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MID-SOUTH WON BY MOMIC OF ALABAMA

Milan Momic, a former Yugoslav master but now residing at Leighton, Ala., won the Mid-South tourney at Memphis with a 5:1 score. Second and with the same score was last year's winner John Ragan of East St. Louis, Ill. Third place was taken by Jude Acers of New Orleans with 4½:1½.

Thirty seven players took part in the event held on Thanksgiving weekend, 21 players in the "A" division. Players from the following eight states participated: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. There were no other players from Tennessee other than Memphis and only one from Mississippi. This was disappointing, although the club was able to break even financially.

In the "B" division Ray McGune of Columbus, Miss. took first by tie breaking with 5:1 ahead of Frank Garner of Memphis who had the same score.

The Handicap Trophy was won by Tenn. Jr. Champ Mark Gilley of Memphis. The upset prize was shared by Cy Pipkin of Memphis and Grombacher of Chicago. Illinois took the team prize consisting of a silver dollar for each of the four players.

The tourney was noted for many upsets. The strong representatives from La. all lost in the first round including the expert Schultz to Scrivener (see Game). Doug Ritenour of Memphis served as tournament director.

Championship Division					
Player	USCF	Score	Player	USCF	Score
1. Milan Momic (Leighton, Ala.)	5	:1	13. Mark Gilley (Tenn.)	1754	3:3
2. John Ragan (Ill.)	2232	5:1	14. R.S. Scrivener (Miss)	1869	2½:3½
3. Jude Acers (La.)	2161	4½:1½	15. Steve Balsai (Ark.)	1907	2½:3½
4. W. Grombacher (Ill.)	1907	4:2	16. Richard Schultz (La.)	2076	2½:3½
5. Ronnie Taylor (Ark.)	1947	4:2	17. M. Goddard (Fla.)	1738	2½:3½
6. James Wright (Tenn.)	1980	3½:2½	18. W. Waguespack (La.)	1821	2½:3½
7. Dr. L. Stephens (Ill.)	1911	3½:2½	19. D. Ritenour (Tenn.)	1650	2:4
8. Hunter Weeks (Tenn.)	1992	3½:2½	20. T.L. Jaerdan	unr.	1½:4½
9. Frank RePass (La.)	1918	3½:2½	21. J. Mitchell	1689	1:5
10. D. Hallman (Ill.)	2007	3½:2½			
11. John Hurt (Tenn.)	2015	3:3			
12. Dennis Sims (Ark.)	1797	3:3			

Reserve Division					
Player	USCF	Score	Player	USCF	Score
1. R. McGune	1606	5:1	9. Allen White	Unr.	3:3
2. Frank Garner	1597	5:1	10. E. F. Williams	1688	2½:3½
3. J.H. Taylor	1713	4½:1½	11. R. Russell	1410	2:4
4. R. McDowell	Unr.	4:2	12. Jim Herring	Unr.	2:4
5. D. Bussell	Unr.	4:2	13. Bob Alford	Unr.	2:4
6. L. Kiefling	1787	3½:2½	14. Ronnie Elias	Unr.	1:5
7. Ralph King	1613	3½:2½	15. J.B. Ingram	1401	1:5
8. C.M. Pipkin	1533	3:3	16. D. Hardin*	1659	0:6

*withdrew after first round

GRANDMASTER TRIFUNOVICH GIVES SIMUL IN MEMPHIS

On Monday, Dec. 10 International Grandmaster Petar Trifunovich gave a simul exhibition on invitation by the Memphis Chess Club. He played on 17 boards, winning 13, drawing 3, and losing one. The winner for Memphis was James Wright (see game) and draws were obtained by Weeks, Gilley, and Ritenour. The loss to Wright by the grandmaster was only Trifunovich's first since touring the U.S.

It may be noted that Oak Ridge and then Nashville were called by Dr. Lasker from New York first to finance the trip for Trifunovich and play there, but each city had to turn it down for lack of funds.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Please be informed that dues for 1963 are again due and still only \$1. A slight change was made in that the month the paper is published will now appear in the heading instead of the two months that are covered.