

STATE CHESS TOURNAMENT

The 1937 State Chess Tournament will be held in Livingston, Montana, on Sunday, April 11.

Registration of players will begin at 9:00 A.M. at the Masonic Temple. Drawings for the first games will be made and play will be held in the basement of the same building, starting at 10:00 A.M.

A registration fee of \$1.00 will be required of all players registering. This fee will pay for the banquet to be served at the Park Hotel at 1:00 P.M., and other incidentals of the tournament.

Each Club represented will choose not more than four of its members to register in Class A. These players will draw their opponents for the first game. The loser of the first game in Class A is eliminated from competition for a prize, but he may play any other person who is also out of competition. He may not go into another Class and compete for a prize.

All players not registered in Class A will be in Class B. Drawings will be made to determine opponents for the first game. The winners of the first game will go on to compete for the prize in Class B. The losers of the first game in Class B will form a third Class known as Class C. If the winner of the first game in Class B loses his second game or any subsequent game in Class B, he is out of competition and may not go into Class C.

In Class C, the winners of the first game in that Class (the second game of the tournament for those players) will continue to compete for the prize in Class C. If the winner of a first game in Class C, loses his second game or any subsequent game in that Class, he is out of competition for a prize, and may play anyone he wants to.

By a process of elimination, one player will be left in each class who has not been beaten. That player will be considered the champion of that Class. The Champion of the A Class, will be considered the State Champion. The best players should therefore be selected from each Club to play in Class A.

Individuals, not representing a Club, may play in Class A if they are on hand to register as such before play begins.

You may stay all night if you like, but we feed you only once.

The 1937 Tournament was held at
Livingston, April 11. About 40 players
participated and Doug Graham, of
Bozeman won the state Championship.
An invitation from Big Timber to hold
the 1938 Tournney in that city was
accepted.

MAMMOTH RESIDENT TO DEFEND STATE CHESS TITLE AT MEET

Keith Neilson, secretary of the Mammoth Hot Springs chess club and present state champion, will defend his title against the best movers of pawns and kings in Montana at the annual tournament, to be held in Livingston next Sunday. Host clubs are the Livingston Chess club and the Mammoth

Hot Springs organization.

Registration will take place at the Masonic Temple at 9 a. m., with play getting under way an hour later. A banquet for all contestants will be served at the Park hotel at 1 p. m., with games continuing throughout the afternoon. Some of the outstanding chess players from over the state are to compete for top honors. Entries are expected from Miles City, Hardin, Billings, Columbus, Big Timber, Livingston, Clyde Park, White Sulphur Springs, Bozeman, Willow Creek, Helena, Butte, Great Falls and Conrad in Montana and Yellowstone park in Wyoming.

D. C. Evans, president of the Livingston club, stated yesterday that all chess players are invited to participate in the tourney. He said the less experienced players who do not feel that they are of championship calibre will be given an opportunity to play among themselves for suitable prizes.

Individuals and members who intend to participate were urged to notify Mr. Evans or J. L. Gleason, secretary of the Livingston club.

PROVISIONS OF NEW ORDINANCE ARE OUTLINED

Salient facts concerning an ordinance prohibiting the promiscuous distribution of handbills, dodgers and other commercial advertising matter, passed and approved by the city council Monday evening, were pointed out yesterday.

The ordinance, in force and effect thirty days after passage, regulates distribution of advertising samples, handbills, dodgers, circulars, booklets, and

State Chess Players Will Gather in City Sunday for Tourney

Montana's chess players will gather in Livingston Sunday—with the championship, now held by Carl Spencer of Livingston, at stake. Clubs from many cities over the state will be represented.

The games will be played at the Masonic Temple, with registration starting at nine o'clock, and play beginning at 9:30. At one o'clock the players will adjourn, to enjoy a dinner at the Park hotel, following which the tournament will again be resumed.

Livingston and Mammoth clubs, affiliated with the National Chess Club association, are the hosts. Among Montana cities to be represented are: Billings, Hardin, Willow Creek, Bozeman, Great Falls, Big Timber and White Sulphur Springs.

The Livingston, Mammoth, Billings and Hardin clubs, all members of the national association, staged a tourney at Billings recently, with Carl Spencer of this city coming out on top.

BOZEMAN MAN CHESS CHAMP OF MONTANA

Doug Graham, with the Montana Power company at Bozeman, copped the class A state championship chess title at the annual tournament of the Montana Chess association here Sunday. Graham defeated R. G. Turner of Hardin for the state championship, three games being necessary to decide the title, the first two ending in draws. Turner was awarded second place in the class A division; Keith Neilson, Mammoth Hot Springs, defending state champion, took third, and D. T. White of Mammoth, fourth. A. E. Davidson represented the Livingston Chess club in the championship bracket, but failed to place, winning two games and losing two.

Nearly fifty outstanding movers of pawns and kings from over Montana participated in the annual tournament. Winners in all divisions were awarded suitable prizes. The new state champion is a former member of the chess clubs at Los Angeles, and Manhattan, New York. Graham placed second in the Milwaukee city tournament in 1929 and once won a game from the world's champion, Dr. Alexander Alekhin.

In the class B division, Dr. J. T. Bradbury of Willow Creek took first, Thomas Gleason of Livingston second, John Kipp of Miles City third, and Dr. R. K. Maier of Livingston fourth. Cecil Crosby of Miles City won first in the class C division, C. V. O'Leary of Big Timber second, Vincent Rice of Livingston third, and J. S. Blier of Clyde Park, fourth.

Sixteen players were entered in the class A division, 13 in the class C, and 16 in the class B. The class A division was determined by the entrants themselves. If players believed themselves of championship calibre, they entered in that class. The balance were placed in the class B division and a qualifying round played. The losers in the qualifying round went into the class C division and the winners remained in the B class. Any player losing one game was eliminated from the championship. If two games were lost they were automatically eliminated from play.

New officers elected at the annual

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business meeting and banquet at 1 p. m. are: Stuart H. Nicholson, Big Timber, president; E. R. Patterson, Big Timber, vice-president; Ross Shaver, Big Timber, secretary-treasurer. The next tournament will be held in Big Timber in April, 1938. George Pierce of Billings was formerly president; E. Carl Lanzendorf, Billings, secretary-treasurer and Roy Frazier, Billings, vice-president.

Host clubs were those at Mammoth Hot Springs and Livingston.

Interest in chess is growing, officers of the association declared, and an even better attended tournament is anticipated next spring.

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