

# CHESS

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## RIVISE WINS OPEN AT SANTA BARBARA

Irving Rivise of Los Angeles won the 1958 California Open Chess Championship in the tournament contested over the Labor Day week end at the Carrillo Hotel in Santa Barbara. He thus becomes the first-seeded entry for the Far West in the United States Championship Tournament, scheduled for New York in December.

Rivise tied in game points with Raymond J. Martin of Santa Monica and Joe Mego of Los Angeles, each scoring 6-1. When the Solkoff tie-breaking system was applied, Rivise had 23 SP to 21½ for Mego and 20½ for Martin.

A record-breaking total of 114 players competed in the seven-round event. For the first time membership was required in the U.S. Chess Federation, as well as the California State Chess Federation.

After three rounds the players were divided into Championship and Reserve Sections. The winner of the Reserves was Ostap Bender of Sacramento, who tied with Carl Bitzer of China Lake at 4½-2½ and won the trophy on tie-breaking points.

The tournament director was Guthrie McClain of San Francisco, assisted by Robert A. Karch, who was in charge of the Reserves Section, and Newton Grant.

Following are the scores of the major prize winners, including Solkoff points, and games from the tournament.

### CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP

	W	SP
1—Irving Rivise, L.A. ....	6	23
2—Joe Mego, L.A. ....	6	21½
3—Raymond J. Martin, S. Mon. .	6	20½
4—Louis Spinner, Montrose ...	5½	22½
5—Robion Kirby, Chicago .....	5½	20½
6—Robert G. Cross, L.A. ....	5½	19
7—W. Pafnutieff, S.F. ....	5½	19
8—W. G. Addison, S.F. ....	5½	18½
9—Donald J. Foley, San Jose ...	5½	16½
10—Erik Osbun, Santa Rosa ..	5½	16½
11—Roger Smook, San Berdo. .	5	18½
12—Phil D. Smith, Fresno ...	5	17½
13—Newton Grant, San Diego ...	5	15

### SICILIAN DEFENSE

White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-QB4	15-P-B5	N-N5
2-N-QB3	N-QB3	16-B-R6	BxB
3-P-KN3	P-KN3	17-QxB	N(N)xBP
4-B-N2	B-N2	18-PxP	P-N5
5-KN-K2	P-K4	19-PxPch	K-Q2
6-P-Q3	KN-K2	20-NxN	BPxN
7-B-K3	P-Q3	21-N-Q5	N-R6ch
8-Q-Q2	N-Q5	22-PxN	PxPch
9-O-O-O	B-R6	23-K-R	KR-QB
10-QR-N	BxB	24-Q-R3ch	K-B3
11-RxB	Q-R4	25-R-B2ch	K-N2
12-K-N	P-QN4	26-RxR	Q-Q7
13-P-B4	R-QN	27-RxRch	Resigns
14-R-KB	KN-K3		

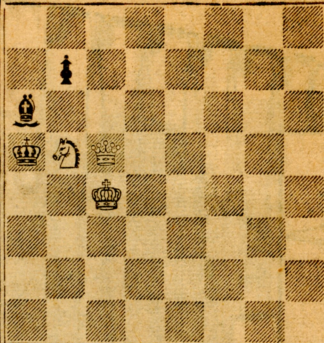
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White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-QB4	17-N-Q5	N-KN5
2-N-KB3	P-Q3	18-Q-K4	RxRch
3-P-Q4	PxP	19-RxR	NxB
4-NxP	N-KB3	20-NxN	P-QR3
5-N-QB3	P-KN3	21-N-B3	P-K3
6-P-B4	B-N2	22-N-K2	BxP
7-B-N5ch	B-Q2	23-N-QB4	Q-Q
8-P-K5	PxP	24-NxB	Q-N3ch
9-PxP	N-N	25-K-R	QxN
10-P-K6	BxB	26-QxKPch	K-R
11-PxPch	KxP	27-P-B3	R-Q
12-Q-B3ch	N-B3	28-N-Q4	QxBP
13-N(4)xB	N-B3	29-Q-B6ch	K-N
14-O-O	R-KB	30-Q-B7ch	K-R
15-B-K3	K-N	31-N-K6	Resigns
16-QR-Q	Q-B		

## KASHDAN AT CONVAIR

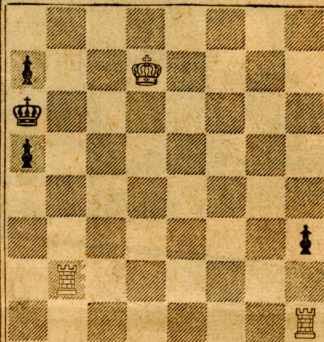
Your editor will take on some 30 opponents in simultaneous play this afternoon at the Convairstant plant in Pomona. The program will start at 2 p.m. with a talk on experiences with American chess teams in international tournaments. The exhibition was organized by Harvey Goodwin, Chess Club commissioner of Convairstant Recreation Association.

Sept. 7, 1958  
TIMES PROBLEM 2995  
By C. Savignac  
BLACK 3



WHITE 3  
White mates in two.

TIMES PROBLEM 2996  
By W. Holzhausen  
BLACK 4



WHITE 3  
White mates in three.

### PROBLEM COMMENT

We are back to normal with today's problems, both miniatures and not too difficult. There is no threat in either problem after good key moves.

Send solutions to Chess Editor, Los Angeles Times. Solutions and lists of solvers will be published in two weeks. Points will be published for information only. There are no prizes except for special competitions announced from time to time.

The winners in our summer contest will be announced next week. So far six solvers have earned the maximum of 30 points through Problem 2992.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 2991: R-Q7  
SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 2992: QN-Q6 Threat, 2 QxBch; if KxRch, 2 N-B7ch; if K-K4ch; 2 P-B7ch; if Q-N3, 2 N-N7; if Q-B2 or K1, 2 NxPch; if PxP, 2 N-B7.

### SOLVERS' LIST

Five points—F. Aks, N. V. Beaudin, C. W. Bitzer, D. E. Blowers, D. L. Gibson, J. T. Lynch, W. S. Moore, M. Morris, M. Rubin, E. F. Schrader.

Four points—Mrs. W. A. Gerth, W. H. Griffith, N. Hultgren, C. R. Nelson, G. J. Randolph, L. A. Victor.

Three points—J. C. Beaver, M. Chutorian, J. E. Maendl, D. Rothman. Two points—G. Chandler, J. D. Frierson, D. Hinricksen, J. Kaufman, E. E. Penter, R. E. Schleidt, R. Simpson, G. R. Turgeon. One point—R. Cecilson, T. C. Cotter, M. H. Downs, W. M. Ellis, Sgt. J. G. Koch, N. Lesser, J. L. McCarty, W. L. Rankel, J. C. Roper, J. P. Walsh.

the players after 16 rounds, and games from the tournament.

### STANDINGS OF PLAYERS

	W	L	W	L
Tal .....	11	5	Panno .....	8½ 6½
Petrosian ..	10½	5½	Szabo .....	8½ 6½
Olafsson ..	10	6	Larsen ...	7 8
Matanovic ..	9½	5½	Neikirch ..	7 9
Auerbach ..	9	6	Sanguinetti	6½ 8½
Bronstein ..	9	6	Sherwin ..	6 9
Fischer ...	9	6	Rosetto ..	5 10
Gligoric ..	9	6	Cardoso ...	4 11
Pachman ..	9	6	deGreif ...	2½ 12½
Benko .....	8½	6½	Fuster ....	2 14
Filip .....	8½	6½		

### SICILIAN DEFENSE

White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-QB4	17-P-KR4	Q-QN4
2-N-KB3	P-Q3	18-P-R5	KR-B
3-P-Q4	PxP	19-PxP	PxP
4-NxP	N-KB3	20-P-N4	P-R4
5-N-QB3	P-KN3	21-P-N5	N-R4
6-B-K3	B-N2	22-RxN	PxR
7-P-B3	O-O	23-P-N6	P-K4
8-Q-Q2	N-B3	24-PxPch	K-B
9-B-QB4	NxN	25-B-K3	P-Q4
10-BxN	B-K3	26-PxP	RxKBP
11-B-N3	Q-R4	27-P-Q6	R-KB3
12-O-O-O	P-QN4	28-B-N5	Q-N2
13-K-N	P-N5	29-BxR	BxB
14-N-Q5	BxN	30-P-Q7	R-Q
15-BxB	QR-B	31-Q-Q6ch	Resigns
16-B-N3	R-B2		



# TAL LEADS INTERZONAL CHESS; FISCHER GAINS

Mikhail Tal, Russian chess champion, moved into first place with a score of 11-5 after completing the 16th round of the Interzonal Chess Tournament at Portoroz, Yugoslavia, according to a report from the New York Times.

After an early loss to Alexander Matanovic of Yugoslavia, Tal has played steady and consistently sound chess, winning seven and drawing eight games. He still faces a difficult schedule, with four games remaining against Oscar Panno of Argentina, Fridrik Olafsson of Iceland, Tigran Petrosian of Russia and James T. Sherwin of the U.S.A.

Petrosian, who had been leading most of the way, lost for the first time to Bent Larson of Denmark, who scored with a Bird's Opening in 41 moves. Petrosian is in second place with 10½-5½, which includes six wins and nine draws.

In third place is Olafsson, with a 10-6 tally. More erratic than the Russians, he has been on the losing end three times, but has seven wins and six draws. Slightly behind him is Matanovic, with 9½-5½.

U.S. Champion Bobby Fischer advanced during last week's play to a tie for fifth at 9-6. Sharing that score are Yuri Auerbach and David Bronstein of Russia, Svetozar Gligoric of Yugoslavia and Ludek Pachman of Czechoslovakia.

In the 13th round Fischer was paired with Petrosian, and adopted the King's Indian Defense. A difficult rook and pawn ending resulted, which was drawn after 67 moves in two sessions.

Fischer then went 90 moves and three sessions against fellow American Sherwin. The latter finally missed his way and lost in a theoretically drawn rook and pawn endgame.

Fischer made it two in a row by defeating Boris deGreif of Colombia. The South American sacrificed a piece to gain the initiative, but Bobby put up a stout defense. Overstepping the time limit, deGreif lost in 35 moves. In his final game of the week, Fischer drew with Lazlo Szabo of Hungary in 33 moves.

Sherwin did not fare so well, losing two and drawing two of his games for the week. Pitted against Bronstein, he adopted the English Opening and stood up stoutly until he lost his grip under the pressure of the time limit. Sherwin lost a piece and exceeded the time limit after 39 moves.

In two long endgames, each of which went into a second session, Sherwin drew with Auerbach in 67 moves and with Paul Benko, former Hungarian champion who is now residing in the U.S., in 68 moves.

Following is the standing of

## QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED

Olafsson Iceland White	Fischer U.S.A. Black	Olafsson Iceland White	Fischer U.S.A. Black
1-P-QB4	N-KB3	22-QxB	N-K5
2-N-QB3	P-K3	23-Q-Q3	NxB
3-N-B3	P-Q4	24-RPxN	R-B3
4-P-Q4	B-N5	25-Q-K4	R-QB
5-PxP	PxP	26-B-N3	Q-Q2
6-B-N5	P-KR3	27-R-Q	R-K
7-B-R4	P-B4	28-P-B4	Q-R2
8-P-K3	N-B3	29-Q-K5	Q-B4
9-R-B	P-B5	30-P-N4	QxQ
10-B-K2	B-K3	31-QPxQ	R-B2
11-O-O	O-O	32-P-B5	R-B2
12-N-Q2	B-K2	33-R-Q6	R-B4
13-P-QN3	P-KN4	34-BxPch	K-B
14-B-N3	B-QR6	35-B-N3	QRxP
15-R-B2	N-QN5	36-RxP	RxKP
16-PxP	NxR	37-R-KN6	R(1)-K5
17-QxN	PxP	38-RxP	R-N6
18-N-N5	B-QN5	39-R-N8ch	K-K2
19-N-B7	BxN	40-P-N5	R-K7
20-NxB	PxN	41-B-Q5	Resigns
21-BxP	Q-K		

## KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

Rossetto Argentina White	Tal Russia Black	Rossetto Argentina White	Tal Russia Black
1-P-QB4	N-KB3	21-PxN	B-B4
2-N-KB3	P-KN3	22-QxP	NxN
3-P-KN3	B-N2	23-QxP	N-K5
4-B-N2	O-O	24-Q-N6	Q-B
5-O-O	P-Q3	25-P-KN4	N-B4
6-P-Q4	N-B3	26-R-R7	RxR
7-N-B3	P-QR3	27-QxR	N-Q6
8-P-Q5	N-QR4	28-R-B	B-K5
9-Q-Q3	P-B4	29-Q-R3	BxB
10-P-K4	P-K3	30-KxB	Q-B5
11-P-KR3	PxP	31-QxP	B-B
12-BPxP	P-QN4	32-Q-QB6	Q-K5ch
13-B-B4	P-N5	33-K-N	N-K4
14-N-Q	R-K	34-N-B3	N-B6ch
15-R-K	P-B5	35-K-R	Q-K4
16-Q-B2	R-R2	36-K-N2	N-R5ch
17-B-K3	QR-K2	37-K-N	B-Q2
18-N-Q2	P-N6	38-R-Q	Q-R7ch
19-PxP	NxNP	39-K-B	RxE
20-R-R4	NxQP	Resigns	

## CARO-KANN DEFENSE

Tal Russia White	Fuster Canada Black	Tal Russia White	Fuster Canada Black
1-P-K4	P-QB3	15-N-K5	B-Q3
2-P-Q4	P-Q4	16-P-KR4	P-B3
3-N-QB3	PxP	17-BxP	PxN
4-NxP	N-Q2	18-PxP	B-K2
5-N-KB3	KN-B3	19-KR-B	KR-B
6-NxNch	NxN	20-RxRch	BxR
7-B-QB4	B-B4	21-Q-B3	Q-K2
8-Q-K2	P-K3	22-Q-N3	R-N
9-B-KN5	B-K2	23-B-Q7ch	QxB
10-O-O	P-KR3	24-RxQ	KxR
11-B-R4	N-K5	25-Q-B7ch	B-K2
12-P-KN4	B-R2	26-P-K6ch	K-Q
13-B-KN3	NxB	27-QxP	Resigns
14-BPxN	Q-B2		

## U.S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

### KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

Bisguier White	Santasiere Black	Bisguier White	Santasiere Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	16-N-N3	R-B
2-N-KB3	P-KN3	17-B-K2	P-K3
3-B-B4	B-N2	18-P-K4	BPxP
4-QN-Q2	P-Q4	19-PxP	N-B5
5-P-K3	QN-Q2	20-B-B3	P-KR3
6-B-Q3	P-B4	21-B-N	Q-Q3
7-P-B3	O-O	22-N-R3	NxN
8-P-KR4	N-R4	23-RxN	Q-B5
9-B-R2	P-B4	24-N-B5	PxP
10-N-N5	QN-B3	25-NxB	PxB
11-P-B3	Q-N3	26-RxP	QxP
12-Q-B2	B-Q2	27-NxR	BxN
13-O-O	QR-B	28-QxPch	N-N2
14-K-N	N-K	29-R-B7	Resigns
15-PxP	RxP		

### WESTERN OPEN TOURNEY

#### KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

Byrne White	Benko Black	Byrne White	Benko Black
1-N-KB3	N-KB3	33-K-B	K-B3
2-P-Q4	P-KN3	34-K-K2	K-K3
3-B-B4	B-N2	35-K-K	P-B4
4-P-K3	O-O	36-K-Q	N-K5
5-B-K2	P-B4	37-K-K2	N-B4
6-QN-Q2	PxP	38-P-KB4	P-K5
7-PxP	N-B3	39-R-B2	K-Q3
8-N-B4	P-Q4	40-K-K3	N-K3
9-QN-K5	Q-N3	41-R-KB	P-QR4
10-B-QB	N-K5	42-P-R4	R(1)-QB
11-NxN	PxN	43-N-N3	R-B5
12-O-O	P-QB4	44-NxP	P-Q5ch
13-PxP	QxBP	45-K-B2	RxRP
14-B-K3	Q-Q3	46-N-N3	P-Q6
15-Q-B	B-QR3	47-R-Q2	K-Q4
16-BxB	QxB	48-K-K3	R-QN
17-B-R6	KR-B	49-N-R	R-R7
18-BxB	KxB	50-P-QN4	RxR
19-Q-Q	P-K3	51-KxR	N-B2
20-P-B3	Q-N3	52-N-N3	K-B5
21-R-N	QR-N	53-R-QN	P-K6ch
22-P-KR4	P-KR3	54-KxP	R-Kch
23-N-Q2	N-B3	55-K-Q2	R-K7ch
24-Q-K2	Q-N4	56-K-Q	N-Q4
25-QxQ	RxQ	57-N-Q2ch	KxP
26-KR-B	R-R4	58-R-Bch	KxP
27-P-R3	QR-B4	59-R-Bch	K-B6
28-P-KN3	N-K	60-R-Bch	K-N7
29-K-B	N-Q3	61-N-B4ch	K-R7
30-R-K	R-QN	62-P-R5	PxP
31-KR-B	R-B2	Resigns	
32-K-K2	P-K4		