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AWARDS TO THE WINNERS OF THE CCCA 1969-70 LEAGUE AND TO THE 1970 CCCA CHAMPION WERE PRESENTED AT THE CCCA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON 10 JULY. Pictured around the Perpetual Trophy which will go every year to the winner of the CCCA Championship, are Sergius von Oettingen (bottom), 1970 CCCA Champion and winner of the Perpetual Trophy for this year. Mr. von Oettingen, CCCA Area Vice Chairman for the Sacramento-Stockton Area and Tournament Director of the UC Davis Chess Club, travelled into Oakland to accept the trophy at the meeting. Pictured above the trophy are three winners in the 1969-70 League: Lee Henderson (l.), CCCA Area Vice Chairman for the North Bay Area, Top Class B in the Independent Category, David J. Forthoffer (cen.), Top Master/Expert/Class A in the USCF Category, and Harold L. Barnett (r.), Top Classes C/D/E in the USCF Category. Details will be found in this issue. (Photography courtesy of Richard R. Shorman, CCCA League and Publicity Director.)

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8-9 AUG.	CCCA'S 2ND ANN. ADULT & JR. USCF CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP OF CEN. CALIF. (TRIPLE QUAL. PT. T.)	USCF	HAYWARD
15-16 Aug.	Oakland CC's 7th Ann. Summer T.	CFNC	Oakland
5-6 SEPT.	CCCA'S SUMMER USCF CLASS CHESS T. AT CONCORD	USCF	CONCORD
19-20 Sept.	4-Round "Tornado" Rating T.	USCF	San Francisco
26-27 Sept.?	5th Ann. No. Calif. Class Championships	CFNC (& USCF)	Sunnyvale
10-11 Oct.	No. Calif. Championship	USCF	San Francisco
24-25 Oct.	1st Pathfinder Team T.	-	Fremont
NOV.	SONOMA COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP	USCF	SONOMA CO.
14-15 NOV.	4TH ANN. SAN FRANCISCO OPEN CHESS T.	USCF	SAN FRANCISCO
19-20 DEC.?	OAKLAND CC'S 5TH ANN. SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA AMATEUR OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP T.	USCF	OAKLAND
2 JAN.	CCCA'S WINTER REGIONAL 1-DAY ROUND ROBIN CHESS T. AT WALNUT CREEK	USCF	WALNUT CREEK
13-14 FEB.	CCCA'S USCF CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS OF CEN. CALIF. T.	USCF	BERKELEY
20 MAR.?	OAKLAND CC'S 4TH ANNUAL 4-MAN SECTIONAL CHESS T.	USCF OR CFNC	OAKLAND
9-11 APR.	7TH ANNUAL PRE-EASTER VISALIA AMATEUR OPEN CHESS T.	USCF	VISALIA
22-23 MY.	CCCA'S SPRING USCF CLASS TOURNAMENT AT CONCORD	USCF	CONCORD
26-27 JE.?	7TH ANN. MONTEREY INT. OPEN CHESS T.	USCF	MONTEREY
3-5 Jul.	8th Ann. Arthur B. Stamer Mem. T.	USCF	San Francisco
17-18 JUL.	CCCA'S USCF CLASS CHESS T.	USCF	?

AFFILIATE NEWS

If your affiliate is not listed, we have not received any material concerning your activities. Please keep us informed of all your events for publication.

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BERKELEY CHESS CLUB . . . USCF Master Jude F. Acers will take on all challengers in a simultaneous exhibition at the club's quarters (Palm Room, Berkeley Central YMCA, 2001 Allston Way, Berkeley), 8:00 p.m., Friday, 28 August. The exhibition will be free to club members, 50¢ to non-members (players may join the club that night to avoid the small charge). A short talk will precede the exhibition. The club will begin a short tournament in September, with a major event to be held starting 10 October, to include USCF-rated play.

FREMONT CHESS CLUB . . . Current Hayward Chess Club Champion and CCCA Club Coördinator Everett L. McNally played 15 opponents simultaneously on 25 June, winning 12, losing three, and drawing one.

OAKLAND CHESS CLUB . . . began its 1970 Championship Tournament on 17 July. This year a Junior Class C Championship and a Non-member Junior Tournament are included.

UC DAVIS CHESS CLUB . . . CCCA Area Vice Chairman Sergius von Cettingen won the 22nd Davis Rated Tournament placing ahead of Don Napoli and Gary C. Pickler.

***OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

CCCA'S 1970 BANQUET AND FIVE-MINUTE SPEED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA***

DATE: Friday, 21 August 1970.

PLACE: Deuel Vocational Institution, Tracy. Entrance gate is 1.4 miles south-east of Banta Junction on Kasson Road. Banta Junction is on US Highway 50 and is identified by the Giant Orange Drive-In on the northwest corner of the intersection, approximately five miles east of Tracy.

SPONSOR: The Central California Chess Association (CCCA), in cooperation with the DVI Chess Interest Group.

INVITATION, COST, AND RESERVATIONS: CCCA members, i.e., everyone who is a member or officer of a chess club or organization affiliated to the CCCA (listed on page 15 of this issue), are invited to come to the Banquet and Speed Chess Championship free of charge (includes meal). Wives, family, and friends of members may attend, but must pay \$2.50 per person (includes meal). Reservations are not necessary, but are recommended; mail or telephone them to Martin E. Morrison (address and telephone number on page 2 of this issue).

PROGRAM: 7:00-7:30 p.m.

CCCA's 1970 Banquet (sample menu: steak, potatoes, vegetables, apple pie, milk, and coffee)

7:30-7:45 p.m.

Presentation of the CCCA 1969-70 League award to DVI Chess Interest Group

7:45-9:30 p.m.

Five-minute Speed Chess Championship of Central California (to be directed by Martin E. Morrison and Elwin C. Meyers, CCCA officers)

FIVE-MINUTE SPEED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA: There will be no entry fee, but the winner will receive a prize and the title of 1970 Five-Minute Speed Chess Champion of Central California. The tournament will consist of as many Swiss rounds as time permits.

EQUIPMENT: Everyone who intends to play in the Speed Chess Championship must provide his own set, board, and clock. Players must bring chess clocks if they have them.

INQUIRIES: Will gladly be answered if addressed to Martin E. Morrison (address and telephone number on page 2 of this issue).

CCCA 1969-70 LEAGUE: FINAL RESULTS

By FRANK V. LEFFMAN and RICHARD R. SHORMAN, CCCA League Directors

USCF Category	Division I								Pot	Rnk	USCF Category	Division II								Pot	Rnk
	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8				R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8		
DVI-B	1	1/2	1	-	1	1	1	5 1/2	1		Mechanics	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	
Fremont	0	1/2	0	1/2	1	1	-	3	2-4		Oakland-B	1	1	1	0	1	-	1	5	2	
Hayward	1	-	0	1/2	1	1/2	0	3	2-4		Alameda	0	1	-	1	1	0	1/2	3 1/2	3	
San Jose	0	0	1	1	-	0	1	3	2-4		Oakland-A	0	1	0	1	0	1	-	3	4	
Livermore-A	1	1	-	0	0	1/2	0	2 1/2	5-6		Orinda	1	0	0	-	0	1/2	1/2	2	5	
Livermore-B	0	1	1	1/2	0	-	0	2 1/2	5-6		Concord	-	0	1	0	0	1/2	0	1 1/2	6	
DVI-A	-	0	0	1/2	0	0	1	1 1/2	7		Bechtel	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	7		

Mechanics tied DVI-B in the playoff, so both teams are Co-champions (\$18.14 each). Individual Awards: David J. Forthoffer, 6-6, Top Master/Expert/Class A; James E. Shearer, 3 1/2-6, Top Class B; Harold L. Barnett, 2 1/2-6, Top Classes C/D/E (\$8.06 each). Special Commendations: Harold L. Chappel, Charles Comstock, Harry Overholtzer, Charles Pardini.

Independent Category	Division I								Pot	Rnk	Independent Category	Division II								Pot	Rnk
	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8				R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8		
Livermore	1	1	1	-	0	1	1/2	4 1/2	1		S Rosa-A	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	1		
Oakland	-	1	1	1/2	1	0	1	4 1/2	2		Richmond	1	1	0	0	1		3	2-4		
Orinda	1	0	1	0	1	-	0	3	3		S Rosa-B	1	0	1	0	1		3	2-4		
Alameda-A	0	0	0	1/2	1	1	-	2 1/2	4-5		Vallejo	0	1	1	1	0		3	2-4		
Newark	0	0	-	1	0	1	1/2	2 1/2	4-5		W Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	5		
Alameda-B	1	-	0	1	0	0	0	2	6-7		Martinez	0	0	0	0	0		0	6		
Fremont	0	1	0	0	-	0	1	2	6-7												

Santa Rosa-A defeated Livermore in the playoff, so Santa Rosa-A is Champion (\$23.56) and Livermore, Runner-up (\$15.71). Individual Awards: Stephen Kornher, 5-5, Top Master/Expert/Class A; Lee Henderson, 5-5, Top Class B; Glen Hage, 5-5, Top Classes C/D/E (\$8.73 each).

NEWS

The First Livermore Open

By WESLEY A. NELSON, Vice Chairman, Livermore Chess Club

Mild weather, an ideal location, and a fine turnout of players from all over the Bay Area combined to make a success of the first Livermore Open, held on 8 and 7 June.

A field of 50 entrants, some from as far away as Monterey and Concord, competed in the five-round USCF tourney for \$115 in prize money. In addition to USCF Master Jude F. Acers, there were three Class A players, fifteen B's, ten C's, three D's, and eighteen Unrateds.

First prize of \$30 was won rather handily by Mr. Acers who scored five wins, a full point ahead of the field. His right to sit at first table, located on a raised stage in one corner of the playing area, was never seriously jeopardized. Second prize of \$15 was shared by seven players who finished with four points: Michael R. Ewell, of Monterey; Craig Barnes, of Berkeley; Hans Poschmann, of Fremont; John Peterson, of San Jose; and James E. Shearer, Harold L. Barnett, and Lt. Col. George W. Roust, all of Livermore. Messrs. Ewell and Barnes split the Class A prize of \$20. Messrs. Barnett, Poschmann, Roust, and Shearer divided the \$15 B prize, and Mr. Peterson took the entire \$10 Class C award. \$10 D/E money was shared by Lawrence A. Lane, of Oakland, and Ken Giallanza, of Livermore, each having scored one point. Fremont's William Orr won the \$10 Unrated prize for his score of 3½. The \$5 upset award went to Gary MacLeod for his second round win over Craig Barnes. A special \$10 California State Chess Federation (CSCF) prize for the CSCF member gaining the most rating points during this tournament was presented to Harold L. Barnett by Spencer H. Van Gelder, Secretary of the CSCF.

The Livermore Chess Club thanks all who travelled from far and near to participate in this event. Considering that this was a two-day tournament and untested town, the attendance was gratifyingly large. Our sincere appreciation also to Richard R. Shorman, CCCA League and Publicity Director, a well-known Bay Area chess personality, under whose direction this event proceeded smoothly. There was no physical violence of any sort.

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The DVI's USCF Semi-Open/Invitational Tourney

By HAROLD L. CHAPPEL, Public Relations, DVI Chess Interest Group

On Saturday, 16 May 1970, the DVI Chess Interest Group, in cooperation with the Central California Chess Association (CCCA) sponsored a USCF chess tournament. This one-day event, a three-round Swiss System, was open to all comers, although several prominent Northern and Central California players were invited. It was the first time such an event has been held at the Deuel Vocational Institution, and, I believe, the first time in the history of California prisons.

Although a bit hastily organized, after the ball began rolling the tournament proved to be a huge success. It consisted of two divisions: Master/Expert/Class A and Classes B/C. Participants in the first category included a master, two experts, and several "strong" A players.

This historic event was full of surprises and upsets from start to finish. In the first round both experts lost, and the master was barely able to consolidate his position of a two-pawn deficit and go on to win (all against lower-rated and less experienced players!). In the final round, Jude F. Acers, USCF Master, was upset by this writer for first place in the tournament.

In addition to the above, the ever-thoughtful Richard R. Shorman, tournament director, brought with him two books to be awarded as prizes for the best-played or most "brilliant" game in each division. In the event neither of the prizes were won, they would be donated to the DVI Chess Library. This writer, on the decision of the tournament director, was awarded the prize in the first category for his game against Harold L. Barnett, of Livermore, in the first round (the game was also published by Mr. Shorman in the Hayward Daily Review on 24 May 1970). There was no winner of the Brilliancy Prize in the B/C section, and the book was donated to DVI.

Some of the final results for this event in the Master/Expert/A section: Harold L. Chappel (3-0); Jude F. Acers, Craig Barnes, David J. Forthoffer, Garland L. Brinkley (2-1). In Classes B/C: Donald Mack (2½-2½); Ghanshyam Mehta, Leonard F. Petty, Gary MacLeod, D. Fitzpatrick (2-1).

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Scholarship Festival Draws Players for Eighth Time to Hayward

By MARTIN E. MORRISON, Chess Voice Editor

Chess players of the San Francisco Bay Area have come to take their Annual Scholarship Chess Festival for granted. True, the Festival has been in existence for eight consecutive years—longer than any other here, but for Raymond Ausmus, Festival Director, it is the realization of a cherished goal, to provide the players of the Bay Area one day on which to gather for varied chess activities in a pleasant

surrounding. Working mostly unassisted, Mr. Ausmus has patterned the Scholarship Festival after the highly successful English chess festivals. Set in the green, spacious surroundings of Weekes Community Center in Hayward on Sunday, 21 June, this year's Eighth Annual Festival had players enjoying a multitude of activities: a rapid-transit tourney, a simultaneous exhibition by USCF Expert Gary C. Pickler, a chess lecture by CCCA League and Publicity Director, Richard R. Shorman, and a problem-solving tournament. The heart of the Festival was a four-man Round Robin chess tournament and the brilliancy prize based upon it. Nearly everyone receives some prize, whether a winner or not.

One of the highlights of this year's Festival was the lecture given by Mr. Shorman, which centered on the intriguing theme, what separates a Grandmaster from a Master, and what separates Vassily Smyslov, for example, consistent high-finisher in international tournaments, who distinguishes between "chess to win" and "good chess," from Dr. Max Euwe, frequent low-scorer, but recipient of many brilliancy prizes? Illustrating the point by a detailed analysis of a Smyslov vs. Stein game, Mr. Shorman held his audience captivated for a ninety-minute lecture, spiced with such insights as "Young Grandmasters are not surprised by unusual moves because they have met all surprises as they have proved themselves."

Aside from the maximal enjoyment of the player at the Festival, there is one feature which separates the Hayward Festival from all the others--its charitable purpose. No other festival can claim that for eight consecutive years its profits have gone not to enrich the pocket of any organizer, but to further the college education of that chess player who graduates from the Hayward School District with the highest academic standing. Mr. Ausmus, himself a teacher, understands the value of such an award and has directed his energies to promote the Festival for this purpose.

If you missed this year's gala event, don't despair. Mr. Ausmus has announced the Ninth Annual Scholarship Chess Festival for Sunday, 19 September. Mark the date on your calendar now and look for details in coming issues of Chess Voice.

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Kaplan, Evans, Thornally Top 156 at Monterey

The Sixth Annual Monterey International Open Chess Tournament was held at Monterey on 27 and 28 June, and drew a huge turnout of 156 enthusiasts. Julio Kaplan, of Berkeley, International Grandmaster Larry Evans, of Reno, Nevada, and Frank Thornally, of Berkeley, split first place with perfect 5-0 scores, and each won \$142 cash, although Mr. Kaplan took the championship trophy on the basis of tie-breaking points. Carroll Capps, of San Francisco, won the Expert title and Kenneth M. Goodall topped Class A. R. Alexander won the B prize, and John Peterson, the C. K. Burnett took the D prize, and R. Brent was the best unrated player. Many, many other prizes were awarded. At a speed tournament on 26 June Larry Evans carried Group I with a perfect 9-0 score, J. Farwell won Group II, and Flynn Penoyer captured Group III.

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Davis Match-Tournament Led by Four

The Davis Sunday Match-Tournament held on 26 July saw four players win both their games to split the prize money. Winners, collecting \$7.50 each, were Hugh Noland, of Chico, Schuyler Bailey, of Sacramento, Marcos Costa, of Oakland, and William Orr, of Fremont. The USCF-rated event attracted sixteen players. At a concurrent speed tournament Gary C. Pickler took first place with an 8½-2½ tally, one point ahead of Santa Rosa's Stephen Kornher.

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Morrisey Wins California Junior Title

By ISAAC I. KASHDAN, Los Angeles Times Chess Editor

Kenneth Morrisey, of North Hollywood, is the California Junior Chess Champion by virtue of his victory in the tournament played last weekend in the Memorial Building of Los Angeles High School. On the tie-breaking system, Jeff Kent, of Northridge, received the second place trophy, and Ervin Roy, of Van Nuys, was third. Tied for 7th-8th place was CCCA member Craig Barnes, of Berkeley. The tournament was sponsored by the Piatigorsky Foundation and directed by International Grandmaster Isaac I. Kashdan.

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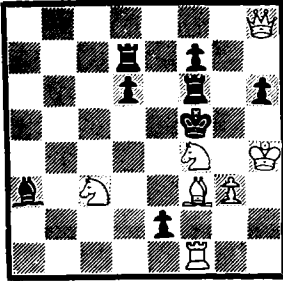
By WILLIAM KENNEDY, Monterey Peninsula Chess Club Secretary

Michael R. Ewell, of Fort Ord, was declared the winner of the Richard Reti Memorial Chess Congress held at the Casa Alvarado Chess Center, Monterey, on 17 and 17 May, when the tie-breaking points gave him the nod over Stephen Sawyer, of Glendale. George Eding, Monterey High School student, won the upset prize with his win over chess expert Bernard Lainsou. Dolores Anderson, of Carmel Valley, was the top woman player. Twenty-four players met in the tournament named for the founder of the hypermodern school of chess. Theodore Yudakufski directed the USCF-rated tournament.

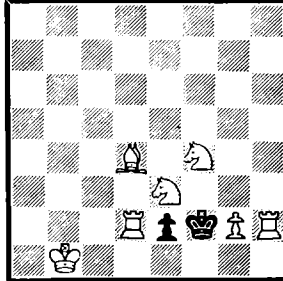
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By RICHARD LEE, Chess Voice Problems Columnist

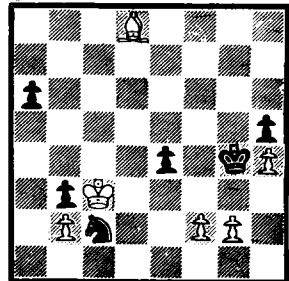
No. 72
EASY
W to play and mate in 2.



No. 73
MODERATE
W to play and mate in 2.



No. 74
DIFFICULT
B to move and win.



Problem-Solving Contest: August-September

As a supplement to my recent column and Richard R. Shorman's The Magic Way to Mate with Knight and Bishop (25¢ c/o author), Problem No. 74 is a bishop and knight ending. This type of ending is seldom studied, but is just as important as rook endings. If you can recognize a position of this type as a won ending from the middle game, the chances are that you can out-finesse your opponent.

Solutions (the key move, i.e., the first move, is sufficient) in English Descriptive Notation must be received at this magazine's address (on page 2 of this issue) by 15 August. The winner will be the entrant who submits the correct solution to the most problems. In case of ties, the most complete analysis of Problem No. 74 will determine the winner.

The prize for this contest will be Reuben Fine's monumental Basic Chess Endings. "This is the definitive work on the end game which all serious students of the game have been waiting for. It is a prodigious feat of chess scholarship, presented to the reader in clear, pithy language, full of telling phrases that will linger in the memory and rise to aid the harassed competition just when he needs it most. . . . The authoritative reference work on the subject. . . . Reuben Fine's book is indispensable The New York Times." 573 pp. with 610 diagrams.

Winner of the June-July Contest

Twelve sets of solutions were submitted. Nine entrants had all three solutions correct: Harold L. Barnett, of Livermore; Michael R. Ewell, of Monterey; Viktors Ikauniks, of Crookston, Minnesota; Donald L. Moch, of Sacramento; Gary MacLeod, of Fremont; Charles R. Nevins, of Fairfield; Harry Radke, of San Jose; Leonard F. Trotter, of El Cerrito; Frank Warren, of Oakland. A drawing was held, and Mr. Nevins is the proud possessor of Alain C. White's famous Sam Loyd and His Chess Problems.

Solutions to Last Issue's Problems

(No. 68 had a cooked solution, QxN, in addition to R-Q7). No. 69: P-B8/R. No. 70: N-N8. No. 71: R-Q5 dis ch.

1970 CCCA CHAMPIONSHIP: FINAL RESULTS

By HANS POSCHMANN, CCCA Championship Administrator

Fourteen clubs participated, thirteen pairings were made, fourteen games were actually played, and four games were defaulted. Round I: Everett L. McNally, of Hayward defeated Frederick J. Ulrich, of Concord; Michael Weber, of Alameda, defaulted to R. Lapice, of Western Addition; Sergius von Oettingen, of UC Davis, defeated James B. Shearer, of Livermore; Dennis Claudio, of Richmond, defaulted to Kenneth Jackson, of Newark; D. Stone, of Orinda, defeated Frank M. Olvera, Sr., of Antioch; Stephen Kornher, of Santa Rosa, defeated Ben Jansen, of Fremont; David J. Forthoffer had a bye over Charles Comstock, of DVI. Round II: Everett L. McNally defaulted to R. Lapice; Sergius von Oettingen defeated Kenneth Jackson, Jr.; Stephen Kornher defeated D. Stone. Round III: Sergius von Oettingen defeated R. Lapice, David J. Forthoffer defaulted to Stephen Kornher. Round IV: Sergius von Oettingen defeated Stephen Kornher. Mr. von Oettingen is therefore 1970 CCCA Champion, and Stephen Kornher, Runner-up. Mr. von Oettingen received the perpetual trophy for one year, and Mr. Kornher, the runner-up plaque.

BUSINESS PROCEEDINGS OF THE CCCA



A regular meeting of the CCCA was held on Friday, 10 July 1970, in the Faculty Dining Room of Lincoln Elementary School, 225 Eleventh Street, Oakland. The meeting was called to order at 8:08 p.m. by the Chairman, Martin E. Morrison. Since the Secretary, Saleh Mujahed, was absent, it was adopted by general consent that Mr. Meyers serve as acting secretary for the meeting.

The total attendance for the meeting was as follows: John R. Moore, Jr. (Concord CC); Ernest Bartholomew, Jerome Friedman, Lupe Lopez, Richard R. Shorman (Hayward CC); Harold L. Barnett, Wesley A. Nelson (Livermore CC); David J. Forthoffer, Frank V. Leffman, Elwin C. Meyers, John A. Wallan (Oakland CC); Leonard F. Trottier (Richmond CC); Lee Henderson, Bruce Keeney (Santa Rosa CC); Martin E. Morrison (UC CC); Sergius von Oettingen (UC Davis CC). Eight of 33

affiliates, sixteen members. A visitor, Jack W. Dennis, of Vista, former CCCA League Director, was presented by the Chairman.

It was adopted by general consent that the minutes of the previous (3 April) meeting be approved as published in Chess Voice, the CCCA's official organ.

The Chairman announced that the Newark Chess Club had notified him of its merger with the Fremont Chess Club.

The Chairman informed the meeting of a letter he had received from Col. Edmund B. Edmondson of the United States Chess Federation, congratulating the CCCA on "its tremendous promotional efforts" directly contributing to the phenomenal rise in USCF membership in California during the past year.

The Treasurer, Mr. Trottier, gave the following:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CCCA
FOR THE PERIOD 3 APRIL TO 10 JULY 1970

Receipts

Balance on hand 3 April 1970	League Prize Fund	(\$142.74)
	General Fund	64.93
	Total	\$207.67
Bimonthly assessments of affiliates*.....	\$135.20	
Fines for late assessment payment	1.00	
USCF memberships	84.00	
Charter use	5.00	
Profit on clocks sold	48.35	
		<u>273.55</u>
		\$481.22

Disbursements

USCF memberships	\$ 84.00	
USCF rating fee for CCCA 1969-70 League	(16.80)	
Tournament supplies	10.00	
Treasurer's supplies	6.41	
Tournament Subcommittee Fund advance*.....	60.00	
Editors' expenses	108.50	
CCCA 1969-70 League Prizes	125.92	
CCCA 1970 Summer USCF League postage	10.10	\$421.73
Balance on hand 10 July 1970	League Prize Fund	(0.00)
	General Fund	59.49
Total		<u>\$481.22</u>

* A total of \$90.00 is now on loan to the Tournament Subcommittee and will be returned to the General Fund after 6 September. CCCA membership on 10 July 1970: 343.

The report was adopted by general consent.

The League Director, Mr. Leffman, announced the winners of the CCCA 1969-70 League. In the USCF Category, the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club Team and the Duell Vocational Institution-B Team were Co-champions. No one was present to accept for the Mechanics' Team; the award to the DVI-B Team will be presented at the CCCA's 1970 Banquet, 21 August. David J. Forthoffer was presented his award as Top Master/Expert/Class A Player, Wesley A. Nelson accepted the award of James B. Shearer, Top Class B Player, and Harold L. Barnett was presented his award as Top Classes C/D/E Player. Special commendations for Exemplary Sportsmanship and Participation, designed by Jerome Friedman and signed by International Grandmaster Isaac I. Kashdan and CCCA Chairman Martin E. Morrison, were awarded to Charles Comstock, Harold L. Caappel, Harry Overholtzer, and Charles Pardini. In the Independent Category, Lee Henderson was presented the award for the Champion Santa Rosa-A Team, and Harold L. Barnett was presented the award of the Runner-up Livermore Team. Lee

Henderson accepted the award of Stephen Kornher, Top Master/Expert/Class A Player, Lee Henderson was presented his award as Top Class B Player, and Wesley A. Nelson accepted the award of Glen Hage, Top Classes C/D/E Player. A total of \$125.92 was awarded. The report of the League Directors, including the awarding of the special commendations, was adopted by general consent. Mr. Friedman was given a round of applause for his excellent design work. The League Directors were also given a round of applause for a job well done.

The Chairman, acting for Hans Poschmann, CCCA Championship Administrator, who could not stay for the meeting, presented the Perpetual Plaque to Sergius von Oettingen, 1970 CCCA Champion, who was given a round of applause. Lee Henderson accepted the special Runner-up Award of Stephen Kornher, donated by Mr. Poschmann. The report of the Championship Administrator, including the awarding of the special award, was adopted by general consent with the CCCA's thanks to Mr. Poschmann for a job well done.

Photographs were then taken of the League and Championship winners.

The Chairman of the Standing Clock Committee, Mr. Frottier, gave the following report: clocks sold \$264.00; clock purchases retained \$202.50, postage and insurance \$0.90, quarterly interest on loan \$3.25, additional duty on clocks \$9.00 (total \$215.65); profit on clocks sold \$48.35, with four clocks unsold.

It was moved by Mr. Meyers and adopted 8-0 THAT THE CCCA BYLAWS BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT FROM ARTICLE IV, SECTION ii, "CCCA AND," AND INSERTING "EXCEPT THAT THE LEAGUE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ELECTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CCCA IN SEPTEMBER, AND THE OFFICERS SHALL," AND BY STRIKING OUT FROM ARTICLE V, SECTION i, "OCTOBER" AND INSERTING "SEPTEMBER."

It was moved by Mr. Leffman and adopted unanimously that he be given as much time as necessary at the next meeting to present a plan for complete reorganization of the League. (This motion was later repealed.)

It was moved by Mr. Leffman that it be discussed whether the present as well as future league rules should be changed to cover USCF members playing in the independent category. It was moved by Mr. Meyers and adopted 5-4 that the motion be tabled.

It was moved by Mr. Wallan and adopted 5-0 THAT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE 1970 USCF SUMMER LEAGUE A PLAYER'S RATING MAY BE THAT CONTAINED IN AN OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE USCF DATED LATER THAN THE LAST PUBLISHED RATING, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE LEAGUE DIRECTOR BEFORE THE FIRST ROUND OR, IF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO CONTACT THE LEAGUE DIRECTOR, OF THE OPPOSING TEAM CAPTAIN, PROVIDED THAT THE PLAYER HIMSELF IS AGREEABLE; THAT THOSE TEAM CAPTAINS PRESENT AT THE MEETING INFORM THE OPPOSING CAPTAIN WHEN THEY ARRANGE WITH THEM THEIR FIRST MATCH, AND THAT THE LEAGUE DIRECTOR INFORM THE OTHER CAPTAINS.

It was moved by Mr. Wallan and adopted 7-0 THAT THE MOTION JUST PASSED GIVING MR. LEFFMAN AS MUCH TIME AS NECESSARY AT THE NEXT MEETING TO PRESENT A PLAN FOR COMPLETE REORGANIZATION OF THE LEAGUE BE REPEALED, AND THAT INSTEAD AN AD HOC OPEN COMMITTEE ON THE CCCA 1970-71 LEAGUE RULES BE ESTABLISHED, TO MEET UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF MR. LEFFMAN ON 14 AUGUST 1970 AT 7:30 P. M., 3517 JORDAN ROAD, OAKLAND; THAT ANYONE WHO ATTENDED THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE BE A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE; THAT THE COMMITTEE REPORT A SET OF RULES FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT REGULAR CCCA MEETING.

It was moved by Mr. Leffman and adopted by general consent THAT NON-CCCA AFFILIATES BE BARRED FROM PARTICIPATING IN CCCA LEAGUE ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING THE MECHANICS' INSTITUTE CHESS CLUB, WHICH WAS SPECIALLY EXEMPTED BEFORE, BUT THAT THE MECHANICS' CLUB, BECAUSE OF ITS SPECIAL ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIP IN THE MECHANICS' INSTITUTE, BE INVITED TO AFFILIATE A "MECHANICS' INSTITUTE CCCA CHESS TEAM."

It was moved by Mr. Barnett and lost 3-3 that all qualified tournament be given an equal number of CCCA California State Chess Championship qualifying Points.

It was moved by Mr. Meyers that the CCCA Adult and Junior USCF Chess Championship of Central California be awarded two times the Qualifying Points of the other qualifying tournaments. It was moved by Mr. Barnett and lost 2-3 that the meeting adjourn. It was moved by Mr. Barnett and adopted 4-3 that the motion be tabled.

It was moved by Mr. Leffman and adopted by general consent THAT THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS BE MADE IN THE CCCA 1970 SUMMER USCF LEAGUE RULES: (1) TO STRIKE OUT FROM RULE IC "TWO WEEKS" AND INSERT "THREE DAYS"; (2) TO STRIKE OUT FROM RULE VB "SEVEN DAYS" AND INSERT "48 HOURS," AND TO STRIKE OUT "BOTH CAPTAINS" AND INSERT "THE CAPTAIN OF THE WINNING TEAM OR, IN THE CASE OF A TIE, THE CAPTAIN OF THE HOME TEAM"; (4) TO STRIKE OUT RULE IXA; (5) TO STRIKE OUT FROM RULE IXB "JULY" AND INSERT "JUNE," AND TO STRIKE OUT "END OF AUGUST" AND INSERT "BEGINNING OF THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND"; (5) TO STRIKE OUT FROM RULE IXE "EACH MONTH" AND INSERT "OF THE LEAGUE."

It was moved by Mr. Leffman and adopted unanimously THAT ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO LEAGUE ACTIVITY BE DIRECTED SOLELY TO THE LEAGUE DIRECTOR OR NOT BE HONORED. Mr. Leffman tendered his resignation as a member of the Standing Clock Com-

mitted because of press of business. It was adopted by general consent THAT MR. LEFFMAN'S RESIGNATION BE ACCEPTED AND THAT THE MOTION ESTABLISHING THE STANDING CLOCK COMMITTEE BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT "FRANK V. LEFFMAN" AND INSERTING "JOHN R. MOORE, JR."

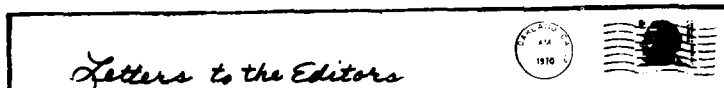
It was adopted by general consent THAT THE CCCA HOLD ITS NEXT REGULAR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON 11 SEPTEMBER AT 7:30 P. M., WITH THE SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE MEETING BEING THE CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE AD HOC OPEN COMMITTEE ON THE CCCA 1970-71 LEAGUE RULES.

Mr. Wallan offered to finance a program to encourage USCF junior memberships. It was moved by Mr. Barnett and adopted by general consent THAT THE EDITORS BE GIVEN THE POWER TO DISCUSS THE DETAILS OF THE OFFER WITH MR. WALLAN AND TO ACCEPT FOR THE CCCA A SUITABLE PROGRAM.

It was adopted by general consent THAT ROBERT L. PELLERIN BE SCHOOL CHESS COORDINATOR FOR THE CCCA.

It was adopted by general consent that the meeting adjourn. The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned sine die at 11:10 p.m.

[The Chairman, in accordance with Article V, Section i, of the CCCA Bylaws, has announced the September meeting for 3517 Jordan Road, Oakland.]



UNITED STATES CHESS FEDERATION National Recognition of CCCA's USCF Drive
TO MARTIN E. MORRISON:

. . . The rise in USCF membership in California has been phenomenal during the past year. From June 30, 1969 through March 31, 1970 the total rose from 1928 to 2356. Much of this rise is a direct result of the tremendous promotional efforts undertaken by you and your co-workers in the Central California Chess Association. I'm sure that it must be gratifying to each of you and I add my congratulations to those which you must be receiving from the chess players of your area.

/s/ E. B. Edmondson
Executive Director,
United States Chess Federation

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Another Bouquet for the CCCA

TO MARTIN E. MORRISON:

. . . Thank you very much for the kind words of praise concerning our group. It has been a long hard struggle, but now things are beginning to look alright. However, we are not content with our modest gains, and hope to forge ahead to even greater heights!

Thank you and the members of your staff for all the consideration, assistance, and cooperation with our group, and for the furtherance of chess in the Central California area. Actually, no flowery words or expressions can really express our sincere appreciation for all the things you have done for us.

/s/ Harold L. Chappel
Public Relations,
DVI Chess Interest Group

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Oops--A Brickbat

EDITORS:

On page 5 of the June-July 1970 issue of Chess Voice, you wrote my middle initial as "L." This is not correct. My middle initial is "C." Thus: Gary C. Pickler.

I would greatly appreciate it if from now on you would correctly write my middle initial as "C." Thank you very much. (Actually, it's no big deal!)

/s/ Gary C. Pickler

EDITORS' REPLY:

Oh yes it is a big deal. We pride ourselves on accuracy—even to the smallest detail, and anything that is important enough to prompt a reader to write in is important to us. We try to use full names, including middle initials to give our news-makers more personal identity. Nothing seems colder to us than reading "A. Smith" did so-and-so, or worse yet, just "Smith." We promise to correct our error in the future and encourage other readers to write us on any matter. One good thing—at least we're consistent: Gary "L." Pickler appears on p. 10 of that issue too!

GAMES COLUMN

By RICHARD R. SHOEMAN, Chess Voice Games Columnist
(CCCA League and Publicity Director)

The following are the games from the playoff match in the USCF Category of the CCCA 1969-70 League between the Mechanics' Institute and DVI-B. The match was held 5 June 1970 at the Deuel Vocational Institution, Tracy. The games are published here only for their historical interest. The pressures of the playoff evidently did not permit the playing of the high-caliber games usually contained in this column. Tension was high; the games, hard-fought, but error-marred.

Board One. White: Harold Chappell, DVI-B; Black: Alan W. Bourke, Mechanics' Institute. Opening: Alekhine's Defense.

1 P-K4	N-KB3	11 B-K3	P-B3	21 NxKP	R-KB1	31 P-B5	N/N-B1
2 P-K5	N-Q4	12 Q-K1	N-N5	22 RxB	KxR	32 PxB	NxP
3 P-Q4	P-Q3	13 Q-N3	N-B7	23 Q-B3ch	Q-B5	33 K-N2	K-K2
4 P-KB4	B-B4	14 B-R6	B-N3	24 N-K4	QxQ	34 K-B1	P-B4
5 P-B4	N-N3	15 QR-Q1	PxB	25 BxQ	N-K6	35 N-N4	P-N4
6 N-QB3	PxP	16 N-KR4	K-N2	26 P-QN3	P-B3	36 NxP	P-B5
7 BPxP	P-K3	17 B-R5	PxP	27 N-Q6	B-B5	37 K-K2	PxP
8 N-B3	B-K2	18 NxB	RxBch	28 N/6-B7	N-B4	38 PxP	P-R4
9 B-K2	0-0	19 RxB	QxPch	29 P-N3	BxN	39 B-B6	forfeit
10 0-0	N-B3	20 K-R1	B-N4	30 NxB	N-Q3		on time

Board Two. White: Takashi Kurosaki, Mechanics' Institute; Black: Charles Comstock, DVI-B. Opening: Sicilian Defense.

1 P-K4	P-QB4	5 N-K2	N-QB3	9 PxB	13 B-B4	Q-R4
2 N-QB3	P-K3	6 B-N2	P-K4	10 PxP	NxP	14 BxB
3 P-KN3	P-Q4	7 P-KB4	Q-B2	11 NxB	QxN	15 BxB
4 P-Q3	P-Q5	8 N-KB3	P-B4	12 0-0	B-N5	resigns

Board Three. White: Mr. Purta, DVI-B; Black: Charles Pardini, Mechanics' Institute. Opening: Dutch Defense.

1 P-Q4	P-KB4	6 P-K3	P-Q3	11 B-K3	N-B3	16 PxB	NxP
2 P-QB4	N-KB3	7 B-Q3	P-K4	12 B-B2	Q-K1	17 BxB	NxQ
3 N-QB3	P-K3	8 P-K4	PxP	13 B-N5	Q-R4	18 resigns	
4 N-B3	B-K2	9 NxB/4	NxB	14 Q-Q2	B-N5		
5 P-Q5	0-0	10 BxN	N-Q2	15 Q-K3	BxN		

Board Four. White: Ronald Smith, Mechanics' Institute; Black: Stanley Hurd, DVI-B. Opening: Slav Defense.

1 P-Q4	P-Q4	14 N-N5	N-Q4	27 RxB	0-0	40 R-Q1	RxBP
2 P-QB4	P-QB3	15 Q-Q4	QxN	28 RxB	R-N1	41 K-N1	K-N2
3 N-QB3	P-KR3	16 QxNP	B-B3	29 R-R7	KR-B1	42 R-K1	K-B3
4 P-K3	N-KB3	17 Q-KN3	QxN	30 P-K4	N-B5	43 P-N4	K-N4
5 B-Q3	P-K3	18 Q-Q6	B-K3	31 P-B3	K-B5	44 P-K5	KxP
6 N-K2	P-QB4	19 P-QR3	R-Q1	32 P-R5	R/5-N5	45 K-R1	R-B7
7 BPxP	BPxP	20 Q-B5	R-QB1	33 P-N3	N-Q6	46 K-N1	K-B6
8 B-N5ch	QN-Q2	21 Q-Q6	P-N6	34 P-R6	B-R6	47 K-R1	R-R7
9 QxP	P-QR3	22 P-QR4	BxB	35 R-N7	R/1xR	48 K-N1	R-QN7
10 PxP	PxB	23 BxB	QxB	36 PxB	RxB	49 K-R1	K-B7
11 PxBch	QxP	24 KR-N1	Q-B7	37 R-Q1	R-N7	50 R-KN1	R-N8
12 0-0	B-K2	25 Q-R3	P-N7	38 RxB	R-N7ch	51 resigns	
13 Q-N6	P-N5	26 QxP	QxQ	39 K-R1	R-B7		

ACCUMULATED CCCA CALIFORNIA STATE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING POINTS

All points up to and including the Sixth Annual Monterey International Open Chess Tournament (27-28 June) have been included. For upcoming tournaments awarding CCCA Qualifying Points, see page 3.

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Jude F. Acers	21.25	Marcos B. Costa	4.00	Richard Roach	2.00
Garland L. Brinkley	9.00	Bernard Lainson	3.75	Wayne P. McClintock	1.69
Anthony J. DiMilo	8.50	Gary C. Pickler	3.50	Ake A. Gullmes	1.50
Stephen Kornher	7.75	Philip D. Smith	3.38	Wayne R. Judd	1.50
Michael R. Ewell	7.00	William P. Gray, Jr.	3.00	David R. Bennett	1.00
Kenneth L. Fitzgerald	6.00	Jairo C. Gutierrez	3.00	H. Richard Irwin	1.00
Mark B. Gazze	6.00	Takashi Kurosaki	3.00	Mark E. Kaufman	1.00
Raymond J. Cuneo	5.25	Gary MacLeod	3.00	Donald Mack	1.00
Benjamin L. Gross	5.25	Schulyer Bailey	2.00	John E. Narcisi	1.00
Flyn Penoyer	4.19	Kandall W. Feliciano	2.00	Arnold Olson	1.09
William G. Addison	4.00	James Gettys, Jr.	2.00	Stephen Gee	0.50
Craig Barnes	4.00	Louis J. Mancini	2.00	Dennis Myers	0.50
Harold L. Barnett	4.00	Hugh Noland	2.00		

BOOK REVIEW: KENNETH HARKNESS'S OFFICIAL CHESS RULEBOOK

By MARTIN E. MORRISON

Chess Voice Editor and Columnist on Chess Laws and Tournament Direction

Chess players and officials alike will welcome this addition to the limited arsenal of works on chess laws and tournament direction. Kenneth M. Harkness, a recognized authority on the subject and one of the five members of the Permanent Commission of the FIDE (World Chess Federation) for the Laws of the Game, has previously authored two standard works, The Official Blue Book and Encyclopedia of Chess (1956, now out of print) and Official Chess Handbook (New York: David McKay Company, c. 1967, \$6.95). This latest work, just released by David McKay, presents in a convenient form (hardback, 11 x 19 cm., 116 pp., ill. and ind., \$3.75) the current FIDE Laws of the Game of Chess (Basic Rules, Supplementary Rules for Competitions, and Supplements to the Laws), along with many recent interpretations of these Laws by the Permanent Commission, and, in addition, the latest revision of the USCF Tournament Rules, previously available only in the out-of-print Blue Book in an out-dated version. Also included is Mr. Harkness's commentary on many points, in some cases almost verbatim from the Handbook for ready reference. A final section includes comments on "Chess Clocks and Time Limits" and "Unfinished Games." The Rulebook has been approved by the USCF.

Since the Rulebook introduces changes in rules and procedures, I shall here discuss the more important ones in the interest of those thousands of chess players who will be participating in tournaments without having read the Rulebook or who, being inexperienced in the details of tournament procedure, will otherwise not be aware of the changes.

ARTICLE 8: THE TOUCHED MAN. ("... if the player having the move touches one or more men, he must make his move by moving or capturing the first man touched that can be moved or captured. . . .") Mr. Harkness, perhaps relying on a 1968 decision of the Permanent Commission, has interpreted this as follows: if a player touches one or more of his opponent's men and then one or more of his own, he must take the first enemy man he touched with the first of his own touched men that can make the capture. There has been much controversy on this interpretation, since some say that the rule covers only the first man touched; in the above case, they would say, the player would only be obligated to capture the first of his opponent's men touched that could be captured, without any restriction on which of his own men should make the capture. The same situation exists when the player's own men are touched first, then the opponent's. I myself find the Article vague, but Mr. Harkness's interpretation may be quite correct and will surely carry a great deal of weight with tournament officials.

ARTICLE 8: THE TOUCHED MAN. ("... No penalty is entailed if the opponent does not claim a violation of this rule before himself touching a man, . . .") Mr. Harkness has evidently changed his mind on the interpretation of this, since he wrote in the Handbook: "Unless a claim is made at the proper time, it is not the responsibility of the Director to see that the rule is observed." Now, in the Rulebook, he says: "the duty of the director to see that the laws of chess are strictly observed [Article 19b] invariably takes precedence in situations of this type. . . ." Other things being equal, I believe that the standard principle, a general statement is always of less authority than, and yields to, a specific statement or rule, would be operative here. Since a specific statement is made in Article 8 and a more general one in Article 19b), it seems to me that Mr. Harkness's statement in the Handbook is more correct. In any case, the point is debatable, but the contradiction between the Handbook and the Rulebook should be resolved for tournament players and officials.

ARTICLE 12: DRAWN GAME, SUB-ARTICLE 3 [DRAW BY REPETITION OF POSITION]. This sub-article has consistently caused confusion, primarily because there was doubt whether a player, after announcing the draw, should make the move leading to the third occurrence of the position. Mr. Harkness's comments on pages 47, 49, and 67 soundly indicate that the player should make the move, in fact must make it before his flag drops. This procedure is the opposite of the one laid down in old USCF Tournament Rule 11. I am pleased that Mr. Harkness has chosen to translate the sub-article exactly in the Rulebook and to paraphrase the 1960 FIDE Interpretation of it, whereas in the Handbook he combines the two. This is the explanation of the change in wording; the sub-article has not been amended.

ARTICLE 13: RECORDING OF GAMES and ARTICLE 17: LOSS OF THE GAME, SUB-ARTICLE 1 [LOSS ON TIME]. By universal agreement, the matter of time forfeitures, closely connected with the matter of the recording of games, is the most vexing in US

tournaments today. In important international tournaments, a small number of players are involved and a comparatively large number of officials. All games involving time trouble are closely watched by an official. In the US, however, the popularity of weekend tournaments and the scarcity of officials does not permit adequate supervision on the part of officials. In the Rulebook, Mr. Harkness has distinguished small tournaments from large tournaments and attempted to solve the problem by having the USCF adopt the following new Tournament Rule (No. 18): "Whenever possible, the tournament director or an assistant should be present to referee a game in which there is time-trouble. The referee should endeavor to count the moves as they are being played. Then, when a player's flag drops, the referee should— (a) accept the claim of a win by the player's opponent if the claimant's score-sheet indicates the number of moves made and if the referee's own count verifies the validity of the claim; or (b) claim a win on the opponent's behalf on the basis of the referee's independent count of the number of moves made. . . ." In effect, this rule permits an official to make an "instant time-forfeit decision" without waiting for score-sheets to be completed. Although an ingenious solution on its face, this procedure, as Mr. Harkness himself grants, seems to go against Article 13 and the 1959 FIDE Interpretation of it. Many US officials have recently argued for strict enforcement of the obligation of a player "to record the game . . . move after move Article 13" and that lax enforcement is not only probably illegal but also detrimental to organized tournaments, which for many purposes rely on complete game scores, legally recorded in conformity with Article 13. Based on correspondence with many tournament officials across the country, I shall, with the encouragement of Fred Cramer, FIDE Vice President for the USA, and Folke Rogard, FIDE President, submit a statement of the problem and a possible solution for action by the FIDE at its 1970 Congress. Hopefully an FIDE ruling will be forthcoming. Until then, I should urge tournament officials to enforce Article 13 as much as they are able, as Mr. Harkness himself proposes for small tournaments, and to use USCF Tournament Rule 18 only when absolutely necessary. Then, at the Congress, Mr. Harkness will be able to discuss the problem more fully with his fellow members of the Permanent Commission.

Since the publication of the Handbook in 1967, the Permanent Commission has issued a number of interpretations of the Laws, some of which are paraphrased in the Rulebook. The director should not "call a player's attention to the fact that he has failed to punch his clock, or that his opponent has made a move and started the player's clock" (p. 61); after a move is sealed, it is too late to change it, even if the clock has not been punched (pp. 62-63); a player who "arrives at the chessboard more than one hour late Article 17.2," even if he has some time remaining in his favor, loses the game (p. 69). It is regrettable that publisher's limitations did not permit Mr. Harkness to include all the FIDE interpretations or the exact wording of those he does include. The only English translation available of the "Interpretations Made by the Permanent Commission of the FIDE for the Laws of the Game" (from the third 1966 and latest French edition of the FIDE Laws of the Game of Chess) has been made and published by me and is available for 20¢ postpaid (P. O. Box 1622, Oakland, CA 94604). This complete translation would be a worthwhile supplement to one's copy of the Rulebook.

The revised USCF Tournament Rules are in most cases taken with only slight modifications from the earlier version in the Blue Book, after obsolete sections and rules already contained in the FIDE Laws were removed. I note with pleasure that directors are clearly barred from participating in tournaments they direct" (No. 2), as I have consistently advocated. "Clocks should be set so that each player's clock will register 6 o'clock when the time control period expires" (No. 8). I have already been employing this rule in tournaments which I direct upon the recommendation of a fellow director. The movement of the minute hand just before the vertical position is clearer when the hour hand is not also nearing that position. Unfortunately, fining as a penalty has been eliminated (No. 13); although not utilized much, fining could often have been a convenient penalty for rules violations not directly affecting a game in progress. The old rules on the selection and operation of an appeals jury have been retained. Tournament officials should note that the appointment of such a committee is not permissive, but mandatory.

In addition to its other merits, the new Rulebook will provide the basic tools necessary to embark upon a program of tournament direction reform, which has been sorely needed in this country for many years and which I have been consistently advocating in my own writing. Now that the USCF has been financially and administratively stabilized by its Executive Director, Col. Edmondson, and its elected officers, and has surpassed the 20,000 member mark, it has realized the need to improve conditions in this vital area. A program of Tournament Director Certification was initiated at the 1970 USCF Directors' Meeting, and a USCF Committee, on which

I have been kindly asked to serve, will soon begin work on a Guidebook, to include detailed information on running a tournament. I myself, in preparation for the Guidebook, am currently editing and releasing in installments a Tournament Direction Guide and Manual, to collect basic information not readily available to tournament officials and organizers. Some credit for this "renaissance" in the field of chess laws and tournament direction must surely go to Mr. Harkness, a pioneer in the field.

Armed with the Official Chess Rulebook and Official Chess Handbook, every tournament player and official may be confident that he has the basic tools for competently handling the vast majority of tournament situations. Both books can be ordered from the publisher (750 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10017) and are a must for anyone who considers himself a serious chess player.

LATEST OFFICIAL USCF RATINGS OF CCCA MEMBERS

These are the official USCF ratings of CCCA members through the "Rating Supplement, Summer 1970," published in the June Chess Life & Review. Almost all of the CCCA members through the 5 June assessment period with USCF ratings are listed. Please notify the Editors of any additions or corrections.

MASTER: 2200-2399; EXPERT: 2000-2199; CLASS A: 1800-1999; CLASS B: 1600-1799; CLASS C: 1400-1599; CLASS D: 1200-1399; CLASS E: below 1200.

* indicates provisional ratings based on 10 to 18 games. Such ratings are less reliable than established ratings. # indicates ratings based on 4 to 9 games. Such ratings are highly unreliable. Players who have played less than 4 games are not listed.

Total number of CCCA members with USCF ratings: 136 (30%).

ALAMEDA CC (5): A Hall 1565*; R Ng 1816; L Petty 1554; G Weber 1848; M Weber 2005*. ANTIPOCH CC (5): A Guzman 1510*; F Olvera 1536; R Oylor 1670; F Ulrich 1636; C Vail 1602. BECHTEL CC (4): W Allen 1986; T Cahill 1529; A Hanak 2092; A Saguisag 1928. COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS CC (1): C Fotias 1560. CONCORD CC (7): R Guzman 1510*; G Marcus 1466#; J Moore, Jr. 1656#; W Noble 1396#; F Olvera 1536; F Ulrich 1636; C Vail 1602. FREMONT CC (2): G MacLeod 1497*; H Poschuann 1674. HAYWARD CC (8): M Albertson 1478#; E Bartholomew 1613; W Goss 1666#; H Holloway 1488#; K Lawless 1722#; L Lopez 1800#; E McNally 1836; S Miller 1598#. LIVERMORE CC (8): R Anderson 1576; H Barnett 1685; R Cooper 1492*; K Gallanza 1273#; J Ranelletti 1217#; G Roust 1639; J Shearer 1873; D Smith 1671#. MARIN CC (7): L Post 1822. MARTINEZ CC (2): R Nace 1884*; R Swanson 1695. OAKLAND CC (26): F Anderson 1443*; C Barnes 1888; R Blauner 1672#; A Boyd 1154#; M Crossland 1472*; R Cuneo 1773; D Forthoffer 2088; R Hansen 1865; L Lane 1260#; M Lee 1772#; R Lee 1389; F Lefman 1676*; C Maddigan 1796; E Meyers 1642#; R Mitchell 1855; R Ng 1816; S Quen 2100#; A Ramirez 1735; J Salas 1830; M Sloane 1516#; W Sprague 1850; R Trenberth 1771; S Tress 1813; R Turney 1517#; G Weber 1848; M Weber 2005#. ORINDA CC (2): A Boyd 1154#; D Campbell 1759. PIEDMONT HILLS HS CC (3): J Brittain 1368#; R Gordon 1726*; D Myers 1831. RICHMOND CC (3): L Baker 1555; D Claudio 1653#; L Crottier 1813. SAN JOSE CC (23): W Adams 1942; T Byrne 1786#; A Critchlow 1821; Francis Crofut 1795; Fred Crofut 1791; R Delashmatt 1622; W Dickenson 1791*; A Ferreira 1892; A Gardner 1548#; M Gazze 1681; W Goss 1666#; J Iwashita 2050; E Mueller 1878; C O'Brien 1519#; E Osburn 2210; F Penoyer 1601; J L Peterson 1540; L Prink 1789#; H Radke 1835; R Roubal 1830*; K Tullus 2156; P Weiss 1712; S Willett 1925#. SANTA ROSA CC (5): J Evans 1581; C Falbo 1874; L Henderson 1527#; D Johnson 1741; S Kornher 1970. UC DAVIS CC (16): S Bailey 1690; G Brinkley 2018; G Comini 1553#; H Everett 1620#; F Garosi 1578; F Kimball 1656; D Koutney 957#; F Leffingwell 1583; D Mack 1722; D Olmsted 1659; A Olson 1620; G Pickler 2103; R Roach 1662; M Shifrine 1836; S von Ottingen 2063; J York 1509. VALLEJO CC (5): F Harris 1872; L O'Doan 1604; G Rasmussen 1869; B Smith 1879; N Wood 2087. VISALIA CC (1): C Fotias 1560. WALNUT CREEK (8): C Au 1725; S Bass 815#; G Bigelow 1609#; J Evans 1581; M McNowen 1580; S Mujahed 1626#; C Vail 1602; J Weiler 1461. WESTERN ADDITION CC (1): C Smith 1879#.

Harold L. Barnett, a member of the CCCA Standing Tournament and Club Relations Committee and Secretary-Treasurer of the Livermore Chess Club, has kindly supplied us with provisional ratings computed from the current USCF formula, for those un-rated players completing five games at the Livermore Open (6-7 June). Note that these are not official USCF ratings and only cover this one tournament.

R Anderson 1439#; K Burnett 1211#; K Burns 1555#; M Costa 1430#; J Gettys, Jr. 1486#; K Habeeb 1390#; P Hyatt 1509#; K Jackson, Jr. 1495#; M Kaufman 1219#; C Lamb 1492#; W Orr 1920#; E Rubsamem 1713#; L Stansby 1749#; K Trigger 1444#.

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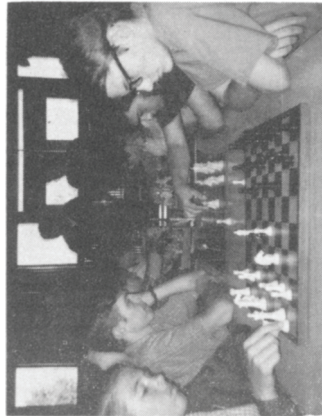
A RECORD 105 PLAYERS PARTICIPATED IN THE CCCA'S USCF CLASS CHESS TOURNAMENT AT SAN JOSE (17-18 July). To our knowledge, this is the largest all-USCF tournament ever held in the Central California area outside of San Francisco. USCF Master Jude F. Acers tied with C. William Jones for top honors; Roger Bonilla and Robert Sierra tied as Top Class B, and Dennis Myers and David Bloomquist tied for Top Classes C/D/E. Full details will appear in the next Chess Voice.

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THE FIRST TWO INSTALLMENTS OF THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTION GUIDE AND MANUAL, delayed somewhat while awaiting further materials from FIDE headquarters, will go to the typist and printers in no later than two weeks. We hope to have the installments in the mail by mid-August. If you have not already subscribed to this series, send your \$1.00 to the magazine's address on p. 2.

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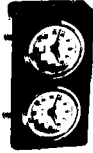
FRI., 14 AUG., 7:30 P. M., 3517 JORDAN RD., OAKLAND. Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open Committee on the CCA 1970-71 League Rules. All potential team captains, players, or any interested persons are urged to attend, become a member of the committee, and vote on the proposed league rules, which will be finally debated and officially adopted at the September CCA General Membership Meeting.

FRI., 11 SEPT., 7:30 P. M., 3517 JORDAN RD., OAKLAND. CCA General Membership Meeting. Every member of the CCA, i.e., every one who is certified by the appropriate officer of a chess club or organization affiliated to the CCA (listed on p. 15) to be a member or officer of the affiliate, has full privileges of debate and voting. Nonmembers are welcome, especially representatives of non-affiliated clubs wishing to enter the league (contact League Director Leftman /address and telephone number on page 2/ if you cannot attend personally). The special order of business for the meeting will be the consideration of the report of the Ad Hoc Open Committee on the CCA 1970-71 League Rules and official adoption of the rules. Again, all team captains, players, or any interested persons are urged to attend. The election for League Director and the presentation of the CCA Summer 1970 USCF League will also be held.

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