

THE EIGHTH ANNUAL
MONTANA STATE CHESS TOURNAMENT
Baxter Hotel
Bozeman, Montana
Saturday and Sunday
April 11 and 12, 1942

PROGRAM

Saturday

- 1:00 P.M. - Registration desk open - Lobby, Baxter Hotel.
3:00 P.M. - Class A registration closes.
All A Class play must have begun.
7:30 P.M. - Informal get-together for all players
Refreshments will be served.

Sunday

- 9:30 A.M. - Finals in Class A begin.
10:00 A.M. - Registration in Class B and C closes, and
first round of play in these classes begins.
1:00 to 2:30 P.M. - Annual banquet and business meeting of
The Montana State Chess Association.

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Forty-one chess players representing eleven Montana communities participated in the Eighth Annual Montana State Chess Tournament held at the Hotel Baxter, Bozeman, April 11 and 12, 1942.

Play in the A Class preliminaries began at 3 o'clock P. M. April 11 with four groups of four constants playing a round-robin tournament within their group. Play in these preliminary sections continued Saturday evening, the last game finishing at 2 o'clock A. M. Sunday. Informal play between B and C Class players was also held during the Saturday session and a light lunch was served Saturday evening for all entrants.

Play was resumed Sunday morning at 10 o'clock A. M. for the Championship flight in Class A and the B and C class tournaments.

At 1:30 o'clock P. M. the annual banquet and business meeting of the Montana State Chess Association was held in the Baxter Hotel dining room. Minutes of the meeting follow:

Douglas Graham, Bozeman, president of the State Association, called the meeting to order and welcomed the constants. He then appointed Judge Lowndes Maury, Butte, as toastmaster. The selection of the 1943 Tournament site was the first order of business. C. E. Colegrove, Great Falls, suggested Great Falls. M. J. Greenshields, Big Timber, proposed Big Timber. It was moved and seconded that Big Timber's offer be accepted and the motion was carried unanimously. M. J. Greenshields was nominated Association President for 1943 and unanimously elected. As his first act as executive he appointed Charles W. Campbell secretary-treasurer for the coming year.

A cash collection was then taken to aid the 1943 Tournament committee to defray expenses. At the suggestion of George Pierce, Billings, a round-robin letter was made greeting Major J. Van-Tylingen who was unable to attend the 1942 tourney. VanTylingen, formerly of Great Falls, and one of the leading figures in Montana chess, is now serving with the United States Army.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

TOURNAMENT SUMMARY

CLASS A

Winner - Douglas Graham, Bozeman. Prize - Set of plastic chessmen.
Runnerup - F. G. Eric Peterson, Bozeman.

Entrants - Big Timber: M. J. Greenshields.
Billings : Bob Southern, George Zimmerman.
Bozeman : Graham, Peterson, John Deal, Bernard Copping.
Butte : Lawndes Maury, H. L. Hayward.
Great Falls: C. E. Colegrove, H.M.G. Brandt, John Larto.
Hardin : R. G. Turner, J. H. Jesser.
Livingston: E. A. Edwards.
Polytechnic: L. D. Hamton.

Play - Preliminaries were held beginning at 3 o'clock Saturday, April 11. The sixteen constants were divided into groups of four and each group played a round-robin tournament to determine the champion. It was decided by the tournament committee that in case of ties for first place within the group those tying for first should be entered in the finals. As two groups did tie six players were entered in the final round and an elimination tournament rather than a round-robin was held to determine the champion.

CLASS A CONSOLATION

As several of the Class A players eliminated in the Saturday preliminaries did not attend the Sunday morning session no formal Consolation tourney was held. Those players in attendance did, however, play informal games among themselves.

CLASS B

Winner - Tom Friedman, Billings. Prize - Year's subscription to Chess Review.

Runnerup - A. W. Robert, Whitehall.

Entrants - Big Timber : E.R. Patterson, Chas. W. Campbell, Forest Keller
Billings : Friedman, George Pierce, F. G. Riggle.
Bozeman : Albert Stone, Leonard Daems, Dr. D.T. Griffith,
Dr. W. E. Dean, William E. Schenk.
Livingston : Hugh Aldridge.
Manhattan : K. A. Coghlan.
Neihart : Dr. H. C. Shephard.
Whitehall : Robert, W. P. Coghlan

Play - The entrants participated in a knockout elimination tournament with the first round losers entered in a consolation event.

CLASS B CONSOLATION

Winner - Hugh Aldridge, Livingston.

Runnerup - Chas. W. Campbell, Big Timber.

CLASS C

Winner - As the result of a draw in the final round of this class the title is jointly held by J. Defrees Holmes, Big Timber, and George VanBrocklin, Livingston. The prize, a book, Traps on the Chessboard, by Znosko-Borovsky, was awarded to VanBrocklin on a coin toss.


Entrants: Big Timber : J. Defrees Holmes
Billings : Lyle Olsen
Bozeman : Mrs. Albert Stone, Albert Little, Charles Paine.
Livingston : Van Brocklin, E. H. Amick.
Manhattan : S. J. Alexander, R. E. Scudder.

Play - A knockout elimination tourney with first round losers participating in a consolation tournament.

CLASS C CONSOLATION

Winner - Albert Little, Bozeman.
Runnerup - S. J. Alexander, Manhattan.

Detailed results of the tournament are attached herewith.



Bernard Copping, Sec'y.