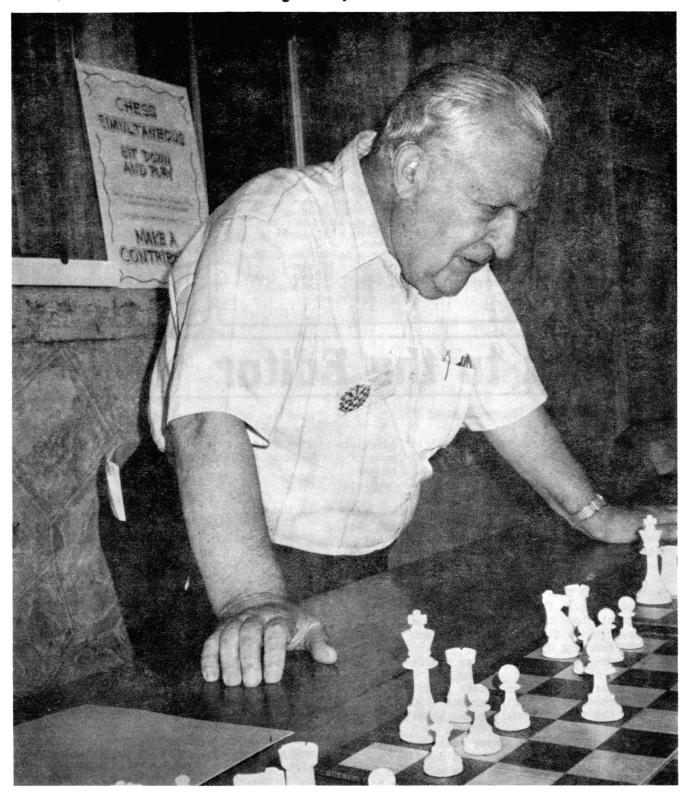
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GEORGE KOLTANOWSKI.

(Photo by Shorman)

In August Kolty concludes his three year term as President of the USCF. In September he celebrates his 75th birthday. (See article on page 79.)

Here he is seen giving a simultaneous exhibition at the 1977 Paul Masson.

Letters to the Editor

PAUL MASSON, FOREIGN READERS

Problems at the Masson Tourney

To the editor:

I enjoyed Dennis Fritzinger's article "Adventure in the Vineyards" (April-May issue), as did many of my friends. However, there is another side to the Paul Masson story. Here are my observations on this year's Masson tournament:

The intercom was used excessively—almost every 10 minutes. I saw players in the Master/Expert section cringe and shake their heads every time that voice came on. I have been to many tournaments and never encountered such loud and frequent announcements. (Ironically, an advance letter to the participants claimed that use of the intercom would be kept to a minimum.) The players complained about those frequent, loud announcements quite a bit among themselves, but not directly to the person responsible for the annoying distractions.

There were also transportation problems. The last bus down to the winery parking lot, where many players had parked their cars, left at 8:30 pm. Since the second round started around 4:30 and many players had not finished their games by 8:30, I wonder how they got down?

I also wonder why any player would continue to play in blistering heat, two games a day, go home totally exhausted, getting a minimum number of hours of sleep, then come back at 9 am the next day to play two more nervewracking rounds. Not to mention the aggravation of intercom announcements and the fear of possibly missing the last bus. Looks like players will do anything for a buck.

--Name Withheld by Request

Chess Voice Gets Around

To the editor:

I am writing to comment on the continued editorial excellence of your magazine <u>Chess Voice</u>. The quality of the editorial contents and the attractive layout add up to a magazine which could hold its own with any chess publication.

It might interest you to know that I have been sending copies of Chess Voice to a friend of mine in Sweden, Thomas Olsson, who shares my enthusiasm for your work. He says his friends enjoy reading the magazine also. It is his practice to lend out each issue, which travels around Sweden, Denmark, and Finland. Obviously good taste doesn't end with geographic boundaries.

Other readers might consider sending Chess Voice overseas. Most Europeans speak English as a second language and are used to the algebraic notation used for the majority of printed games in the magazine-making it an accessible, interesting and appreciated gift.

--Kenn Fong Oakland

A Birthday Party for George Koltanowski

Chess Voice is proud to welcome World Blindfold Champion and syndicated chess columnist George Koltanowski (see cover photo) as a regular columnist. His problems column, "Kolty's Korner", can be found at the right.

But this is the least important of the things happening to Kolty during the months of August and September. In August he will finish his three-year term as President of the US Chess Federation (though he will continue to serve on the Policy Board as the Immediate Past President). And in September, there will be a gala San Francisco celebration of his 75th birthday.

Kolty's Diamond Birthday Party

On September 16, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Marines Memorial Building in San Francisco friends of Kolty from far and wide will assemble to celebrate his 75th birthday and his long and valued service to chess as writer, lecturer, tournament director, chess promoter, and world-wide ambassador.

Tickets for the diamond jubilee celebration can be obtained from Alfred Hansen, 1035 Whitwell Road, Hillsborough, CA 94010--so long as they last. Places for 220 people have been reserved, but a number of these have already been taken. The tickets cost \$22 per person and include tax, tip, dinner, wine, a modest gift for Kolty, and all other expenses including hors d'oeuvres at the "no host" cocktail party from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. There will be dancing and entertainment, as well. (Those not able to attend might like to send Kolty a Happy Birthday card or other token of appreciation.)

Kolty's Radio Program

In the meantime, Kolty is providing daily radio coverage of the World Championship Match on radio station KGO (840 on the AM dial), Monday through Friday at 1:45 pm. This will be a regular segment of the Jim Eason radio talk-show during the match, and is being sponsored by the Gambit Gamestores in San Francisco and Berkeley.

A Grand Prix Tour for Chess

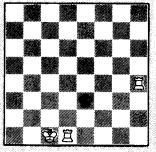
Kolty also tells us that Church's Fried Chicken, Inc. has expanded its chess program to include a Church's Fried Chicken Grand Prix.

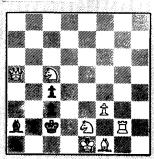
The idea is to name 30 to 40 major tournaments around the country as part of a Grand Prix professional chessplayer's tour-similar to those now established in professional tennis, golf, bowling, and Grand Prix racing. (Such a chess tour is already a reality in England, supported by a well known distillery.)

Winners of the designated tourneys will receive Grand Prix points, according to the difficulty of competition involved. The player accumulating the greatest number of points will receive a \$5,000 prize. (Some have suggested that he also be seeded into the U.S. Championship.) Church's will make available to the runners up an additional \$5,000 in prize money.

KOLTY'S KORNER

by IM George Koltanowski, World Blindfold Champion





Problem No. 1

Problem No. 2

Problem No. 1. You might not care for problems, true, but do take a look at this one, which is a bit unusual. White has just made his move—the wrong one. Had he been wide awake he could have mated Black in one move. What was White's last move? From that position, how could he have brought about an instant mate?

Problem No. 2. White to play and mate in two moves. Send the key move only on a postcard to George Koltanowski, 1200 Gough Street (D-3), San Francisco, CA 94109 by September 5th. The first two correct postcards will each receive an autographed chess book.

Answers to the last issue's problems: (Problem #5) 1 P-R8(B)!! K-Q7, 2 K-B5. If 2...K-B1, 3 B-K6 mate. If 2...K-K1, 3 P-B8(Q) mate. (problem #6)--1 N-Q8! K-Q2 (forced), 2 P-K8(N)!. If 2...KxN, 3 B-N5 mate. If 2...K-B1, 3 B-N4 mate. Most amusing.

WHY THIS ISSUE IS SO THIN

In case you havn't noticed, this issue of <u>Chess</u> <u>Voice</u> has only 12 pages, instead of the usual 24.

Heavy demands on the editor's time have been made by responsibilities connected with the August annual meetings of both the USCF and the Association of US Chess Journalists. In order not to unduly delay this issue until after the editor's return from Phoenix, it was necessary to cut the number of pages to speed up the delivery time.

But do not fear. The missing 12 pages will reappear as extra pages added on to the next several issues.

The next issue should include photos and games from the Paul Masson Tournament, several annotated master games, and a picture story about Ted and Ruby Yudacufski and the Monterey Chess Center.

In the meantime, here is a brief listing of some recently-crowned champions: U.S. Champion--Lubomir Kavalek; U.S. Junior Co-Champions--Yasser Seirawan, our own Paul Whitehead, and John Fedorowicz; U.S. Women's Co-Champions--Rachel Crotto and Diane Savereide. As for the World Championship--better check your daily newspaper.

THE LONE WOLF:

An Interview with Bent Larsen

by R. E. FAUBER

Of all the grandmasters in the world, the Dane, Bent Larsen, may be the easiest to interview. Getting him to talk is no problem at all.

Although he thinks chess interviews are dull, because the interviewers always ask the same questions ("I suppose it's because their readers enjoy reading the same answers."), over dinner at Lone Pine 1978 he unburdened himself of a flood of opinions on virtually every subject imaginable for some two and a half hours.

A Weak and Unreliable FIDE

FIDE (the World Chess Federation) is "a very weak organization", according to Larsen. Partly he attributes this to the Russian stance on international chess finances: "They have no trouble coming up with rubles, but foreign exchange is a different matter." Consequently FIDE is under-funded and cannot play a vigorous role in international chess.

The clash of political idologies also helps cripple the organization, Larsen feels, "but there is no more politics in it now than there was 20 years ago."

Larsen is particularly emphatic about FIDE's president. "Euwe is a liar," he said. (I thought he might be wanting to speak off the record and so I assured him I was not wired, spreading my coat for emphasis. "I don't care. I would say it anyway," he responded.) Too often, in Larsen's view, Euwe promises up and down to do something and then nothing happens.

Having to play his 1977 match against Lajos Portisch in Holland particularly displeased Larsen. He believes that Euwe took money from a Dutch company to bring the match to Rotterdam. He felt uneasy and not in a mood to play. He agrees that playing the Orthodox Defense against the Queen's Gambit was a big mistake, "but I was not in a mood to play and didn't care."

The Life of a Chess Professional

Asked if, having reached midlife, his world championship ambitions had abated, he replied, "No, I still have hopes....I do not think my age will hurt me." The topic, however, did not interest him and one must suspect that his optimism about winning the world championship is largely rhetorical.

After 27 years of international chess he declares, "I have no regrets about being a chess professional....What I like is the freedom; nobody is your boss."

This sentiment is the touchstone of Larsen's personality. He claims absolute individual sovereignty to act according to his own lights--whether in choosing an opening or declining a tournament invitation.

Larsen recognizes that he enjoys a privileged position: "No other western European grandmaster has been able to live as I have." His special position, he believes, is more a matter of style than strength. His originality and his crowd-pleasing personality have opened the door to tournament invitations and



journalistic commissions. "No one else has gotten the same opportunities."

With remarkable frankness Larsen says that this translates economically into an income of \$35,000 to \$50,000 a year. Only about \$12-15,000 of this comes from prize funds. His books bring in little revenue, and newspapers and magazines supply most of his income.

He moved from Denmark to Las Palmas because the Danish income tax took about half his yearly income. Now he is banking what would have been tax in Danish banks--"I don't like to speculate with my money"--against the day when it is time to retire from competition. "In a few years I shall have saved enough that I shall not have to worry about continuing to play when I am 60."

Iceland, Yugoslavia, and the Philippines

Larsen has very definite opinions on where he likes to play and why. He thinks that Iceland and Yugoslavia have the best run tournaments. There are always lots of chess fans there: "In Iceland and in Yugoslavia there are crowds at the tournament." He likes to play for an audience: "It makes a difference in how I play." He likes Holland, too, but his idea of a Dutch treat is a Holland without Euwe.

Other parts of the globe attract him as places to play because they are also places to visit. "I like places where there is a good mixture of people," he said. The first place he mentioned was the Philippines "where there are Malayans, Spanish, Filipinos, and Americans". He likes people to come in different colors.

There is a candor about everything that Larsen says (sometimes he advances his rook pawns "because I cannot think of anything else to do") which gives the impression that here is a very open an honest

person. Furthermore, he does not appear to be totally wrapped up in himself and his chess.

Our conversation interspersed chess topics with questions from Larsen about which are the good California wineries. We talked about American history and culture--on which he is well-informed. (What other foreign grandmaster is fluent in the political infighting of the Progressive Era and the impact of the New York Armory art show of 1913?)

The Lone Wolf

As the conversation progressed over the hours, however, another impression of Larsen's character began to develop. Here was a man who asserted that he was a law unto himself. There is a quiet arrogance to his frankness--as of the lone wolf, indifferent to the opinion of the other animals in the chess forest. The quintessential Larsen is a man alone.

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Larsen has both style and imagination. He has wide interests and broad culture. He is a delight to be with and seems to be entirely devoid of professional jealousies and resentments. There is nothing petty about him. But his frankness is more aggressive than outgoing. His personality gives out more light than warmth. He is likable, but not lovable.

Chess is a lifetime race for Larsen, which he has chosen to run alone. He needs the thunder of applause from the crowds at tournaments to push back an existential dread in the echoes of silence.

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Editor's note. Readers may wish to compare this Larsen interview with the more conventional one printed in the July 1978 issue of Chess Life & Review.

CHESS, THE QUIET GAME

In several recent issues of <u>Zugzwang!</u>, the postal chess magazine based in Wisconsin, readers have been discussing postal players who don't resign lost positions. One letter in favor of this practice was too much for JOHN ISHKANIAN, who penned a heartfelt reply that included the following:

"Mr.Haiar tells us that playing out a hopeless position is a good emotional training and may be instructive. In three of my current games I have a Rook or more advantage against a lone King. One of them is King and Queen vs. King. Anything instructive that can be learned from these games can be learned much more quickly from any chess book.

I can't help feeling that anyone who continues to play in such a definitely lost position is not trying to outplay me, but that he is trying to OUT-LIVE me! The only word that describes such tactics is 'ghoulish.' I don't like the feeling of playing someone who, though he may not consciously realize it, is hoping that I drop dead."

Zap:

At the World Championship Match in the Philippines (at press time Karpov was ahead 1 - 0 after 10 games) VIKTOR KORCHNOI carries a fountain-pen-sized device for measuring various forms of radiation-including microwaves and gamma rays.

Sperling Slate Sweeps USCF Elections

The results of the 1978 USCF Policy Board Elections will be formally announced on August 11th (while this issue is being printed). But advance word from Phoenix confirms that the entire slate of reform candidates (led by Gary Sperling) has won seats on the Board--unseating three incumbents in the process.

Unofficial results show Gary Sperling to have won the USCF Presidency from Fred Townsend by the overwhelming margin of 216 to 87. Tim Redman defeated Norman Peacor for Vice President by an even greater margin. But the race for Secretary, as expected, was very close--Myron Lieberman winning by only eight votes over Harold Winston. George Cunningham was easily elected Treasurer when his only opponent, Paul Shannon, dropped out of the race just before the voting.

Jerry Hankin was also a shoo-in for the one-year At-Large seat, since he ran unopposed. Finally, the race for the three-year At-Large seat was a fairly even contest, but Susan Benoit emerged the winner over Larry Paxton.

The new Policy Board, which includes the above winners plus two holdovers--Koltanowski and Cottell ought to show sharp differences from its predecessor. The new members have a clear mandate from the electorate to bring about some needed changes in USCF policies and practices--since they were elected on a platform of anti-establishment criticism.

The election results confirm the wide-spread disenchantment of USCF members with their leadership that so many of us suspected. Advance word from Phoenix, where the annual USCF meeting will be held over the August 11-13 weekend, indicates that the delegates are in an angry mood and heads may roll before the meetings are over.

Larkins, Argall New Regional VP's

Unofficial results of the two races for USCF Regional Vice-president in the Pacific Region show Chess Voice editor John Larkins to have won the northern California seat over Jim Hurt, Francisco Sierra, and Earney Pattrick--while David Carl Argall, editor of the Southern California Chess Newsette won the southern California seat from last-minute write-in opponent Ben Nethercot, the official candidate of the Southern California Chess Federation, who neglected to nominate him in time.

These two newly-elected regional vice-presidents will join Alan Benson and Myron Lieberman to make up the total of four allocated to Region XI, which consists of California, Arizona, Nevada, and Hawaii. It is not yet known whether Lieberman, now that he has been elected to the Policy Board, will resign his regional vice-presidency. If he does, an election to fill out his term will be held--confined to candidates from outside California.

Ouch!

During a discussion of <u>Chess Life & Review</u> and its editor, BURT HOCHBERG, at a recent meeting of the Illinois Chess Association, HELEN WARREN (who edits two chess bulletins) got off this zinger: "We've got the greatest game in the world, and we dress it up in a shroud, and we have an undertaker who edits."

CHESS THEORY from Schach Archiv

Grandmaster Ludek Pachman, Editor Mike Thomas, Translator

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SICILIAN DEFENCE: Various replies after 2...Nc6, the continuation 5...e7-e5.

A contribution from Rolf Schwarz.

Characteristics: Since the theoreticians have determined not to react with a '?' or '?!' to the move 5...e5, this variation, expecially through the efforts of the Russians Sweschnikow and Timoschenko, has filled lengthy columns in the chess journals.

An amazing number of black victories have been forthcoming, though most, as far as we can see, are not an indication of the worth of the variation, but rather resulted from the black player being the stronger master or the white player being unable to find the best path through the thicket of variations.

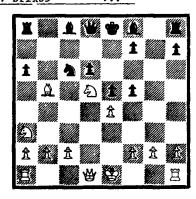
The continuation examined here, where white sacrifices his bishop on b5, is considered by the books to be bad. Perhaps this conclusion is too pessimistic.

Of interest is the more precise continuation 14. ef5:(!) after 11.Bb5:. It appears to us that it could be rewarding.

1.	e2-e4	<u>c7-c5</u>
2.	Ng1-f3	Nb8-c6
3.	d2-d4	c5xd4
4.	Nf3xd4	Ng8-f6
5.	Nb1-c3	e7-e5
6.	Nd4-b5	d7-d6

Those who question why this move is necessary, can at the moment refer to the 'Encyclopedia'.

7.	Bc1-g5	a7-a6
8.	Bg5xf6	g7xf6
9.	Nb5-a3	b7-b5
10.	Nc3-d5	f6-f5
11.	Bf1-xh5	



<u>11.</u>		<u>a6xb5</u>
12.	Nc3xb5	

Two monstrous knights threaten black, who is compelled to protect c7.

12. ... Ra8-a7

12...Rb8? is yet to be played and considering the following moves shall so remain: 13.Nbc7+ Kd7 14.ef5: and already black must play 14...h5, for after 14...Rg8 (preventing Qg4) 15.Qh5 will be played. White has the advantage.

13.	Nb5xa7	Nc6xa7
14.	e4xf5(!)	

The move deserves a parenthetical exclamation point particularly since so little material exists for consideration. Perhaps you will soon change this?

Alternatives:

14.c3

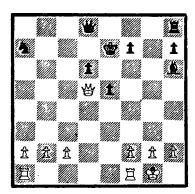
- 1) 14...Nc6 15.Qf3 f4 16.g3 h5 (Russian sources regard this as unclear) 17.a4 Bg7 18.a5 Ba6 19.Rg1 Kf8 20.Qd1 Qc8 21.Nb6 Qc7 22.Qa4 Bh6 23.Nd5 Qb7 with a difficult game for both parties. It appears that white has somewhat realer chances, Sweschnikow-Suchin, Swedlowski, 1975.
- 2) 14...Nb5 (This knight will head towards c7 and aid in the surveillance of d5 in the process.) 15.ef5: Bf5: 16.Qf3 Bg6 17.Nf6+ Ke7 18.0-0 Nc7 19.Nd5 Nd5: 20.Qd5: f5 21.a4 Bf7 22.Qd3 Qc8 23.Rfd1 Kf6 24.a5 Be7 25.Qh3 Bc4 26.b4 h5 27.f4 e4 28.Qe3 Ke6 29.Kh1 Qd8. Black has his pieces well posted. At the moment the white pawns on the queen side are under control. The black bishops could become dangerous, but on the other hand the King on e6 is not particularly well placed, especially if the white rooks should obtain some open lines. Lanc-Nun, CSSR 1976. Unclear, with a slight initiative for black.

14. Qf3 Nc6

- 1) 15. c3 transposes to the previously examined note to 14.c3.
- 2) 15. 0-0-0 is apparently too audacious: 15...Bh6+ (after 15...f4?, 16.g3 is good for white) 16.Kb1 fe4: (16...0-0 17.ef5: Nd4 18.Qh3 Nf5: 19.g4 Nh4 is according to Svesnikov, good for black.) 17.Qe4: (17.Nf6+ does not appear to be any better: 17...Kf8 and now 18.Ne4: Nd4 19.Qh5 Bg7 or 18.Qe4: Nd4 19.Nh7:+Kg7!) 17...0-0! 18.g4 (quite questionable) 18..Kh8! 19.Rhg1 f5 20.gf5: Bf5: 21.Qc4 Qe8 (Black must protect the last rank. 21...Qd7? fails upon 22.Nf6! and if now 22...Qd8, then 23.Rd6:) 22.Ne3 Be6 23.Qh4 Bf4! 24.Rd6: Nd4! and black has the advantage, Peresipkin-Sweschnikow, Kiew, 1973.

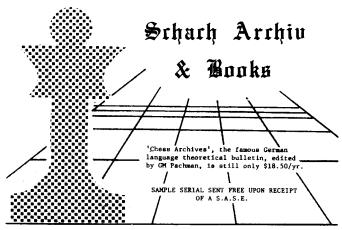
14.		Bc8xf5
<u> 15.</u>	Qd1-f3	Bf5-e6
16.	Nd5-f6+	Ke8-e7
17.	Nf6-d5+	Be6xd5

18. Qf3xd5 Bf8-h6 19. 0-0 ...



The white position appears better. Witolinsch-Katischonok, Riga, 1977:

19...Qb6 20.Rad1 Rc8 21.c3 Nb5 22.Qe4 Rg8 23. Rd3! (23.Qh7:? Rg6) 23...Rg6 24.Rg3 Bf4 25.Rg6: hg6: 26.g3 Bg5 27.a4 Nc7 28.b4 f5 29.Qe2 Qa7 30.a5 f4 31.Rb1 fg3: 32.hg3: Nd5 33.Qd3 Qa8 34.Rd1 and black decided he was beaten. Certainly one will find improvements 'en masse' here, but would you not also be of the opinion that at the very least the original thick question mark after 11.Bf1xb5 should disappear?



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PAUL MASSON TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The sixth annual Paul Masson American Class Chess Championships — the largest fully class and USCF rated outdoor tournament anywhere — was held at the historic Paul Masson mountain winery in Saratoga, July 22-23. More than 600 chess players competed for a share of the \$15,000 prize fund. Chief Tournament Director was USCF Executive Director Martin Morrison, assisted by Bill Bates, Alan Benson, Mike Donald, Mike Goodall, Jim Hurt, Bryce Perry, Hans Poschmann and Don Stone.

Special added attractions included world blindfold champion George Koltanowski's renowned knight's tour demonstration, a Las Vegas Fun Chess tournament, a simultaneous exhibition to benefit USCF youth programs by Peter Prochaska, Control Data Corporation's expert rated 4.7 computer chess program (operated by Dr. David Cahlander and John Douglas), a QuadraChess display, a CyberChess promotion and, of course, fine complimentary wines by Paul Masson between rounds.

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1st-3rd, Victor Baja (2128), San Francisco, Eric Burris (2143), San Rafael, and Robert Salgado (2162), Burbank, 3½-½, \$516.67 each; 4th-10th, Robert Atlas (2088), Houston, Texas, Mark Buckley (2149), Fair Oaks, Steven Cross (2071), Oakland, Bart Gibbons (2064), Los Angeles, Rainer Rickford (2123), Los Angeles, Stephen Sandager (2130), Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Dennis Waterman (2189), Myrtle Point, Oregon, 3-1, \$25 each.

Class A

1st, Kirk Widdison (1946), Beaverton, Oregon, 4-0, \$1,000; 2nd-5th, Francisco Alonso (1988), Monterey Park, James MacFarland (1993), Sacramento, Larry Nezhni (1972), Pacoima, and David Weldon (1900), El Sobrante, 3½-½, \$175 each.

Class B

1st-3rd, Ben Gross (1768), San Francisco, Anthony Hopson (1790), Paramount, and Stephen Martin (1774), Salinas, 5-0, \$516.67 each; 4th-6th, Andy Ansel (1757), Oakland, David Bocek (1778), Redding, and Anthony Marshall (1724), Sunnyvale, 4½-½, \$58.33 each.

Class C

1st-3rd, Stephen Bagalini (1483), Tucson, Arizona, Robert Gardina (1555), Burbank, and Joseph Ruggiero (1555), San Francisco, 5-0, \$516.66 each; 4th, Zoran Lazetich (1534), Sacramento, 4½-½, \$100.

Class D

1st-4th, Robert Feldstein (1312), Bronx, New York, Spencer Fernandez (1382), Belmont, Charles Garner (1324), Sunnyvale, and Keith Higashihara (1233), San Jose, 5-0, \$412.50 each.

Class E

1st-2nd, Rey Castro (1070), San Jose, and Daniel Holbrook (1178), Santa Rosa, 5-0, \$700 each; 3rd-8th, Alvaro

Alvarado (1125), Anaheim, Jeffrey Breckan (1194), San Luis Obispo. Ramon Icasiano (1022), San Jose, Burton Marks (1163), Los Angeles, Grant McMurran (1181), Laguna Niguel, and Gary Usher (1192), Calabasas, 4-1, \$54.17 each. Unrated Section

1st-2nd, Keith Fraser and Antonio Gallo, 5-0, \$350 each; 3rd-13th, Robert Anderson, Peter Casillas, Stanley Cohn, Ruben Ignacio, William Knowles, Joe Lonsdale, Tomas Moran, Antoine Rubington, Anthony Talley, James Weaver and Peter Wong, 4-1, \$13.64 each.

Here is a sample of the chess played at Paul Masson, Saratoga, recorded in USCF approved coordinate notation (files lettered "a" to "h", ranks numbered "1" to "8").

White: Florin Gheorghlu (2520). Black: Paul Whitehead (2357).

Paul Masson, Saratoga, July 22, 1978. King's Indian Defense

1 d4	Nf6	20 g4	b4
2 c4	g 6	21 Ne2	e4
3 Nc3	Bg7	22 Bc2	Ra7
4 04	0-0	23 Nf4	Qg7(e)
5 Be3	d6	24 Rh7l(f)	Qh7`
6 f3	e 5	25 Ng6l(g)	Kg8
7 d5	c6	26 Rh7	Rħ7
8 Bd3	cd	27 Nf8(h)	Rh1
9 cd	Nh5	29 Bd1	K18
10 Nge2	15	29 Qg5	Bd7
11 Qd2	Nd7	30 Kd2	fg
12 0-0-0!(a)	a6(b)	31 Qf6	Ke8
13 ef	gf	32 Qd6	ef
14 Ng3!(c)	Ng3	33 gf	Nd3
15 hg	b5	34 Be2	Nc1
16 Bh6	Qe7	35 Qb4	Na2
17 Bg7	Kg7(d)	36 Qe4	Kf7
18 Rh5	Nc5	37 fg	Resigns(i)
19 Rdh1	Kh8	•	• ,,

(Abbreviated notes by USCF master and Calif. State Co-Champion Paul Whitehead)

- (a) A theoretical novelty. White usually castles kingside here.
- (b) Dubious, in light of what follows. Perhaps 12 . . . Ndf6 is better.
 - (c) White now holds a significant advantage.
- (d) Recapturing with the queen loses quickly to 18 Rh5.
- (e) Best. If either 23... Rf6 or 23... Qf6, then White wins with 24 g5 and 25 g6. Equally ruinous would be 23... Kg8 because of 24 Ng6! hg 25 Rh8 Kf7 26 R1h7, etc.
 - (f) Perfectly timed.
- (g) The point! Black must lose material and White retains his attack.
- (h) Simple and effective. The noose slackens after 27 Qg5 Rg7 28 Qh5 Rf6, even though White would still stand slightly better in an unclear position.
 - (i) Gheorghiu gave me a real chess lesson!

White: John Grefe (2456). Black: Yasser Seirawan (2452). Paul Masson, Saratoga, July 23, 1978. Queen's Indian Defense 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 g3 Ba6 5 Qa4 c6 6 Nc3 b5 7 cb cb 8 Nb5 Qb6 9 Nc3 Bb4 10 Bg2 0-0 11 0-0 Bc3 12 bc Be2 13 Rel Bb5 14 Qc2 d5 15 a4 Bc4 16 Ne5 Rc8 17 h4 Nbd7 18 Nd7 Nd7 19 h5 h6 20 Bf4 Nf6 21 Qd1 Bb3 22 Qf3 Bc2 23 Bh6 Be4 24 Qf4 Nh5 25 Qh4 Bg6 26 Bg5 Rc3 27 g4 Nf6 28 Bf6 gf 29 Qf6 Rac8 30 a5 Qd6 31 Re5 Rc1 32 Rcl Rcl 33 Kh2 Rd1 34 f4 Qf8 35 Re3 Qg7 36 Qd8 Qf8 37 Qg5 Qd6 38 Kh3 Kf8 39 f5 Bh7 40 Qh6 Kg8 41 Qg5 Kf8 42 Rc3 Reeigns.

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GOLDEN GATE OPEN RESULTS

The third annual Golden Gate Open drew 197 entries to the Hall of Flowers in Golden Gate Park on July 2, 3, and 4. (Incre were 468 entries in 1976, 284 in 1977.) The tourney was organized by Mike Goodall, Roy Hoppe, and Beryl Reubens, and was Directed by Goodall, with the assistance of Alan Benson.

The six-round event had seven separate divisions. The only clear winners were IM Julio Kaplan in the Master section, Robert Henry in Class A, and Robert Plotkowski in the Unrated. With so many ties, 42 of the 197 entrants received prizes. Complete results:

<u>Masters</u>: 1st-Julio Kaplan (2430), $4\frac{1}{2}$ points, for a prize of \$600. Tie for 2nd-4th--Eric Burris (2143), Paul Cornelius (2291), and Jay Whitehead (2325)--each with 4 pts. for \$160. Tie for 5th-6th between James Thibault (2278) and Leonid Stolyarov (2347)--each had $3\frac{1}{2}$ pts. and received \$22.50.

Experts: Tie for 1st-4th--Tom Dorsch (2176), Tom Sweeney (2187), Dennis Waterman (2189), and William Wharton (2039)--each with $4\frac{1}{2}$ pts. for \$157.50. Tie for 5th-7th--Ira Pohl (2063), Guillermo Rey (2123), and Martin Sullivan (2154)--each with 4 pts. for \$15.

Class A: 1st--Robert Henry (1919), $5\frac{1}{2}$ pts for \$270. 2nd--Paul Cripe (1927), 5 pts. for \$150. Tie for 3rd-7th among Jose Rivera (1901), Joseph Kleiman (1900), John Pajak (1953), David Weldon (1900), and Charles Bass (1806)--each with $4\frac{1}{2}$ pts. for \$42.

Class B: Tie for 1st-2nd between Luong Nguyen-Duy (1759) and Wilmar McGruder (1702)--each with 5 pts. for \$195. Tie for 3rd-5th--Flyn Penoyer (1615), Michael Perry (1738) and James Seals (1758)--each with $4\frac{1}{2}$ pts. for \$65.

Class C: Tie for 1st--6th among John Spargo (1587), Ken Steppe (1435), Kyung-Gi Kim (1504), Stephen Farmer (1468), Ronald Clothier (1393), and Allen Derman (1556)--each with $4\frac{1}{2}$ points for \$90.

Classes D & E: Tie for 1st-2nd between Song Dong Kim (1348) and Hristo Sahov (1356)--each with 5 pts. for \$165. Tie for 3rd-5th among Karl Forsberg (1277),

Rey Castro (1070), and Brad Newman (Unr.)--each with $4\frac{1}{2}$ points for \$55.

<u>Unrated</u>: 1st--Robert Plotkowski, 5 points, \$195. Tie for 2nd-4th among Ekaterina Stolyarov, Anthony Talley, and Barry Sloat--each with 4½ pts. for \$75. Tie for 5th-6th between Paul Jung and Ruben Ignacio-each with 4 pts. for \$15.

4th BERKELEY SUNDAY QUADS

The 4th Berkeley Sunday Quads attracted 66 entries (a record for the series) to the Berkeley YMCA for the July 16th tourney, sponsored by the Berkeley Chess Club and directed by John Larkins with the assistance of Alan Glasscoe. The players were divided into 15 quads and one sextette. A clear first won \$14; two players tied for first got \$7 each; and three tied for firs got \$4.66 each. A second prize of \$7 was awarded in the sextette only. Complete results:

The winners were: Steven Cross (2072), Peter Prochaska (1981), Allen Becker (1959), Tristan Fredrich (1846), Art Marthinson (1771), a tie between Michael Perry (1738) and Scott McCargar (1734), a tie between Mark Paetz (1677) and Jaroslav Skrenek (1647), Tim Randall (1608), Alan Glasscoe (1561), Michael Goudeau (1475), a three-way tie among Frank McGrath (1427), Fred Geyzer (1422) and Scott Michael (1451), Robert Howland (1367), a tie between Robert Whitaker (1309) and Alan Wick (1349), a tie between Thomas Richmond (1250) and Thomas Makris (unr), and a three-way tie among Joe Vellequette (1167), Thomas Kyrimis (Unr), and Robert Solovay (1152). In the sextette Cris Luzzio (1094) was the winner and John Danielson (1138) came in second.

ROSS VALLEY QUADS

On July 29th, the Ross Valley Quads were held at the San Anselmo Parks and Recreation Office.

Twenty players participated in this event, which was directed by Art Marthinsen on behalf of the Ross Valley Chess Club. Each quad winner received \$15; those tied for first got \$7.50 each. Complete results:

The winners were: Stuart Thorsby (1802), a tie between Michael Root (1500) and Michael Jones (1475), Michael Hartnett (1414), Paul Hope (1365), and Robert Solovay (1152).

THREE GHEORGHIU SIMULS AND A NO-SHOW

Romanian grandmaster Florin Gheorghiu scheduled several simuls at local clubs during late July.

In Palo Alto, Gheorghiu played 25 opponents—losing no games but giving out 3 draws, all to members of the same family: Pedro Marcal, Sr. (1417), Jose Marcal (1400), and Pedro Marcal, Jr. (1432).

At the LERA Chess Club in Sunnyvale Gheorghiu took on 24 opponents—giving only 1 win and 1 draw. Fred Muollo (1627) got the win. And at the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club in San Francisco against 18 opponents he give up only 2 draws.

But at the Berkeley Chess Club, where some 28 paying customers waited to play him, Gheorghiu failed to appear. It turned out he had left the country a day earlier without bothering to notify the club, despite explicit promises to do so.

MONTEREY INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT

The 14th annual Monterey International Open Chess Tournament, a four-round USCF-rated Swiss system event in two divisions, took place at the Casa Alvarado Monterey Chess Center, June 24-25. Seventy players competed for a prize fund totaling nearly \$1,000.

Ted Yudacufski directed with assistance from Dina Gratz. Unknown to the players, Ted's wife and perennial codirecter, Ruby, died while undergoing chemotherapy treatment for cancer of the liver at 9:45 p.m. the first day of the tournament. (Donations to the Ruby Yudacufski Benefit Fund may be sent to Wayne Sewell, Treasurer, 628 Alameda Ave., Salinas, CA 93901.)

PREMIER DIVISION

lst Overall, Peter Biyiasas (2407), San Francisco, 4-0, \$225 plus trophy; 2nd-3rd Overall, Harry Radke (2276), San Jose, and Ed Syrett (2038), Menlo Park, $3\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$, \$92.50 each.

1st A, Timothy Thompson (1827), San Gabriel, 3½-½, \$100; 2nd-3rd A. Leonardo Moguel (1865), San Francisco, and Richard Roubal (1859), Campbell, 3-1 \$30 each.

1st B, Gaudencio Delacruz (1747), San Jose, 3-1, \$90; 2nd B, William Karr (1719), Fresno, 2½-1½, \$50.

RESERVE DIVISION

1st C, Romulo Aguilar (1596), Daly City, 4-0, \$80; 2nd C, Rick-McCullough (1444), Yountville, 3½-½, \$40.

1st-2nd D, Charles Bradshaw (1382), Sunnyvale, and Richard Dellheim (1367), Ft. Ord, 3-1, \$52.50 each.

1st E, Ramon Icasiano (1022), San Jose, 2-2, \$35; 2nd E, Todd Stepp (0898), La Puente, 1½-2½, \$15.

1st Unrated, Kyong-Pok Yee, Monterey, 3-1, \$25; 2nd Unrated, Brad Newman, San Jose, 2-2, \$10.

White: Peter Biylasas (2407). Black: Jim Blackwood (2090). Monterey international, June 25, 1978. King's Indian Attack 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d3 Nc6 4 g3 d5 5 Nbd2 Nf6 6 Bg2 Be7 7 O-O O-O 8 e5 Ne8 9 Rel b5 10 Nfl a5 11 Bf4 Bb7 12 h4 Nc7 13 Nlh2 d4 14 Ng5 Nd5 15 Qh5 Bg5 16 Bg5 Qe8 17 Bd5 ed 18 Bf6 Nd8 19 Qh6 Ne6 20 Ng4 Resigns.

White: Harry Radke (2276). Black: Mark Marron (1794), Monterey International, June 24, 1978. English Opening 1 c4 Nf6 2 Nc3 g6 3 Nf3 Bg7 4 g3 O-o 5 Bg2 d6 6 O-o e5 7 d3 Nc6 8 Rbl h6 9 b4 Ne8 10 b5 Ne7 11 a4 f5 12 Qc2 Nf6 13 Nd2 c5 14 bc bc 15 Ba3 a6 16 a5 Ra7 17 Rb6 Nd7 18 Bd6 Nb6 19 ab Qb6 20 c5 Qd8 2 \ Nc4 Be\(^6\) 22 Ne5 Be5 23 Be\(^6\) Nd5 24 Nd5 Bd5 25 e4 Be\(^6\) 26 d4 Qe\(^8\) 27 d5 Bd5 28 Bd\(^6\) Be4 29 Qd2 Rff7 30 Rel Qd7 31 Qh\(^6\) Rb7 32 Be4 fe 33 Re4 Rg7 34 Rh4 g5 35 Qh\(^8\) Kf7 36 Re4 Kg\(^6\) 37 g4 Resigns.

STANFORD QUADS

The third Stanford Quads took place in Tressider Union under the direction of Mark Sinz, assisted by Peter Brett and David Kaku, May 20. The three-round, USCF tourney drew 51 players to the Stanford campus in Palo Alto. Complete results:

Quad 1, Roy Blackmer (1987), Los Altos, 3-0, \$15; Quad 2, 1st, David Denney (1921), Burlingame, 2½-½, \$20; 2nd, Scott Phelps (1806), Mt. View, 2-1, \$10; Quad 3, TomgBoyd (1638), Concord, 2-1, \$15; Quad 4, Mark Backer (1632), Stanford, 2½-½, \$15; Quad 5, Norman Wild (1551), San Jose, 3-0, \$15; Quad 6, Mike DuDash (1524), Sunnyvale, and Jose Mcal (1446), Palo Alto, 2½-½, \$7.50 each; Quad 7, Ivan Nikolic (1436), Foster City, 2-1, \$15; Quad 8, Charles Smith (1313), Los Altos, 2½-½, \$15: Quad 9, Robert Barker (0982), Santa Clara, Robert Frank (1092), Sacramento, and Ed Walthers (1109), Menlo Park, 2-1, \$5 each; Quad 10, Steve Minkin (Unr.), Monte Rio, 3-0, \$15; Quad 11, Eavid Poole (Unr.), Sunnyvale, 3-0, \$15; Quad 12, Charles Rand (Unr.), Palo Alto, 3-0, \$15.





Monterey Winners IM Peter Biyiasas (above) and Master Harry Radke (below) have each fallen into the same classic pose. (Shorman photos)

White: Gabriel Sanchex (2138). Black: Peter Biylasas (2407). LERA Class Championships, Sunnyvale, May 27, 1978. King's Indian Defense 1 c4 g6 2 Nc3 Bg7 3 d4 d6 4 g3 Nd7 5 B2 e5 6 NF3 Ngf6 7 O-O O-O 8 Rb1 Re8 9 e4 ed 10 Nd4 Nc5 11 Re1 Ng4 12 Nb3 Ne5 13 Nc5 dc 14 Qe2 Qd3 15 Bf4 Bg4 16 Qd3 Nd3 17 Re3 Nf4 18 gf c6 19 e5 Bf5 20 Be4 Be6 21 Bd3 Bh6 22 Ne4 Bf4 23 Nf6 Kh8 24 Ne8 Be3 25 Nd6 Bd4 26 Nb7 Rc8 27 Be4 Rc7 28 Nd8 Be4 29 Nc6 Ba2 30 Rc1 Rd7 31 Kf1 Bb3 32 f4 Kg7 33 f5 gf 34 Bf5 Bb2 35 Rc5 Rd5 36 Rd5 Bd5 37 Na7 Be5 38 h3 Bd4 39 Nc8 Bc5 40 Bg4 Kf6 41 Kf2 Ke5 42 Resigns.



CHRISTIANSEN EXHIBITION

As a part of Church's Fried Chicken national chess program, grandmaster Larry Christiansen opposed 30 players in simultaneous exhibition at the Oakland Chess Group, June 27.

Only Will Fugate (1649), El Sobrante, Todd Rumph (1393), Piedmont, and Paul Stainthorpe (1973), Moraga, won their games, while half-points were achieved by Morgan Cooper (1552), Moraga, Craig Mar (2278!), Oakland, and Mark Paetz (1677), Berkeley.

White: Larry Christiansen (2480). Black: Mark Paetz (1677). Simultaneous Exhibition, Oakland, June 27, 1978. French Defense 1 e4 e6 2 Nf3 d5 3 e5 c5 4 b4 cb 5 a3 ba 6 Ba3 Ba3 7 Na3 Ne7 8 d4 Qa5 9 Nd2 Bd7 10 Nb5 Qb6 11 Nd6 Kf8 12 c3 Nc8 13 Rbi Qc6 14 Nc8 Qc8 15 Qb3b6 16 Bd3 Nc6 17 O-o g6 18 f4 Qd8 19 Nf3 Qe7 20 Khi Na5 21 Qa2 Rc8 22 Rbci Kg7 23 Ng5 h6 24 Nh3 Rhf8 25 Nf2 f5 26 ef Rf6 27 Ng4 Rff8 28 Ne5 Be8 29 Rf3 Nc6 30 Ng4 Nd4 31 Rffl Nf5 32 Qe2 Nd6 33 Qe3 Nf7 34 Bg6 Kg6 35 f5 Kh7 36 f6 Qd6 37 Qd3 Kh8 38 Qe3 Kh7 39 Qd3 Kh8 40 Qh3 Kh7 41 Drawn.



White: Leonid Stolyarov (2347). Black: Alan LaVergne (2122).

Golden Gate Open, San Francisco, July 4, 1978. Sicilian Defense

4	e4	c5	40	Do4	W-0
			10	Be4	Kg8
2	Nf3	d6	19	Be3	Be4
3	d4	cd	20	Nce4	Re4
4	Nd4	Nf6	21	Ne4	Nbd5
5	Nc3	g6	22	Bh6	Nf4
6	f4	Nc6	23	Nf6	ef.
7	Nf3	Bg7	24	Rf4	Bh6
8	Bd3	0-0	25	Rf3	Kg7
9	0-0	a 6	26	Qg4	Kh7
10	Qe1	Nb4		Q15	Kg7
11	Qh4	b5	28	Raf1	Bg5
12	Kh1	Bb7	29	Rg3	Qe7
13	15	Rc8		Rh3	Bh6
14	Ng5	gf	31	Rh6	Kh6
15	e 5	de		Qh3	Kg7
16	B15	Rc4		Qg4	Resigns
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