The 11th annual tournament of the Montana State Chess Association was held in Billings on May 25,26, 1946.

Class A play was divided into two sections. J. Van Teylingen won sec. 1. He was held to a draw by Kilbourne, but won his other games in championship style. Geo. Zimmermann placed second, losing only to Van Teylingen.

G. J. Moore won sec. 2, but only after some hard, long games. H. L. Maury placed second, losing to Moore in a 90-move marathon that left both players exhausted and took so long that it was decided to hold the championship playoff at a later date.

Accordingly, Van Teylingen, Moore, and a group of the chess faithful met at White Sulphur Springs on July 4. Van Teylingen won over Moore in 26 moves, and became once more the chess champion of Montana.

Class B was also divided into sections. J. A. Mueller won sec. 1. Allen Raush and O. E. Olsen tied for tops in sec. 2. Raush withdrew from the finals, and Mueller defeated Olsen in the playoff.

In class C the play was knockout style, with H. A. Lipke coming out winner of the event.

Lewistown was awarded the 1947 meet, and J. A. Mueller was chosen president, with instructions to the Lewistown club to choose a secretary.

## Chess Tourney Closes Here

## Local Man to Play For Class A Crown

Jerry Moore of Billings and John VanTeylingen of Great Falls emerged winner of their respective groups in the Montana class A chess tournament Sunday, but elimination play had taken so long tournament leaders ruled the playoff would be run at a later date.

A tentative date "around July 4 at White Sulphur Springs has been set for the match," George Zimmerman, retiring president, said.

Dr. J. A. Mueller and J. D. Holmes were elected president and secretary-treasurer respectively for 1947. Both men are from Lewistown which was chosen site for next year's state tournament.

The closest, longest game of the tournament was won by Moore, present state champion, over H. L. Maury of Butte, former state champion. The game lasted 90 moves.

Mueller was acclaimed winner of the class B bracket when he defeated O. E. Olson of Billings who placed second.

H. A. Lipke of Lewistown took the class C title in a round robin battle in which he beat James Felt of Billings. Standings were as follows:

CLASS A				
Division 1:	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
J. VanTeylinger, Great Falls	3	01	1	31/2
George Zimermann, Billings	· 3			
J. H. Kilbourne, Billings	2	1 .	1	
John Stafford, Great Falls	1	3	0	. 1
Bernard Copping, Bozeman	0	4	0	0
Division 2;	W.	L,	D.	Pts.
Jerry Moore, Billings	4		0	4
H. L. Maury, Butte	3	1	0	3
H. M. G. Brandt, Great Falls		2	0	1 /
Charles Treckell, Great Falls	0	3 :	0	0
CLASS B				· `.
Division 1:	w.	L.	D.	Pts.
J. A. Mueller, Lewistown	. 3	1	0	3
K. A. Coghlan, Manhattan	2		0	2
A. R. Thompson, Lewistown	2	2	0	2
Division 2:	w.	L.	D:	Pts.
Allan Roush, Hardin	3	- 1	0	3
A, E Peterson, Billings	2	2	0	2 .
O. E. Olson, Billings	3	· 1`	Õ:	3
Jack Hill, Billings	2	2`	0	2 .
J. D. Holmes, Lewistown	0 1	4	0 ~	0.

In the class C round robin Lawrence Olson of Billings beat W. D. Cochrane of Billings and Lipke beat E. O. Peterson of Billings, Felteliminated Olson and Lipke dropped Peterson, Lipke then outscored Hubert Fonk of Manhattan and went on to beat Felt for the title.

## Van Teylingen Chess Champion

J. Van Teylingen, Great Falls architect, won the state chess championship title in a match at White Sulphur Springs Thursday dethroning Jerry Moore of Billings in 2½ hours of play.

The match was a continuation of a state tournament begun at Billings in May, when the state championship remained undetermined

because of a lack of time. Van Teylingen won in 26 moves.

Moore won the title in 1945. Van Teylingen has been unable to play in Montana tournaments in the last two years, having been in the army.  $\cup$ 

