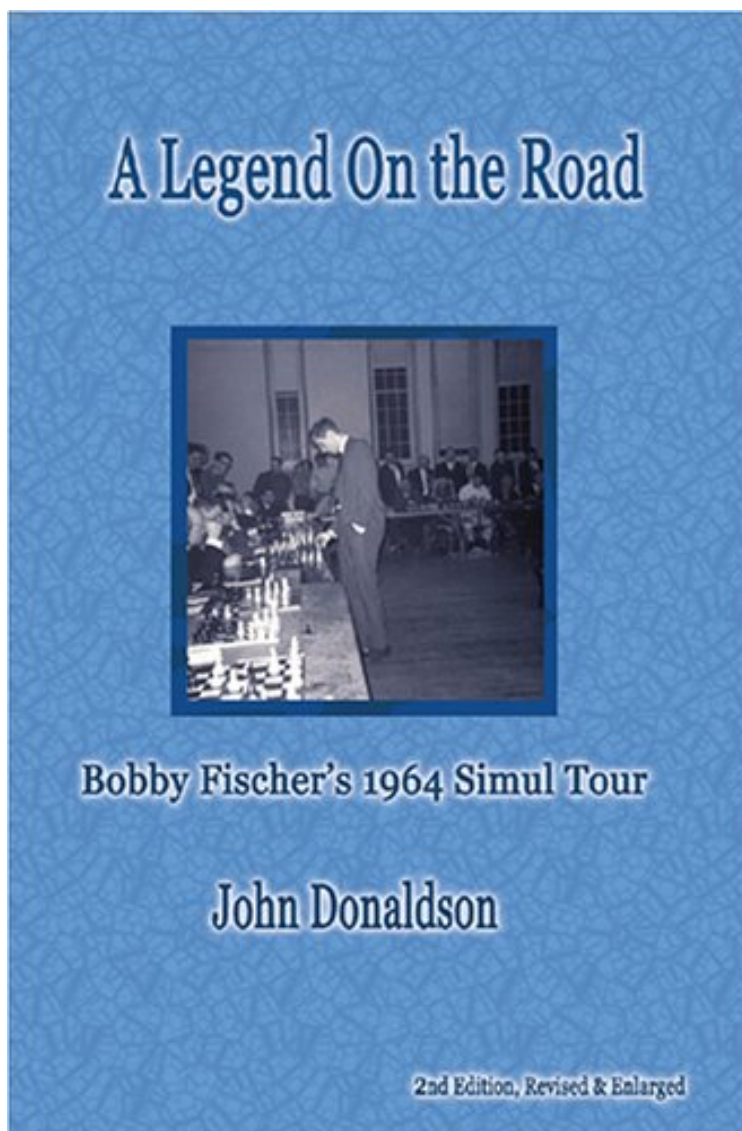


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Jordan coming to your hometown to take on all comers one-on-one or Tiger Woods stopping in your neighborhood offering to play a quick round of golf with you. In 1964, this was the kind of chance the average chess player was given and thousands took up the offer. Scores of towns hosted the 6-time US and future world champion and many were treated to a few hours of genius. Through interviews of those played or watched, local newspaper accounts of their event and notations of the many of the games played, Mr. Donaldson does a terrific job documenting this once-in-a-chessplayer's-lifetime event. To draw or win marked the high point of many chess lives (although very few were able to do so). Still, even for those who succumbed to the Superstar, it was exciting. For a chess fan, "Legend on the Road" is an fascinating read.² of 2 people found the following review helpful. Great book about the Great Bobby!By Sport87This is a historic book about Bobby Fischer! It's a well documented book about the 1964 simultaneous tour around the USA and Canada. This book contains most of the games played by Bobby and many correspondences written by him. The Kindle edition is in very good design.¹ of 1 people found the following review helpful. An interesting book about a teenager's chess tourBy unemployed nmartistI bought this book because I played chess in Houston with many of the players in the book and I wanted to see how they played. I wasn't disappointed! I don't believe the booklet is in print any longer.

In 1964 Bobby Fisher wasn't a complete unknown, not with six U.S. Championships to his credit -- including a scintillating 11-0 in the 1963/64 affair -- but U.S. chess players had never had a real opportunity to see him in action up close. During his 1964 exhibition tour, he barnstormed the U.S. and Canada from coast to coast, and his entertaining lectures, high level of play and personable manner won him many new admirers. This is a comprehensive look at the tour with newspaper reports, magazine articles, personal reminiscences and lots of games, many of which have never been published before. This second edition features new material including a recently rediscovered exhibition in Indianapolis, first-hand accounts from San Francisco, Little Rock and Pittsburgh, several games, plus photos and artifacts as well as corrections. It's is a treasure trove for every Fischer fan.

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