

CROSS CAPTURES CALIF. OPEN

The first Open Championship, held in California by the newly organized California State Chess Association, resulted in the victory of Jim Cross of Glendale who finished third in the recent U. S. Junior Championship at Oak Ridge.

A. J. Fink of San Francisco was second, N. Falconer of Berkeley third, Ray Martin of Los Angeles fourth, and Wade Hendricks of Santa Cruz fifth in the 7 round Swiss which had 36 entries. George Koltanowski, the blindfold wizard, directed the tournament which was played at Atascadero with the Atascadero Chess Club acting as the hosts.

At a business meeting at the Amerivet Building plans were laid for the organization of the new California State Chess Association, and a committee was appointed to provide a permanent constitution. LeRoy Johnson served as president pro tem, and C. W. Bird was acting secretary.

The California Chess News, published by George Koltanowski, was named the official organ of the new association.

It is not indicated whether the members of the older California Chess Association plan to participate in this reorganized association or will continue as a separate body.

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Jim Cross (Glendale)	63-1
A. J. Fink (San Francisco)	52-11
N. Falconer (Berkeley)	52-11
Ray Martin (Los Angeles)	5-2
Wade Hendricks (Santa Cruz)	5-2
Adolph Weiss (Hollywood)	41-21
William Adams (San Jose)	41-21
Hap Hazard (Culver City)	41-21
F. Crofut (San Jose)	41-21
P. Quillen (Glendale)	41-21
J. Nedham (Hayward)	41-21
Geo. Croy (Los Angeles)	4-3
P. Allinger (Oakland)	4-3
Dan Neilson (Hayward)	4-3
George Oakes (Salinas)	4-3
Geo. Stevens (Santa Monica)	4-3
R. Potter (Dallas, Tex.)	31-31
R. Upham (San Rafael)	31-31
Paul Lynch (Hayward)	31-31
C. Svalberg (San Francisco)	31-31
Leoy Johnson (Los Angeles)	3-4
C. Henderson (Los Angeles)	3-4
L. Daugherty (San Jose)	3-4
W. Steckel (Los Angeles)	3-4
N. Schaller (Oakland)	3-4
S. Poulsen (Fresno)	3-4
P. Petersen (Lomita)	3-4
V. Radaiken, Jr. (San Francisco)	21-41
J. M. Malig (San Jose)	21-41
B. C. Jenkins (Santa Rosa)	21-41
K. Chambers (Paso Robles)	2-5
M. Radaikin, Sr. (San Francisco)	2-5
Mrs. L. Henderson (Los Angeles)	1-6
*C. W. Bird (Fresno)	11-51
*A. Spiller (Los Angeles)	11-51
*W. McGowan (San Francisco)	1-6

*Withdrew before end of tourney.