., has invited all interested chess players to attend the annual business meeting of his League. The meeting will include discussion of mutual cooperation of our Leagues in furthering our respective interests and the possibility of our entering an All-League team into the Greater Chicago League's round robin schedule. All interested team representatives and members are invited to attend this important meeting. It will be held at 8:00 P.M., Nov. 3rd, at the Austin C.C. in the Austin Town Hall near Lake St. and Austin. For further details, call Mr. Johnson at AN-3-6660, ext. 25.

Argonne Elects New Officers. The Argonne C.C. has elected the following officers for the coming year:

Jasper Wolkoff, President
Slavko Mihailovich, Vice-President
Lolita Woodard, Sec'y-Treas.
Edgars Radzitis, Team Captain

Congratulations and good luck to these new officers.

For team match arrangements, contact either Mr. Wolkoff at Bldg. 205, 9700 S. Cass, Argonne, Illinois, Clearwater 7-7711, ext. 2497, or Ed Radzitis, same address, ext. 2560.

Reminder to Team Captains. Team captains are reminded to keep their opponents informed as to any anticipated absentees on their team so that opposing members with difficult train schedules, etc. can be informed that they will not play in the match and can plan accordingly.

Brotsos

Jim Brotsos, Chairman
The Chicago Industrial Chess League

October 31, 1960

THE LAKESIDE PRESS CHESS CLUB

Dear Team Member:


Last week we dealt a crushing defeat to the visiting Stewart-Warner Electronics club, 7-1. Unfortunately, this was not a true test of our mettle, as the visitors showed up 4 men shy of a full 8-man team. As a result, we won four of the boards by forfeit. The remaining matches were virtually "no contest" (except one, which we shall hear about), as Stewart-Warner came out with none of their top talent. At this time, I wish to apologize again to the team members who came out to play their matches, only to find that there was no one to play. Situations such as this can only be avoided if the opposing team captain is courteous enough to call me in advance that he cannot bring a full team. Such courtesy, sad to say, was not forthcoming from Stewart-Warner.

The story of how we came to lose a lone match in this contest is a curious one. Playing to his usual high standard, "Checkmate Charlie" Sechler so far out-classed his opponent that within a few moves he was several pawns and a piece ahead. Ever generous, Charlie gave his opponent several "jerkbacks" of bad moves that would have cost him further material. Finally, the situation got so bad that the opponent couldn't move any pieces at all without losing them. At this point, Sechler put a blindfold over his eyes, tied his hands behind his back and began pushing the pieces with his nose. The complexion of the game changed entirely. It turned into a real smeller. Now the opponent began to fight back, banging Sechler on the nose every time he tried to make a good move. Finally, his masterful opponent worked Charlie's King around behind some pawns where it could not be reached by a human proboscis. And on the next move, Charlie was posed out in a checkmate...the first one in the history of Chess ever achieved. Smell-O-Vision. When the blindfold fell from his eyes and he saw what had happened, Charlie leaped up with a great cry. Pointing a finger at his opponent, he uttered the magic words and changed him into a jar of Mum. And that's how we lost a game by a nose. Moral: Why be half-safe when you can really smell?

Special congratulations are in order to our newest team member, Gerry Hough, Night (4-12) Personnel Counsellor, who showed great promise in winning his first match for Donnelley's by forfeit.

The full score:

1) Jim Brotsce	- 1	0 -	Williamson
2) Charlie Sechler	- 0	1 -	Lucchesi
3) Tom Holder	- 1	0 -	Isconik
4) Bob Moeller	- 1	0 -	Curtis
5) Jarvis Ross	- 1 (forfeit)		
6) Gerry Hough	- 1 (")		
7) John Harwood	- 1 (")		
8) Tim Galvin	- 1 (")		


Bob Moeller
Team Captain
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THE LAKESIDE PRESS CHESS CLUB

Dear Team Member:

Though we were clobbered by Western Electric last night, I want to thank every one of you for coming out and giving them a good run for their money. Special congratulations are in order for Charlie Sechler and Steve Haver, only Donnelley players to win their games, and for Ed Smith and Tim Galvin, who fought their opponents to draws.

Incidentally, Sechler's victory was scored at the expense of one of the best players in the Chicago Industrial Chess League, L.C. Meyers. In several years of League competition, Meyers has lost only one other game -- to our own Bill Stevenson.

Even at the boards we lost, Donnelley players put up a strong, rough fight. I think that as the season progresses and we knock the rust off our games with plenty of weekly practice at Club meetings, our squad is going to be hard to beat. We must remember that Western Electric is the reigning League Champion, and we went up against their club last night without the support of three of the finest players in the Company: Bill Stevenson, Bill Herzberger, and Tom Holder (Tom was all set to play but illness in the family cropped up at the last minute.)

Following is the full score of the match:

1) Jim Brotsos	- 0	1 -	J. Warren (rated Expert)
2) Charlie Sechler	- 1	0 -	L. Meyers
3) Bob Moeller	- 0	1 -	W. Hammerschmidt
4) Jarvis Ross	- 0	1 -	W. Elliott
5) Nick Tomashevich	- 0	1 -	T. Vikricas
6) Ted Mayer	- 0	1 -	E. Puto
7) Ed Smith	- 1/2	1 -	P. Elarde
8) John Harwood	- 0	1 -	J. Fajkus
9) Tim Galvin	- 1/2	1 -	J. Shagg
10) Jim Jennings	- 0	1 -	U. Tamm
11) Bud King	- 0	1 -	Robaszewski
12) Steve Haver	- 1	0 -	W. Scheck

TOTAL - 3 9 - TOTAL

Later this month we will welcome a visiting team from Stewart-Warner Electronics to our premises. I hope all of us will be primed to win this one and all the rest.

Bob Moeller

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