

MONTANA CHESS ASSOCIATION
TO ALL FUTURE SECRETARIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

This is a new record book which I am donating to the Montana Chess Association. Up until this time the records of the association have been passed from secretary to succeeding secretary as a bundle of miscellaneous data, letters, records, statements, clippings, etc. from which it was difficult to get any accurate information without thumbing through the entire pile. I realized that if our local organization was to get the necessary information required to plan and organize a state tournament it would necessitate a lot of research and as long as I was going to get a complete picture of the history of the organization it would be of value to compile the records in an orderly and systematic manner so the information would be useful to others.

Consequently I have separated the important annual records from the miscellaneous data and compiled it in this book. In addition I have compiled some of the more pertinent information on the first pages so one can get a lot of facts at a glance and if each new secretary will add to these lists following each tournament the records will be complete and up to date. It would be of great value to others if each secretary would include in his records an itemized expense account.

You will notice that some of the lists are incomplete, this is due to the incomplete records from some of the tournaments. If possible these omissions could be filled out by the proper contacts and if this were possible it would add greatly to the value of our records.

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