

Chess Mess

People who would like to play chess but lack the time to enter tournament play should consider postal chess. Games are conducted through the mail, and moves can be considered at the player's leisure. Tournaments are available for all strengths of players, in Canada or internationally.

Over-the-board players seeking to improve their game would also do well to play correspondence chess as it improves opening knowledge and encourages deeper analysis of positions than is normally possible over the board. Information is available from Canadian Correspondence Chess Association, 61 Chevrone Cres., Scarborough, Ont.

Georgetown Closed: Only 3 games remain to be played. The standings are: B. Thompson 6-2, J. Moore 5 1/2-1 1/2, S. MacLeod 5-2, D. Nichols 5-3, G. Emmerson 3 1/2-4 1/2, B. MacLeod 3-5, A. Boisvenue 2 1/2-5 1/2, K. Neill 2-4, C. Bertleson 1 1/2-5 1/2. Possibly the best game from the tournament and certainly one of the most interesting, was the following encounter, featuring great complications. B. Thompson needed only a draw, while S. MacLeod had to win.

S. MacLeod - B. Thompson King's Gambit
 1. e4 e5 2. f4 e4 3. Nf3 Be7 4. Nc3 (played mainly to avoid any opening preparation, but this move actually seems stronger than 4. Be4 as Georgetown players have usually played) 4. Nf6 (In S. MacLeod - S. Shapiro, Brampton Club Tournament Black tried 4... Bb4, but after 5. Ke2 d6 6. d4 g5 7. Nxb4 g4 8. Kf2 h3 9. Bxf4 g2 10. Bxg2 white had a winning position). 5. d4 d5 (Better is 5... d5 6. Bd3 d4 when white has only a slight edge). 6. Bxf4 0-0 7. Bd3 c5? (Black must develop his pieces before making such a loosening move. 7... Nc6 was best). 8. dc5 dc5 9. Nd5 (Also good are 9. Nb5 and 9. e5, but the text move is undoubtedly the best way of initiating the attack). 9... Nxd5 (9... Nc6 10. Nxe7 Qxe7 11. 0-0 is also greatly in white's favour. If 9... Qa5, 10. b4! wins.) 10. ed5 has more chances than in the game.) 11. 0-0 Bf6 12. c4! Bxb2 (Grabbing pawns must be wrong, but 12... Bg4 13. Qc2 is not promising for Black). 13. Bx7ch Kh8 (On 13... Kxh7 white planned to win by 14. Ng5ch! 14... Kg8 15. Qh5 Bf6 16. Qxf7ch Kh8 17. Qh5ch Kg8 18. Qh7ch Kh8 19. d6! and mates on h8.) 14. Ng5 Qf6 15. Qh5 (now the Black king is defenceless against white's assault) 15... g6 16. Bxg6ch Kg8 17. Qh7ch Kg8 18. Bdf6ch Re7 19. Bxe7ch Qxe7 20. Rxf7ch e8 21. Rxe7ch Resigns.

The Postal ratings for the Georgetown Players are as follows:

1. Steve MacLeod 950
2. Bob Gillanders 852
3. Tony Smith 850
4. Brian MacLeod 750

Problems: Last week's solution White mates by 1. Qf6! g6 2. Ng3ch Kh8 3. Bxf6 mate.



JOYCE BEATON

Remember the song that went "Wives should always be lovers too." The next line went "run into his arms the moment he comes home to you." Reverse the situation. "Husbands should always be lovers too." run into her arms the moment she comes home to you."

The first concept of the active male and the passive female. The little woman waiting in her apron at the white picket fence, the apple pie cooling on the window sill and the scrubbed faces of the cherub children turned upwards for daddy's kiss. All waiting eagerly for daddy to bring some meaning into their lives.

What if daddy was often bringing home with him was two hours of office work, a headache and an ulcer over how the bills were to be paid. What he often left behind him was a woman with whom he could totally relate.

The affair. The word has always made my cringe. Another woman in daddy's life. A threat to the security of the family. A scarlet woman, one with no morals. A home wrecker.

It sounds laughable now, doesn't it. In 1975 it sounds laughable but there's nothing funny about it. We still forbid men and women relationships, friendships or sexual partners outside marriage. We still assume there's Mr. or Mrs. Right and when that one comes along we won't need anyone else.

It's virtually impossible for one man or woman to be all of the opposite sex we'll need in our lives. It runs counter to all of human nature.

Deep friendships
 We seem so frightened at the prospects that a male-female relationship might develop into a sexual one that we deprive ourselves of deep friendships. We seem to be so distrustful of our own goodness that we cling to one man or woman rather than expose ourselves to the involvement and development of other truly meaningful relationships.

We have become so sex-oriented that a deep friendship with a member of the opposite sex becomes totally forbidden. It seems we are allowed to have an affair before society allows us to have a friendship.

Happy relationships
 If you were to walk into a restaurant at lunch-time and see your husband or wife across the table from a member of the opposite sex how would you react? If it's threatened or crushed or hurt you should examine yourself. Not your relationship with your spouse but with yourself. Is security assured by possessiveness?

If you're a parent examine your feelings when you see your young son or daughter walking hand-in-hand with someone. If it's a boy and girl are you happy for the relationship that has developed or are you apprehensive?

How do you feel if it's two of the same sex? Why can't we show our love for each other without homosexual connotations? What has happened to us as human beings that we can't freely show our love?

Free love
 The only thing that really matters in this world is our relationship with others. We don't stop loving other men because we love one man. We don't stop loving other children because we love one child.

As women are learning to love each other without suspicion. When we fully learn to love each other we will begin to trust one another.

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