LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SUCCESSFULL TOURNEY IN CROSSVILLE

Enclosed is my check for \$12 which represents TCA membership dues for six people. Their names and addresses are on the enclosed sheet. Please send us several more membership cards.

Also enclosed is a copy of the results of the Sixth Cumberland County Open Chess Tournament which was held on January 24. Any publicity which you can give these results will be appreciated. Several people who came to Crossville for our tournament had heard about it in the TENNESSEE CHESS NEWS, and we expect because of the publicity that our future tournaments will have an even greater attendance from all over the State.

We feel that we are ideally situated geographically to run a Chess Tournament which can attract persons from the Nashville, Knoxville and Chattanooga areas. We would be happy to cooperate with the Tennessee Chess Association in helping set up or run any State-wide Chess Tournament which the TCA might wish to run in Crossville.

Harry D. Sabine, Crossville

*I am quite sure that TCA will accept your fine offer. Perhaps this would be a good site for holding the East Tennessee Open which has not been held on a regular basis.

MEMPHIS REOPENS PILLSBURY CHESS CLUB

I am writing to announce the formation of a new USCF affiliate in Memphis: The Pillsbury Chess Club. Actually the club began under the leadership of the late Hunter Weaks and has won the Team Trophy at the Tennessee Open twice in the middle 1960's but has been inactive for a few years.

Eddie Middleton, a close friend of Mr. Weaks, and member of the first organization, will serve as Vice-President. Gary Pylant, (President of the Southern Chess Association), will serve as President. Rick Herbers is Treasurer, and I am Secretary.

Included are two games from the first two rounds of the renewed Pillsbury Chess Club Championship.

Jack E. Smith, Memphis

Here are the two games that Jack submitted:

Dedicated to the memory of Hunter Weaks, Harry N. Pillsbury, the first Pillsbury Club, and, of course, Caissa.

FRENCH DEFENCE Rick Herbers (1627) Black: Ron Minor (1870)

1 P-K4 P-K3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 PxP PxP 4 B-Q3 N-KB3 5 N-KB3 B-KN5 6 P-KR3 B-R4 7 0-0 B-K2

8 R-K1 0-0 9 QB-N5 QN-Q2 10 QN-Q2 R-K1 11 P-B3 QR-B1 12 Q-B2 B-N3 13 BxB RPxB 14 R-K2

N-B1 15 R/1-K1 N-K3 16 RxN! PxR 17 QxP R-B1 18 B-R6 N-K1 19 QxKPch K-R2 20 BxP NxB

21 QxB QxQ 22 RxQ K-N3 23 R-Q7 KR-Q1 24 N-K5ch K-R2 25 R-K7 K-N1 26 P-KN4 R-Q3 27

P-KB4 R-QN3 28 P-B5 R-KR3 29 K-R2 R-R2 30 P-B6 N-B4 31 P-B7ch RxP 32 RxR N-Q3 33 R-Q7

R-B1 34 N/2-B3 N-K5 35 RxBP N-Q3 36 R-Q7 N-K1 37 Resigns (1-0) A 243 point upset.

(1668)

GUICO PIANO (By transposition) White: Gary Pylant (1636) Black: Robert Holyfield 1 e4 Nc6 2 Nf3 e5 3 Bc4 Bc5 4 c3 Nf6 5 d4 ed 6 cd Bb4ch 7 Bd2 Bd2ch 8 Nbd2 O-O 9 O-O d5 10 ed Nd5 11 Qb3 Na5 12 Qa4 Nc4 13 Qc4 Be6 14 Rf-e1 c6 15 Ra-c1 Re8 16 Ne4 Nf6 17 Nf6ch Qf6 18 Qa4 Bd5 19 Qa7! Re-b8 20 Qb6 Qg6 21 Re3 Ra2 22 Qb7! Ra-a8 23 Qe7 f6 24 Rc-e1 Rb2 25 Nh4 Qh5 26 Rg3 Bf7 27 Qf6 Bg6 28 Qc6 Ra-b8 29 Ng6 Rb1 30 Qe6 mate!

*Thank you for telling us about your new club in Memphis. You may want to give us the information about when and where your club meets also.

MINI-CHESS COURSES OFFERED IN MARYVILLE

Mr. Mack Garner (TCA President) referred me your letter of Jan. 11 asking about the chess mini-course here at MJHS. A different mini-course is offered by each teaching and non-teaching personnel professionals. I am enclosing a list of offerings for this nine weeks.

The chess mini-course is for both beginners and experienced players. The beginners are tought the basics and, then along with the rest, a "tournament" is drawen with prizes given for first, second, and third place. This was decided by the whole group with double elimination.

Mr. Garner has given exhibition matches and Mr. Jack Murphy, a local chess enthusiast, has also volunteered his services. As yet I have not used him, but do intent to do so.

I only offer this mini-course during the winter. In the Fall and Spring, I have a tennis mini-course. I hope to develop more variety as I work on these more and more. Certainly interest is quite high here. If you need more information, I would be glad to answer any questions I can.

Margaret Gutierrez, Maryville Junior High