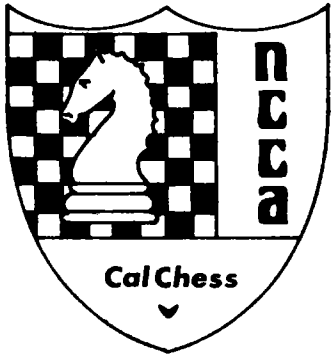


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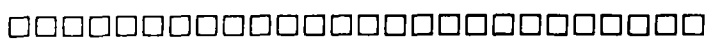
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#### THE BISHOP AND THE QUEEN

Drawing by Victoria Poyser

This fine drawing is reprinted from the November cover of Northwest Chess, the regional chess magazine for Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia. (Their January cover is a reprint of Heather Cleghorn's drawing for last year's People's Chess tournament, and they have reprinted several articles from Chess Voice.) Northwest Chess is one of the top two or three regional chess magazine in America, and a subscription to it can be obtained for \$5/yr from the Washington Chess Federation, P.O. Box 3760, Lacey, WA 98503.



# The Birth of an Innovation by Bronstein

The following annotated game is reprinted from David Bronstein's 200 Open Games (Mac-Millan, 1975, \$7.95). The editor of Chess Voice happens to be a devotee of the Latvian Gambit, but that is not why this game appears here. It appears here because the accompanying notes present one of the very few existing examples of how a master player actually thinks.

Almost all published annotations limit themselves to the end product of analysis and have nothing to say about the process that led to it. Chess masters do not come to decide which move to make with anything like the machine-like precision that their game notes usually suggest. Indeed, it is worth remembering that many variations that appear in notes never entered the mind of the player while he was struggling to find his way through the game, but only came later in post-game analysis.

Bronstein's simplified reconstruction of how he first came discover an innovation in the White side of the Latvian Gambit, as given below, comes much closer to the question-and-answer, trial-and-error process that goes on during actual play and out of which new chess ideas are born.

Readers who are interested in improving their game can benefit from this article, not by learning an obscure opening variation, but by learning how Bronstein thinks.

People often ask: what is a theoretical innovation?

From a cursory look at this short game the main interest seems to consist of a series of effective sacrifices. If you look at it more deeply, this is not the case at all. The value of the game is contained in just one move, and that move is 6 B-K2. For the reason that this is in fact a theoretical innovation. An innovation which refutes, not one random variation, but a whole web of variations united by a common idea.

One could relate the history of this idea in a simplified form.

- What is the point of the opening?
- To attack down the KB-file.
- Which piece plays the main role in the attack?
- Black's queen.
- Which square does the queen usually go to?
- To KN3, to exert pressure on White's KN2.
- Does White have any means of preventing Black's queen getting to KN3?
- Yes, by checking with his queen on KR5.
- But after . . . P-KN3 by Black the queen will have to go away. What then?

- Then the Black queen won't be able to use its KN3. On the other hand the white queen will be well placed on K2.

Let us check it in our heads: 6 Q-R5 + P-KN3 7 Q-K2 Q x QP 8 N-QB3 with good development.

We can put this away in our memory, and it will be useful, if we find nothing better.

- Has Black not created some weak points in his position by his attacking?

- Yes, he has. For example, by advancing his KBP he has weakened the K1-KR4 diagonal.

- Does this diagonal have any significance for us?

- For White no, but for Black yes. Because Black's main aim is to establish his queen on KN3, and until he has castled both his queen and his king must stand on that diagonal.

- Both stand on a weakened diagonal? Surely this is dangerous?

- It's difficult to say. It depends on what his opponent can do.

- His opponent . . . He could give check with his bishop from QB10, if such a square existed; but Black would have a defence in B-Q0.

- Or he could try his luck from some other non-existent square on that diagonal.

- Wait a minute! Isn't it possible to transform this dream into reality?

- Yes, it is! Yes it is! - And at this point the two interlocutors shouted with one voice: 'To do this, all we have to play is 6 B-K2 Q-N3 7 B-R5!'

. . . This is how, or roughly how, a theoretical innovation is born.

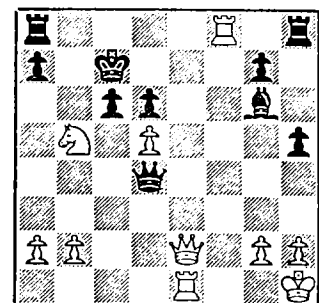
## The Latvian Gambit

Not every chess-player likes a defensive game; one can even assume that the majority do not like to defend at all, but are keen to attack everywhere and at any time, without even taking into account the existing facts and circumstances. A good example of this is the ancient Greco Gambit, or, as it is called today, the Latvian Gambit.

**Black: V. Mikenas - Rostov  
1941, USSR Championship  
Semi-finals**

1 P-K4 P-K4	14 Q x P B x P
2 N-KB3 P-KB4	15 B-N5 + N-B3
3 N x P Q-B3	16 QR-K1 P-B3
4 P-Q4 P-Q3	17 B x N + Q x B
5 N-B4 P x P	18 Q-K2 Q-Q5 +
6 B-K2 N-B3	19 K-R1 B-N3
7 P-Q5 N-K4	20 R x B + K-B2
8 O-O N x N	21 B x P P x B
9 B x N Q-N3	22 N-N5 + (*)
10 B-QN5 +	22 . . . P x N
10 . . . K-Q1	23 Q x NP R-K1
11 B-KB4 P-KR4	24 R-K7 +
12 P-KB3 B-B4	Black resigns.
13 N-B3 P x P	

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# GLIGORIC - "I am so active, the games just go by."

## An Interview by Alan Benson

During the Lone Pine Chess Tournament of 1975, I had an opportunity to meet one of the true gentlemen of the chess world, Yugoslav Grandmaster Svetozar Gligoric. Gligoric, Larry Evans, Ingrid Evans, and I went to the tennis courts to play a few sets after dinner, and while we were waiting for the court lights to come on, I had a chance to speak with Gligoric alone. Here are some excerpts from that tape-recorded interview:

**BENSON:** I always thought you had a team of experts help you research your analysis for your Chess Life & Review column, "The Game of the Month". But during dinner you told me that you do this all on your own.

**GLIGORIC:** No, I do this all by myself. I have no helpers. It takes me one or two days to think about the article I am going to write, as I have to choose the game first. Then I think about the production. More than anything else, I have to collect all the material which is available about the opening. Because of the nature of the column, I want to express all contemporary ideas about the opening that I use in a well played game that I choose. It is not easy work, and it takes me at least a week to write it.

**B:** Yes, I know it is not easy work. But I am sure all chess players look forward to receiving "The Game of the Month" because we can always depend on your analysis. Your column comes out in several other chess publications as well, does it not?

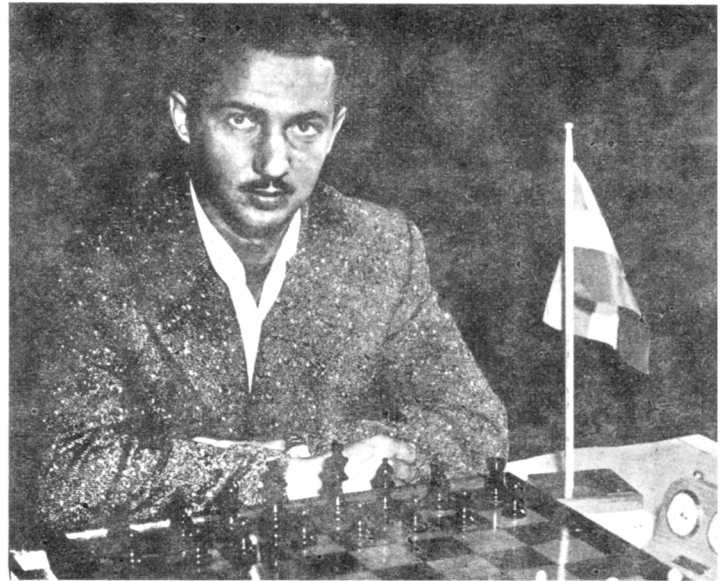
**G:** Yes, it appears at the same time in others. But I wouldn't work if the U.S. Chess Federation wouldn't publish my articles. In other words, it wouldn't pay. I send the originals to the American magazine, and only then are the copies sent to the others.

**B:** And all this time I was wondering why I didn't see "The Game of the Month" first in the Yugoslav magazine I receive.

**G:** No, it appears first in Chess Life & Review because I would say they are my main bosses. I work for the American magazine because of the fee. It is modest, but still much bigger than the other magazines. It doesn't pay much, but I like the work--even though it takes so much of my time. But I realize it's also difficult to keep the column the same way for nine years. Maybe the moment has come to change it. I don't know.

**B:** You played in the Candidates Matches three times. I know many people expected you to win your match against former World Champion Mikhail Tal, after your fabulous start, but unfortunately you did not.

**G:** I had a chance to win the match, but I spoiled my chances in the second half, while I was leading. I was too cautious. I was playing in my home town, and this disturbed me, I think. I felt the pressure of the spectators and wasn't



calm enough. Tal admitted after the match that he believed he was losing after the first five games. I gave him a draw in two superior positions just trying to keep my advantage of the first game, which I won with Black. Then I collapsed all of a sudden during the last half of the match.

**B:** Of all your games, which one is your best or your most interesting?

**G:** First of all, I have a very bad memory. I have played many good games. I think I would have two hundred excellent games at least. Maybe more, maybe three hundred. I don't know as I play so much, but I don't remember things so well. I am so active, the games just go by.

**B:** I remember your game from the Zagreb Tournament of Peace, 1970, against former World Champion Tigran Petrosian.

**G:** Oh, yes. That won the brilliancy prize.

**B:** It was a beautiful game.

**G:** Petrosian threw his pieces away after the game and said it was "Cafe!" It was a nice game. I remember that Bobby Fischer congratulated me for that game and also for my win against Smyslov from the same tournament.

**B:** Well, Gliga, if Bobby does play Karpov, I know that you would predict a Fischer victory.

**G:** Well, yes, I think he should win. Of course, there are unknown factors in the match, as he has not played in three years. (Editor's note: this interview took place just before Fischer resigned his world championship.) I don't know how much he has worked on chess, but I suppose he has very much, at least in the last two years. I think he should win, of course. I think he is the strongest player in the world. (Pause.) It all depends on him. I wish he would play. (Long pause.) I wish very much. It would be the best for chess and for him, too.

**B:** Thank you very much, Gliga.

**G:** You are quite welcome.



# Book Reviews

by Peter Prochaska-Kolbas

100 Master Games of Modern Chess  
by Tartakower and DuMont  
(Dover, 1975, \$6.00. A paperback  
reprint of the 1955 original.)

Tartakower's 500 Master Games of Chess has enjoyed a superior reputation throughout its existence. The less well known 100 Master Games of Chess is a collection of games from a period in chess history that has not attracted the attention of most contemporary players--the years directly after the second world war. Yet there were some great players and some remarkable games played during those first years of the Soviet domination of the chess world, and this book presents an impressive selection of games from this neglected period.

However the book's greatest asset is its annotations, which are consistently perceptive and written in the witty, flowing style that can be found in all of Tartakower's work.

Savielly Grigorievitch Tartakower (1887-1956) is one of the chess world's most memorable figures despite the fact that he never became a serious contender for the World Championship. He was held back from the pinnacle of competitive success by his own genius; the artistry and beauty of the game were more important to him than winning tournaments. As a player, this approach cost him many games, but as an author it is a quality that has endeared him to the many readers fascinated by his constant flow of ideas.

Tartakower writes with the confidence of one secure in his position, his view of himself, and his knowledge of the game. This allows him to analyze his own losses in a calmly self-critical manner and with an openness that is uncommon in chess writing.

The book's co-author, DuMont, is best known for the memoirs he wrote as introductions to the games of famous masters of the pre-war period.

In sum, this recent paperback reprint is an "oldy but goody". It brings to life a needlessly neglected era of chess history, and it is packed with both the technical knowledge and general wisdom of one of the most eloquent of chess authors.

### Some Memorable Tartakowerisms:

- "A threat is more powerful than its execution."
- "An isolated pawn spreads gloom all over the chessboard."
- "The mistakes are all there, waiting to be made."
- "It is always better to sacrifice your opponent's men."

## NOTES FROM NEW WINDSOR

by Martin E. Morrison  
Technical Director, USCF

### Diesen Wins World Junior Championship

In my last column I reported the happy news for the United States that our Men's Olympiad team had captured first place for the first time since 1937.

This month I can report that the USA now holds two world chess titles. Mark Diesen, of Potomac, Maryland, placed clear first in the World Junior Championship, held December 20--January 5 in Groningen, Netherlands. Diesen retains the World Cup and gold medal, plus 400 Dutch florins (about \$150).

Diesen won the tournament without losing a single game. The Soviet competitor, Eugeny Vladimirov, placed surprisingly low, in a tie for 4th-7th place. Leslie Leow, officially from Singapore, but a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, placed in the same tie.

The top standings were as follows:

Mark C. Diesen	USA	10-3	First
Lubomir Ftacnik	Czechoslovakia	9½-3½	Second
Nir Grinberg	Israel	9-4	Third
Leslie Leow	Singapore	8½-4½	Fourth
Daniel Campora	Argentina	8½-4½	"
Sisniega	Mexico	8½-4½	"
Eugeny Vladimirov	USSR	8½-4½	"

Diesen, now 19, is the second-highest rated player in the United States under 21. He became the USA's representative in the tournament by winning the 1976 US Junior Invitational Championship (with Michael Rohde, who placed first in the Schilde Youth Tournament).

The victory demonstrates the high quality of play, on an international standard, which our youth has achieved and proves that our juniors can match the play of our strongest competitors from the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, who receive training at government expense.

Diesen has been participating in an experimental program, sponsored by the USCF, to give promising young players intensive lessons from stronger players. Diesen's mentor has been Grandmaster Lubomir Kavalek, who served as Diesen's second in the tournament.

### Morrison To Be New USCF Executive Director

Martin E. Morrison will replace E. B. Edmondson as Executive Director of the United States Chess Federation upon Edmondson's retirement in March.

Just a few years ago, Morrison was director of the Oakland and Berkeley Chess Clubs, founder of the Central California Chess Association, and first editor of Chess Voice. He went from there to become the Technical Director of the USCF. Now he will hold the top organizational position in American chess.

# National Chess League Results:

The second annual season of the National Chess League got under way on January 5th and has now completed the first two of its eight rounds. The League is composed of six-man teams, representing different American cities, playing matches by telephone. Seven of last year's nine teams are competing for the second year. (Miami and Houston dropped out.) And nine new expansion teams have been added, for a total of 16 teams.

Last year, the League had a round-robin format. This year, the pairings will be according to the Swiss System--using game points, instead of match points. The time control is still a fast 40 moves in 60 minutes. This is considerably quicker than masters are used to playing, but the time lost in telephone transmission of the moves makes it necessary.

Three of the 16 teams are from California: San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego. The only other state with more than one team is Louisiana, which has two of the lowest-rated teams.

Although the Washington Plumbers are the defending champions, the New York Threats are the obvious powerhouse of the League, with five world class players: GM's Anatoly Lein and Leonid Shamkovich plus IM's Sal Matera, Edmar Mednis, and Andy Soltis. No other team has had more than one world class player playing in the first two rounds.

## Next Most Powerful?

The San Francisco Dragons could be the next most powerful team if they can field GM's Walter Browne and James Tarjan along with IM John Grefe. Rumour has it that this is a possibility for the New York match, which should take place on February 2nd. Further, IM Julio Kaplan is moving from New York to California in March, and can play for the Dragons if he has not previously played for New York.

The League standings after two rounds appear in the box at right. These standings are unofficial because some adjourned games have yet to be adjudicated. (In the box, adjourned games have been scored according to the expected results of adjudication.) All adjourned games are submitted to GM Arthur Bisguier (except those involving the Westfield team, on which he plays).

The San Francisco Dragons are currently tied for second place in the League standings, but their moment of truth has yet to come. Their victory over the weak Atlanta Kings was less than impressive, and their clash with New York is coming up. The remaining six rounds will be played on February 2nd and 16th, March 2nd, April 16th, and May 4th and 18th. Some of the games will be played at the Fiddler's Green Chess Club in San Francisco; others will be played at the Berkeley Central YMCA, home of the Berkeley Chess Club. The starting times vary (because of the difference in time zones between cities) from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Details can be obtained from Peter Prochaska-Kolbas by phoning (415) 673-6087. Spectators are admitted free to these matches and a considerable amount of analysis goes on around the demonstration boards.

## NATIONAL CHESS LEAGUE STANDINGS (After round 2 - unofficial)

	Won	Lost	Pct
1 New York Threats.....	9	3	.750
2 San Francisco Dragons....	8½	3½	.708
3 Boston 64's.....	8½	3½	.708
4 Washington Plumbers.....	7½	4½	.625
5 Chicago Prairie Dogs.....	7	5	.583
6 Westfield Colonials (NJ)*	6½	5½	.541
7 Cleveland Kinghunters....	6	6	.500
8 Lincoln Mid-Americans*...	6	6	.500
9 Ramada Rooks (Phoenix)*..	6	6	.500
10 Hartford*.....	6	6	.500
11 Los Angeles Stauntons....	5½	6½	.458
12 Berwick Bay Browns (LA)*.	5½	6½	.458
13 Philadelphia Quakers*....	5½	6½	.458
14 San Diego*.....	4½	7½	.375
15 Atlanta Kings*.....	3	9	.250
16 New Orleans Maple Leafs*.	1	11	.083

(\* = expansion team)

## The Dragons Breathe Fire

by Peter Prochaska-Kolbas  
San Francisco Team Captain

The San Francisco Dragons are once again breathing fire on their opponents in this year's telephone chess league.

### First, an Assault on the Kings

Given a mere two weeks notice to prepare for our first match against Atlanta on January 5th, not only did this short preparation period mean we had to scramble to find a playing site, it also meant we had to depend on those of our players who had not already left the Bay Area for the holidays.

The site problem was solved when Alan Benson and Frank Thornally graciously offered the use of their adjoining apartments in Berkeley. The player problem was tough and go until the last minute. (Twenty-five minutes after the scheduled starting time, two of the six San Francisco team members were still missing!) But, somehow, the match got under way, and produced the following results:

SAN FRANCISCO (4½)	ATLANTA (1½)
John Grefe IM 2448..... 1	Jewell Watson 2006.... 0
Peter Cleghorn 2378..... ½	William Scott 1993.... ½
Dennis Fritzingler 2254.. 1	Jared Radin 1908..... 0
Robert Hammie 2216..... 1	Don Schultz 1908..... 0
James McCormick 2268.... 0	Bob Kolvick 1905..... 1
Jay Whitehead 2193..... 1	Stuart Rundlett 1892.. 0

Although their top board was rated lower than our bottom board, the Atlanta team still managed to win one game and draw another--more resistance than anyone expected.

Alan Benson was the tournament director for this match, and Mike Donald transmitted the moves over the phone. They will continue in these important positions through the rest of the season.

### And Now, the Windy City

On January 19th our second round opponent was Chicago. This time the match was played at Fiddler's Green. The match-ups ran like this:

San Francisco

- 1 James Tarjan (2533)
- 2 Peter Cleghorn (2378)
- 3 John Watson (2334)
- 4 Paul Cornelius (2332)
- 5 Jeremy Silman (2286)
- 6 Dennis Fritzing (2254)

Chicago

- Richard Verber (2426)
- Edward Formanek (2335)
- Elliott Winslow (2320)
- Dennis Waterman (2299)
- David Presser (2190)
- Lawrence Lipking (2159)

The Cornelius--Waterman pairing was strange, since Waterman used to live in San Francisco and Cornelius in Chicago.

Off to a Bad Start

Early in the evening, Silman decided to accept a draw against Presser in a position where he thought he stood worse and was heading for the inevitable time scramble. Then he spent the rest of the evening regretting that decision, as things began to go badly for the rest of the San Francisco team.

On Board 1, Tarjan blundered and decided to sacrifice an exchange rather than to lose a clear pawn with no compensation. On Board 2, things were not going well. On Boards 3 and 4, the situation was slightly better. But on Board 6, the position was causing the kibitzers in the analysis room to sweat.

Things Began to Change

After a while, however, things began to change. Grandmasters are noted for their resistance under pressure, and on Board 1 Tarjan was demonstrating this quality. Verber declined to exchange Queens and Tarjan's pieces began to have possibilities. The analysis room still thought he was lost, but there were some glimmerings of hope.

Cleghorn's position was in ruins and Watson was scrambling to make the time control. But Cornelius was steadily outplaying Waterman, and Fritzing was getting out of trouble on Board 6.

A Display of Fighting Spirit

Back on Board 1, Tarjan increased his pressure and Verber was forced to return the exchange. But by this time, Tarjan was under severe time pressure and missed a chance to win, while just barely making the time control. Shortly after, the game ended in a perpetual check from which neither player dared depart. Tarjan's impressive display of fighting spirit had saved the team from falling behind; the score was 1 to 1.

At this point Fritzing asked if should offer a draw in his dead even position. Since two of the remaining three boards appeared to be losing, I asked him to play on. Indeed, Waterman's flag soon fell, sparing him any further agony. But Cornelius collected his well-deserved win, and the score stood at 2 to 2.

By this time, Fritzing was beginning to make some slow progress, and Watson, for the first time during the evening, had at least a chance to save his game. He sacrificed a Bishop for a potential mating attack and suddenly the board came alive with possibilities.

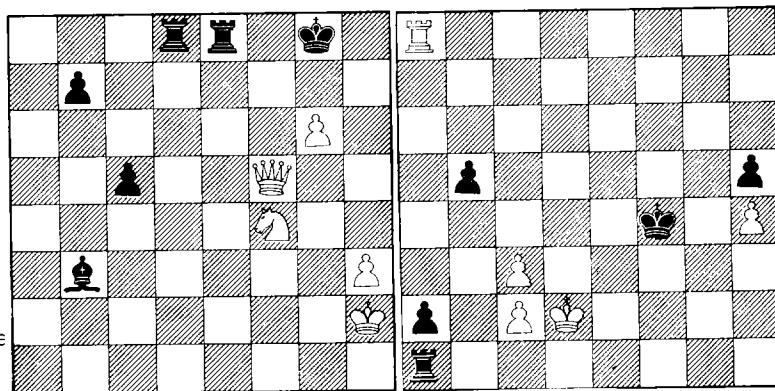
The Ravages of Time

In the analysis room Tarjan was leading a team of kibitzers that was getting more optimistic with every move. But Watson had to survive a desperate time scramble, and, in doing so, missed a crushing

move, lost a vital tempo, and allowed Winslow's King to escape. In the analysis room, Tarjan's eyes showed the agony of those who can only stand and wait.

But Winslow failed to move his King to safety and Watson was able to regain his lost material and even have some winning chances. In the meantime, Fritzing's position was looking better and better. When both games reached the 60th move, Chicago invoked their right to ask for adjudication on Board 6 (Fritzing), and we did on Board 3 (Watson).

To me, both boards appear to be wins for San Francisco--giving a final score of 4 to 2 in our favor. But here are the two positions for adjudication, so that you can decide for yourself:

The Adjourned Positions - White to Move:

Board 3

Watson (SF)-White  
Winslow (C)-Black

Board 6

Lipking (C)-White  
Fritzing (SF)-Black

**BENSON'S BEAT**

by Alan Benson. USCF Region VIII Vice-President

Tarjan in Hastings

Grandmaster Jim Tarjan took a clear third place behind IGM Oleg Romanishin (USSR) and IM Shimon Kagan (Israel) at the annual Hastings Chess Congress, held in England December 29-January 15. Romanishin had a score of  $11\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ ; Kagan had  $9\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; and Tarjan had 9-5.

Following Tarjan in fourth and fifth place were IGM Vasily Smyslov (USSR) and IGM Andras Adorjan (Hungary), with 8-5. IGM Tony Miles (England) took sixth with  $7\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$ . Then came IGM Mato Damjanovich (Yugoslavia), IM I. Fargo (Hungary), IM Milan Vukcevic (USA), and IM A. Zwaig (Norway)--all with  $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $6\frac{1}{2}$ .

Trailing with minus scores were: IM Julio Kaplan (USA), IM Andrew Whitley (England), IM Yair Kraidman (Israel), D. Rumens (England), and Simon Webb (England). The norms in this tournament were 9-5 for grandmasters and 7-7 for international masters.

Team Spirit

USCF Life Master Dennis Fritzing, the "Professor", has decided to heighten the team spirits of the members of the San Francisco Dragons telephone team with a little get together before the big match with New York. All I will say about it is that New York is in for a bit of a surprise. But, as TV's Baretta would say, "You can take that to 'da bank."

# CalChess NEWS

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHESS ASSOCIATION

## End of an Era

January 14th marked the end of one era of chess organizing in Northern California and the beginning of another. On that date the Central California Chess Association, founded in 1968, voted to disband itself and merge its assets, including Chess Voice, into CalChess, the new Northern California Chess Association, which will assume all membership obligations owed by the CCCA.

## CalChess Meeting at People's Tourney

The annual CalChess membership meeting will take place on Sunday, February 20th at the Berkeley Central YMCA, at the site of the 4th Annual People's Chess Tournament, which will require CalChess membership of all entrants. The meeting will occur before the morning round.

The main item on the agenda is the election of permanent officers. A nominating committee will present its recommendations, but nominations will also be accepted from the floor. Anyone who is interested may attend the meeting without entering the tournament.

## February CalChess "Futurity"

CalChess will hold a FIDE-rated masters tournament at the end of February. It will be a ten-player round robin with five FIDE-rated players and five non-FIDE-rated players, aimed at increasing the number of internationally-rated masters in Northern California.

This will be the fourth such "futurity" organized with the aid of grants from the U.S. Chess Federation. One is currently under way in Los Angeles, and three others were held last year in Los Angeles and New York.

The tournament is tentatively scheduled for the last week in February and will be held in either San Francisco or Berkeley. Mike Goodall and Alan Benson will direct. Peter Prochaska-Kolbas is the organizer.

The list of players is not yet final, but the FIDE-rated participants may be John Grefe, Jeremy Silman, Craig Barnes, George Kane, and Roy Ervin and the non-FIDE-rated participants may be Peter Cleghorn, Dennis Fritzingler, Paul Cornelius, John Watson, and Jay Whitehead. If you want to attend the Futurity, get the final details from Prochaska-Kolbas at (415) 673-6087.

## April CalChess Team Championships

The annual CalChess Team Championships will be held in Walnut Creek on April 16-17. The event is open to one or more four-player teams from any CalChess-affiliated chess club.

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The tournament format is three rounds on Saturday and 2 rounds on Sunday, starting at 10 am each day. The time control is 50 moves in 2 hours. Each team can have one or two alternates, if they wish. Advance registration is urgently requested but late entries will be accepted from 9 to 9:30 am on April 16th. Each team captain should bring a list of players and alternates and their last-published USCF ratings.

Clubs can enter the tournament by sending \$5 per team, plus a list of players and ratings, to Hans Poschmann, CalChess League Director, 4621 Seneca Park Ave., Fremont CA 94538. (Make checks payable to "CalChess".) If your club is not affiliated with CalChess, it can become so for \$5 (less than 50 members), \$10 (50-99 members), or \$15 (100 or more members). Affiliates have a number of privileges, which are listed on page 108 of the December-January Chess Voice. USCF membership is not required of team members.

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SICILIAN - White: Peter Cleghorn Black: Paul Whitehead

1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 P-QB3 N-KB3 3 P-K5 N-Q4 4 P-Q4 PXP 5 QXP P-K3  
6 B-QB4 N-QB3 7 Q-K4 P-Q3 8 N-B3 PXP 9 NXP NXN 10 QXN Q-Q3  
11 B-N5ch B-Q2 12 BXBch QXB 13 0-0 B-Q3 14 QXNP 0-0-0 15 Q-Q4  
KR-N1 16 QXP? Q-B3 17 P-KN3 B-B4 18 Q-R5 R-N5 19 N-R3 QR-N1  
20 N-N5 RXPch 21 PXR RXPch 22 K-R2 R-N7ch 23 K-R3 R-N3  
24 P-B3 P-K4 25 P-QB4 R-R3ch 26 BXR QXBch 27 K-N4 Q-N3ch  
28 K-R4 B-K2ch 29 K-R3 N-B5ch 30 K-R2 Q-N7mate.

RUY LOPEZ - White: Jeremy Silman Black: Peter Cleghorn

(This game won the \$25 brilliancy prize.)

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 Ne4 6 d4 b5  
7 Bb3 d5 8 de5 Be6 9 Qe2 Be7 10 Rd1 Na5 11 Nd4 0-0 12 f3 Nc5  
13 f4 Ncb3 14 ab3 c5 15 Ne6 fe6 16 Qg4 Rf5 17 Nc3 h5 18 Qh3 g6  
19 Ne4 Qb6 20 Ng3 c4+ 21 Kh1 Rf7 22 Ra5 Qa5 23 Qe6 cb3  
24 Qg6+ Rg7 25 Qe6+ Kh8 26 Nf5 bc2 27 Rf1 Bf8 28 Ng7 Bg7  
29 f5 d4 30 f6 Bf8 31 Qf7 Black resigns.

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# Chess Clubs

## OAKLAND

The December and January free simultaneous exhibitions at the Oakland Chess Group were given by Max Burkett (2054) and Craig Mar (2055). Burkett won 8, lost 3, and drew 1. Those who won against him were: Peter Garneau (1700), Lenny Petty (1650), and Thomas Chin (1611). W. J. Pouchak, as usual, got the draw. A month later, Mar played eight opponents and beat them all. The next free simul at the Oakland club will be given by Jay Whitehead (2193) on February 1st. There will be no simul in March.

After experimenting with a new form of chess ladder for several months, the club has returned to a modified form of the original ladder which incorporates some of the features of the experimental ladder. Anyone can challenge anyone, but there are certain grounds on which challenges can be declined. If a player defeats another player above him on the ladder, the winner and the loser trade ladder positions. Current ladder leaders are Craig Mar (2129) and Peter Prochaska-Kolbas (1984).

## SAN JOSE

On December 3rd the San Jose club sponsored a simultaneous exhibition by Grandmaster Leonid Shamkovich, co-champion of the U.S. Open. At \$4/board the simul drew 18 challengers. Shamkovich scored 14 wins, 2 losses, and 2 draws. Rafael Yahalon and Bill Parker won their games; Jim Iwashita and Bruce Matzner managed draws.

In an inter-city match between Monterey, Modesto, and San Jose (held in Monterey on December 18th) a San Jose team composed of Harry Radke, Terry Alsasua, Bill Chesney, Jim Black, Richard Koepcke, John Simpson, Dan Miller and Mike Mitchell defeated Modesto 4-3, and tied Monterey 4-4, but still came in second. The final standings: Monterey 8½, San Jose 8, Modesto 7½.

The club will continue to meet at Starbird park--the increase in rent having been reduced to \$32/month. Starting Friday February 18th at 7:30pm, a speed chess tournament will be held. There will be a 50¢ entry fee and touch move rules will apply.

## U.C. CAMPUS

The U.C. Campus Chess Club has reopened for the winter quarter with two five-minute tournaments. The first one, held on January 13th, attracted 14 players and was won by Richard Kelson with a score of 12-1 which won him \$3.25. Second place went to Mike Arne with 10-3, winning \$1.75. Ulf Wostner took third place with 9-4, good for 90¢. A prize for the best player under 1600, \$1.10, was earned by young Kris Lawson with 9½-3½. The second tourney, a double round-robin held on January 20th, had 13 entrants and was won by Gabriel Sanchez with a score of 16-4, entitling him to \$3.50. Second and third places were shared between Steven Choi and Gary Stearns--both with 13½-6½ for \$1.50.

The club has several major events scheduled for February and March. The "St. Valentine's Day Chess Massacre", starring Berkeley's U.S. Chess Champion Walter Browne in a simultaneous exhibition and lecture, will be held on February 14th. (See ad on page 11.) The 4th Annual People's Chess Tournament, scheduled for February 19-21, has found a new site in the home of the Berkeley Chess Club at the Berkeley Central YMCA. (See ad on page .) The club will close out the quarter with a "Chess Slide Show" on March 17th. (See ad on page 11.) Club Director Alan Benson will draw upon his extensive color slide collection for this special two-hour show.

## BERKELEY

Left over fish: At press time for the last issue, Kristan Lawson (1384) had an adjourned game with Barton Bolmen (1414) at the end of the October--November "Friday Fish Fry" tournament. Lawson won and thus tied for first place in the Under 1450 section. Bolmen, even with the loss, tied for 3rd.

### Berkeley--Monday Knights Match

A team match between the Berkeley Chess Club and the Monday Knights Chess Club was held in Berkeley on December 12th. Berkeley won the match, three games to two. The Berkeley team was composed of Jerry Kearns (1996), Stephen Skirpan (1743), Michael Dyslin (1688), Paul Stainthorpe (1683), and Peter Garneau (1638). The Monday Knights team had Thomas Tedrick (1830), Ray Musselman (1744), Bob Fojt (1762), Richard Hobbs (1719), and John Spargo (1670). The match is part of the CalChess Perpetual Team Ladder competition. An ironic aspect of the match is the fact that all of the Monday Knights team members are also members of the Berkeley Chess Club.

### Berkeley Pirc-Up Results

During December and January the club completed its "Berkeley Pirc-Up" tournament. The 6-round, 3-section Swiss attracted 53 entries and was directed by John Larkins, assisted by John Spargo. The Premier Section (1650+) was won by Craig Mar (2055) with 4½ points. Second place went to young Paul Stainthorpe (1687) for his 4 points. At press time, third place was still up for grabs. Ray Musselman (1874) had 3 points, but there is an adjourned game between Peter Garneau (1638) and Tom Tedrick (1847) which could

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move Garneau up to 3½ points or Tedrick up to 3 points.

In the Booster Section (1450-1649), first place went to Juergen Kasprk (1560), who had 5 points. John DeWitt (1598) took second with 4½. Andy Ansel (1453) will probably take third place with the 3 points he now has plus a winning position in an adjourned game.

The Reserve Section came up with a three-way tie for first place between Mark Paetz (1388), Mark Goldsman (U/R), and Fred Freeman (1242)--each with 4 points.

The February-March tournament will be a Qualifying Open, running for seven rounds from February 4th through March 18th. This will be the first stage of determining the champion of the Berkeley Chess Club. The top six qualifiers will play a round robin in April and May to decide the final result. The next bi-monthly Berkeley Speed Chess Tournament will take place on March 25th.

**FREMONT**

On December 15th the Fremont Chess Club held a round robin Madhouse Tournament. Nine teams participated, with partners picked by random lot. After two hours of shouting, shifting of pieces, and general pandemonium, a winning team finally emerged. Kevin Kishiyama (1625) and Randy Fong (1907) topped all the other two-man teams. But their final score was only ½ point above their nearest rivals.

A one-night 30-30 tournament was held at the club on December 22nd. Club director Hans Poschmann (1567) took first place with 2½-½ and Kevin Kishiyama (1625) took second with 2-1.

The first "Grab Bag Opening Speed Tournament" was held on December 29th. Different openings were made mandatory for each round. Ernest Curto (1753) captured first place with a score of 12-2 and Hans Poschmann (1567) took second with 10½-3½.

Club member Kenny Fong was congratulated for making the USCF's top 10 list of USA players under 13. Ten-year-old Kenny's 1623 rating was good enough to place him seventh in the nation.

The SAN LEANDRO Chess Club is still meeting every Monday night for skittles but without any formal tournaments, since they have yet to find a tournament director. The WALNUT CREEK Chess Club held its annual one-day round robin on January 8. (See page 14.) The LERA Chess Club, in Sunnyvale, had a simultaneous exhibition by Grandmaster Leonid Shamkovich on December 5th. The MONDAY KNIGHTS had a team match with BERKELEY. (See page 10.)

Club Membership Decline in 1976. A check of Chess Voice records of club membership in the San Francisco bay area shows a decline of about 25% from December 1975 to December 1976. The larger chess clubs remained fairly stable, but many of the smaller clubs showed marked declines. Perhaps the coming Candidates Matches (1977) and World Championship (1978) will help bring about a turnaround. As the "Fischer Boom" showed, the potential members are there; the problem is reaching them.

# U.C. CAMPUS CHESS CLUB

February 14th

## THE ST. VALENTINE'S DAY CHESS MASSACRE

The Campus Chess Club is proud to present International Grandmaster and U.S. Chess Champion WALTER BROWNE in his first major simultaneous chess exhibition and lecture--at the Pauley Ballroom, beginning at 6:45 pm.

The "Champ" will lecture on the Game of the Decade--Walter Browne vs. Arthur Bisguier, 1974 U.S. Chess Championship--beginning at 6:45 pm. The simultaneous exhibition will commence at 7:30 pm.

The cost to attend the lecture and play against the "Champ" is \$10 for the general public and \$7.50 for U.C. students and faculty.

Admission to watch the lecture and simultaneous is \$3 for the general public and \$2 for U.C. students and faculty. Admission to watch the simultaneous only is \$1 (50¢ for U.C. students and faculty).

Tickets go on sale at the ASUC Box Office (in the Student Union) beginning at 6 pm on February 14th. To register in advance, send a check or money order (payable to ASUC) to ASUC Box Office, U.C. Berkeley, 94720. Be sure to include your USCF rating and U.C. registration number, if you have them.



March 17th


## CHESS COLOR SLIDE SHOW

U.C. Berkeley Campus Chess Club Director Alan Benson will draw upon his extensive color slide collection to present a very special two-hour show with commentary on significant chess events and world chess personalities in the Pauley Ballroom from 8 to 10 pm.

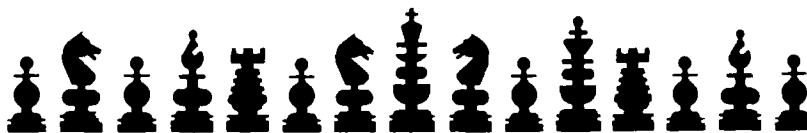
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# Games



Reprinted from Richard Shorman's chess column in the Hayward Daily Review.

## KARPOV WINS USSR CHAMPIONSHIP

After a poor start, in which he lost a game to Geller, world champion Anatoly Karpov, 25, forged ahead to win the 1976 USSR Championship with 12 points out of a possible 17 (8 wins, 1 loss, 8 draws). Complete results:

1st, Anatoly Karpov (2693), 12-5; 2nd, Yuri Balashov (2570), 11-6; 3rd-4th, Tigran Petrosian (2646) and Lev Polugaevsky (2631), 10½-6½; 5th, Iosif Dorfman (2518), 9½-7½; 6th-7th, Vasily Smyslov (2592) and Mikhail Tal (2623), 9-8; 8th-10th, Yefim Geller (2586), Oleg Romanishin (2603) and Yevgeny Sveshnikov (2551), 8½-8½; 11th, Boris Gulko (2587); 12th-13th, Karen Grigorian (2478) and Rafael Vaganian (2540), 7½-9½; 14th-15th, Naum Rashdovsky (2497) and Mark Taimanov (2517), 7-10; 16th-17th, Vitaly Tsheshkovsky (2500) and Aleksandr Zakharov (2444), 6½-10½; 18th, Viktor Kupreychik (2501), 6-11.



White: Rafael Vaganian. . . . . Black: Anatoly Karpov.  
XLIV USSR Championship, Moscow, 1976.  
Queen's Indian Defense

1 P-Q4	N-KB3	28 B-R3	Q-R2
2 P-QB4	P-K3	29 R-R1	R-R3!(h)
3 N-KB3	P-QN3	30 B-N2	N-B2!(i)
4 P-KN3	B-N2	31 P-QN4	N-K1
5 B-N2	B-K2	32 PxP	PxP
6 0-0	0-0	33 KR-QN1	K-B1
7 N-B3	N-K5	34 N-K3	R-N2
8 Q-B2	NxN	35 R-N2	Q-N3
9 QxN	P-QB4	36 N-B1	PxPch
10 R-Q1	P-Q3(a)	37 PxP	R(3)-R2
11 P-N3(b)	B-KB3(c)	38 R(1)-N1	R-K2
12 B-N2	Q-K2	39 R-N3	R(R2)-N2
13 Q-B2	N-B3	40 Q-N2	N-B3
14 P-K4	P-N3(d)	41 K-N1(j)	R-R2!
15 P-Q5	N-N5	42 R-K1	B-R3
16 BxB	QxB	43 R-N0ch	K-B2
17 Q-Q2	P-K4	44 Q-B3	N-N5
18 P-QR3	N-R3	45 R-Q8	R-R3
19 N-K1	Q-N2	46 N-K3(k)	NxN
20 N-Q3	P-B4(e)	47 RxN	Q-N5
21 PxP	PxP	48 B-B1	Q-R4
22 P-B4	P-K5	49 K-B2	Q-R8
23 N-K1	R-B3	50 R-QN8	R-R7ch
24 Q-B3	P-R4(f)	51 K-K1	Q-N8
25 N-B2	K-B2	52 R-K2	R-R8
26 K-B2	P-R5(g)	53 R-KB2	P-K6
27 R-KN1	R-KN1	54 Time forfeit(1)	

(Annotations by international grandmaster Aleksei Suetin, translated from "64", No. 52, Dec. 24-30, 1976, pp. 6-7).....



(a) A modern variation of the Queen's Indian which the world champion already played against Petrosian earlier in the tournament.

(b) The approved continuation. Interesting is the little explored move 11 B-B4, as in Tal — Gulko a few rounds before: 11 . . . N-Q2 12 PxP NxP, with a small but certain weakness at Black's Q3.

(c) Against Petrosian, Karpov proceeded 11 . . . N-Q2 12 B-N2 N-B3, which allowed White to force a favorable ending after 13 P-Q5 P-K4 14 NxP.

(d) A subtle move with far-reaching strategic aims. The Polugaevsky — Gulko game from the same round resulted in a marked queen-side advantage when Black attempted the direct approach with 14 . . . P-K4: 15 P-Q5! N-Q5 16 BxN! B Px B 17 B-R3 P-N3 18 P-R4 B-N2 19 P-R5! PxP 20 RxP.

(e) During the past few moves, the tense maneuvering battle has shifted gradually over to the king side. Black has surmounted his opening problems and obtained full equality. The piece and pawn configuration resembles a King's Indian Defense, favorable to Black because Black's solidity on the queen side denies White his usual initiative there, while on the king side, Black's expansion begins to assume menacing proportions. The absence of the black-squared "Indian" bishops also works more to Black's advantage than to White's.

(f) Sounding the attack! Now White must close the game on the king side by 25 P-KR4 in order to make it harder for Black to break through. Failure to do so places White under long term pressure.

(g) The turning point of the game. Undermining the pawn chain gives Karpov a permanent initiative on the king side, reducing White to passivity. Notwithstanding his resourceful defense, Vaganian cannot cope with the ever increasing threats.

(h) Underscoring Black's superiority. White must abandon the important KR-file, since 30 K-N2 loses to 30 . . . PxP 31 PxP R-R1!

(i) This position affords a clear distinction between the concepts of strategy and tactics in chess. Tactical threats come and go and any situation would be "dull" without them. But strategic threats are another matter, due to their persistency. So long as Black's minor pieces were "asleep", White's position appeared relatively safe. But now Black's knight threatens to enter the game with decisive effect along the route QB2-K1-KB3-KN5! Nimzovich once remarked that the real talent of a chess strategist expresses itself in the ability to foresee favorable possibilities in non-standard positions. White is now obliged to seek active play, which can be accomplished by opening the QN-file. But then White's "Achilles heel" on the queen side — QB4 — will be exposed, and Black's bishop will be in a powerful position to exploit it.

(j) The sealed move before adjournment. Black has a strategically won game, although a number of obstacles remain to be hurdled, e.g., 41 . . . B-R3? 42 R-N0ch K-B2 43 R-Q8! and if 43 . . . BxP 44 RxP BxP, then 45 N-K3! B-K3 46 Q-B3, with the Black pieces suddenly all tied down. Karpov selects the most rational plan, first taking control of the KR-file and establishing his knight at KN5.

(k) Trading knights further depletes White's defensive resources.

(1) In this completely hopeless position, White overstepped the time limit.

# A CAPABLANCA CLASSIC

Not included in Golombek's collection and only lightly annotated by Reinfeld in "The Immortal Games of Capablanca," this excellent game deserves greater recognition as one of Capablanca's smoothest performances.

**White: Edward Lasker. Black: Jose Capablanca.**  
**New York Masters' Tournament, 1915.**  
**Queen's Gambit Declined**

1 P-Q4	P-Q4	22 KR-B1(r)	K-N1
2 N-KB3	N-KB3	23 P-B3(s)	B-Q4
3 P-B4	P-K3	24 NxP	R-QB1(t)
4 N-B3	QN-Q2	25 P-QN3(u)	RxRch(v)
5 B-N5	B-N5(a)	26 RxR	R-QB1
6 P-K3(b)	P-B4	27 RxRch	KxR
7 B-Q3(c)	Q-R4(d)	28 K-B2	K-B2
8 Q-N3(e)	N-K5(f)	29 K-K3	K-N3
9 O-0(g)	NxB(h)	30 N-B4ch	BxN
10 NxN	PxQP	31 PxB	K-B4(w)
11 N-N5(j)	N-B4	32 K-Q3	P-K4
12 Q-B2(k)	NxB	33 P-N4	P-B3
13 QxN	P-QR3(1)	34 P-KR4	P-KN3
14 NxQP	PxP	35 K-K4(x)	K-Q3(y)
15 QxBP	B-Q2(m)	36 P-B4	PxP
16 N-N3(n)	QxN	37 KxP	K-B4
17 QxB	B-B3	38 P-R5	KxP
18 P-K4	P-QR4	39 K-K4	P-QN4
19 Q-Q2(o)	QxQ(p)	40 P-R3	K-N6
20 NxQ	O-O-0	41 Resigns	
21 N-B4(q)	BxP		

(Composite notes from "The Year-Book of Chess, 1915 and 1916", edited by W. H. Watts and A. W. Foster, London, 1917, pp. 52-55)

(a) As far as our knowledge goes, the Bishop move appears in this position for the first time. The attack on the center is paralyzed, as in the MacCutcheon variation, by the counterattack. The validity of the variation is a question of some theoretical importance ("Schachblatter").

(b) 6 PxP would be much stronger: 6 . . . PxP 7 Q-R4, and Black's American bluff is entirely exploded (S.).

(c) Leading to a complicated game. A simple continuation for White is 7 N-Q2, followed, if 7 . . . Q-R4, by 8 Q-B2.

(d) Black has been fortunate enough to lead his opponent into a well known variation, with the difference that his QBP stands on B4 instead of B3, giving him a stronger position (S.).

(e) The right move is O-O. After 8 . . . BxN 9 PxP PxBP 10 BxBP QxBP 11 R-B1, White has a good attack for the Pawn sacrificed ("British Chess Magazine"). After 8 Q-N3 P-N4 9 PxNP P-B5 10 BxBP PxP 11 QxP B-N2, Black would win. White should have played 8 Q-B2. The Cuban adopts a more subtle way of winning. His play from now on displays exquisite accuracy (S.).

(f) Black could have won a piece at the expense of three Pawns by 8 . . . P-N4 (9 PxNP P-B5) "Deutsches Wochenschach".

(g) If 9 BxN, then 9 . . . PxB 10 N-Q2 PxP 11 PxP BxN 12 PxB QxB, and wins; or 10 N-K5 P-B3 11 NxN QxBN 12 B-B4 B-R5, and wins ("The Field").

(h) Not 9 . . . NxN, because of 10 PxN BxP 11 QR-B1, either winning back the Pawn or obtaining a strong attack (F.). The exchange by 9 . . . NxN, although it wins a Pawn, has no



Jose Raoul  
 Capablanca  
 (1888-1942)

great prospects owing to Bishops of opposite colors and White's open lines of attack (S.).

(j) A fine move, saving the piece which Black threatened to win by . . . PxBP (B.).

(k) 12 N-Q6ch leads to very complicated variations, and offered perhaps the best chance for White. Black, however, comes out with two pieces for a Rook. For instance, 12 . . . K-K2 13 Q-B2 NxP 14 QNxBP PxBP 15 P-QR3 Q-Q4 16 PxB R-B1; or 15 QxP R-B1 16 P-QR3 RxN, etc. (B.).

(l) If 13 . . . B-K2, then 14 N-KB3 PxKP 15 PxQP, and the position is doubtful (S.). Here Capablanca said he should have played . . . B-K2, drawing back the Knight at N5, and then played PxKP ("American Chess Bulletin").

(m) Black now threatens to win by 16 . . . R-QB1, followed, if 17 Q-N3, by 17 . . . B-R5 (F.).

(n) 16 N-K4 was indicated, after which White had good drawing chances (B.). Not a good square for the Knight, but the Bishop threatens to become too strong, and he must exchange at any cost. The game is lost anyhow (S.).

(o) If 19 Q-K1, Black could have won a Pawn by 19 . . . Q-K4, not 19 . . . B-N4, because of 20 P-B4, attacking the Queen and providing an escape for the Rook (F.).

(p) Capablanca foresees, with infallible instinct, that the Bishop in the following ending will be stronger than the Knight (B.).

(q) A better chance offered with 21 KR-Q1 R-Q5 22 N-N3 (B.).

(r) White now makes two weak moves in succession. He should have captured the Pawn with the Knight at once, holding the check with the Rook in reserve (F.).

(s) Not strong, as it merely drives the Bishop where it wants to go (A.). Again, it would have been better to capture the Pawn. The text move drives the Bishop to a square where it cuts off the retreat of the Knight. The rest of the game is a good example of accurate endgame play on the part of the Cuban master (F.).

(t) White cannot prevent the exchange of both Rooks without losing a Pawn. The resulting Pawn ending is won for Black (B.).

(u) Necessary in order to ensure the safety of the Knight (W.).

(v) The turning point, deciding the game in Black's favor. Capablanca rightly judged the merits of the position on the strength of White's broken line of Pawns and his own ability to get to B4 with his King (A.).

(w) This was all forced after the exchange of Queens. The result of the game is no longer in question.

(x) Hoping, if 35 . . . KxP, to draw by 36 P-N5, but Black would still have won (F.). If 35 K-B3, then 35 . . . P-B4 wins (S.). If 35 K-B3, then 35 . . . P-B4 36 K-Q3 K-N5 (W.).

(y) The simplest way to win (F.).

**WHITE: David Janowski. Black: Oscar Chajes.**  
**Rice Memorial Tournament, New York, 1916**  
**Queen's Gambit Declined**

1 P-Q4	N-KB3	14 N-K5(b)	KR-K1(c)
2 N-KB3	P-Q4	15 PxP(d)	NxP(e)
3 P-B4	P-K3	16 BxN	BxB
4 B-N5	B-K2	17 BxPch!	KxB
5 P-K3	QN-Q2	18 Q-R5ch!	K-N1
6 N-B3	P-B3(a)	19 QxPch	K-R2
7 B-Q3	PxP	20 N-Q7!!	NxN
8 BxBP	P-N4	21 RxN	B-B3
9 B-Q3	P-QR3	22 N-K4!	BxP(f)
10 O-O	P-B4	23 N-N5ch	K-R3
11 R-B1	B-N2	24 P-N4!	P-N3(g)
12 Q-K2	O-O	25 P-KR4	R-R1
13 KR-Q1	Q-N3	26 Q-R7ch!	Resigns

(Notes by "The Field" in "The Year-Book of Chess, 1915-1916," London, 1917, pp. 140-141)

(a) This defense is only good when White has lost time by playing R-B1, otherwise it gives Black a cramped game. It was especially dangerous to adopt it against such an enterprising opponent as Janowski.

(b) White has already much the better position. He now threatens to win a piece by NxN, and he also wins a piece if black exchanges Knights.

(c) This removes one of the guards to his KBP. It would have been better to defend the Bishop with the other Rook.

(d) Taking immediate advantage of his opponent's mistake.

(e) If 15... BxBP, then 16 NxN NxN 17 BxPch! KxB 18 Q-R5ch K-N1 19 RxN P-N3 20 Q-R4 B-KB1 (Not 20... Q-B3, because of 21 RxB QxR 22 B-B6, and wins.) 21 N-K4! BxN 22 QR-B7, and Black has no resource. If 19... R-KB1, then 20 Q-N4 (threatening B-B6) P-B4 21 Q-N3, with a Pawn plus and a strong attack.

(f) If 22... BxN, then 23 QxB R-KN1 24 QR-B7 wins. If 22... BxR, then 23 NxBch K-moves 24 Q-R5mate.

(g) On 24... KxN follows, of course, 25 Q-R5ch K-B3 26 R-B7mate.

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### 'SAEMISCH MASTERPIECE

Only 28 years old at the time, German master Friedrich Saemisch considered this sparkling sacrificial game to be the very best combinational victory of his career.

**White: Saemisch. Black: Herzog.**  
**Inter-City Match: Reichenberg, Germany vs. Geblonts,**  
**Czechoslovakia, August 1924.**

#### French Defense

1 P-Q4	P-K3	21 N-Q7!!(e)	QRxN
2 P-K4	P-Q4	22 QxPchl(f)	PxQ
3 N-QB3	P-QB3	23 BxNch	B-N2
4 N-B3	N-Q2	24 RxB	R-K5
5 B-Q3	B-K2	25 R-N4chl(g)	K-R2
6 O-O	PxP	26 P-B3	P-KR4
7 NxP	KN-B3	27 R-N7ch	K-R3
8 Q-K2	NxN	28 PxR	PxBP
9 QxN	N-B3	29 B-N1	P-N4
10 Q-K2	O-O	30 P-K5	R-Q6
11 P-B4	P-KR3(a)	31 P-K6!	Q-N3ch
12 B-Q2	R-K1	32 K-R1	PxP
13 B-B3	P-QN3	33 BxR	PxB
14 N-K5	B-N2	34 R-Q7(h)	P-B4
15 QR-K1!(b)	B-KB1(c)	35 B-Q8!	BxPch
16 Q-B3	Q-B2	36 K-N1!	Q-N1
17 Q-R3	QR-Q1	37 R-B6ch	K-N4
18 R-K3	R-K2	38 R-N7ch	K-R5
19 R-N3	K-R1	39 R-B4ch	K-R6
20 P-Q5!(d)	KPxP	40 R-N3mate	

(Notes by Friedrich Saemisch, translated from "Shakhmaty," Jan. 1926, pp. 13-14).

(a) This preventive move weakens Black's king position. Besides, 12 B-N5 was not a part of White's game plan anyway.

(b) It should have been nearly impossible to choose correctly at this stage, but White has actually played the right rook! After 15 KR-K1, White's subsequent combinations would not have worked as well. Compare, for example, the difference in rook moves at White's 37th turn.

(c) Black already had to contend with the threat of 16 Nx-KBP! KxN 17 QxPch K-B1 18 B-N6, followed by mate.

(d) Mobilization complete, White parts with a pawn to open diagonals to the enemy king for his bishops, the first in a series of sacrifices culminating in a mating attack.

(e) Beautiful and sound! White intends 22 QxPch!! PxQ 23 BxNch B-N2 24 BxBch K-N1 25 N-B6mate! No matter how Black captures the knight, he loses. Of course, 21... NxN is answered by 22 QxPch and 23 Q-R7mate. But 21... KRxN leaves Black defenseless after 22 QxPch! PxQ 23 BxNch B-N2 24 RxB!, followed by 25 R-R7ch and 26 R-R8mate. And since 21... QxN also leads to mate by 22 QxPch! PxQ 23 BxNch B-N2 24 BxBch K-N1 25 B-B6ch K-B1 26 B-R7, Black has no better course than the continuation in the game.

(f) Again, a powerful queen sacrifice that wins by force! White could also play 22 BxN and win Black's queen in exchange for his two bishops, but the method selected is more logical and wins faster.

(g) If 25 P-B3 immediately, then 25... Q-B5! 26 PxR QxB! turns the tables on White.

(h) Threatening both 35 B-R4 and 35 P-KR4. Black's reply allows White to execute a final combination, already prepared beginning with his 31st move.

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**White: W. Schmidt.**  
**Bavaria, 1909**  
**Queen's Gambit Declined**

**Black: E. Fockner**

1 P-Q4	P-Q4	8 Q-K4!(g)	Q-R4ch(h)
2 N-KB3	P-QB4(a)	9 B-Q2	Q-B4
3 P-K3	N-QB3	10 B-B3	N-N4!(i)
4 P-B4(b)	PxQP(c)	11 Q-QR4!	P-QR3
5 KPxP	B-N5(d)	12 N-R3	R-B1
6 PxQPI(e)	BxN(f)	13 NxN	PxN
7 QxB	NxP	14 QxPch	Resigns(j)

(Notes by Siegbert Tarrasch, translated from the "Frankfurter Kurier," July, 1909)

(a) With this move, Black really plays the Queen's Gambit. The correct reply to White's move.

(b) Correct. White aims at the normal position of the Queen's Gambit.

(c) With this and the following move, Black follows Mieses in a game against Teichmann in the great tournament at Prague, 1908, a variation, however, which is apt to be advantageous for White. The correct reply was P-K3.

(d) Threatening 6... BxN 7 QxB NxP, etc. Teichmann made at this juncture the weak defensive move of 6 B-K3, and got into great difficulties.

(e) Much stronger than 6 B-K3, and retains the attack. Black should have answered with 6... QxP, by which is reached in a most remarkable way a position of the Goring Gambit Declined, only with the disadvantageous difference for Black that a pawn is on K2 instead of QB2 (1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 P-Q4 PxP 4 P-B3 P-Q4 5 KPxP QxP 6 PxP B-K5).

(f) The fatal mistake. Black probably thought that this move, followed by 7... NxP would give him an advantage.

(g) The knight has now no retreat and can only be protected with difficulty.

(h) 8... Q-N3 might be considered, whereupon 9 B-K3 Q-N5ch 10 B-Q2 QxP 11 B-B3 Q-B8mate looks very inviting for

Black. But instead of 10 B-Q2, White plays 10 N-Q2 and the knight is lost. The only hope for Black lay in the sacrifice of a pawn, instead of the queen check, by 8... P-K4 9 QxPch Q-K2, etc.

(i) Here, Black probably heaved a sigh of relief at having saved the threatened knight, but White pursues it in a very energetic manner.

(j) For after 14... QxQ White proceeds 15 BxQch K-Q1 16 B-R5ch R-B2 17 R-QB1, winning a whole rook. It is remarkable that Black has had no time to make even one developing move on the king side and has not even moved the KP.

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 their names.								
BLACK								
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
	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h
WHITE								

### DEMOLITION JOB

Competing in the current Mechanics' Institute Limited Tournament No. 15, Pamela Ford scored an early upset over an opponent rated more than 200 points higher than her own.

White: Pamela Ford (1776). Black: William Bartley (1989). San Francisco, Jan. 11, 1977.

#### French Defense

1 e2-e4	e7-e6	12 Qd2-g5!	Ne7-g6(e)
2 d2-d4	d7-d5	13 c5xd4	Qa5-d8(f)
3 Nb1-c3	Bf8-b4	14 Qg5-g3	Nc6-e7
4 e4-e5	Ng8-e7	15 Bc1-g5!(g)	O-O
5 Ng1-f3	c7-c5	16 h2-h4!	Rf8-e8
6 a2-a3	Bb4xc3	17 h4-h5	Ng6-f8
7 b2xc3	Qd8-a5(a)	18 Bg5-f6(h)	Nf8-g6(l)
8 Qd1-d2(b)	Nb8-c6(c)	19 h5xg6	g7xf6
9 a2-a4	Bc8-d7	20 g6xh7	Kg8-h8
10 Bf1-d3	Ra8-c8(d)	21 e5xf6	Resigns
11 O-O	c5xd4		

(a) Standard is 7... Qc7.

(b) Not as strong in this case as 8 Bd2, since 8... Qa4 can be met by 9 dc! Nd7 10 Nd4 a6 11 Qg4 Nf5 12 Qf4 (Ivkov—Brodermann, Havana, 1963).

(c) Missing his chance to blockade the queen side with 9... Qa4, and if 9 dc, then 9... Nd7 10 Nd4 a6 11 Qf4 Nc5.

(d) Here Black should try 10...c4, when White must choose between 11 Be2 and the more involved maneuver, 11 Bf1, followed by relocating the bishop at h3.

(e) A display of greed by 12... Qc3 would prove ruinous after 13 Bd2 Qc5 14 Rfb1 a6 (or, even worse, 14...b6? 15 Rb5) 15 Rb7.

(f) Thwarted on the queen side, Black now attempts reorganization on the king side.

(g) Even stronger than 15 Ba3.

(h) Crushing...

(i) What else? White mates faster after 18... g6 19 Qg5.

## REGIONAL GAMES

White: John Watson (2325). Black: Raymond Muselman (1874). Sunnyvale, Nov. 27, 1976. English Opening 1 c4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 a3 e5 6 b4 cb 7 ab Nge7 8 b5 Nd4 9 Ba3 O-O 10 Nd5 d6 11 e3 Nd5 12 Bd5 Ne6 13 h4 Nc5 14 d4 ed 15 ed Re8 16 Ne2 Qe7 17 Ra2 Ne4 18 Qc1 Bg4 19 O-O Bh3 20 Re1 Qf6 21 Nf4 Bf5 22 Rae2 Qd4 23 Bb2 Resigns.

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White: Gabriel Sanchez (1986). Black: Peter Grey (1993). Sunnyvale, Nov. 27, 1976. Grunfeld Defense 1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 g6 3 c4 Bg7 4 Nc3 d5 5 Bg5 Ne4 6 cd Ng5 7 Ng5 e6 8 Qd2 ed 9 Qe3 Kf8 10 Qf4 Bf6 11 h4 h6 12 Nf3 Kg7 13 Rc1 c6 14 e3 Be6 15 Bd3 Nd7 16 O-O Qb8 17 Ne2 Rc8 18 Qb8 Rab8 19 Nf4 c5 20 Bb5 Nf8 21 b3 Be7 22 dc Bc5 23 Rfd1 Ba3 24 Rc8 Rc8 25 Nd4 Rc1 26 Rc1 Bc1 27 Be2 g5 28 hg hg 29 Nd3 Bd2 30 Nf3 Bg4 31 Nd2 Be2 32 Nb4 Kf6 33 Nd5 Ke5 34 Nc3 Bd3 35 Nf3 Kf5 36 Nd4 Ke5 37 Neb5 Bb5 38 Nb5 a6 39 Nc3 b5 40 f3 f5 41 Kf2 Ne6 42 g3 Nc5 43 Ke2 b4 44 Na4 Ne6 45 Nb2 g4 46 Nd3 Kd6 47 fg fg 48 Nb4 Resigns.

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White: Greg Payne (1840). Black: Allen Becker (1929). Sunnyvale, Nov. 27, 1976. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 h3 e5 7 Nde2 Be7 8 g4 Be6 9 Bg2 O-O 10 Ng3 Nc6 11 Be3 Rc8 12 g5 Nd7 13 Qh5 g6 14 Qh6 Nd4 15 O-O-O Re8 16 f4 Bf8 17 Qh4 Qa5 18 f5 Ba2 19 Bd4 ed 20 Na2 Qa2 21 Rd4 Rc2 22 Kc2 Rc8 23 Kd1 Qb1 24 Ke2 Qb2 25 Rd2 Qb5 26 Kf2 Qb6 27 Ke2 Rc3 28 Rhd1 d5 29 Rd5 Qe3 30 Kf1 Rc2 31 Resigns.

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White: Chris Mavraedis (1707). Black: Kurt Luoto (1753). Sunnyvale, Nov. 27, 1976. King's Gambit Declined 1 e4 e5 2 f4 Bc5 3 Nf3 d6 4 c3 Nc6 5 d4 ed 6 cd Bb6 7 Bc4 Nf6 8 Nc3 O-O 9 O-O Re8 10 Kh1 Ne4 11 Bf7 Kf7 12 Ne4 Bf5 13 Ng3 Qf6 14 a3 Kf8 15 d5 Ne7 16 Ng5 Kg8 17 Qf3 h6 18 Bd2 Qg6 19 Ne6 Be6 20 de Qe6 21 f5 Qd5 22 Ne4 Rf8 23 f6 Nc6 24 Bh6 Ne5 25 Qg3 Rf7 26 Ng5 Rf6 27 Rf6 gf 28 Nh7 Kf7 29 Qg7 Ke6 30 Qf6 Kd7 31 Qg7 Kc6 32 Nf6 Qb3 33 Bf4 Qb2 34 Be5 Qe5 35 Qd7 Kc5 36 Rc1 Kd4 37 Qa4 Resigns.

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White: Richard Mc Cullough (1488). Black: James Wurm (1564). Sunnyvale, Nov. 26, 1976. Benoni Defense 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 b5 4 Nc3 a6 5 Bg5 d6 6 e3 b4 7 Bf6 ef 8 Ne4 f5 9 Ng3 g6 10 Qc2 Bg7 11 Bd3 O-O 12 N1e2 Nd7 13 f4 Nf6 14 e4 fe 15 Ne4 Ne4 16 Be4 f5 17 Bd3 Re8 18 O-O-O a5 19 Qd2 a4 20 h3 Qf6 21 Rdg1 a3 22 b3 Re7 23 g4 Bd7 24 g5 Qb2 25 Kd1 Qa1 26 Nc1 Rae8 27 Qc2 Bd4 28 Rf1 Be3 29 Qb1 Qb1 30 Bb1 Bc1 31 Kc1 Re2 32 b4 Rhe3 33 Kd1 Rb2 34 Bc2 Ra2 35 Kd2 Rb3 36 Rc1 Rbb2 37 Kd3 b3 38 Bb1 Rd2 39 Kc3 Rab2 40 Bd3 Rf2 41 Rf1 Ba4 42 Re1 Rbd2 43 Ra1 a2 44 Rhe1 Rh2 45 Re7 b2 46 Ra2 Rd3 47 Resigns.

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White: Leonard Trotter (1411). Black: Dary Olson (1441). Sunnyvale, Nov. 26, 1976. Blackmar-Diemer Gambit 1 d4 d5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 e4 de 4 f3 Nc6 5 Be3 Bf5 6 g4 Bg6 7 g5 Nd5 8 Nd5 Qd5 9 c4 Qf5 10 Bh3 Qa5 11 Bd2 Qb6 12 Bc3 e6 13 c5 Bc5 14 dc Qc5 15 Bg7 Rg8 16 Bf6 Nb4 17 Bc3 Nd3 18 Kd2 Rd8 19 Qf1 Nf2 20 Ke2 of 21 Nf3 Bd3 22 Ke1 Qe3 23 Resigns.

# Tournaments

## QUADS MAKE COMEBACK AT WALNUT CREEK

On January 8th the Walnut Creek Chess Club and the Central California Chess Association (now Cal-Chess) sponsored one of the Bay Area's few quads. The one-day, four-person round robin was organized by Saleh Mujahed and directed by John Larkins.

This event has been held annually for six years with an attendance of from 40 to 44 players. But this year a record-breaking 72 players participated. This indication of renewed interest in one-day quads has motivated Larkins to schedule two more such events to be held at the Berkeley YMCA on May 8th and October 9th.

Forty-two of the seventy-two entrants won prizes ranging from \$1.67 to \$7.00. Section winners received \$7, second place was good for \$5, with appropriate divisions in case of ties. Here are the winners in each section:

Paul Whitehead (2141), San Francisco,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  points; Kevin Lewis (1820), San Rafael, 3 pts.; David Wait (1718), Walnut Creek,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ; James Slouber (1654), Smartville,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ; Gregory Sasaki (1593), Berkeley--tied with Terry Martin (1568), Fairfield, and David Burgess (1614), Santa Clara--each with 2 points; Douglas Anderson (1550), Folsom, 3; Earney Patrick (1555) Manteca,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ; Sam Ecton (1517), San Mateo, 3; and John Pope (1461), San Francisco, 3.

Other section winners were: Alan Glasscoe (1454) Oakland, tied with Andy Ansel (1453), Oakland, and John Turner (unrated and playing in his first tournament), Pleasant Hill--each with 2 points; Eugenia Kiesling (1438), New Haven, Connecticut, 3; Johann Weiler (1422), Walnut Creek, 3; Bruce Gellers (1364) Danville, 3; Charles Brunton (1325), Vacaville, 3; James Henry (unrated), Walnut Creek, 3; Clive Hurwitz (unrated), Walnut Creek, tied with Douglas Stevens (1276), San Francisco--each with 2 points; Fred Freeman (1242), Albany, tied with Michael Spinrad (unrated), Moraga--each with 2 points; and Raymond Musselman (1774), Berkeley, tied with Robert Howland (unrated), Pittsburg--each with  $2\frac{1}{2}$  points.

## THREE RESULTS FROM FIDDLER'S GREEN

### Master's Invitational

On December 2nd, the Fiddler's Green Chess Club began its 8-round Master's Invitational. Before it could be completed, however, five of the original nine participants withdrew--thus destroying the tournament. After some discussion, it was decided to divide the prize money equally among the remaining four players.

### December Monthly Concerto

Nineteen players participated in the December 11-12 Fiddler's Green Monthly Concerto, a 4-round Swiss. Jay Whitehead (2205), San Francisco, tied with Steve Joplin (1850), Hayward, for first and second place. Each had a score of  $3\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$  and each received \$17.50. Third, fourth, and fifth places were shared by Greg Payne (1838), Mike Walder (1773), San Francisco, and Tony D'Aloisio (1634), San Rafael--each receiving \$7.50 for a score of 3 - 1.

### January Monthly Concerto

The January 15-16 Fiddler's Green Monthly Concerto, another 4-round Swiss, had 24 participants. First and second place was shared by Wes Suzuki (1892), Chicago, and Norm Symonds (1865), Berkeley. Each received \$17.50 for their  $3\frac{1}{2} - 1\frac{1}{2}$  score. Mike Walder (1771), San Francisco tied with Tony D'Aloisio (1634), San Rafael, and John Pope (1461), San Francisco, for third, fourth, and fifth place. Each got \$7.50 for their scores of 3 - 1.

### ROHNERT PARK OPEN

On January 22-23 the Rohnert Park Open, a five-round Swiss, attracted 47 entries. The tournament was sponsored by the Sonoma State College Chess Club and directed by Clement Falbo, with the prize fund guaranteed by the Rohnert Park Cultural Arts Corporation.

There was a three-way tie for first place among Kurt Luoto (1711), Rohnert Park, Scott Laird (1744), San Anselmo, and Bill Poindexter (1873), Napa. Each received \$100 for  $4\frac{1}{2}$  points. (Luoto won on tie breaks.)

And there was another three-way tie for 4th-6th. David Lithier (1962), Cotati, Max Burkett (2121), Oakland, and John Farwell (2085), Fairfield, Connecticut each got \$33 for 4 points. The top players in classes B, C, and D and the top junior received books or chess sets.

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## CYNTHIA ANN 4-SS

Prizes: \$50-\$25 in each of 3 sections (1900+/1700-1899/under 1700) if 25 entries.

Entry fee: \$10 (by 4/8), \$13 (at site). USCF and CalChess memberships required.

Location: Coddington Shopping Center, S.R.

Registration: 9:30-10:15. Rounds: 11, 3:30.

Send checks to: Tom Boyd, 1765 Las Raposas Ct. Santa Rosa, CA 95405.

For more details: see March CL&R.

## CHESS INSTRUCTION

RICHARD SHORMAN, well-known local chess teacher, Games Editor of Chess Voice, and Chess Editor of The Daily Review is offering individual chess instruction to serious students of the game for \$10 a session. (Tournament preparation, analysis of games, advice on personal style, recommended literature, Russian for chessplayers, etc.)

Write to: Richard Shorman, Chess Editor, The Daily Review, PO Box 3127, Hayward, CA 94540.



## HAYWARD TORNADO

Chess at a-minute-a-move was played at the Hayward Tornado Tournament on January 22-23. The time control was 30/30 with 4 rounds on Saturday and another 3 on Sunday. The tournament was sponsored by the Hayward Chess Club and the Hayward Area Parks and Recreation District, and was directed by Jerry Rogers. Although 100 entrants were hoped for, only 20 participated.

In the Open Section, first place went to Martin Sullivan (2085) San Leandro, who received \$50 for his 5½ points. Randy Fong (1907) Hayward, took second with 5 points for \$35. No "A" prize was given. The top "B" was Ernest Curto (1753), Fremont, who received \$35 for 4½ points. There was a tie for top "C" between Hans Poschmann (1567), Fremont, and Gary Smith (1542), San Leandro, each with 3 points for \$18. Top "D" was Charles Brunton (1325), San Leandro, who picked up \$35 for his 3 points. Young Greg Kurrell (U/R), Redwood City, playing in only his second tournament, won the top Unrated prize of \$35 with 4 points.

## MERRY CHESSMAS TOURNAMENT

The annual Monterey Chess Center "Merry Chessmas Tournament" was held on December 19. Thirty players participated in the one-day, three-round event. There was a three-way tie for first place among Jose Rivera (1750), Hunter-Liggett, Karel Zikan (1627), Marina, and Tony Rossi (1599), Monterey. Each had a perfect score of 3 points. Mitchell Bedford, (2013), Salinas, and Jamie Calvin (1530), Los Altos Hills, tied for fourth.

## MONTEREY COAST CLASSIC

On January 8-9, the Monterey Chess Center held its annual Monterey Coast Classic, directed by Ted and Ruby Yudacufski. Thirty-one players competed.

John Grefe (2448), Berkeley, and Richard Bus-tamante (2215), Merced, tied for first place in the Open Division, each with 3½ points in four rounds. Roy Ervin (2338), Berkeley, took third.

The B Division was won by Wayne Sewell (1713), Salinas, with 4 points. There was a three-way tie for second among Lawrence Welch (1493), Carmel Valley, Karel Zikan (1627), Marina, and Lawrence Fair (1625), Saratoga, each with 3 points.

## SANTA ROSA TRILOGY #3

The December 11th "Santa Rosa Trilogy #3" had 18 players competing in three quads and in one six-player Swiss. Tom Boyd directed. The quad winners were: 1- Bill Poindexter (1869), Napa; 2- Barry Hepsley (1717), Santa Rosa--tied with Jack Bogardus (1704), Windsor; and 3- Mark Kaufman (1414), of San Francisco. Greg Whiteman (1375/5), Santa Rosa, won the Swiss.

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Format: 6 rounds, Swiss system.

February 19th: Rd 1 at 12 noon, Rd 2 at 6 pm.

February 20th: Rd 3 at 11 am, Rd 4 at 5 pm.

February 21st: Rd 5 at 10 am, Rd 6 at 4 pm.

Prizes: (\$6,415 based on 260 paid entries. \$5,000 guaranteed if last year's 220 show.) MASTER/EXPERT (40/2): Master - \$1,000-600-300-150; Expert - \$600-300-150-30. CLASSES A & B (45/2): "A" - \$560-280-140-25; "B" - \$530-265-130-20. CLASSES C, D, E & UNRATED (50/2): "C" - \$500-250-125-15; "D"/"E"/Unr. - \$250-125-60-10. Gift certificate from Gambit Game Store for 4th prize in Expert through Unrated sections. Ties for certificates and trophies broken by Harkness/Median. Trophies to top Mast., Ex., "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", Unr., and U.C. student (any campus).

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Registration: Feb. 19th, 8:30-10:30 am.

Entry Fee: \$35--if mailed by Feb. 14th. (\$30 to those over 55, under 19, U.S. Armed Forces, women, U.C. Berkeley students and faculty.) All entries cost \$5 more at the site.

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