



International Master George Koltanowski, Signal chess columnist, treated local chess fans to a blindfold exhibition at The Signal's chess event at CalArts Friday night. In the above picture,

Koltanowski plays a "blindfold" game, calling out his moves with his back to the board. When the play was over, he called out the position of every piece on the board.



On stage, behind Koltanowski, Sharon Risk moved her pieces on a standard board. Opposite her, Valencia Valley champion Ray Bagley moved the white pieces as Koltanowski

called his moves. Peter Gelfand called Ms. Risk's moves to Koltanowski at the microphone, and Signal publisher Tony Newhall showed the game on a big board. Koltanowski won this.



The master walked from board to board inside a hollow square at which sat 23 selected players, making a move as he passed each board.

Some 175 spectators watched. All 23 matches were finished at the end of two hours, at which time only one man had beaten the master.



Twenty-two players were defeated or resigned in the simultaneous match. The last two survivors were 16-year-old Kim Monson, Valen-

cia Valley women's champion, and Ross Wright. Ms. Monson resigned, and then Koltanowski resigned to Wright (above).