

**Would You Like to Improve
Your Chess Play?**

**HOW ABOUT PLAYING A
WORLD CHAMP?**

. . . and win a prize!



Next week our Chess Chats will be one year old and we are announcing for that occasion a new challenge to the readers of the Press Democrat . . . **PLAY GEORGE KOLTANOWSKI, Blindfold Champion BY MAIL:**

IT IS OPEN TO EVERYONE AND COSTS NOTHING!

All you have to do is to write a post-card asking for a score-sheet (on which you can keep a record of your game as it progresses). **STATE PLAINLY WHICH COLOR YOU PREFER: BLACK OR WHITE**, and if the latter, give your first move. Print your name and address very clearly. When you receive your score-sheet, you will find a number printed on it. From then on, you keep on using that number in your post-cards or letters, when you send in your moves. Each day, the Press Democrat will publish a small chess column, in which you will find the answer of Koltanowski, **BEHIND YOUR NUMBER**. Your move will **NOT** be repeated. **JUST YOUR NUMBER AND THE ANSWER**. You then have three full days in which to think up your answer, answers to be post-dated three days after, at the latest. **ALL WHO BEAT KOLTANOWSKI WILL RECEIVE A BOOK PRIZE, FREE OF CHARGE**. Many of the games, when finished will appear in the regular Sunday Empire Chess Chats with instructive notes.

THIS OFFER IS GOOD UNTIL DECEMBER

SEND YOUR CHESS-BY-MAIL requests for a game with the Champ to: CHESS-BY-MAIL, Box 777,



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