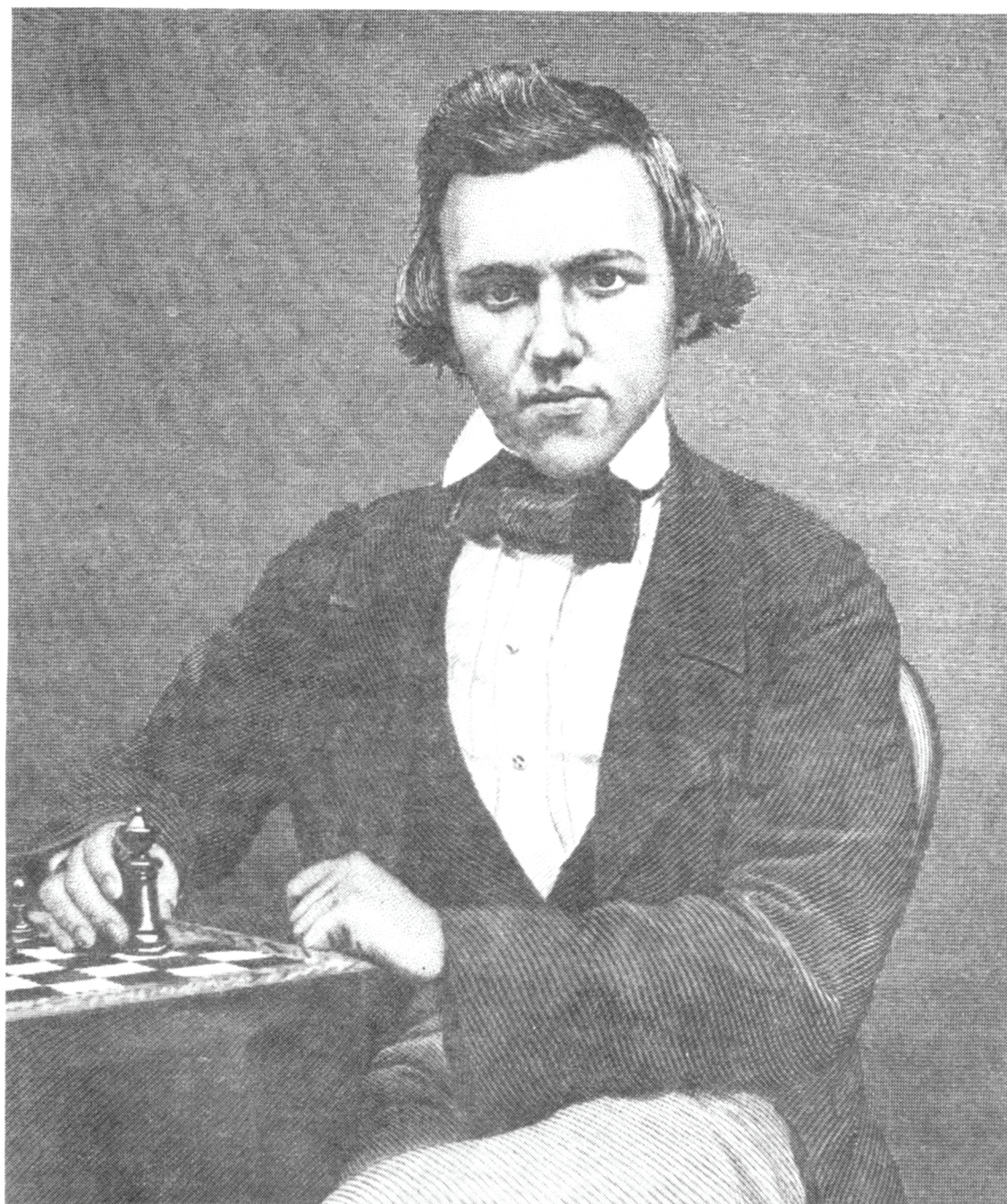


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BEHIND THE MOVES — Max Burkett on the Barendregt Lopez

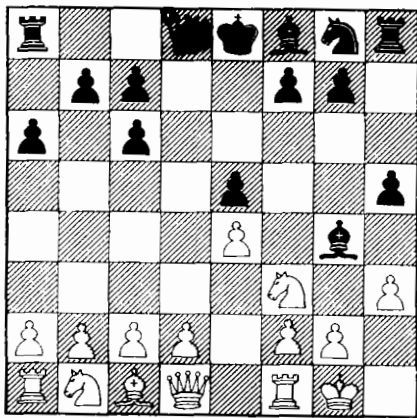
White: Harry Radke (2238). Black: Max Burkett (2197).
Fremont Open, 1976.

1 P-K4	P-K4	11 P-B4?(j)	P-B4(k)
2 N-KB3	N-QB3	12 P-Q5	N-B5
3 B-N5	P-QR3	13 PxB(1)	PxP
4 BxN	QPxB	14 N-R2	RxN!
5 O-O(a)	B-KN5(b)	15 KxR	Q-R5ch
6 P-KR3!	P-KR4!(c)	16 K-N1	O-O-O(m)
7 P-Q3(d)	Q-B3!	17 N-B3	PxN
8 QN-Q2!(e)	N-K2!(f)	18 P-KN3(n)	Q-R4
9 R-K1!(g)	N-N3!(h)	19 R-K3	R-R1
10 P-Q4!(i)	B-Q3	20 Resigns(o)	

(a) The Barendregt variation, considered weak until the early 1960's.

(b) The alternative, 5...P-B3, has been played many times, and for a while supplanted the text as the favorite defense to the system. Current opinion favors White after 6 P-Q4 B-KN5 7 P-B3 B-Q3 8 QN-Q2 N-R3 9 Q-N3 (Keres) and after 6 P-Q4 PxP 7 NxP P-QB4 8 N-N3 QxQ 9 RxQ B-Q3 (or 9...B-Q2 10 B-B4 0-0-0 11 N-B3 B-K3 12 RxRch KxR 13 P-QR4 BxN 14 PxB N-K2 15 R-Q1ch, as in Vitolinsh—Kakageldiyev, USSR, 1972) 10 N-R5 N-R3 (Shmit gives 10...P-QN4 11 P-QB4! N-K2 12 B-K3 P-B4 13 N-N3 an edge for White.) 11 BxN PxP 12 N-B4 B-K2 13 N-B3 K-B2 14 N-Q5 B-K3 15 NxB KxN 16 N-K3 (Bagirov-Keres, USSR, 1967).

Less usual are 5...Q-B3 6 P-Q4 PxP 7 B-N5 Q-N3 8 QxP; 5...B-Q3 6 P-Q4 PxP 7 QxP P-B3 8 P-K5; 5...N-K2 6 P-Q4 PxP 7 NxP Q-Q3 8 B-K3 Q-N3 9 N-Q2 P-KB4 10 PxP BxP 11 N(2)-B3 O-O-O 12 N-R4 Q-B3 13 N(R4)xB (Georgadze—I. Zaitsev, USSR, 1972); and 5...Q-Q3 6 P-QR4 N-K2 7 N-R3 N-R3 N-N3 8 N-B4 Q-K3 9 P-QN3 P-QB4 10 P-B3 (Bednarski—Pytel, Poland, 1973), with some advantage to White in all cases.



(c) The point of Black's setup. White must endure the pin, as after 7 PxB PxP White dare not move the knight due to 8...Q-R5. Less good for Black is 6...BxN 7 QxB Q-B3 8 Q-KN3 B-Q3 9 P-Q4! Q-N3 10 QxQ R-PxQ 11 PxP BxP 12 N-Q2 O-O-O 13 N-B4 (Sanguinetti—Matanovic, Varna, 1962).

(d) The most usual move. Some Bay Area players, notably Bob Hammie, have tried to gain a tempo by 7 R-K1 (striving to push the pawn to Q4 in one step). Black can circumvent this intention by 7...B-QB4! 8 P-Q3 Q-B3 9 QN-Q2 (For 9 B-K3 BxN 10 QxB QxQ 11 PxQ B-Q3!, see the note to White's eighth move.) 0-0-0 10 N-N3 BxN 11 QxB QxQ 12 PxQ B-Q5 13 NxB PxN 14 B-B4 N-K2, with equality. The pawn sacrifice, 7 P-Q4, is no

longer played, because of 7...BxN 8 QxB QxP! 9 R-Q1 Q-B5 10 Q-B5 Q-K3 11 QxQch PxQ 12 B-K3 N-B3 13 N-Q2 N-Q2 14 N-B4 B-K2 15 R-Q3 O-O-O, and Black has the better game. Black also equalizes after 7 P-B3 Q-B3 8 P-Q4 BxN 9 QxB QxQ 10 PxQ PxP 11 PxP O-O-O 12 B-K3 P-KB4 (Marovic).

(e) White still cannot take the bishop, since 8 PxB? PxP 9 N-N5 (but not 9 B-N5? Q-N3 10 NxP Q-R2) Q-R3 10 N-KR3 Q-R4 11 K-R2 B-K2 12 N-B3 PxN 13 P-KN3 N-B3 is in Black's favor. Playable, however, is 8 B-K3 BxN 9 QxB QxQ 10 PxQ B-Q3! 11 K-N2! (better than 11 K-R1 P-KB4 12 PxP N-K2 13 R-N1 0-0 14 N-Q2 RxP and 11 K-R2 N-K2 12 R-N1 N-N3 13 N-B3 K-Q2! 14 R-N5 QR-K1 15 QR-KN1 R-K3 16 R-B5 R-B3!) N-K2 12 R-N1 P-B3 13 K-B1 P-KN4 14 N-Q2 K-B2 15 K-K2 P-R4 16 P-QR4 N-N3, and, once again, Black has secured an equal position.

(f) On 8...P-QN4, White answers 9 N-N3. Worse is 8...P-KN4? 9 N-B4! BxN 10 QxB QxQ 11 PxQ P-B3 12 P-KR4! PxP 13 P-B4. Finally, 8...O-O-O? proves disastrous following 9 PxB PxP 10 N-R2 N-R3 (forced) 11 N-N3 (to prevent 11...B-B4) Q-R5 12 BxN QxB 13 QxPch K-N1 14 Q-R3 R-Q3 15 N-N4 (Paul Whitehead—Pamela Ford, Fremont Open, 1977).

(g) Playing 9 N-B4 BxN 10 QxB QxQ 11 PxQ N-N3! leads to nothing for White, while 9 P-QN4? N-N3 10 PxP PxP 11 P-KN3 N-B5 12 N-R4 RxN 13 PxR QxP is weak. But 9 P-B3 N-N3! 10 R-K1 B-Q3 is unclear.

(h) Tatai—Jean, Monte Carlo, 1967 continued 9...BxN 10 NxB 0-0-0 11 B-K3 R-Q2 12 Q-Q2 N-N3 13 P-QN4, with White on top.

(i) The bishop remains immune from capture: 10 PxB? PxP 11 N-R2 RxN! 12 N-B1 (not 12 KxR? on account of 12...Q-R5ch 13 K-N1 B-B4! 14 R-K3 BxR 15 PxB K-K2!) B-B4! 13 B-K3 BxB 14 RxR R-R4!

(j) This move is patently inferior (as is 11 P-B3 N-B5!) But how does Black proceed against 11 PxB! RPxP 12 N-R2 RxN 13 QxP! (far superior to 13 KxR QxP or 13 N-B1 P-N6 14 PxNP) Q-R5! 14 QxQ RxQ, especially, since, according to Fischer, 15 PxP, 15 P-KN3 and 15 N-B3 are all advantageous to White? In a static sense, this assessment is true, because if Black plays passively and allows all the pieces to be traded off he will reach a lost king and pawn ending. Imagine, for instance, that Black takes the path of least resistance, after 15 PxP, by 15...BxP? 16 N-B3 R-R4 17 NxN NxB 18 B-B4 0-0-0 19 BxN RxB 20 P-KB3 R(4)-K1 21 QR-Q1 RxR 22 RxR R-Q1? 23 RxRch KxR.

A position has been reached that represents the successful culmination of White's strategy, for he now wins by 24 K-B2 K-K2 25 K-K3 K-K3 26 K-Q4 P-R4 (to stop the paralyzing 27 P-R4) 27 P-KB4 P-B3 28 P-B5ch! K-Q3 29 P-K5ch! PxPch 30 K-K4 P-R5 31 P-KN4 P-QN4 32 P-N5 P-N5 33 P-N6 (threatening 34 P-B6) K-K2 34 P-B6) K-K2 34 KxP P-B4 35 P-B4 P-N6 36 P-R3 P-B3 37 P-B6ch PxPch 38 K-B5, etc.

Fortunately, Black has dynamic instead of static moves at his disposal, e.g., (I) 15 PxP NxP 16 N-N3 P-KN4 17 B-Q2 P-B3 18 B-B3 0-0-0; (II) 15 P-KN3 R-R4 16 P-QB3 PxP 17 PxP O-O-O 18 N-B3 B-N5 19 R-Q1 N-K4! 20 K-N2! NxN 21 KxN P-KB4; (III) 15 N-B3 R-R4 16 PxP NxP 17 NxN BxN 18 P-QB3 0-0 19 B-K3 P-R4! Each of these prepared variations offers Black even chances.

(k) This direct reaction to the threat of 12 P-B5 is best.

(l) White has no option, as Black menaces 13...BxP 14 PxB Q-N3ch.

(m) With the direct threat of 17...R-R1 and 18...Q-R8 mate.

(n) If 18 BxN or 18 PxP, then 18...R-R1 wins.

(o) White sees that 20 QxP Q-R7ch 21 K-B1 Q-R8ch 22 QxQ RxQ is checkmate.

Letters to the Editor

THE READERS REACT TO TIME
FORFEITS, HIGH ENTRY FEES

Letters may be edited to conserve space and avoid repetition. Correspondence with the editor is assumed to be available for publication unless stated otherwise.

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How Would a Mute Player Resign?

To the editor:

I enjoyed the April-May issue of Chess Voice and the article and editorial on time forfeits best of all. I disagree with the TD's decision on Case No. 1 as I believe clearing the board can be considered resigning. How would a mute player resign? Or a non-English-speaking player? I've seen players resign by turning over their King. Doesn't sweeping the board do the same thing? I hope you tell us how the appeal of the TD's decision came out.

--Tom Boyd
Santa Rosa

Editor's note: The TD's decision was upheld by the USCF Tournament Appeals Committee without any specific comment on particular issues.

The Case of the Sly Grin

To the editor:

I agree completely with the decisions in Cases 2 and 3 of "The Weird World of Time Forfeits". But in Case No. 1, sweeping the pieces off the board should automatically have received a penalty for unacceptable behavior.

In Case No. 4, the player who sat for 33 minutes was at the board, wasn't he? His conduct or decorum shows no sign of being disturbing to anybody. What was his crime--using the time he was allotted in an orderly, quiet manner? Oh yes, I forgot: his crime was a "sly grin" in answering the TD. Grin or no grin, the TD should have simply waited until his flag fell. You show me where the rulebook says players cannot use up all their time.

The principle is that the TD's own playing ability should not be allowed to intrude into a game where the result is still at stake, and depends on the players' actual performance. A very low-rated player could conceivably spend 33 minutes analyzing a mate in one or two. Besides, will we next be asked to halt games upon declarations of mates in three? Then four? Then five?

--David Moeser
Cincinnati

Editor's note: Mr. Moeser is editor of J'adoube and an active tournament organizer in Ohio. Here is the latest example of rules testing by the younger members of the same chess club that produced cases 3 and 4: Two C-strength players are in the late stages of an endgame in a game that has been adjourned from the preceding week. The only piece left to Black is his King. But White has two Queens, several minor pieces, several pawns, and plenty of time on his clock. Black insists on adjourning the game for another week. Is this his right? Certainly. But, is it chess?

Winning Isn't Everything--Or is It?

To the editor:

A few comments on "The Weird World of Time Forfeits". It is to be expected that two of the parties at fault were the youngest members of their clubs. I have seen the same behavior at other clubs. However, it is not any trend toward winning above all in chess that is at fault. It is simply that these are the younger players who have had the least exposure to chess. They haven't had time to learn that winning isn't everything. Youth acts this way in most circles as they try to force their way to power.

The two cases of spectator interference are quite different from each other. In Case 1, the spectator, though an interested party, is merely pointing out the rules and is acting as an assistant TD. It is highly desirable conduct on his part. In Case 3, the spectator is making a suggestion to one player as to how to continue his game. It is no different than if he had suggested a move. In that case the spectator ought to have been chastized, maybe even thrown out of the tournament, since he is described as an experienced player who ought to have known better. (Hmm, maybe here is a solution to much of the problem of kibitzers. Almost all kibitzers are also players in the tournament, so they can be penalized in their own game.

--David Carl Argall
La Puente

Editor's note: Mr. Argall is editor of the Southern California Chess Newsletter. He suggests that more exposure to chess will teach younger players that winning isn't everything. But the example given in the article suggests that their exposure to chess may be teaching them just the opposite.

THE HIGH COST OF PLAYING CHESS

To the editor:

It always amazes me how many people are willing to sigh over the "good old days" even as they demonstrate they have every preference for these degenerate times. We cry about the loss of the personal service we got at the Mom & Pop store even as we walk past their door to the supermarket with lower prices.

It is possible that Fong, Sullivan, et al ("A Plea for Reduced Entry Fees", Chess Voice, April-May 1977, page 23) are consistent and patronize only low-entry-fee/ low-prize-fund events, but I doubt it. Like the rest of us, they probably recognize the advantages of high-entry-fee/ high-prize-fund events. The entry fee is only part of your expenses, which include travel, lodging, food, and time. Thus a doubling of the entry fee and the prize fund is a net improvement to the player. Also, a tournament is both easier to run, and usually run by more competent officials as it increases in size, at least on a per capita basis.

Consistently, the directors of small-prize/ small-entry-fee events run small events. A \$10/\$500 tourney will be very lucky to get its 50 players. A \$25/\$2000 tourney will have less trouble

getting its 80.

As to the specific charges in the letter:

"In only a few years, the price of the average entry fee has doubled." And so has the price of almost everything else.

"The inflated entry fees eliminate ... the elderly and the kids." Gamblers are of all ages and so are entries of both low and high-entry-fee events. I have failed to note any great difference in the age distributions of high and low-entry-fee events.

"Lucrative money prizes take away the aesthetics of the game by converting it to gambling." It was gambling in the first place, as well. We merely have higher stakes. The aesthetics remain.

"It's too bad a lot of TD's (not all) put on expensive entry fee tournaments for sheer personal status and cash profit." What do we care whether the TD is a masochist who expects to be reviled and lose a fortune or an egotist who wants to play God and make a fortune? We are concerned with the tournament, not the motives of the TD.

"Expensive entry fee tournaments must be held, but only ... a few times a year." Now why do you want to deny your fellow chessplayers what they want? You are being offered an extra chance to play and you decline it. Fine, but others do want to play and you have no right to stop them.

--David Carl Argall
La Puente

CalChess Should Guide Organizers

To the editor:

I agree with the letter by the chessplayers about the high cost of playing and the huge amount of money not accounted for by the prize fund. (Chess Voice, April-May, page 23.) However, the entry fee of chess tournaments in a free market system is set by the amount of support the tournaments can draw. Chessplayers determine what type of tournaments are held, by attending them or not.

It would be hoped that tournament directors would offer enough different types of tournaments to cover all interests, styles, types, and costs. CalChess can play a most important part in this by membership surveys, TD direction and guidance, and by supporting tournaments beyond what a local TD or club can do. (Risk insurance, for example?)

As for huge TD fees, why don't we admit we are referring to Mr. Benson? Always his prize funds are based on entries which leave hundreds of dollars unaccounted for. What kind of a director's fee does he collect? As a local TD, I always try to post a finance report during the tournament, showing all income and costs. Why doesn't CalChess require the same of all CalChess tournaments? I welcome any discussion.

--Tom Boyd
Santa Rosa

Editor's note: Alan Benson has promised to write an article for the August-September Chess Voice which will explain in detail where the "unaccounted" dollars go to. Even veteran tournament players often grossly underestimate the cost of rent, publicity, salaries for assistant TD's, rating fees and the extensive number of hours put in by the conscientious organizer of a major tournament.

It's All a Matter of Supply and Demand

To the editor:

In response to "A Plea for Reduced Entry Fees", let me say that my personal interest in playing in tournaments ends at \$5 entry fees. But how many of these complainers will actually stay away from tournaments which don't interest them, as I have done? The likely answer is very few. The complaining is futile, and may deserve to be just that.

I see no difference between professional promoters in other sports who take financial risk in business endeavors which require maximizing the sale of tickets to watch, and, on the other hand, those chess organizers who sell tickets for the right to participate.

It's all a matter of supply and demand. There are plenty of places to play chess other than the "biggie" tournaments. If the complainers about high entry fees were consistent, they would just not enter such tournaments. Furthermore, the operators of big tournaments shouldn't be working for free any more than, say, the head coach of the San Francisco 49'ers, or the team owners.

--David Moeser
Cincinnati, Ohio

Editor's note: The letters by Argall, Boyd, and Moeser are all the opinions of tournament organizers. What do you tournament players have to say about all this? What factors do you take into account when deciding which tournament to play in? Is the size of the prize fund more important than the size of the entry fee?

To His Goy Opponent

Had we but world enough and time,
Long cogitation were no crime.
Time to check each pawn's position,
An eon for the King's Knight's mission,
A year at least for central tension,
A decade for attack's invention.

But time is ticking off surprises
To end the game before sun rises.
So we must think in fevered haste.
To do aught other would be waste.
You, deeply pensive, should not frown
Because I note, "Your flag is down."

--Richard Fauber
Carmichael

Buff Rebuffed

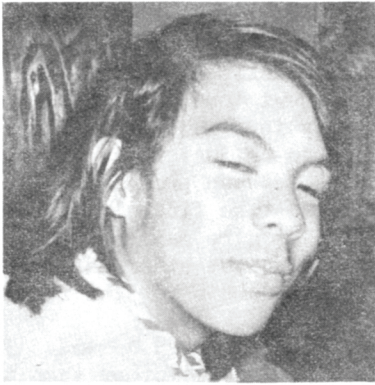
To the editor:

Jim Buff writes that he has found a mate in five where Alekhine had announced a mate in six. (Chess Voice, April-May 1977, page 23.) Had Alekhine played a stronger 10th move, he could have announced mate in four.

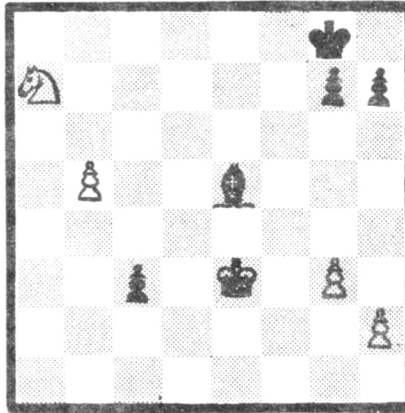
1 P-K4	P-K4	9 B-B7+	P-N3
2 P-Q4	P-KB3	10 Q-B3!	
3 PxP	PxP	(Alekhine played P-KR3.)	
4 Q-R5+	K-K2	10 . . .	B-N5
5 QxKP+	K-B2	11 QxB+	KxQ
6 B-B4+	P-Q4	12 P-KR3+	K-R4
7 BxP+	K-N3	13 P-KN4+	K-R5
8 Q-N3+	K-R4	14 N-B3 mate	

--Borel Menas
San Francisco

"Gary Pickler is a first class gump", says the Frisco Kid.



FRISCO DEL ROSARIO



BLACK (Frisco) TO MOVE.



GARY PICKLER

To the editor:

Gary Pickler is a first class gump. He has a sense of fair play like a Las Vegas casino owner. He is so sneaky and underhanded, he would spike his grandmother to break up a double play. And the only reason he has a master rating is that he nailed 2,000 grandmasters on the same cheap trick he nailed me with at the Oakland Hobby Show.

It all started when I attended the show with Bob Phillips and Kerry Lawless. I went to the chess exhibit and saw Pickler trying desperately to pick up some free wins by bullying three or four other kids in a simul. I decided to clobber the big dummy.

He played a Blackmar-Diemer. I asked, "Are you Gary Pickler?" (I didn't know Pickler until then.) He replied, "Yeah." The game went smoothly, going into a minor piece and pawn ending. Two other kids left, leaving me and another guy. This guy was about dead, so Pickler concentrated on me. I got scared. He activated his King. I got really scared. (See the diagram.)

Before making my next move, I offered him a draw. The gump said nothing. I assumed it was a refusal. So I started calculating again. And I found an excellent move. It looked like a winner. I calculated deeper. It was a winner! I played it.

The crummy gump looked, shuddered and said, "O.K., I'll accept your draw." "You can't

do that!!" "Yes, I can." "Larkins!!!" He comes over. "What's the trouble, gentlemen?" I explain, but Larkins sides with Pickler. "It's legal, Frisco." "No!" "Look it up."

Larkins is a respectable guy, so I took his word for it, got up and cussed out Pickler under my breath. Half-crying, I walked away. When I came back later, Bob Phillips asked, "What happened, kid?" "Aw, I had a win and I blew it." "Didn't you see it?" "Yeah." "Why didn't you play it?" "I did, and I still got a draw! Right, Pickler?" Pickler just smiled.

It's now a month later, and I've told and retold my story to anyone who would listen. No one has sided with me yet. It hurts more now that Mr. Shorman said if I had written the game down, it would have been published. I did try to reconstruct the game, but when I asked Pickler for help, he said, "I can't remember." I know he can and does, but what would happen if everyone found out a 13-year-old kid could beat the great Gary Pickler?

Now you know what that gump Pickler does at his simuls. He bullies kids and takes wins away when others would resign gracefully. Does anybody want to sell some info on the Blackmar-Diemer to me so I can use it against Pickler next time?

--Frisco Del Rosario,
Hayward

To the editor:

In response to Frisco Del Rosario's letter, I can only say, "He who knoweth not the rules; neither shall he be free of swindle."

Better that naive young chessplayers learn of the world's wickedness at 13, rather than, later in life, by neglecting the fine print of a financial contract.

--Gary Pickler,
Berkeley

Editor's note: The "winning" move found by Frisco (Have you worked it out?) was ...B-Q5+!

A number of players are unclear about the rules concerning draw offers. (1) You can only offer a draw while it is your move. (2) Your opponent can accept your offer, reject it, or say nothing. (3) If he says nothing, this does not constitute a refusal until he makes his next move. (4) If you make a draw offer before having made your move, your opponent has a right to wait until after he sees your move before making a reply.

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And then there was...

To the editor:

Did you hear about the turkey farmer who always played Bird's Opening?

And then there was the coffee addict who always played the Pirc Defense.

--Tom Bolling
Sunnyvale

National Chess League

When the National Chess League ended its second season of intercity telephone chess on May 18, to the surprise of no one, the New York Threats were the winning team. The New York powerhouse, which boasts a team roster that includes two grandmasters (Lein and Shamkovich) and three international masters (Soltis, Mednis, and Zuckerman), had long been leading the league. But the last round still held a few surprises for the several teams elbowing each other for the next three prize-winning positions. Here are the unofficial final league standings:

Place	Team	Points
1	New York Threats	34
2	Los Angeles Stauntons	28
3	Cleveland Kinghunters	27½
4	Westfield Colonials (NJ)	27
5	San Francisco Dragons	27
6	Washington Plumbers	26½
7	Philadelphia Quakers	26½
8	Chicago Prairie Dogs	25½
9	Boston 64's	24½
10	Phoenix-Ramada Rooks	24
11	San Diego Springers	23
12	Hartford No Faults	22
13	Lincoln Mid-American	19
14	Berwick Bay Browns (LA)	16
15	New Orleans Maple Leafs	15½
16	Atlanta Kings	15½

San Francisco Team Stumbles, Finishes Fifth

Unfortunately, one of the biggest surprises was held in store for the San Francisco Dragons. Having demolished the Westfield (New Jersey) Colonials 5-1 in round 7, the San Francisco team had its heart set on second place. But a last round 4-2 drubbing at the hands of the Cleveland Kinghunters plummeted them into a disappointing, out-of-the-money, fifth place.

With 27 points, they equaled the point total of the Westfield Colonials, but the Westfield team gets the fourth spot on tie-breaks.

First the good news from round 7 (May 4):

SAN FRANCISCO 5		WESTFIELD 1	
Tarjan, Jim	1	Valvo, Mike	0
Kaplan, Julio	1	Evans, Larry D.	0
Cornelius, Paul	0	Fedorowicz, John	1
Fritzinger, Dennis	1	Kaimo, Roberto	0
Hammie, Robert	1	Conover, Wayne	0
Whitehead, Jay	1	Stoyko, Steve	0

Oh, frabjous day! Everybody but Cornelius won, and even Cornelius is bound to lose now and then. Things look better than ever with IM Julio Kaplan now residing in the East Bay and playing on the team.

Then the bad news from round 8 (May 18):

SAN FRANCISCO 2		CLEVELAND 4	
Tarjan, Jim	½	Ghizdavu, Dumitru	½
Biyasas, Peter	0	Blocker, Calvin	1
Corneluis, Paul	1	Sprague, Ross	0
Watson, John	0	Wozney, Tom	1
Fritzinger, Dennis	½	Shapiro, Danny	½
Whitehead, Paul	0	Burns, Robert	1

Cornelius won, and Tarjan and Fritzinger managed draws, Biyasas, Watson, and Paul Whitehead bit the dust. Whitehead played carefully, but dropped a piece scrambling to make the tiem control. Watson tried the opposite technique but, playing quickly to conserve time, he ended up with a lost position. IM Peter Biyasas, currently residing in San Francisco, and playing for the Dragons for the first time, chalked up his third straight telephone loss. (He lost two for the Los Angeles team last season.)

San Francisco Team Captain Peter Prochaska has promised to prepare for the next issue of Chess Voice some bitter-sweet summary comments on what happened in the telephone league this year and what can be expected to happen next year.



Paul Whitehead shows off the trophy he won for being the top expert at the Fremont Open. The trophy was designed and constructed by Hans Poschmann, who also created the three CalChess perpetual trophies. (Photo by Richard Shorman.)

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CHEATSKATES

by Richard Fauber

Recent articles about sharp practices in tournament chess (see "Generation of Cannibals", April-May Chess Voice, page 26) have suggested that underhandedness is a comparatively recent phenomenon spurred by rating-point hunger and juicy prize funds. Not so. Devious people will try to take sharp advantages when the "prize" is merely a quarter.

Even 15 or 25 years ago, when the big money event for the entire Middle West had an entry fee of \$12 and a top prize of \$300, there were plenty of players around who practiced devious devices. The young innocents of today may never have heard of "the Swine", "the Urchin", and "Sausage", but they were well known in their time. Nor did they wait until their flags were atremble or mate in two impended to put their ploys into effect. They waged psychological warfare from the very beginning, sometimes starting even before the game began.

"The Urchin"

"The Urchin" liked to sit in the foyer ostentatiously reading theoretical journals. Then he would saunter into the playing room and raise a ruckus because he had been given the wrong color. If the game went against him, he had a platoon of snot-nosed kids he could summon to gather around his board and make horrible grimaces as his opponent moved. It was hard to concentrate when playing "the Urchin", yet all that was at stake monetarily was \$50.

He did suffer horrible vengeance in one first round game when a much-lower-rated player became a Queen up. Since "the Urchin" was not about to resign to this fish, the man methodically chopped off all his material, queened six pawns, sacrificed all six new Queens, and marched his King deliberately forward to finish off "the Urchin" on move 85.

"Sausage"

"Sausage" liked to munch on a big piece of lunch meat during the game and exclaim, "Ah, you want to go there. But I cannot let you, so take that (munch)." The pervasive aroma of garlic insured that no vampires would interrupt the game. Even with the prevailing low prize fund, he still won a lot of salami.

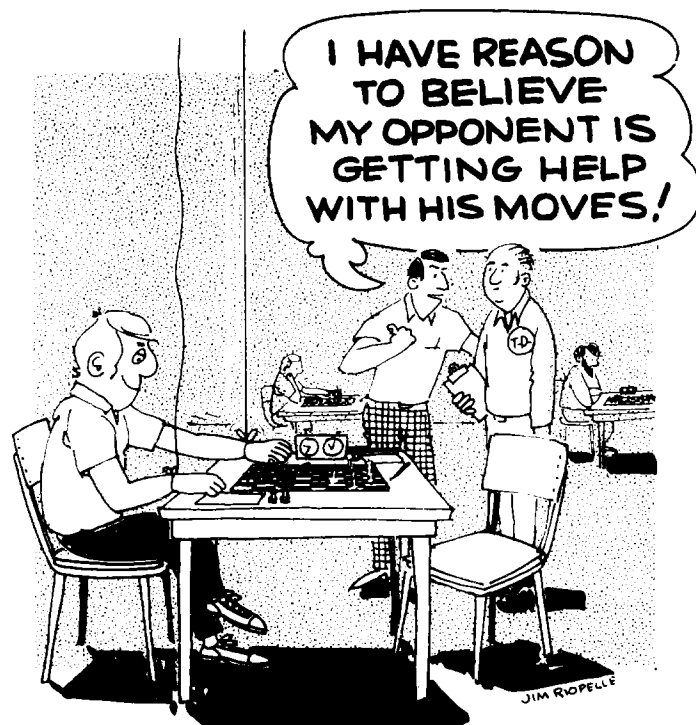
"The Swine"

The most flagrant example of cheating in the 1950's involved "the Swine", a teen-aged New Yorker who had a bad game against Albert Sandrin. Sandrin was nearly blind and relied on his opponent to tell him what his last move was. At one point the kid said, "No." A complaint to the director forced compliance with this requirement, but then the little viper turned the clock around so that Sandrin was starting his own clock after his move.

These examples all come from the innocent 1950's, the era of liking Ike and enjoying the gentlemanly polish of an Adlai Stevenson speech.

A Continuum of Hagging and Niggling

Jude Acers is wrong in proclaiming that "Meckling and Fischer are only the beginning...." They are only part of a continuum of hagging and niggling opponents out of their peace of mind that has



Cartoon reprinted from Michigan Chess, Feb. 1977.

gone on since the beginning of chess.

Did not Anderssen--the noble Anderssen--agree with Szen to split their prizes at London, 1851? Or consider an American championship of the 1880's where one player complained to the tournament director that, although he and his opponent had agreed before the game to play a draw, now the scurvy knave was playing to win, and the director should come over and force him to take a draw.

It is true that players like Chigorin, Pillsbury, and Euwe were exemplars of gentlemanly sportsmanship. But they were never typical of the character of the average masters of their time.

Most Chessplayers Are Mannerly

Even so, I have found the vast majority of opponents I have faced to be mannerly and sportsmanlike. In 25 years of tournament chess played in various parts of the country I have had only one dispute that required a tournament director's intervention. And that was when a Mexican was having language difficulties connected with a time forfeit claim.

Some Players Invite Trouble

Some players get involved in disputes because they invite trouble by being fussy before a game. I once saw a player arrive 20 minutes late, only to raise a ruckus with the tournament director because his opponent's clock had several Buddhist symbols on it and he would not play with such a clock. The end result of this kind of annoying fussiness is likely to be a dangerous backlash. Should a dispute arise later in the game, such a player is likely to find himself confronting an angry Buddhist primed to take advantage of every technicality in the rules as a means of revenge.

Far too many tournaments have punching incidents. But, fortunately, few chess players can hit worth a damn. Most of these incidents involve two players who are both offensive. One hits with

his mouth and the other misses with his fists.

Yes, there are evil-minded players around; you just have to protect yourself from them. Trying to be as sneaky as they are will only get you constantly hassled. (The career of Milan Matulovich is ample proof of that.) The main thing is concentration. When you sit down to play chess, you must let nothing but chess enter your mind.

Cheaters, Sharpies, and Back-rank Lawyers

We will always have cheaters in chess, just as we have always had them. There is no escape from sharpies and back-rank lawyers. After all, if it were not for mate, chess would be just like life--everybody trying to beat you with any weapon handy, not limiting themselves to winning by playing chess, but also employing "the will to win", the dirtiest thing in the chessmaster's repertoire.

Things being the way they are, your best protection in chess, as in life, is concentration on the game itself--to the exclusion of the extraneities your devious adversaries want you to believe are real. Cheating and sharp practices are infuriating, but is not an ability to ignore these ploys even more infuriating?

♔ Candidates' Matches ♔

Spassky Qualifies for Semi-Finals

The quarter-final candidates' match between former world chess champion Boris Spassky and Vlastimil Hort concluded in a win for Spassky $8\frac{1}{2}$ - $7\frac{1}{2}$. The match was postponed at 6-6 when Spassky had to be hospitalized for appendicitis. Upon his recovery, the match resumed--the winner to be determined by whoever won the first two-game set. Hort won round 13, but Spassky won round 14. In the next set Spassky won round 15 and then won the match by drawing in round 16. He will play Lajos Portisch in the semi-finals, at a date yet to be announced. The other semi-final pairing is Viktor Korchnoi versus Lev Polugaevsky. The winners of these two matches will play each other for the privilege of challenging World Champion Anatoly Karpov for his title.

Keeping Korchnoi and Petrosian Apart

Viktor Korchnoi and Tigran Petrosian have long been noted for having feelings of animosity toward one another. When the two met each other head-on in their recent candidates' match--with Korchnoi now a defector from his Russian homeland and Petrosian the representative of the Soviet chess establishment--it was feared that sparks might fly.

In his April 10 chess column for the Los Angeles Times, Isaac Kashdan quoted from a letter written to him by Bozidar Kazic of Yugoslavia, Chief Referee of the Korchnoi-Petrosian match, describing the extraordinary precautions taken to avoid open conflict.

Kazic writes: "I have separated the players in every possible manner. Behind the playing area are two rest rooms, marked Petrosian and Korchnoi. Each has a table for refreshments, chairs and a couch. They bring their own thermoses with coffee or tea, to be certain no one can add anything. A draw is offered through me. One of the players will say, in Russian, 'I offer a draw.' His opponent hears this, of course, but the offer is not valid until I repeat it, also in Russian. Acceptance or refusal must go through the same procedure."

BENSON'S BEAT

by Alan Benson. USCF Region VIII Vice-President

Karpov Wins Another

There are no two ways about it. Whenever and wherever World Chess Champion Anatoly Karpov plays in a tournament, the only thing left to be decided is who will come in second.

At the very strong Las Palmas tournament last month, Karpov started off by winning his first five games! In a prior tourney he managed to score $7\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ with the white pieces alone! Only England's IGM Raymond Keene was able to successfully defend with the black pieces against the champ; and even this was considered a miracle.

Browne Misses Win Against Karpov

In a postcard I received from the U.S. Champion IGM Walter Browne, he stated that he missed a win against Karpov at the Las Palmas tourney. Mind you, Browne doesn't take these things lightly, and when he says that he missed a win, he means that he missed a win. (The details will appear in my next column.) This makes two Berkeley grandmasters that have let such a golden opportunity pass by. Some of you may remember that Jim Tarjan missed his chance to beat Karpov last year at Skopje.

At the awards banquet of the Las Palmas tourney, Karpov invited Browne to play in Leningrad, beginning this July 15. The Leningrad tournament has always been considered one of the strongest in the world, as they only invite grandmasters. Hopefully, Browne will be able to arrange the necessary visa requirements to assure passage to the tournament.

Hort Takes a Day Off

After losing to the former world chess champion Boris Spassky in the Reykjavik candidates' match, IGM Vlastimil Hort decided that he needed to break some kind of existing chess record. He accomplished this by playing a simultaneous chess exhibition against 550 people! He scored 477 wins, 63 draws, and only lost 10 games. The exhibition took 24 hours and 25 minutes, and it was estimated that Hort walked some 40 miles while performing this titanic feat. The only rest he had was a five minute break once an hour. This record will be in the books for some time to come, or I'll eat my column.

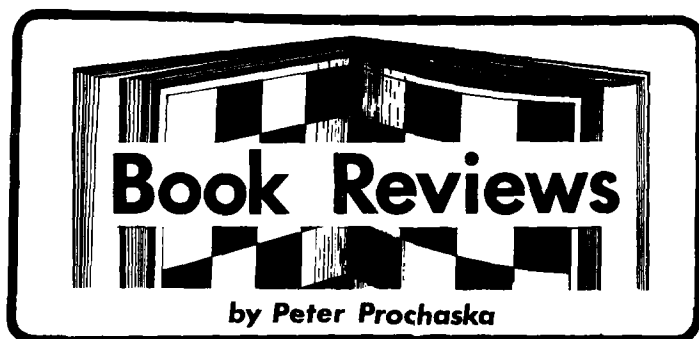
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The Quality of Fischer's Play

The games of Bobby Fischer, like those of Capablanca, are clear and direct. In addition, they give the same sense of hurricane force that can be found in the games of Alekhin, without the obfuscation that makes Alekhin's games difficult to understand. Indeed, Fischer's games seem to stand at the pinnacle of classical chess. They are powerful, clear, and accurate. Strategically, he travels the same roads others have gone down before, but the amazing range of his knowledge often allows him to bring an idea from one type of position into another with startling effect. Most of Fischer's creative power is channeled into his tactics, and--as Teichmann noted some years ago-- "Chess is 99% tactics."

How Fischer Plays Chess
by David Levy
RHM Press, 1977, \$3.95

Fischer's spectacular successes on his way to the world championship and the ease with which he disposes of even top-flight grandmasters can be frustrating. "Why can't I play like that?" is a question many of us have asked. We tend to take his remarkable skill for granted. We forget that his ability, unlike Capablanca's, is not based on great natural genius alone, but on twenty years of intense study. He is reported to have spent eight to twelve hours a day, seven days a week, on his efforts to master the game. Unlike that other American world champion Paul Morphy, Fischer did not conquer the chess world in a matter of months. He had to fight his way up--gradually maturing both his technique and himself.

David Levy's book is a story of that journey. It could be subtitled From Brooklyn to Reykjavik in Twenty Difficult and Improbable Years. This fascinating collection of games and commentary is a chronical of the perils he encountered on the way and how he coped with them. It includes his frequent withdrawals from competition--the present one is the fourth in his career--and his unusual demands of tournament organizers--sometimes patently absurd, sometimes rational and courageous.

The reader may not agree with all of Levy's opinions, but his contentious style is one of the reasons the book is so readable. Among the thought-provoking material to be found in the book is Levy's emphasis on Fischer's reliance on a repertoire of "homegrown" openings, chosen from a broadly classical pattern. Noting that Fischer is often categorized as a lover of simple positions, Levy raises the question of how anyone who plays the Poison

Pawn Najdorf or the Sozin Attack can be accused of having simple tastes.

The book has drawn upon many sources. One of the most interesting is Vasiukov's appendix to the Russian edition of My 60 Memorable Games. The discussion of Fischer's style by his "enemies" must have made him glow with pride.

Because Levy has purposely selected games that, for the most part, have not been covered in detail elsewhere, the book is worth the purchase price for the games alone; and it has much more than that to offer.

NOTES FROM NEW WINDSOR

by Martin E. Morrison
Executive Director, USCF

By the time this column is read, a USCF dream of over ten years should have been realized.

As early as 1963, several members had proposed that the USCF rating system be fully computerized, so that all calculations, lists, and reports could be automated. At that time the size and projected growth of the Federation was not quite sufficient to justify the costs involved. The idea persisted, however, and in the early seventies the decision was made to commit the Federation to a computer-conversion program.

Careful planning was necessary before the records of the USCF's 60,000 members could be computerized, since the format chosen for the membership records would determine the possibilities for future expansion of the entire system. By 1975 this goal had been achieved, making possible in-house control over the mailing lists produced for Chess Life & Review, the production of mailing labels for tournament organizers by membership class, area of residence, age, and so forth, and the publication of members' current ratings on the magazine mailing labels and the rating supplement. These ratings, however, had to be fed individually into the computer after first being calculated manually on desk calculators.

The second phase, calculating the ratings entirely by computer, began its trial after production of the June Supplement. The programs accept crosstable input from the reports supplied by tournament directors; the checking of reports for a tournament director, a sponsoring affiliate, current membership, etc.; the editing of crosstables when results do not crosscheck; the production of letters to tournament directors on the rating status of the tournament; and, finally, the computer rating of the event, entry of the results into each player's permanent rating record, and--a new bonus--the production of a crosstable in final-ranked order available to the director or affiliate.

The next order of business will be the implementation of the bonus/feedback modification to the rating system, whereby players who previously lost rating points to rapidly improving players (whose ratings could not keep up with their improvement) will be compensated by a percentage of the improving player's gain added to their own rating.

CalChess NEWS

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHESS ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors' Meeting

On June 1 the CalChess Board of Directors met in San Francisco. They heard reports on executive decisions taken since the last meeting, current tallies of membership and finances, magazine income and expenses, and set up dates for future CalChess tournaments.

Since the last board meeting, CalChess has contributed money to help fly John Grefe from Los Angeles to play in a key telephone match, and to help the Northern California High School Team Champions travel to Cleveland for the national championships. (see the story on page 58). In addition, CalChess rented booth space for a chess exhibit at the Oakland Hobby Show (see the story on page 52).

A portable, traveling, king-of-the-mountain speed chess booth has been donated to CalChess by its creator, Robert Manners, former director of the San Leandro Chess club. The booth, with its huge overhead crown, is available on loan to affiliated clubs planning chess exhibits.

How Many Members Do We Have?

As of the beginning of June, CalChess has approximately 450 individual members plus 25 affiliated clubs. Not a bad start for five months of operation--especially considering that in this same period the new organization, now based on individual weekend-tournament-playing members, had to make a major transposition from the chess-club-based membership of its parent organization, the Central California Chess Association.

Coming CalChess Tournaments

CalChess is exploring the possibility of converting the annual January Bagby Memorial Invitational, directed by Mike Goodall for the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club, into the Northern California Invitational Championships--a function the tourney seems already to be performing. This would take the place of the long dormant state championship. (For a sample Bagby tourney, see page 57.) In the future, a playoff match between the Northern California and Southern California champs is a possibility.

The CalChess Class Championships have been incorporated into Alan Benson's annual Labor Day tournament in Berkeley. Class winners will be awarded trophies and titles. (For example, "1977 CalChess Class A Champion".) Not to mention the usual money prizes. The class championships will be held on September 3-4 on the U.C. Campus.

Several other tournaments are in the planning stage, without any sites and dates yet chosen. These include a Northern California Junior Championship, and a Northern California Open.

Date for the Next Board Meeting

The next meeting of the CalChess Board of Directors is scheduled to be held at the Paul Masson mountain vineyard at about 9:30pm, Friday, July 1st,

the night before the beginning of the Paul Masson Tournament. Five of the CalChess directors will be assistant tournament directors at the tourney, and USCF Executive Director Martin E. Morrison will participate in the meeting.

Club-oriented Tourneys. The CalChess Tournament of Club Champions will be held sometime this Fall. Results of the Team Championships are below.

CALCHESS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1977 CalChess Team Championships took place under the direction of Hans Poschmann in Walnut Creek, April 16-17. Fourteen four-man teams (with alternates) representing 10 northern California chess clubs participated in the five-round, non-USCF rated event. Complete results:

Premier Division

1st, San Jose "A" (Harry Radke, 2209, Terry Alsasua, 2057, James Black, 1925, Mike Morley, 1885, Richard Koepecke, 1812, and Terry Piegras, 1564; average team rating, 1909, 13½-6½, trophy plus title, "CalChess 1977 Team Champions"; **2nd,** San Leandro "A" (1871), 13-7; **3rd,** Berkeley "A" (1825), 11-9; **4th,** Ross Valley (1815), 8½-11½; **5th,** Oakland "A" (1764), 8-12; **6th,** Fremont (1739), 6-14.

Board Prizes

Bd. 1, Martin Sullivan (2109), San Leandro "A", 5-0, plaque; **Bd. 2,** Scott Laird (1886), Ross Valley, 4½-½, plaque; **Bd. 3,** Mike Morley (1885), San Jose "A", 5-0, plaque; **Bd. 4,** Richard Koepecke (1812), San Jose "A", 4-1, plaque.

Reserve Division

1st., Monday Knights (Ray Musselman, 1771, Bob Fojt, 1747, Richard Hobbs, 1713, and John Spargo, 1711; average team rating, 1735), 16½-3½, trophy plus title, "CalChess 1977 Reserve Team Champions"; **2nd,** Hayward (1546), 12-8; **3rd,** Berkeley "B" (1448), 11-9; **4th,** Walnut Creek (1612), 10½-9½; **5th,** Oakland "B" (1456), 9½-10½; **6th,** Stockton (1565), 8½-11½; **7th,** San Jose "B" (1553), 7½-12½; **8th,** San Leandro "B" (1342), 4-16.

Board Prizes

Bd. 1, Ray Musselman (1771), Monday Knights, 4½-½, plaque; **Bd. 2,** Kris Lawson (1472), Berkeley "B", 5-0, plaque; **Bd. 3,** Richard Hobbs (1713), Monday Knights, 4-1, plaque; **Bd. 4,** Morgan Cooper (1240), Oakland "B", 5-0, plaque.



Post-mortem at the team tourney. Paul Stainthorpe (left) and Kerry Lawless (right) go over their game, watched by (seated) Kris Lawson and (standing, left to right) Mike Padovani, Bob Phillips, Tournament Director Hans Poschmann, Richard Hobbs, Walter What'shisname, David Rice, Craig Mar, and Ned Noface. (Photo by Richard Shorman.)



Chess Clubs

U.C. CAMPUS

The U.C. Campus Chess Club held a number of 5-minute tournaments during April and May. On April 7, Gary Pickler and Norman Symonds shared 1st place with scores of $13\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ and Mike Arne was third at 9-5. Pickler continued his winning ways in the next four tournaments--taking clear first with scores of 14-2 and 12-2 in the first two, and tying for first with Norman Symonds ($12\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$) and Reynauldo Johnson (11-3) in the last two.

On May 19th the winner was Paul Enright with 12-4. Norman Symonds and Gabriel Sanchez shared second and third with $11\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$. Best Under 1800 was Mike Arne with 9-7. On May 26, club TD Alan Benson, in a rare appearance as a player, shared 1st place with Paul Cornelius, each with 15-3. David Berry was third with $12\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$.

The influence of the full moon (and an increased prize fund) brought out a number of speed freaks on June 2. David Berry took first place and \$8 with a perfect score of 14-0. Second place and \$5 went to G. D. Berry for $11\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$, and Gary Pickler picked up \$2 for third. Again, the best Under 1800 player was Mike Arne with 9-5.

The campus club will be closed down during the university's summer quarter.

SAN JOSE

The San Jose Chess Club is congratulating member Susan Mills for making the Women's Top 50 list in the March CL&R. Susan's 1620 rating makes her 31st in the nation.

Co-winners of the San Jose Mini-Open were Dan Miller, Kelly Johnson, Terry Piegras, and Bill Campbell--tied at 4-1. The Gary Gilmore Memorial was won by Fred Muollo with a score of $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$. Tied for second at 3-1 were Mike Vaughn and John Simpson. In the San Jose March Rater, first place went to Fred Mayntz (1550) for a perfect 4-0. Tied for second were Bert Mueller (1694), Mike Carrol (1569), and John Simpson (1470), each with 3-1. The 5th Friday Night Speed Tourney was won by Harry Radke with a score of 14-1. James Black and Chandler Yergin tied for second at 13-2.

FREMONT

The Fremont Chess Club has crowned a new club champion for 1977. In a round robin held among the club's top ten players, Chris Mavreadis (1860) emerged the winner with a score of 8 wins and 1 loss. He takes possession of the club's Perpetual Knight trophy for one year and will represent the Fremont club in the coming CalChess Individual Championships. Runner-up, with a score of 7-2, was club director Hans Poschmann (1543).

Fremont's annual Knockout Tournament was won this year by Kenny Fong (1617)--the nation's highest-rated ten-year-old. Runner-up was Robert Pellierin (1538). Kenny gets to keep the Ebony Rook perpetual trophy for a year. The April Speed Tournament was won by Ernest Curto. Chess Voice Games Editor Richard Shorman conducted a five-week chess

course for novice players at the club during May.

Current leaders on the club's rating ladder are: 1-Randy Fong (1841), 2-Rendon Holloway (1778), 3-Chris Mavreadis (1689), and 4-Hans Poschmann (1678).

OAKLAND



The Last Supper? Mike Padovani, John Larkins, John Spargo, and Scott McCargar were among those who manned a chess exhibition at the Oakland Hobby Show in April. The event, co-sponsored by the Oakland Chess Group and CalChess, provided three consecutive days of continuous speed chess and free simultaneous exhibitions by Gary Pickler, Peter Prohaska, Tom Dorsch, and others. (Photo by Shorman.)

BERKELEY

The Berkeley Chess Club has a new Club Champion--Robert Fojt (1749). Results of the round robin among the top six from the qualifying Swiss were: Fojt 3, Craig Mar (2114) $2\frac{1}{2}$, Tom Tedrick (1819) 2, Roger Hofmann (1756) 2, Jerry Kearns (2031) $\frac{1}{2}$, David Rice (1889) $\frac{1}{2}$. This final round of the championship cycle was marred by the fact that both Kearns and Rice withdrew from the tournament when they no longer had a chance to win--so that Fojt, through no fault of his own, won the championship on a forfeit.

During April and May, the "Poisoned Prawn" Swiss produced the following results: In the Premier Section (1600+) Juergin Kaspruk (1698) and Mike Dyslin (1640) tied for first place, each with 4 pts. Paul Stainthorpe (1853) and Richard Hobbs (1673) tied for third with $3\frac{1}{2}$ pts. In the Booster Section (1400-1599), Henry Mar (1470) took a clear first with $4\frac{1}{2}$ pts. There was a three-way tie for second among Alan Glasscoe (1517), Robert Noland (1505), and Charles Vail (1500), each with 4 pts. In the Reserve Section (under 1400), three players tied for first: George Chu (Unr), Paul Hope (Unr), and Mike Eubank (Unr), each with 5 pts.

In the bi-monthly speed chess tournament, held on May 22, Gary Pickler (2221) and Donald Reents (2051) shared first place, each with $11\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$. Craig Mar (2114) took third with 11-4.

Berkeley club members were commiserating with Paul Stainthorpe for just missing making the Top 50 Under 16 list. Paul's February rating of 1853 and his age, 15, would have made him the 20th highest rated player in the country under 16 if the list had not been based on the December ratings, where his 1673 did not qualify. The irony is that

the events in which he achieved his 1853 were completed by December, but not rated until February. And, of course, next year he will no longer be under 16.

PALO ALTO

The Palo Alto Chess Club's February Rating Tournament had 26 players in two sections. In the 1600+ section Frank Hamaker (1729) was the winner. His 3½ pts in 4 rounds earned him \$15. Second and third places were shared by George Light-Orr (1786) and Michael Majteles (1800?). Each had 3 pts for \$5. In the Under 1600 section first place went to Douglas Veader (1355), whose 3½ pts earned him \$10. Second and third places were shared by William Dewing (1461) and Kent Howard (1379). They each had 3 pts and received \$5. John Miller's 2½ pts earned him the title of "best unrated".

Current leaders in the club ladder are Dave. Cater and Scott Phelps. The club is planning a five-minute tourney and a simultaneous exhibition for May.

MONTEREY. The Monterey Chess Center's January-February club tourney "Chess Birds of a Feather Flock Together" had 20 participants and was divided into 5 groups. The winners were: Michael Eddlemon, Monterey (5½-½), Karel Zikan, Marina, tied with Anthony Rossi, Monterey, (3½-2½), Nicholas Barnett, Fort Ord (5-1), Andy Gray, Pebble Beach (6-0), and Joe McDermott, Seaside (6-0).

HAYWARD. Kerry Lawless (1808) is the 1977 Hayward Chess Club Champion--having defeated last year's champion, Steve Joplin (1901) in a 12-game match for the title. Previously Lawless had earned the right to play Joplin by defeating 11 other contenders in a preliminary round robin.

SAN ANSELMO. The Ross Valley Chess Club held its annual club championship during February and March. In the playoffs for the title, Con Federoff Sr. (1741) became the 1977 champion with a score of 2½-1½. Runner-up was Scott Laird (1886) at 2-2.

MENDOCINO. The Mendocino Chess Club won a team match with the Mendonoma Chess Club of Point Arena held in February. The score was 6-2-0. Members of the winning Mendocino team were: Jim Dixon, Larry Pierce, Danny Ginsberg, Cory Wisnia, and Anthony Miksak.

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STOCKTON. The Delta Chess Club and Stockton Chess Club combined to present "An Evening With Koltanowski" on April 21 at the campus of Delta Junior College in Stockton. Kolti was up to his usual bag of tricks--lecturing, answering questions, performing his famous "Knight's Tour", and conducting a simultaneous exhibition.



64 Years Have Brought Some Changes

The prize received by the winner of the Havana Tournament of 1913, Frank Marshall, was \$500. The runner-up, Capablanca, got \$375 for second place. The remaining prizes were: \$200, \$125, and \$50. At the 1977 Lone Pine Tournament the winner received \$10,000 and the total prize fund was \$30,000.

Cowboys and Indians

Atlantic Chess News - April, 1975

By STEVE POZAREK

During five-minute play, one of the masters of the Westfield Chess Club frequently responds to an opponent's move with the question "What does this have to do with chess?"

The same could be asked of the following game, played recently in the club championship. And the answer might be "Not much." In fact, it is little more than a battle of cowboys and Indians (the Indians are wearing White feathers and the cowboys are wearing Black hats).

1PQN3 NKB3; 2BN2 PKN3;
3PN3 BN2; 4BN2 O-O;

The Indians are clearly content at present to wait in their tepees, while the cowboys quickly set up fort on the king-side.

5PK3 NB3; 6NK2 PK4; 7O-O
PQ3; 8PQ3 BK3; 9PQB4
QQ2; 10NQ2 BR6;

Finally, a scout ventures into Indian country!

11PQ4 BxB; 12KxB QB4;

After the initial exchange of fire, the cowboys send their leading Indian fighter (part played by John Wayne) on a raiding party.

13PB3 QQ6!;

He invades single-handedly, hoping to take a prisoner.

14PK4 . . .

The Indians surround him.

14. . . NxQP; 15BxB PxB;
16NB4 QB6; 17RB1 QR4;

Wayne escapes unscathed but is now far from the fort. Stung by their loss, the Indians prepare an immediate assault.

18NQ3 BR3!; 19QRB2
PB4; 20PB4! QRK1; 21 QB3
QB2; 22KR1 QQ2; 23NB2
NR4; 24NN4BN2; 25PB5! . . .

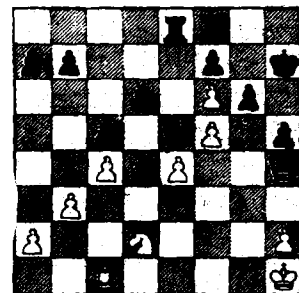
While cowboys wandered around complacently, warriors have managed to encircle the fort. The attack begins!

25 . . . NB3; 26QB4 NxB;
27QxN QK2; 28RB4 BR3?;

This impatient officer has roamed to and fro quite aimlessly. Now he gets cut off from his position, seriously weakening the defense.

29PB6! QK3; 30QR4 BxB;
31PxB PKR4?;

Another break in the wall.
32PB5 QK4; 33RB1 KR2?;



Giving the Indians a chance to capture John Wayne (34NB3 QxP; 35QxQ RxQ; 36NN5ch) and effectively ending all resistance. But they are still obsessed with storming the fort and allow Wayne to escape (the usual mistake in this kind of movie).

34RKN1? PQ6; 35RNB QRBch;

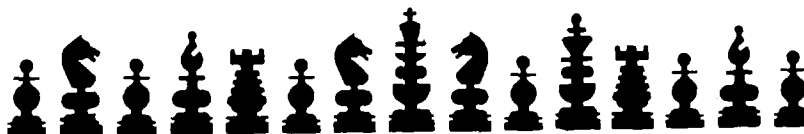
Wayne breaks out, knowing his only chance to save the fort is to capture the Indian chief on his own.

36KN2 QO8; 37NB3 QK7ch;
38KN3 RKN1; 39PxPch PxP;
40PB7! . . .

An Indian victory is in sight so the desperate cowboys set up one last ambush. Luckily for them, this ambitious brave aspires to greatness and stops too soon to take a scalp. This allows Wayne to knock the chief from his horse and save the day, depriving the Indians, again, of a well deserved win.

40 . . . KRB1; 41PxR/Q???
QxN mate

Games



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PAMELA FORD



White: Pamela Ford (1767). Black: Peter Prochaska (1910). Fremont Open, 1977.

French Defense

1 e4	e6	20 Rb2	Qd8(h)
2 d4	d5	21 Nf3	g5?(i)
3 Nc3	Bb4	22 ef	Rf6
4 e5	c5	23 Ng5	Nc7
4 a3	Bc3	24 Qe3(j)	Nd6?
6 h4	Qc7	25 Bd6	Qd6
7 Nf3	Ne7	26 Ra7	Kc6
8 Bd3(a)	b6	27 Nf3!	Qf4
9 Qd2(b)	Ba6	28 Ne5	Kd6
10 Ba6	Na6	29 Qf4	Rf4
11 0-0	c4(c)	30 Rb7	Rf8
12 a4(d)	h5(e)	31 Ra6(k)	Rc8
13 Nh4!	0-0-0(f)	32 Rab6	Ke7
14 Ba3	Kb7	33 Rc6	Kd6
15 Rfb1	Rh6	34 Rd6	Ke8
16 a5	Nc8	35 Rd7	Na8
17 ab	ab	36 Re7(1)	Kf8
18 Rb2(g)	Rg8	37 Re8	Rg7(m)
19 f4	f6	38 Ng6	Resigns

Notes contributed by Pamela Ford.

(a) Here 8 a4 is probably the correct move, as it is less committing.

(b) White does not know the opening and was hard put to find a good continuation. Better is still 9 a4.

(c) Partially compensating for White's poor ninth move by taking away any pressure on White's center, as well as giving White the a3-f8 diagonal.

(d) White finally plays this and, because of mistakes by Black, it is not too late.

(e) An idle threat, easily parried. Black cannot hope to attack with his king exposed and with White controlling f6 and g5.

(f) Black has now fully justified White's mistaken 9 Qd2.

(g) Even stronger may be 18 Qc1.

(h) The threat was 21 Bd6 Nd6 22 ed Qd6 23 Ra6.

(i) Better was to trade at e5, since this move loses a pawn in view of the threat of winning the exchange by 23 f7.

(j) Preparing to control e5 with pieces.

(k) If 31 . . . Na6, then 32 Rd7mate.

(l) Much faster is 36 Nf7, forcing checkmate or win of material.

(m) Any other move allows mate or loses something, e.g., 38 Rf7 or Ng6.

GAMES FROM THE FREMONT OPEN

White: Ernest Curto (1749). Black: Borel Menas (2124). Fremont Open, 1977. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 b4 cb 3 d4 e6 4 14 Nf6 5 Bd3 Nc6 6 Nf3 d5 7 e5 Ne4 8 Qe2 Be7 9 0-0 Qb6 10 Bb2 f 5 11 ef Bf6 12 Ne5 Nd4 13 Qh5 g6 14 Ng6 Ne2 15 Kh1 Qg1 16 Rg1 Nf2mate.

White: Dave Cater (1892). Black: Takashi Kuroaki (2284). Fremont Open, 1977. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 g6 5 Nc6 bc 6 Qd4 Nf6 7 e5 Ng8 8 e6 Nf6 9 ef Kf7 10 Bc4 d5 11 0-0 e5 12 Qd1 Bd6 13 Be2 Kg7 14 Bg5 h6 15 Bh4 g5 16 Bg3 Qb6 17 Nd2 Bc7 18 Nf3 Re8 19 h4 g4 20 Nh2 h5 21 Kh1 Ne4 22 Ng4 hg 23 Bg4 Bg4 24 Qg4 Kh6 25 Rad1 Rg8 26 Qe6 Rg6 27 Qf7 Rg8 28 h5 Rg7 29 Qf5 Rg5 30 Qe6 Kh7 31 Qe6 32 Qe6 Ng3 33 fg Rh5 34 Kg1 Bb6 35 Rf2 Qf8 36 Rf1 Rf5 37 a3 Rf2 38 Qh3 Kg8 39 Qe6 Rf7 40 Time forfeit. (31...Qb8)

White: Jay Whitehead (2234). Black: Paul Whitehead (2171). Fremont Open, 1977. Pirc Defense 1 e4 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 Nc3 d6 4 Bc4 Nf6 5 Qg2 c6 6 e5 de 7 de Nd5 8 Bd2 Nd7 9 0-0-0 N7b6 10 Bb3 0-0 11 h3 Qc7 12 Nf3 Be6 13 Ne4 Nd7 14 Neg5 Ne5 15 Ne6 fe 16 Nd4 Qb6 17 Ne6 Rf2 18 Qe4 Bf6 19 Nf4 Kh8 20 Nd5 cd 21 Qd5 Rd8 22 Qe4 Rd4 23 Qe1 Rg2 24 Bc3 Rd1 25 Qd1 Qe3 26 Kb1 Nf3 27 Qd8 Kg7 28 Bf6 ef 29 A3 Nd2 30 Ka2 Nb3 31 cb Qe5 32 Rb1 Kh6 33 Qf8 Kg5 34 Qf7 Qe4 35 Qh7 a6 36 Rc1 37 h4 Kf5 38 Rf1 Ke6 39 Qg8 Kd7 40 Qg7 Kc8 41 Qf8 Kc7 42 Qe7 Kb8 43 Qf8 Rb2 44 Ka1 Qf6 45 Rf6 Rb3 46 Ka2 Rh3 47 Rg6 Rh4 48 Rg7 Rh3 49 Kb2 Ka7 50 Rg6 Rf3 51 Rh6 Re3 52 Rg6 Kb8 53 Rg7 Kc8 54 Rh7 Rd3 55 Rg7 Rd7 56 Rg6 Kc7 57 Kb9 Drawn. (36...Qe5)

White: Takashi Kuroaki (2204). Black: Jim Buff (1947). Fremont Open, 1977. Polish Opening 1 e3 e5 2 c4 Nf6 3 Nc3 c6 4 Nf3 e4 5 Nd4 d5 6 cd cd 7 b4 Bd6 8 b5 0-0 9 Bb2 Nbd7 10 h3 Nc5 11 Be2 Re8 12 Na4 Qe7 13 Nc5 Bc5 14 Qb3 Bd7 15 g4 h6 16 Rg1 Bd6 17 f4 ef 18 Nf3 Rad8 19 g5 Ne4 20 gh Bg3 21 Kd1 g6 22 Rg3 Ng3 23 Qc3 f6 24 Qf6 Qf6 25 Bf6 Ne2 26 Ng5 Nc3 27 dc Bg4 28 hg Rd7 29 h7 Rh7 30 Nh7 Kh7 31 Kd2 Re4 32 Rh1 Kg8 33 g5 Re4 34 Rh8 Kf7 35 Rh7 Ke6 36 Rb7 Ra2 37 Kd3 Kf5 38 Kd4 a6 39 ba Resigns.

A Thoroughly Logical King's Indian

White: Peter Prochaska (1910). Black: Eric Burriss (1974). CalChess Team Championships, Walnut Creek, 1977.

(Annotations by CalChess Chairman Peter Prochaska)

King's Indian Defense

1 P-Q4	N-KB3	17 R(1)-Q1	B-B1
2 P-QB4	P-KN3	18 P-B4(h)	PxP(l)
3 N-QB3	B-N2	19 PxP(l)	P-KB4
4 P-KN3	O-O	20 P-K5	QR-N1
5 B-N2	P-Q3	21 P-N3	KR-B1(k)
6 N-B3	P-B3	22 R-Q6ll(1)	BxR
7 O-O	QN-Q2	23 Rx8	K-B2(m)
8 Q-B2(a)	Q-B2	24 RxP	Q-Q1
9 R-Q1	P-K4	25 R-Q6	Q-R5(n)
10 P-K4	P-QR4(b)	26 Q-Q2	R-Q1
11 P-KR3(c)	R-K1(d)	27 B-B2	Q-R3(O)
12 PxP1(e)	QNxP(f)	28 RxBl(p)	KxR
13 NxN	PxN	29 Q-Q6ch	K-B2
14 B-K3	B-K3	30 P-K6ch	K-N1
15 N-R4	N-Q2	31 P-K71	Resigns(q)
16 R-Q21(g)	P-N3		

(a) This system, with R-Q1, cuts across many of Black's normal counterattacking ideas.

(b) Preparing a post for his knight at QB4 after trading center pawns.

(c) White does not care to have his bishop harassed by . . . N-N5 when his plays B-K3.

(d) This move is best preceded by . . . PxP, as indicated by White's forceful reply.

(e) Often such captures are poor because they stabilize things too quickly and make it hard to exert any real pressure. Here, however, the black rook will stand inactive at K1 when his pawn recaptures and White will take control of the queen file. Note that Black cannot keep the king file open by 12. . . QNxP 13 NxN RxN because of 14 B-B4 R-K3 15 P-B5.

(f) Black should play 12. . . PxP to help his knight defend the dark squares weakened by his pawn advances on the queen side and eventually send the other knight to K1 to hold Q3. The exchange of knights also favors White because it frees the KBP and allows his bishop to protect the KP.

(g) Getting set to double rooks and offering Black a chance to go awry with 16. . . BxBP (to answer 17 QxB with 17. . . P-QN4) 17 RxN! QxR 18 N-N6 B-Q6 19 Q-Q2 Q-Q3 20 NxR RxN 21 R-Q1.

(h) A committal pawn push, but the only apparent way to maintain the pressure.

(i) Probably the losing move. The best try seems to be 18. . . P-KB4, so that White does not have a ready P-K5.

(j) Stronger than 19 BxBP and more consistent with White's previous play.

(k) White's position is so strong that the subsequent exchange sacrifice may win even without this move, but since White wins a pawn in the bargain it removes all doubt.

(l) A thoroughly logical continuation of the attack. In return for the sacrifice White gains the dark squares and total domination of the position.

(m) Black might consider 23. . . B-B2, but with equally bleak prospects. On the other hand, 23. . . N-B1 drops all the queenside pawns.

(n) One last try at complications. Black can resign after 25. . . Q-K2 26 RxB! QxR 27 B-Q5.

(o) Again, 27. . . Q-K2 will not do because of 28 RxB!

(p) This second exchange sacrifice, which paves the way for White's bishops, yields the cleanest win.

(q) The finish after 31. . . R-K1 would be 32 B-Q5ch K-R1 33 B-Q4ch, a tribute to the power of the two bishops on an open board.

REGIONAL GAMES

Here is a selection of interesting games from the LERA Memorial Day Class Championships, recorded in USCF approved coordinate chess notation (files lettered "a" to "h", ranks numbered "1" to "8", always counting from White's lower left corner regardless of whose turn to move; pawn captures designated by file letters only).

White: Larry Christiansen (2507). Black: Jay Whitehead (2215). Sunnyvale, May 29, 1977. Queen's Indian Defense 1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 b6 4 e4 Bb7 5 Bd3 d6 6 Bc2 c5 7 d4 cd 8 Nd4 Nbd7 9 0-0 Qc7 10 b3 Be7 11 Bb2 0-0 12 Qd3 Qc5 13 Rae1 Ne5 14 Qd2 Nc6 15 Nc6 Bc6 16 Kh1 Rad8 17 Nd5 ed 18 ed Rfe8 19 Bd4 Qa3 20 Qd3 Resigns.

White: Dennis Fritzinger (2277). Black: Roy Blackmer (1911). Sunnyvale, May 28, 1977. French Defense 1 e4 e6 2 d3 d5 3 Nd2 c5 4 Ngf3 Nf6 5 g3 Be7 6 Bg2 0-0 7 0-0 Nc6 8 Re1 b5 9 e5 Nd7 10 Nf1 a5 11 h4 a4 12 N1h2 Ra7 13 h5 h6 14 a3 Nb6 15 Ng4 f5 16 ef Bf6 17 Rb1 Nd4 18 Nfe5 Be5 19 Ne5 Qf6 20 f4 Nd7 21 Ng6 Rd8 22 c3 Nc6 23 g4 Nf8 24 g5 Qf7 25 Ne5 Ne5 26 fe hg 27 Bg5 Re8 28 Rf1 Qc7 29 d4 Ba6 30 h6 Nh7 31 Qh5 Raa8 32 hg Resigns.

White: Peter Biyiasas (2423). Black: Tom Dorsch (2136). Sunnyvale, May 28, 1977. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Nc3 d6 4 g3 g6 5 Bg2 Bg7 6 0-0 Nf6 7 d3 0-0 8 Bg5 Rb8 9 Qd2 b5 10 Rae1 Qc7 11 Nd5 Nd5 12 ed Ne5 13 Nh4 Re8 14 f4 Ng4 15 f5 Bb7 16 fg fg 17 c4 bc 18 dc Ne5 19 b3 Rf8 20 Bh3 Rbd8 21 Be6 Kh8 22 Rf4 Bc8 23 Re5 Be5 24 Ng6 Resigns.

White: Gabriel Sanchez (2015). Black: Peter Biyiasas (2423). Sunnyvale, May 28, 1977. King's Indian Defense 1 c4 Nf6 2 Nc3 g6 3 d4 Bg7 4 g3 0-0 5 Bg2 d6 6 e3 Nbd7 7 b3 e5 8 Nge2 Re8 9 0-0 c6 10 Ba3 Qc7 11 Qd2 Bf8 12 d5 c5 13 e4 a6 14 Bb2 Bg7 15 f4 ef 16 gf Nh5 17 Rad1 Nf8 18 e5 de 19 Ne4 Bg4 20 d6 Qc8 21 Rde1 Be2 22 Re2 ef 23 Bg7 Kg7 24 Qc3 Kg8 25 Bf3 f5 26 Nf6 Nf6 27 Re8 Qe8 28 Qf6 h5 29 Rf2 Nd7 30 Qg5 Ne5 31 Bd5 Kg7 32 Re2 f3 33 Re3 f2 34 Kf1 Ng4 35 Re7 Kf8 36 h3 Resigns.

White: Ruth Orton (2043). Black: Eleuterio Alsasua (2057). Sunnyvale, May 30, 1977. French Defense 1 e4 c5 2 c3 e6 3 d4 d5 4 e5 Nc6 5 Nf3 Bd7 6 a3 Qb6 7 g3 Nge7 8 b4 cd 9 cd Nf5 10 Bb2 a6 11 Bh3 Be7 12 0-0 h5 13 Nc3 Nfd4 14 Nd5 Nf3 15 Qf3 ed 16 Bd7 Kd7 17 Qd5 Kc8 18 Qf7 Kb8 19 Rac1 Qd8 20 e6 Bf6 21 Rfd1 Qe8 22 Bf6 Qf7 23 ef gf 24 Rd7 Rf8 25 f4 Kc8 26 Re7 Rb8 27 Rc5 Kd8 28 Re3 Rf7 29 Rh5 Kc7 30 Re6 Rd8 31 Rh6 Rd6 32 Re8 Nd4 33 Rhh8 Kb6 34 Rc8 Nc6 35 Rhe8 Rd2 36 Re6 Rh7 37 a4 Rhh2 38 a5 Kb5 39 Rc7 Rdg2 40 Kf1 Rf2 41 Ke1 Rb2 42 Rb7 Ka4 43 Resigns.

White: Robert Regon (1452). Black: Jaroslav Skrenek (1511). Sunnyvale, May 29, 1977. King's Gambit Accepted 1 e4 e5 2 Nc3 b6 3 f4 ef 4 Nf3 Be7 5 Bc4 Bh4 6 g3 fg 7 0-0 Ba6 8 Bf7 Kf8 9 d3 gh 10 Kh1 Bf6 11 Bb3 Bc3 12 bc Nf6 13 Bg5 d6 14 Bf6 gf 15 Ng5 Qe7 16 Qh5 Nc6 17 Ne6 Kg8 18 Rg1 hgQ 19 Rg1 Resigns.

White: Ray Musselman (1771). Black: Greg Payne (1802). Berkeley Quads, May 8, 1977. Sicilian Defense 1 c4 g6 2 Nc3 Bg7 3 d4 c5 4 Nf3 cd 5 Nd4 Nc6 6 Nc2 Nf6 7 e4 d6 8 Be2 Be6 9 0-0 0-0 10 f4 Na5 11 b4 Nc4 12 f5 Ne4 13 Ne4 Bf5 14 Rb1 Qb6 15 Kh1 Be4 16 Bc4 Qc6 17 Qe2 Rac8 18 Bf7 Rf7 19 Rf7 Kf7 20 Qf2 Kg8 21 Nd4 Qc1 22 Resigns.

White: Francis Hinkley (1304). Black: Morgan Cooper (1227). Berkeley Quads, May 8, 1977. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 Bg5 e6 7 f4 Be7 8 Qf3 0-0 9 0-0 Qc7 10 g4 b5 11 h4 Bb7 12 Bf6 Bf6 13 Bb5 e5 14 Nf5 ab 15 Nb5 Qc6 16 Nbd6 Ra2 17 g5 Ra1 18 Kd2 Rd1 19 Rd1 Bd8 20 Rg1 g6 21 Nh6 Kg7 22 fe Qd7 23 Qc3 f6 24 ef Bf6 25 e5 Bg5 26 hg Qe6 27 Qc7 Kh8 28 Nd7 Rf7 29 Qd8 Resigns.

Tournaments

International Master Peter Biyiasis



FREMONT OPEN RESULTS

The fourth annual Fremont Open and Class Championships were held in the Central Park Community Center in Fremont, April 30 and May 1 under the direction of Hans Poschmann. A non-USCF rated beginners tournament took place along with the four-round open main event and the five-round class sections, which drew a total of 86 players. Complete results:

Open Division

1st. Peter Biyiasis (2422), Vancouver, Canada, 3½-½, \$205 plus trophy; **2nd-7th,** Jay Whitehead (2234), San Francisco, Richard Bustamante (2215), Merced, Charles Madigan (2208), Auburn, Indiana, Jeremy Silman (2201), San Francisco, Paul Whitehead (2171) (1st expert trophy), San Francisco, and Paul Enright (2081), Oakland, 3-1, \$30 each.

Class A

1st, Ray Musselman (1771), Berkeley, 4½-½, \$50 plus trophy; **2nd,** Mike Morley (1885), San Jose, 3½-1½, \$25.

Class B

1st, Jeff Dubjack (1705), New York, 4-1, \$60 plus trophy; **2nd-4th,** Greg Payne (1750), Cupertino, Robert Fojt (1743), Berkeley, and Don Lieberman (1650), Santa Clara 3½-1½, \$11.66 each.

Class C

1st, Leslie Dutcher (1555), Campbell, 5-0, \$60 plus trophy; **2nd,** Jorge Farias (1500), Berkeley, 4-1, \$40.

Class D-E-Unrated

½1st D-E, Kent Howard (1354), Santa Clara, 5-0, \$50 plus trophy; **2nd D-E,** Jaroslav Skrenek (1376), Berkeley, 4-1, \$30; **1st Unrated,** Norberto Pacate, Stockton, 4-1, \$30.

Beginner Section

1st, Martin Lee, S.F., 5-1, USCF membership.

"LERA" TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The fifth annual LERA Memorial Day Class Championships were held in the Lockheed Employees' Recreation Association Auditorium in Sunnyvale, May 28-30. Jim Hurt of Saratoga was in charge of the six-round, USCF-rated Swiss-system CalChess event, directed by Ted and Ruby Yudacufski. Cash prizes totaling \$2,814 were awarded to 31 of the 157 participants. Complete results:

Open Division

1st, Larry Christiansen (2507), Modesto, 5½-½, \$300; **2nd,** Dennis Fritzing (2277), Berkeley, 4½-1½, \$150; **3rd-6th,** William Batchelder (2105), Laguna Beach, Peter Biyiasis (2423), Vancouver, Canada, John Watson (2309), Fairfax, and Jay Whitehead (2215), San Francisco, 4-2, \$38 each.

Class A

1st, Ira Pohl (1999), Santa Cruz, 6-0, \$200; **2nd-3rd,** Richard Koepcke (1827), San Jose, and Peter Prochaska (1948), San Francisco, 4-2, \$85 each.

Class B

1st-2nd, Marcus Aurelius (1628), San Francisco, and Mike McCusker (1639), Los Gatos, 5-1, \$225 each; **3rd-5th,** Randall Feliciano (1791), San Francisco, Robert Fojt (1749), Berkeley, and Donald Lieberman (1665), Santa Clara, 4½-1½, \$50 each.

Class C

1st-2nd, Stanley Eng (1512), Berkeley, and William Peper (1595), Oakland, 5-1, \$210 each; **3rd-5th,** Michael Carroll (1574), San Jose, T. C. Hartwell (1585), Twin Falls, Idaho, and Iraj Rahbar (1544), Campbell, 4½-1½, \$44 each.

Class D

1st-2nd, George Barber (1214), San Jose, and Terry Kruser (1364), Monterey, 5-1, \$180 each; **3rd-4th,** Ralph Alexander (1378), Vallejo, and Stewart Spada (1336), Clayton, 4½-1½, \$60 each.

Class E

1st, John Sterline (1139), Sunnyvale, 6-0, \$30; **2nd-3rd,** Elious Chapman (0741), Santa Clara, and Lewis John s(1170), Stanford, 4-2, \$10 each.

UNRATED DIVISION

1st, Leonardo Moguel, Pacifica, 5½-½, \$80; **2nd-5th,** Raymond Gardner, Menlo Park, Pedro Marcal, Palo Alto, Robert Smith, Pleasanton, and Lowell Yeager, San Jose, 4-2, \$15 each.

White: Mike Huber (1709). Black: Leslie Colin (1629). Sunnyvale, May 29, 1977. Scotch Gambit 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 ed 4 c3 dc 5 Bc4 Qe7 6 0-0 Ne5 7 Ne5 Qe5 8 Nc3 c6 9 Qb3 Nf6 10 Be3 Bd6 11 B7 Kd8 12 f4 Qe7 13 Rael Bd4 14 a3 Bc3 15 Bd6 Resigns.

BERKELEY SUNDAY QUADS RESULTS

The first Berkeley Sunday Quads tournament, sponsored by CalChess and the Berkeley Chess Club, brought 41 players together for a three-round, round-robin competition of four-man sections, May 8, at the Berkeley Central YMCA. "Chess Voice" editor John Larkins directed the USCF rated event. Complete results:

Section 1, Allen Becker (1959), San Mateo, 2½-½, \$14; **Section 2,** Dave Cater (1892), Sunnyvale, 2½-½, \$14; **Section 3,** Charles Nevins (1845), Fairfield, 2½-½, \$14; **Section 4,** Richard Hobbs (1673), Berkeley, 2-2, \$14; **Section 5,** Richard Cullen (1592), Berkeley, 2-2, \$14; **Section 6,** Jorge Farias (Unrated), Berkeley, 2½-½, \$14; **Section 7,** Robert Shelton (1487), Berkeley, 2½-½, \$14; **Section 8,** Jim Parkhurst (1417), Albany, 2½-½, \$14; **Section 9,** Charles Brunton (1400), Vacaville, 3-0, \$14; **Section 10,** 1st, Francis Hinkley (1304), Albany, 4-1 (5 players), \$15, 2nd, Morgan Cooper (1227), Moraga, 3-2, \$2.50.

MAY DAY TOURNEY RESULTS

Young expert Paul Whitehead tied with America's newest grandmaster, Larry Christiansen, for first place in the Berkeley May Day tournament, held on the campus of the University of California on May 21-22. 100 players participated in the event, which was directed by Alan Benson. The prize fund totaled \$1,274, plus \$100 worth of gift certificates.

Master/Expert Section: 1st (tie) IGM Larry Christiansen (2465), Modesto; and Paul Whitehead (2171), San Francisco, each with $3\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ for \$166.50. 3rd (tie)- John Watson (2331), Berkeley, and Paul Cornelius (2332), Berkeley, each with 3-1 for \$33. 5th - Jay Whitehead (2234), San Francisco, $2\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$, \$30. (See the cross table for round-by-round results.)

Class A: 1st - Norman Symonds (1877), Berkeley, $3\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$, \$150. 2nd (tie) - Bill Ortega (1972), San Francisco, Harold Blajwas (1895), San Francisco, and David Weldon (1876), Berkeley, each with 3-1 for \$36.33. 5th - Ray Musselman (1771), Berkeley, $2\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$, \$25 gift certificate.

Class B: 1st (tie) - Gaudencio Delacruz (1595), San Jose, Roger Hofmann (1632), San Francisco, Ralph DeWitt (1759), Berkeley, and Robert Fojt (1743), Berkeley, each with $3\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ for \$58. 5th - Raymundo Gutierrez (1797), Norman, Oklahoma, 3-1, \$20 gift certificate.

Class C: 1st - Stanley Eng (1542), Berkeley, 4-0, \$117. 2nd (tie) - William Talcott (1522), San Francisco, Richard McKenzie (1456), Cupertino, Gordon Wood (1454), Sausalito, Iraj Rahbar (1599), Campbell, Andy Ansel (1580), Oakland, Allen Buckbee (1568), San Francisco, and Jorge Farias (Unr), Berkeley, each with 3-1 for \$12.85. 9th - Michael Vaughn (1564), San Jose, 2-2, \$15 gift certificate.

Classes D, E, and Unrated: 1st (tie) - Jaroslav Skrenek (1378), Berkeley, and Leonardo Moguel (Unr), Pacifica, each with $3\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ for \$75. 3rd (tie) - Morgan Cooper (1227), Moraga, and Tappan Lum (1190), Moraga, each with 3-1 for \$13.50. 5th - Ben Sepulveda (1004), Pleasant Hill, $2\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$, \$10.00 gift certificate.

MASTER/EXPERT SECTION ---- MAY DAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

No.	Name	Rtng	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Pts
1	Christiansen	2465	W16	D10	W6	W7	$3\frac{1}{2}$
2	Whitehead, P.	2171	W18	W4	D7	W5	$3\frac{1}{2}$
3	Cornelius	2332	W8	D13	D10	W12	3
4	Watson	2331	W9	L2	W14	W10	3
5	Biyiasas	2422	D11	W16	W13	L2	$2\frac{1}{2}$
6	Pupols	2234	W22	D14	L1	W17	$2\frac{1}{2}$
7	Whitehead, J.	2234	W17	W15	D2	L1	$2\frac{1}{2}$
8	Cobert	2052	L3	D11	W19	W15	$2\frac{1}{2}$
9	Pope	2033	L4	W18	D15	W14	$2\frac{1}{2}$
10	Richard Bustamante	2	17	Robert Anderson	$1\frac{1}{2}$		
11	Gabriel Sanchez	2	18	Richard Dorn	$1\frac{1}{2}$		
12	Lawrence Stevens	2	19	Roy Blackmer	1		
13	William Batchelder	$1\frac{1}{2}$	20	Dave Denny	1		
14	Borel Menas	$1\frac{1}{2}$	21	Robert Phillips	1		
15	Martin Sullivan	$1\frac{1}{2}$	22	Ruth Orton	$\frac{1}{2}$		
16	Paul Enright	$1\frac{1}{2}$					

"A man who will take back a move at chess will pick a pocket." --Fenton

BAGBY MASTERS INVITATIONAL RESULTS

The Mechanics Institute Chess Club of San Francisco held its annual Bagby Memorial Masters Invitational Championship during January, February, and March. The eight-player round robin was directed by Mike Goodall. Robert Newbold emerged as the top master, with George Kane in second place. (See the cross table for round-by-round results.)

BAGBY MEMORIAL MASTERS INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Player	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts	Rtng
1 Newbold	D7	W6	D3	W4	D2	W8	D5	5	2316
2 Kane	W4	D8	W7	D3	D1	W5	L6	$4\frac{1}{2}$	2316
3 Watson	W8	W7	D1	D2	L5	L6	W4	4	2309
4 Jones	L2	W5	W6	L1	W8	W7	L3	4	2258
5 Cleghorn	D6	L4	W8	D7	W3	L2	D1	$3\frac{1}{2}$	2357
6 Harari	D5	L1	L4	D8	L7	W3	W2	3	2225
7 Silman	D1	L3	L2	D5	W6	L4	W8	3	2297
8 Maffeo	L3	D2	L5	D6	L4	L1	L7	1	2179

STAMER MEMORIAL RESULTS

Sixty-three players participated in the annual Stamer Memorial Tournament, held on June 3-7 at the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club in San Francisco, and directed by Mike Goodall.

First place went to John Watson (2309) for his perfect score of 5-0. Caught in the log-jam tie for second were: Peter Biyiasas (2423), Paul Cornelius (2336), Craig Barnes (2175), David Berry (2159), Max Burkett (2143), Tom Dorsch (2136), Craig Mar (2082), and Frank Metz (2020), all with 4-1.

SACRAMENTO OPEN RESULTS

The Sacramento Open, held on April 30-May 1, drew 64 entries to the state capital. Tony DiMilo directed.

Craig Mar took first place with a score of 4-0. Five players tied for second with scores of $3\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$: Tom Dorsch, Mark Buckley, Mike Ghormley, Don Gunther, and Don Mack. Charles Nevins was "best A-player", Don Mack was "best B", and Micke Ghormley and Don Gunther tied for "best C".

CYNTHIA ANN RESULTS

On April 9-10, twenty-seven players (20 from the Bay Area) participated in the Cynthia Ann Tournament in Santa Rosa. The CalChess event was directed by Tom Boyd, who is the proud father of a new baby daughter named--you guessed it--Cynthia Ann.

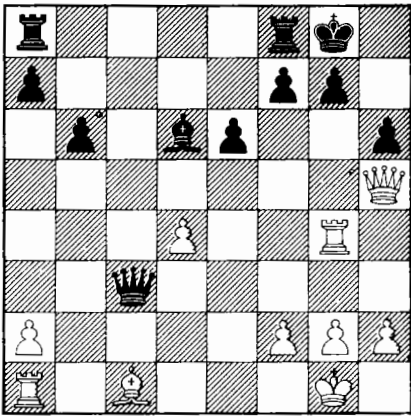
There was a four-way tie for first place among Max Burkett (2191), Oakland, Tom Dorsch (2036), Hayward, Borel Menas (2147), San Francisco, and Bill Poindexter (1926), Napa, each with $3\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ for \$18.75.

In the 1700-1900 section, Dave Denney (1856), San Francisco, and Ben Gross (1757), San Francisco, tied for first, each with 3-1 for \$37.50. In the Below 1700 section, first place went to Fred Kelley (1306/6), Sebastapol, whose 3-1 earned him \$50. Mike Ghormley (1562), Rancho Cordova, got second place with $2\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ for \$25. The "best under 1460" prize was shared by Stephen Scherr (1429/16), San Francisco, and Guenter Meiburg (1427/13), Sebastapol. Each received \$7.50.

McGargar: "Is it true you were mated by a Knight?"
Spargo: "Yes. I was done in by the Grim Leaper."

Did you see what happened on board 8?

Interesting positions chosen by Richard Shorman from recently-played tournament games.
(Readers can submit similar positions from their own games for possible publication.)

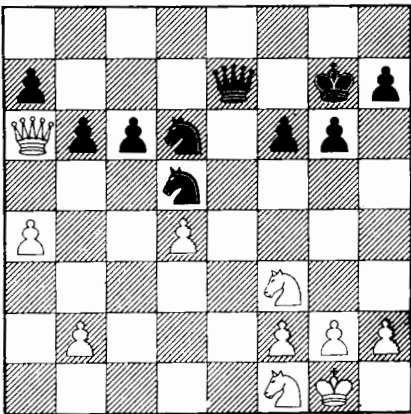
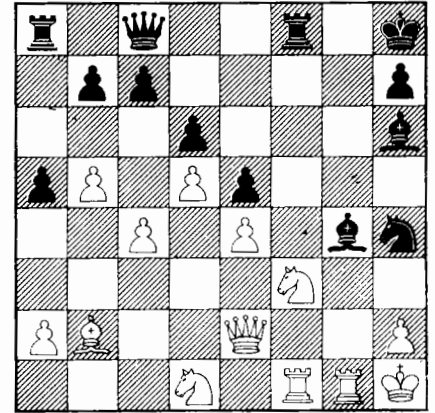


Alan Chappell (1692) White.
Michael Ghormley (1545) Black.
LERA, Mar. 19, 1977, Rd 2.

Black has just played 19...Q-B6?
But White has 20 RxP+!, KxR 21 BxP+
--after which Black gave up.

David Anderson (1450) White.
Gary Smith (1574) Black.
LERA, Mar. 20, 1977, Rd 5.

White found 25 NxP!, PxN 26 BxP+
B-N2 27 BxB+, KxB 28 RxB+--winning
handily.

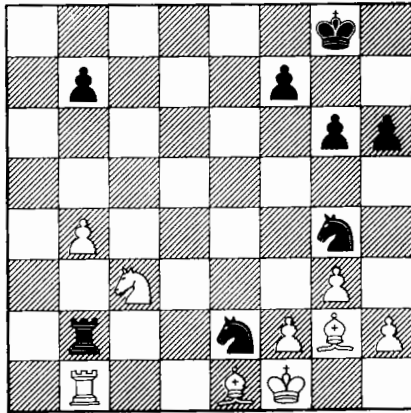
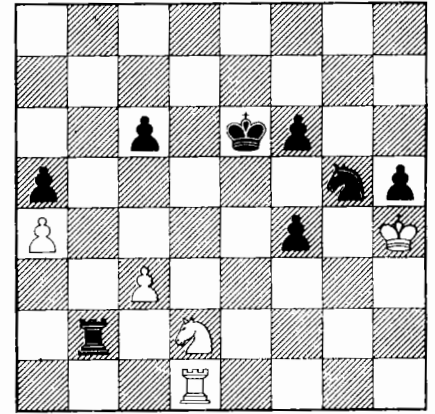


Alan Chappell (1692) White.
Nick Ballard (1738) Black.
LERA, Mar. 19, 1977, Rd 3.

Black has just played 25...Q-K2.
Then White played 26 P-KR3?? and
resigned after 26...N-N5!

Everett McNally (1850) White.
Scott Laird (1886) Black.
CalChess Team Champ., Apr., 1977.

White has just played 40 K-R4.
But Black counters with 40...N-K5!
--which, strangely enough, wins
White's Knight.

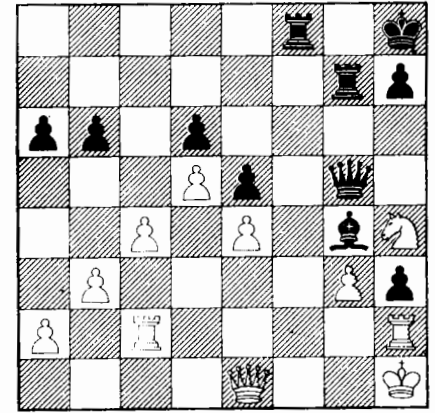


Dan Fukuma (1729) White.
Al Hansen (1601) Black.
LERA, Mar. 19, 1977, Rd 1.

Black has just played 28...N-K7+.
White responds 29 K-B1?? only to en-
counter 29...NxRP mate.

Alan Petit (1587) White.
Leslie Dutcher (1539) Black.
LERA, Mar. 20, 1977, Rd 4.

Black shocked his opponent in-
to not realizing his flag was about
to fall by 37...QxN! 38 PxQ, B-B6+
39 R/R2-N2, BxR+ 40 K-R2, R-B8.



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Northern California High School and Pre-High School Chess Championships and National Qualifier was held in Sunnyvale on April 23-24. The event was co-sponsored by the LERA Chess Club and CalChess, and was directed by Ken Stone, with the assistance of Bryce Perry. Thirty-nine players participated in the six-round Swiss system tourney.

Qualifying as 1977 CalChess Northern California High School Champions was the team from Grace Davis High School, Modesto. Robert Raingruber is the faculty advisor, and the team members were: Howard Wesely (1739), Mark Saliman (1562), Steve Morger (1460), and Dave Ayers (1379).

The Modesto team thus became the Northern California representative in the National High School Team Championships held in Cleveland, Ohio May 13-15. With Mark Saliman replaced by Mike Jones, the Northern California team placed sixth in a field of 38. (A team from Burlington, Vermont became the national champions.) Travel expenses for the Ohio trip were derived from the Northern California Championship prize fund, from CalChess, and from other sources.

"The pieces are just waiting to play the most precise and beautiful game that has ever been played." --David Bronstein

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June 25-26 - Hayward Summerfest (Hayward).
Jerry Rogers, TD. (See centerfold flyer.)
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July 2-3-4 - Golden Gate Open (San Francisco).
Mike Goodall, TD. (See centerfold flyer.)

July 9-10 - Santa Clara Open (Santa Clara).
Francisco Sierra, TD. 4-SS, EF+\$12. (See June
CL&R, p. 350.)

July 9-10 - Fresno Fashion Fair (Fresno).
Leroy Hatley, TD. Below 2200 only, EF=\$10. (See
June CL&R, p. 350.)

July 16 - Hayward Quads (Hayward). Jerry Ro-
gers, TD. EF=\$4, gift certificates as prizes.

July 23-24 - Paul Masson American Class Champ-
ionships, (Saratoga). Martin E. Morrison, TD.
(See centerfold flyer.)

July 30 - Fastest Pawn in the West (Monterey).
Speed chess tournament. Monterey Chess Center.
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August 4-5 (midweek) - Eastridge Summer Open
(San Jose). Fred Muollo, TD. (See June CL&R, p.
350.)

August 7-19 - U.S. Open (Columbus, Ohio).

August 20-21 - San Jose City College Open
(San Jose). Francisco Sierra, TD.

August 27-28 - Hayward Chess Festival (Hay-
ward). Jerry Rogers, TD.
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☆ September 3-4 - CalChess Class Championships
(Berkeley). Alan Benson, TD. UC Campus. North-
ern California titles, trophies, prizes.

September 17-18 - Lake of the Sky Tournament
(Lake Tahoe). Mitch Ring, TD.

☆ September 24-25 - LERA Sunnyvale Class Champ-
ionships (Sunnyvale). Jim Hurt, TD.
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☆ October 9 - 2nd Berkeley Sunday Quads (Ber-
keley). John Larkins, TD.

October 15-16 - Fight of the Bumbler B's (Mon-
terey). Monterey Chess Center. (1799 & under.)
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☆ November 19-20 (tentative) - Alan Benson/U.C.
Campus tourney.

November 24-27 - American Open (Santa Monica).

☆ November 26-27 - LERA Thanksgiving Champion-
ships (Sunnyvale). Jim Hurt, TD. (Tentative.)
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December 17 - Inter-city Team Match (Monterey).
Monterey Chess Center.

December 18 - Merry Chessmas Tournament (Mon-
terey). Monterey Chess Center.

December 18 - Nb4 Christmas Quads (Sacramento).
Mike Ghormley, TD.
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☆ January 14 - Walnut Creek Quads (Walnut Creek).
John Larkins, TD. Saleh Mujahed, organizer.

January 14-15 - Monterey Coast Classic (Mon-
terey). Monterey Chess Center.

☆ January 21-22 (tentative) - CalChess Amateur.
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February 25-26 - Cherry Tree Open (Monterey).
Monterey Chess Center.
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March 19 - St. Patrick's Day Donneybrook (Mon-
terey). Monterey Chess Center.
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(Sometime in April) - Intercollegiate Team
Tourney (Monterey). Monterey Chess Center.
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June 24-25 - Monterey International (Monterey).
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Count Dracula? No, just a mesmerized Nick Ballard.
(Photo by Richard Shorman.)

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Bay Area: East Bay

MONDAY - Hayward CC, 8pm, Palma Ceia park, Miami and Decatur Sts. Jerry Rogers TD (415) 276-5754.

Monday Knights CC (Berkeley), by invitation only.

San Leandro CC, 7pm, Washington School Cafeteria, 250 Dutton St. Kerry Lawless TD (415) 357-6957.

Concord CC, 6:30pm, 1st & 3rd Mondays only, Concord Library. Bill Able.

Diablo Valley CC, 3pm, Room BE 211, on the campus. Steve Irvin, 825-3430.

TUESDAY - Oakland Chess Group, 7pm, 1969 Park Blvd. John Larkins TD (415) 653-6529.

Walnut Creek CC, 7:30pm, 1385 Civic Dr Saleh Mujahed TD, #5 Abbey Court, Walnut Creek CA 94595.

WEDNESDAY - Fremont CC, 7pm, 40204 Paseo Padre Parkway. Hans Poschmann TD (415) 656-8505.

THURSDAY - UC Campus CC (Berkeley) 7pm 4th Floor, Student Union Bldg. Alan Benson TD (415) 843-0661.

FRIDAY - Berkeley CC, 7pm, Central YMCA 2001 Allston Way. John Larkins TD (415) 653-6529.

Richmond CC, 7pm, Our Lady of Mercy church, Point Richmond. Leonard Trottier TD. (415) 233-1595.

Hayward CC, 7pm (see Monday).

SUNDAY - "Albany open chess," 12:30-4 pm, Albany Com Cen, 1123 8th St. Jim Parkhurst, (415) 526-0996.

Bay Area: South Bay

MONDAY - Redwood City CC, 7pm, Recreation Dept. Activity Bldg, 1400 Roosevelt Ave. Don Reid TD (415) 324-9472.

San Jose CC, 7pm, West Savgs Com Rm, Bernal & Santa Teresa. (See Wed & Fri.)

Palo Alto CC, 7pm, Lucie Stern Com Cen 1305 Middlefield Rd. Bryce Perry, TD. (415) 493-3833. (See also Thurs.)

WEDNESDAY - San Jose CC, 6:30pm, Jewish Com Cen, Foxworthy & Leigh. James Black TD. (408) 997-1058.

Santa Clara CC, 7pm, Montgomery Center, 890 Peppertree Lane (room 6). Francisco Sierra TD (408) 241-1447.

THURSDAY - Burlingame-San Mateo CC, 7pm, Burlingame Recreation Center. H. Rosenbaum, 1561 Chestnut St., San Carlos CA.

Palo Alto CC, 7pm, Mitchell Park Clubhouse, 3800 Middlefield Rd. (See Monday.)

LERA CC (Sunnyvale), Lockheed Employees Recreation Association, 7pm, LERA Auditorium Java and Mathilda Sts. Jim Hurt TD, PO Box 60451, Sunnyvale CA 94088.

FRIDAY - San Jose CC, 7pm, San Jose City College, Room B-204, Business Bldg. (See Wednesday.)

Bay Area: West Bay

EVERY DAY - Mechanics' Institute CC, (San Francisco) 9am-11pm M-F; 9am-12pm Sat; 12am-10pm Sun. 4th Floor, 57 Post St.. Raymond Conway TD (415) 421-2258.

MONDAY - Day's Coffeehouse (San Francisco) 7:30pm, 24 Ellis St. (Market & Stockton). Speed chess tournaments, \$3 entry fee. Jim Buff TD (415) 392-2928.

BankAmerica CC, BankAmerica Bldg. (Restricted to BankAmerica employees.) Joseph Puechner. Extension (622) - 6007.

TUESDAY - Daly City CC, 7:30pm, Westlake Park Clubhouse, 149 Lake Merced Blvd. Carl Barton (415) 731-9171.

Bechtel CC (for employees of the Bechtel Corp.) Anthony Saguisag TD, Box 3965, San Francisco, CA 94119.

Bay Area: North Bay

TUESDAY - Ross Valley CC (San Anselmo) 7pm, Robson-Harrington House, 237 Crescent. Jerry Frazier TD (415) 454-3163.

FRIDAY - Vallejo CC, 7:30pm, Community Center, 225 Amador St. Gunnar Rasmussen TD 1015 Henry Court, Vallejo CA 94590.

Santa Rosa CC, 7pm, Santa Rosa Jr Coll (Room 142). Lee Henderson TD, 7104 Belita Ave., Rohnert Park CA 94929.

----- Sonoma State College CC, Clement Falbo TD, Mathematics Dept., Sonoma State Coll, Rohnert Park CA 94928.

Sacramento Valley

MONDAY - Sacramento State CC, 7pm, Student Union, Sacramento State University. Stewart Katz, TD.

TUESDAY - Davis CC, 7pm, Veterans Memorial Bldg, 14th & B Sts. Anita Zorn TD 1201 K St., Davis CA 95616.

WEDNESDAY - Capital City CC, 7:30pm, Clunie Clubhouse, Alhambra & F Sts, Sacramento. Anthony DiMilo TD, 4200 Mapel Lane, Carmichael CA 95608.

FRIDAY - Rancho Cordova CC, 7:30pm, 2197 Chase Drive. Art Guess.
Central Valley

TUESDAY - Modesto CC, 7pm, Davis HS, 1200 Ruble Rd. Robert Tanner (209) 529-8184 or Robt. Raingruber (209) 527-0657.

WEDNESDAY - Stockton CC, 7pm, Herbert Hoover School (Multipurpose Room), Kirk St. Barney Patrick TD, 14636 Navajo Way, Manteca CA 95336

----- Fresno City College CC, Pete Lang TD, 2693 West Browning Ave., Fresno CA 93711.

----- Salinas CC, Sam Lowe TD, 312 Noice Drive, Salinas CA 93901.

----- Turlock CC, Sen Cit Cen, 1191 Cahill Ave. Richard Foster (209) 634-6757.

South Coast

WEDNESDAY - Caissa CC (San Luis Obispo), 7pm, Cal Poly State Univ (Room 152, Math & Home Econ Bldg). George Lewis TD, 209 Longview Lane, San Luis Obispo CA 93401.

Morro Bay CC, 7pm, Senior Citizen's Center, 460 Bonita St., North Morro Bay. William Hutchinson TD, 248 Los Osos CA 93402.

EVERY DAY - Monterey Chess Center, M-F 4:30-10pm; Sat-Sun 2-10pm; closed Mondays, 430 Alvarado St. Ted and Ruby Yudacufski TD's. (408) 372-9790.

North Coast

MONDAY - Ukiah CC, 7pm, Sen Cit Cen, Perkins St. Jerry Walls, PO Box 308, Boonville CA 95415 or Matt Sankovich.

TUESDAY - Mendocino CC, 7:30pm, Mendocino Hotel. Anthony Miksak, Box 402, Mendocino, CA 95460.

THURSDAY - College of the Redwoods CC (Eureka), noon, Lakeview Room, Coll of the Redwoods.

----- Mendonoma CC (Point Arena), Lee Slavens TD, 150 Maia St., Point Arena.

Sierra Madre

WEDNESDAY - Lake Tahoe CC, 6-10pm, Recreation Cen, 1118 Rufus Allen Blvd, South Lake Tahoe. Mitch Ring. (916) 544-3183.

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