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Dear Chess-playing Friend:

At the end of this month you will receive the first of what I hope will become a monthly issue of the latest in South Dakota Chess happenings. This bulletin will include news of chess tournaments in the surrounding states that you might wish to enter, the latest on the South Dakota Chess Tournaments, game scores from past tournaments, news of individual matches, suggestions from S Dak Chess players on promoting chess in this state and anything else that may be of interest to chess players in this area.

This bulletin will be short in length, depending, of course, on the amount of material received for publication. At present the mailing list is small and the cost of printing and mailing will be absorbed by the chess players in Pierre who played in last years state meet. If this should be a success and the mailing list grows, plus the size of the publication, an amount to cover stencil, paper, and mailing may have to be sought. At present prices about 10 cents will cover the cost of a three page publication, including 5 cents postage. I think a \$1.20 fee for 1 year is a small price to pay to promote an active South Dakota Chess Association, don't you?

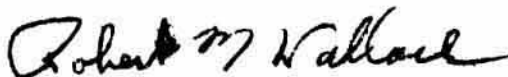
At present the only thing asked in return for this publication is that you send me any notes, opinions, game scores you feel are of interest, new names to add to the mailing list, ect.

It would seem that in a state of 600,000 people, there would surely be a good-sized number of chess players that would be interested in playing in tournaments and chess clubs and help put our fine state on the chess map of the United States.

The present situation, that of simply holding a state tournament once a year, and then having little or no contact with one another until the next tournament, leaves much to be desired, in my opinion, and the opinion of others in this area. I hope that a monthly publication will help to alleviate this situation.

Again, the first issue will be sent out around the end of this month. Read it, enjoy it, and if you have comments, which I hope you will, good or bad, drop me a line. I'd like to hear from you!

Regards,



For →

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P.S. We need some new names for mailing list by 1 Aug and any other comments. Lets support this and get organized in this state!!!!