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Martin E. Morrison: A Tribute  
by Elwin Meyers

With this issue, Chess Voice begins a new phase of its operation, one in which it will have to embark without its founder and 5 year Editor, Martin E. Morrison. Martin's obvious talents were not only apparent in Central California, where he has led one of the largest and most successful chess programs in the country. He was noticed more and more frequently on a national level, especially by USCF Executive Director Ed Edmondson. As a result, as almost all readers must know by now, Martin is now USCF's Technical Director, and is working from the Newburgh office.

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271 Players Compete at San Jose

On March 31-April 1, a record-shattering 271 players attended the CCCA's Western Open at San Jose. James McCormick, Eugene Lee, Dennis Waterman, and Robert Newbold all rang up perfect scores to take home \$87 each. James McFarland totaled 3-1/2 pts., best in the 1700-1900 category. Ronald Byrne, Mike Cardillo, Matthew Pinkus, and Harry Radke were second in that division. The division for players rated 1500-1699 was won by William Bricker, Barney Hughes, and Jerald Shaff, ahead of Albert Rackett and Svern Rasmussen. Tom Finn, Louie Ladow, and William Wacker triumphed in the 1499 and below section. All were unrated, so shared their prizes with Darryl Anderson, Robert Pellerin, Charles Smith and David Teplow. Charles Bass and Steven Thorn also won prizes. Martin Morrison directed, aided by Elwin Meyers and Robert Manners.

Six Tie for First at Sunnyvale

The Game Place in Sunnyvale held its first weekend tournament on May 5&6, drawing a crowd of 110 participants. Tying for first place with scores of 4-1/2 points were Robert Newbold, James McCormick, Alan Lavergne, Romeo Rodriguez, Eric Isaacson and Charles Maddigan. Other monies went to Michael Tomey (2nd A) Randall Feliciano (1st B), Mike Cardillo and Peter Freier (2nd B). The C prizes went to David Lieberman and Donald Harris in that order. Gilbert Padilla took home the D award, and Mary Lasher achieved the best score of all Women. Theodore Yudacufski was Tournament Director.

Fitzgerald Prevails at Santa Cruz

With a perfect 5-0 posting, Kenneth Fitzgerald of Oregon won the Santa Cruz 1973 Open, April 28-29. James McCormick and Edward Syrett trailed by 1/2 point for 2nd. I. Pohl, G. Lee, M. Montchalin, B. Menas, and P. Dash took Expert prizes, with W. Button and P. Prochaska victors in class A. M. Gazse, J. Tracy, M. Donald, D. Ewing, J. King, and E. Silva tied for Class B. Dennis Selby, Ralph Hennings, and Robin Smith were clear winners for C, D, and Unr. awards respectively.

I have known Martin since we were both 9th-graders at Frick Junior High in Oakland, then as we both graduated to Castlemont High School, and eventually the University of California. In those days Martin was not particularly involved in chess, although he has played the game as long as I can remember. Even in those days, however, he possessed a love and ability for organizational work. He almost single-handedly established a foreign language club his junior year in high school, writing the club Constitution. He was unanimously elected President, as I recall, and he ran the club on a brisk and businesslike basis--very unusual for a high school organization, at least any I ever saw.

In his sophomore year in college (1964), Martin began to develop an interest in the royal game, and soon joined the Oakland Chess Club, of which I had been a member for some time. The club at that time was reorganizing under the leadership of Theodore Anderson and Raymond Ng. Martin and myself were selected to publish a club newspaper, which we called En Passant. Our first effort was 4 pages typed and dittoed, not anything liable to win a Pulitzer prize, but acceptable. Over the next few months we experimented with a number of formats and ideas, learning the trade of chess journalism. In the meantime, Martin was at work seeking to improve and solidify the organizational structure of the Oakland club. Once again, Martin was to supervise the drafting of a Constitution for a club.

Soon, Martin began to work on regional activities. En Passant began to serve as a newsletter for a number of clubs, under a paper organization called the East Bay Chess Association, sort of a fore-runner to CCCA, but one which limited itself to inter-club communication and had no officers or program. For a while, Martin and I had a weekly chess column in the Oakland Tribune. By this time, Martin was already devoting much time to chess.

The chess world in California was somewhat chaotic in the period of 1967-68. There were many thoughts on what structure and goals were right for the area. It was at this time that Martin, along with many others, opted for more USCF activity, which had previously been somewhat rare. It was to this end, along with a desire for a democratic organization and further cooperation between clubs that the CCCA was founded in 1968. Martin was elected Editor and Secretary at the first general meeting. The next year, Jerome Long, first CCCA Chairman resigned to move to Oregon, and Martin, extremely familiar with parliamentary procedure, was unanimously selected to replace him.

From this point, most of you readers are probably familiar with Martin's achievements, far too numerous to recount here. He has directed virtually all of the CCCA tournaments; he started the Berkeley Chess Club and ran it up to 400 members; he has served on many committees for the USCF and CSCF; he has played a major role in creating the new USCF Tournament Rules; he is President of the Association of US Chess Reporters; he has been Region VIII Vice-President of the USCF, and of course, was elected last year to be its National Secretary. By this time, Martin was spending upwards of 50 hours a week, unpaid, on chess work!

Now Martin has graduated again, to a vital post in our national office. We will miss him greatly in the area! That goes without saying. All of us must rejoice though, that USCF has acquired his hard work and technical expertise.

Martin's help has not ended in California. He has been in frequent touch with me, and other organizers by phone, and of course he will soon be back in the area to direct the PAUL MASSON'S AMERICAN OPEN on July 14-15 in Saratoga. That event, one of the greatest in California chess history was almost exclusively his work, and it is a fitting climax to his California organizational activity. His family and roots remain here, and I know we can always count on his help and support.

## OPENINGS

## THE CLOSED SICILIAN

by Louis Bignami

The King pawn openings are recommended by most chess teachers for players below the "A" level. In a previous article in this series I dealt with an equalizing line against the French. Here we will try to give some lines against what is the most common Black response to e4. There are two major problems for the inexperienced player against the Sicilian systems. The first is that in the usual lines, today's book is tomorrow's cook, and constant updating is required. The second problem is that if you fiddle around on the King-side, your more experienced opponent will roll you up on the Queen-side. By playing the Closed Systems, you avoid both these problems. You achieve less in the opening, but you risk less. You should be better booked than your opponent in the Closed Systems of your choice and since these systems are less popular, the book changes more slowly.

White's plan in the opening is to restrain Black's d5 and after developing, use his K-side pawns to roll up Black, usually by forcing e5 and/or d5. Black counters on the Q-side and seeks to plant a minor piece (usually a Knight) on d4, and then roll up the Q-side of White.

This opening for White is particularly good if you play King's Indian Systems as Black against Q-pawn openings as many of the positions for White in the Closed Sicilian involve playing the Black side of the KI with a move in hand. It is absolutely necessary to remember at each move that all Sicilian Systems are balanced and the attacks of each side are, therefore, in the nature of the race. Don't ever defend on the side away from your attack unless you absolutely must. The first player who goes over to the defence, from the attack usually loses here, but as a developing player you should at this stage be thinking tactically; positional play will come later.

You reach the Closed Sicilian by 1 e4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 g6 (anything other than Black's fianchettoing the K-Bishop is to White's advantage--see Pachman-Platner, Hilversum, 1947) 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 d3 d6 (5...e6 is not good. See Smyslov-Tchistiakov, Moscow 1946 for an interesting pawn sacrifice line for White) 6 Be3 Nf6 (if 6...Nh6 with the idea of forcing f5, White gets the better game by 7Qc1. See the well known game Smyslov-Bronstein, Moscow 1951.) 7 h3 O-O 8 Qd2 (For Black's play against 8 Qc1, see Keres-Najdorf, Zurich 1953.) 8...Nd4 9 Nce2 e5 10 c3 Nc6(N:e2 is to White's advantage) 11 f4 Re8 12 Nf3 Rb8. After castling K-side, White will try the usual pawnroller. Black will try to solve the problem of his Q-bishop and with b5 and b4 strike at the Q-side.

Now is the time you must do the work. First look at games giving alternate moves earlier for Black, and ask the following questions:

1. What is Black's plan and what is White's?
2. How does each combine attack and defense?
3. Do you like the position reached for White?
4. In the position given at move 12, what is the best plan for each player?
5. Who, if anyone, has the end-game advantage?
6. Which minor pieces for each player are weak? Strong?
7. Which squares and/or pawns are weak and how can the other player neutralize or attack these squares and/or pawns?
8. Do you like the given position for White?

## Openings (ctd.)

Once you have answered these questions on your own, and have played the critical positions, from both sides, with a friend of your level of play, you will have mastered the Closed System as far as your present playing strength will permit. Then, not before, you will be ready to play it in a tournament or rated game. Good luck!

Editor's Note: I hope to make the openings column a more or less regular feature of Chess Voice. For this, I will need your help. Any contribution on any opening by anybody will be welcome. The length should be from 1-3 typewritten pages. Send contributions to the address on p. 2.

## \*\*GAMES\*\*

by Richard Shorman

Hayward Daily Review Chess Columnist

No. 159. Martin Sullivan (2124) - Dennis Waterman (2133)  
Western Open (April, San Jose). Larsen's Opening  
1 b3 e5 2 Bb2 Nc6 3 e3 d6 4 c4 g6 5 g3 Bg7 6 Bg2 Nh6 7 Ne2 0-0  
8 0-0 Bg4 9 Nbc3 Qd7 10 a3 Rhe8 11 Qc2 Bh3 12 Nd5 Nd8 13 d3 c6  
14 Ndc3 B:g2 15 K:g2 Ne6 16 b4 Ng5 17 Ng1 f5 18 f4 Ne6 19 Nce2  
Ng4 20 Qc1 ef 21 B:g7 N:e3+ 22 Kh1 Q:g7 23 Rf3 Nd4 24 R:f4 Nb3  
25 Resigns.

No. 160. Robert Newbold (2108) - Jack Arnov (1970)  
Western Open (April, San Jose). Slav Defense  
1 d4 d5 2 c4 c6 3 Nf3 Nf6 4 e3 e6 5 Bd3 Nbd7 6 0-0 Ne4 7 Nc3  
f5 8 Ne5 N:e5 9 de N:c3 10 bc dc 11 B:c4 Qa5 12 e4 Q:c3 13 ef  
ef 14 Qe2 b5 15 Bb3 Q:al 16 Bb2 Q:f1+ 17 K:f1 Bb7 18 e6 0-0-0  
19 e7 Re1 20 Qe6+ Kb8 21 Qd6+ Ka8 22 Qd8+ Resigns.

No. 161. Gary Kobliska (1749) - Tony Marshall (1814)  
Western Open (April, San Jose) Sicilian Defence  
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 N:d4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bg5 e6 7 f4 Be7  
8 Qf3 Qc7 9 0-0-0 Nbd7 10 g4 b5 11 B:f6 N:f6 12 g5 Nd7 13 f5  
B:g5+ 14 Kb1 Ne5 15 Qh5 Qe7 16 N:e6 B:e6 17 fe g6 18 ef+ K:f7  
19 Qe2 Kg7 20 Nd5 Qa7 21 h4 Bh3 22 h5 g5 23 Ne3 Rhf8 24 Nf5+  
R:f5 25 af Qc7 26 Qe4 Rc8 27 Bd3 Nc5 28 f6+ Kh8 29 B:c4 bc  
30 Qe7 Bf8 31 Q:c7 R:c7 32 Rhf1 Kg8 33 c3 Kf7 34 Kc2 Ke6  
35 Rde1+ Kd7 36 Rf5 a6 37 Re4 Rc8 38 Re2 Rc7 39 Rf3 Rc8 40 Rfe3  
Rd8 41 f7 Resigns.

No. 162. Robert Vicente (Unr) - David Barton (Unr)  
CCCA's Bay Area Open Chess Tornado (January, Hayward) Larsen's  
Opening. Black's impressive sacrifices make this game interesting  
despite White's early loss of a pawn.  
1 b3 d5 2 Bb2 Nc6 3 e3 e5 4 Bb5 Bd6 5 f4 Qe7 6 Qe2 Nf6 7 fe B:e5  
8 d4 Bd6 9 Nd2 Ng4 10 g3 N:e3 11 Rcl 0-0 12 B:c6 bc 13 Kf2 Re8 14 h3  
B:g3+ 15 K:g3 Qg5+ 16 Kf3 Bg4+ 17 hg Q:g4+ 18 Kf2 Qg2+ 19 Kel Qg3+ 20 Qf2 Ng4+ 21 Resigns  
(Mate in two follows.)

No. 163. John Votruba (1734) - Rick Price (1680) CCCA's Bay Area Open Chess Tornado  
(January, Hayward) Robatsch Defense. Notes by Rick Price.  
1 c4 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 Nc3 d6 4 e4 Nc6 (A) 5 Be3 (B) e5 6 d5 (C) Nd4 7 Bd3?! (D) Nh6!  
8 Nge2 Ng4!? (E) 9 B:d4 ed 10 Nb5 c5 11 dc bc 12 Nb:d4 Qb6 13 Bc2 Q:b2 14 0-0 (F)  
Qb6 15 Rb1 Qc7 16 Ba4 (G) Bd7 (H) 17 Ng3 0-0! 18 N:c6?! (I) N:f2?! (J) 19 Ne7+ Kh8  
20 K:f2 (K) b:a4 21 Q:a4 Q:e7 22 Kg1 Be5 23 Qc6 Rac8 24 Qd5 Rc5! 25 Rb7 Qe8 26 Qd3  
a5 27 Ne2?! (L) Kg8 28 Nc3? (M) B:c3! 29 Q:c3 Q:e4 30 Ra7 (N) R:c4 31 Q:a5 Qe3+  
32 Kh1 Rcl (O) 33 Resigns

**Algebraic Notation**

The horizontals (ranks) are numbered from 1 to 8, starting from the rank nearest White. The verticals (files) are lettered from a to h, starting at White's left (the QR file in algebraic is the a-file). The intersections of the horizontals and verticals give the individual squares and their names. Study the diagram.

Captures are indicated by "x" instead of "+" and check is indicated by "+" instead of "ch." Pawn captures are given by naming only the two files involved. Study the sample game and use algebraic often—it's easier than you think.

| Descriptive |       | Algebraic |       |
|-------------|-------|-----------|-------|
| White       | Black | White     | Black |
| 1 P-K4      | P-K6  | 1 e4      | e5    |
| 2 N-KB3     | N-QB3 | 2 Nf3     | Nc6   |
| 3 B-N5      | P-QR3 | 3 Bb5     | a6    |
| 4 BxN       | QxP   | 4 Bc6     | dc    |
| 5 O-O       | P-B3  | 5 0-0     | f6    |
| 6 P-Q4      | B-KN5 | 6 d4      | Bg4   |
| 7 Pxp       | QxQ   | 7 de      | Q:d1  |
| 8 RxxQ      | Pxp   | 8 R:d1    | etc.  |

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| 8 | a8 | b8 | c8 | d8 | e8 | f8 | g8 | h8 |
| 7 | a7 | b7 | c7 | d7 | e7 | f7 | g7 | h7 |
| 6 | a6 | b6 | c6 | d6 | e6 | f6 | g6 | h6 |
| 5 | a5 | b5 | c5 | d5 | e5 | f5 | g5 | h5 |
| 4 | a4 | b4 | c4 | d4 | e4 | f4 | g4 | h4 |
| 3 | a3 | b3 | c3 | d3 | e3 | f3 | g3 | h3 |
| 2 | a2 | b2 | c2 | d2 | e2 | f2 | g2 | h2 |
| 1 | a1 | b1 | c1 | d1 | e1 | f1 | g1 | h1 |

**WHITE**

## Games (Ctd.)

## Notes (By Price)

- (A) This position has been reached many times with various results.  
 (B) 5 d5 has also been played. I would have continued with 5... Nd4 6 Be3, c5!? with an unclear game.  
 (C) Larsen tried 6 Nge2 against Gagong in Canada. I had planned to reply 6...Nh6.  
 (D) Dubious. Better is 7 Nge2 Ne7 8 Bd2 f5 9 ef (Hubner-Hottles, West Germany 1971) gf! with a slight plus to White.  
 (E) This Knight, unknown to me at the time I moved it, would sit on g4 for the next 11 moves. I have found that Ng4 in such positions can put telling pressure on White's K-side black squares.  
 (F) Not 14 N:c6?? Q:a1.  
 (G) Pinning Black's pieces in defence of his pawn. The play of both sides is aggressive.  
 (H) Here the position is approximately equal.  
 (I) A good idea, but what if...?  
 (J) This shocker throws the game into a maze of complications. White had judged correctly that 18...B:c6 19 B:c6 Q:c6 (19...N:f2? 20 Qd5!) 20 Q:g4 Q:c4 21 Qe2! gives him a good end game chances because of Black's weak d pawn.  
 (K) (20 R:f2!?). Otherwise:  
 (a) 20 N:g6+ fg! 21 R:f2 Qc5! wins the Exchange.  
 (b) 20 B:d7?? N:d1 (Why mention it?)  
 (c) 20 Nd5 Nd1! 21 N:c7 B:a4! 22 N:a8 Bd4+ 23 Kh1 Ne3! 24 Nc7 N:f1 25 R:f1 Kg7 With the two bishops vs. two Knights. In this line, if 24 Rf3 R:a8 25 R:f7 Bb6! With two minor pieces for a Rook and Pawn, with chances of regaining the P.  
 (L) Drifting. Better is 27 Rfb1  
 (M) The losing move.  
 (N) If 30 Rd7 R:c4 31 Q:a5 Rc2 wins.  
 (O) White loses a Rook, e.g. 33 Qa6 R:f1+ 34 Q:f1 Q:a7

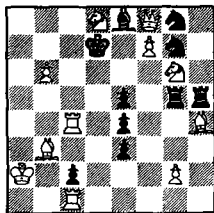
Editor's Note: The final two games were selected by the Editor, not Richard Shorman.

## \*\*\*PROBLEM COLUMN\*\*\*

by Richard Shorman

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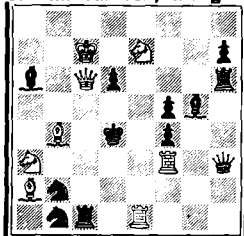
M. R. Vukcevic, USA



White Mates in 2

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S. Chimedrecen, Mongolia



White mates in 2 moves

No. 119

E. Hassberg, USA



White mates in 2 moves

Send solutions (first move, in algebraic) to the Editor (Address p. 2). I am still receiving some mail originally sent to the old address, and may not have received all entries for last month's contest. Accordingly, I am postponing awards and publication of solutions to the next issue.

NOTES FROM NEW YORK  
 by Martin E. Morrison  
 Contributing Editor

As most of you know by now, I left the Bay Area in mid-April to assume the position of Technical Director at the USCF's national headquarters and business offices in Newburgh, New York. As California, the Central California Chess Association, and Chess Voice are still in my blood, however, I hope to write a column on a regular basis to keep you informed of the important developments that are taking place on the chess scene from this new vantage point.

One of the most frequent questions asked of me is, "What is happening with the Tournament Director's Certification Program?" With a sigh of relief I can inform you that the Program is going right on schedule. All the applications have been personally reviewed by me and reduced to a mailing list of tournament directors. Examination questions have been made up and proofread, and the examinations themselves will be typed up shortly. In conjunction with the Program I have written an Instruction Booklet, and Browne Vintners of San Francisco has agreed to publish in booklet form the latest amendments and interpretations of FIDE (World Chess Federation) and the newly revised USCF Tournament Rules. This booklet will eventually be sent to all USCF members. If you have plans to direct a USCF-Rated tournament after 1 July and have not yet applied, don't delay. If you have already applied, use the remaining time to review thoroughly the OFFICIAL CHESS RULEBOOK and Handbook, the "Rated Chess Tournaments" booklet issued by USCF, and all official USCF forms used in connection with tournaments. The examination packets should be mailed out at the end of May or early June.

As one who feels the future of chess will include the general use of algebraic notation, I am pleased to report that the USCF Catalogue Department is now stocking Rollflex Boards with the algebraic legend exclusively. These improved, attractive boards can be purchased from the USCF in 2-1/4 in. (No. 20; \$2 each or \$18 per dozen) or 1-3/4 in. (No. 21; \$1.50 each or \$13.50 per dozen) squares. (Editor's Note: The CCCA may soon have these in stock. Watch for details in the next issue of CHESS VOICE.) Now is the time for chess players to acquaint themselves with algebraic, as later this year, the Yugoslavs will begin publication of a five-part opening series which is bound to replace MCO as the standard authority. The series will be in algebraic.

The response to the monthly rating supplements has been tremendously favorable. By the July supplement, ratings should be current to within six weeks.

Some of you were probably aware that a Qualifying Tournament for top West Coast players was being held in Los Angeles a few weeks ago. A similar tournament was held in New York for the East Coast. The winners of the two events (Kim S. Commons of California and Craig Chellstorp of Illinois) will join five top US players in the USCF First International tournament, to be held in late June in Norristown, Pennsylvania. The whole thrust of the qualifying and final tournaments is to bring to the US more titles and FIDE ratings to support our top-notch young players. Watch for more news of this trail-blazing event.

You yourselves will be able to participate in another exciting event, the Paul Masson American Class Championship, to be held in Saratoga on 14-15 July. This incredible tournament offers some of the highest class prizes in US history at a low entry fee for such an event. The tournament will be held in the beautiful Paul Masson Vineyards. Some additional enticement will be the appearance of International Master George Koltanowski and samplings of some of the most tantalizing wines the grapes have to offer (free cokes for our under-21 players!). You will be reading more about this tournament, which is too good to pass up, in Chess Life and Review and Chess Voice. (Editor's Note: See insert in this issue for full details.) I will have the pleasure



of saying hello personally to all of you again, as I will fly back to be Chief Director of the event. My Chief Assistant will be Elwin C. Meyers, CCCA Chairman, to whom questions may be addressed. (Editor's Note: At Box 651, Berkeley CA 94701).

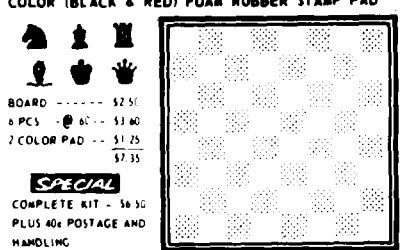
I have been informed that Elwin was elected CCCA Chairman to succeed me at the CCCA business meeting in April. Frankly, my moving to Newburgh was made all the easier by the thought that this capable man would be in the are to take over the lion's share of activities with the CCCA and the Berkeley Chess Club. Good men are hard to find. I urge CCCA members and officers, as well as other chess organizers in Northern and Central California, to cooperate with Elwin to the fullest extent possible. As we have all seen before, the benefits of a strong metropolitan group with a competent head are great. I am sure you will afford him the same friendly cooperation you afforded me.

Warm greetings to you all, and I expect to greet each of you personally at the PAUL MASSON AMERICAN CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP, 14-15 July, SARATOGA, CALIFORNIA. In the meantime, if I can be of help to you in an official capacity, don't hesitate to contact me at the Federation (914-562-0850) or at home (914-565-4561). It will be my pleasure to work on your behalf here as it was in California. (Editor's Note: If you do contact Martin, do not forget the time differential between California and New York. For example, if you called at 10:00 p.m. PST, you would awaken Martin at 1:00 a.m. Eastern time.)

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## Business Proceedings of the CCCA

On April 4, 1973, an Executive Board Meeting of the CCCA was held at the home of Robert Manners, League Director, upon the call of Martin Morrison, Chairman of the CCCA. Present were Harold Barnett of the Livermore CC, Saleh Mujahed of Walnut Creek CC, Leonard Trottier of the Richmond CC, Hans Poschmann of the Fremont CC, Richard Shorman of the Hayward CC, Robert Manners of the San Leandro CC, Martin Morrison, Elwin Meyers and Ed Delgado of the Berkeley CC.

Martin Morrison announced that he reluctantly had to resign his office of Chairman and Editor, because of his move to Newburgh, New York, to serve as Technical Director of the USCF. Discussion was held on the proper procedure to following in publishing Chess Voice now that Mr. Morrison cannot serve as Editor. It was moved by Mr. Delgado, seconded, and passed by a 5-1 vote that Mr. Meyers, the remaining Editor, publish the Chess Voice in a format of his own discretion.

Mr. Meyers of the Tournament Direction Committee announced that he tentatively plans to direct CCCA tournaments at the rate of 6 per year.

It was moved and carried that Mr. Morrison's name be removed from the list of officers empowered to sign checks for the CCCA, and that the names of Elwin Meyers and Robert Manners, acting in conjunction, be added. The meeting was adjourned.

On April 13, 1973, a general meeting of the CCCA was held at the Berkeley CC. Present were Leonard Trottier (Richmond CC), Elwin Meyers, Ed Delgado, Marc McNow, Jack Regan, and Pedraic Neville (Berkeley CC), Hans Poschmann (Fremont CC) and Roy Swayzey (San Jose State College CC).

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 by Elwin Meyers, Acting Chairman. The following affiliates were dropped from the rolls for failure to pay the assessment fee: Marin CC, Martinez CC, Merritt College CC, and Modesto CC. The Ford Motor CC and the Stanislaus State College CC were accepted as new affiliates. Leonard Trottier, CCCA Treasurer, presented the following report.

## Financial Report of January 12 - April 13, 1973:

| <u>Receipts</u>                             |               | <u>Disbursements</u>       |                |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Balance on hand Jan. 12, 1973               | \$ 578.38     | USCF Memberships           | \$ 170.80      |
| Bi-monthly Assessment of affiliates         | 257.40        | <u>Chess Voice</u> Expense | 300.00         |
| Fines for late dues payments                | 11.00         | Stamps and envelopes       | 8.30           |
| USCF Memberships                            | 170.80        | Clock Sales Retained       | <u>1092.00</u> |
| Charter Use                                 | 15.00         |                            | \$1571.30      |
| Clock Sales Retained, returned to G.F.      | 330.00        |                            |                |
| Tournament Committee Fund, returned to G.F. | <u>100.00</u> | On Hand Ap. 13             | \$1277.28      |
|   | \$2848.58     | CCCA membership = 911      |                |

## Clock Report:

84 Clocks Sold = \$1386.00. Clock Sales Retained = \$1092.20  
 Clock Profit = \$293.80 Clocks sold to date = 688

Upon motion by Mr. Trottier, it was adopted by general consent that the maximum fine for late payment of assessments be increased to \$3.00.

Since the annual meeting in January had been cancelled, the annual elections were now held. Elwin Meyers and Marc McNow were nominated for Chairman, Mr. McNow declining. Mr. Meyers was then elected by general consent. The following officers were re-elected by general consent: Saleh Mujahed (Sec.) Leonard Trottier (Treas.), Elwin Meyers (Ed.), Richard Shorman (Pub. Dir.)

Upon motion of Hans Poschmann, it was voted to recommend a 2 week interval for the summer league. The meeting was adjourned to 8:00 p.m. 6 July at the Berkeley Chess Club.

## \*\*\*CCCA AFFILIATE DIRECTORY\*\*\*

(Current number of CCCA affiliates: 33 ; members: 1002.)

For information on affiliation to the CCCA, for which there is no charge, and the Benefits of affiliation, contact the CCCA (address and telephone number on page 2). THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT MAILING ADDRESSES.

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BECKETT CC: W 7:30 p.m.; 11th Fl. Conf. Rm., 50 Beale St., San Francisco.  
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 COL. OF THE SEQUOIAS CC: TU 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.; Student Union, Mooney Blvd., Visalia.  
 CONCORD CC: F 7:30-11 p.m.; Concord Sen. Citizens Cen., 2974 Salvio St.  
 FORD MOTOR CO. CC: M 6:30-10 p.m.; Salaried Cafeteria, San Jose Assy. Plant, Ford Motor Co., No. Capitol Ave., Milpitas.  
 FREMONT CC: TH 7-11 p.m.; Cen. Pk. Comm. Cen., 40204 Paseo Padre Pkwy.  
 HAYWARD CC: M & F, 8-12 p.m.; HARD Bldg., Palma Ceia Pk., Miami Ave. & Decatur Wy.  
 LIVERMORE CC: F 7:30-12 p.m.; Basement. Carnagie Bldg., 4th & "J" Sts.  
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 ORINDA CC: TH, 7:30 p.m.; St. Stephen's Epis. Ch., St. Stephen's Dr. & Via Las Cruces.  
 PLEASANT HILL CC: F 7:30 p.m.-2 a.m.; Field House, 233 Gregory Ln.  
 REDWOOD CITY CC: M 7:30-11 p.m.; Redwood City Rec. Activity Bldg., 1400 Roosevelt Ave.  
 RICHMOND CC: F 7 p.m.; Our Lady of Mercy Ch., 301 W. Richmond Ave., Pt. Richmond.  
 SALINAS CC: F 7:30 p.m.; The Steinbeck Lib., 110 W. St. Louis.  
 SAN JOSE CC: W & F 7:30 p.m.; San Jose Cen. YMCA, 1717 The Alameda  
 SAN LEANDRO CC: M 7:30-11:30 p.m.; Gymnasium, Washington Sch., 250 Dutton Ave.  
 SAN QUENTIN CC: Calif. State Prison.  
 SANGER CC: Caffe Midi, 5048 No. Maroa Ave., Fresno.  
 SANTA ROSA CC: F 7-10 p.m.; Barrett Hall, Santa Rosa Jr. Col., 1501 Mendocino Ave.  
 STANISLAUS STATE COL. CC: W 12 m. & 7:30-10 p.m., Student Lounge, Stanislaus State Col., 800 Monte Vista Ave., Turlock.  
 STOCKTON CC: W 7-11 p.m.; Multi-purpose Rm., Hoover Sch., 2900 Kirk St.  
 UC DAVIS CC: M 7-11 p.m.; Games Rm., Lower Level, Memorial Union.  
 UKIAH CC: TH 8 p.m.; 1st Presbyterian Ch., W. Perkins & So. Dora.  
 VALLEJO CC: F 7:30 p.m.; Vallejo Comm. Cen. Bldg., 225 Amador St.  
 VISALIA CC: F 7:30 p.m.; Rec. Pk. Bldg., 345 No. Jacob St.  
 WALNUT CREEK CC: TU 7:30 p.m.; Sen. Citizens Hospitality House, 1385 Civic Dr.  
 WEST HILLS COMM. CC: W 7-10 p.m.; Student Cen., West Hills Col., 300 Cherry Ln., Coalinga.

## League Report (Submitted by Robert Manners)

San Jose State has won the Gold Prize in the 1972-3 Chess Olympics USCF Division beating our Concord A and Concord B. Board prize winners were the following. (Gold) H. Radke, S.J. State (Bd. 1) R. Kelson, Con A (2) V. Hikida, S.J. State (3), and D. Wagner, S.J. State (4). Silver awards went to J. Fosaaen, D. Lewis, H. Poachmann, and K. Kernell, respectively. Bronze winners were W. Westrup, L. Henderson, P. Thiel, and S. Jensen.

In the Independent Division, Walnut Creek, Richmond A and Fremont all tied for the Gold Prize, with Oakland taking Silver and Richmond B the Bronze. Gold Board Prizes went to E. Nixon, Fremont, C. Tabler, Oak., B. Beadling, Fre., and M. Underwood, Fre. P. Arnstein, M. Negrete, J. Gerhardt, and D. Bernard took Silver awards, while the Bronze were won by M. Weber, L. Trottier, J. Cawley, and J. Strickland.

The Summer Olympics are cancelled, and a few clubs are planning club visitations. Many suggestions for changes in nights and frequency of rounds. Friday nights still seem to be the best, despite the night-before weekend-tournament syndrome, but increasing the frequency to the first and third Fridays, December through February, for an 8 Round Swiss once-a-year event looks the most promising.

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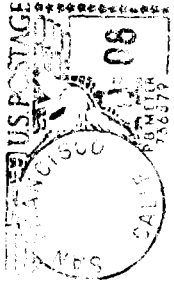
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