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ACTRESS OFFICIATES—Carmen Miranda, selected to draw names for pairing in Pan-American Chess Congress. With her, left to right, are Reuben Fine of Washington, D.C., Dr. J. Alfredo Brodermann, Cuba, who played each other last night, and Robert Paradise, tourney official.

Chess Congress Masterminds Begin Contests

Knight attacked bishop, rook charged pawn, the powerful queen defended her weak but important king as masterminds of chess intricacies guided their destinies in the opening matches last night of the Times-sponsored Pan-American Chess Congress at the Hollywood Athletic Club.

Drawings for the opening games were held yesterday with Carmen Miranda, South American actress, selecting names from a hat for the pairings.

Opponents Picked

Opponents for last night's round, and countries they represent (the first named playing white in each case,) were:

Herman Steiner (United States)—Dr. Walter O. Cruz (Brazil.)

Irving Kashdan (United States)—Joaquin Camarena (Mexico.)

Samuel Reshevsky (United States)—Herman Pilnik (Argentina.)

Maj. Jose Joaquin Araiza (Mexico)—Herbert Seidman (United States.)

Reuben Fine (United States)—Dr. Jose Alfredo Brodermann (Cuba.)

Hector Rossetto (Argentina)—I. A. Horowitz (United States.)

Weaver Adams (United States)—bye.

Matches Postponed

Matches between Steiner and Dr. Cruz and Reshevsky and Pilnik were postponed because of the delayed arrival of the two

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delegates from the South American countries.

In the women's division, pairings were:

Mrs. Roos—Mrs. Putnam.

Mrs. Bain—Mrs. Harmat.

Mrs. Berkoff—Mrs. Henderson
(Mitzi Mayfair.)

Mrs. Wolff—Mrs. Rogers.

Miss Karff—bye.

Out of the round-robin series, which will end Aug. 12, will emerge the chess champion of the Western Hemisphere.

The official matches got under way at 8 p.m. in the spacious Hollywood Athletic Club gymnasium. The masters tournament, which carries a cash prize of \$1000 for the winner, will continue nightly from 7 to 11 o'clock. Minor tournaments will get under way today with play beginning at 2 p.m. daily.

Spectators can be admitted to see each day's play. Tickets for the series are \$12 and for single days, \$1.20.