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## OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP '57

The Open in Oakland was a new experience, even for an old-timer like me! I've directed many events, but never have I directed three tournaments at one time, (the U.S. Open puts all players in one group, so also with the many Amateur Opens I have conducted all over the country), tried to please players, who had to get away early, adjudicate games (in Rounds I and II), posted results (thanks to the kindly help of Chuck McGinley), and, if we succeeded in keeping law and order, then it is due to the general cooperation I received from the Directors of C.F.N.C. and the players in all divisions as a whole!

In the Expert-A Division the competition was very close. It was impossible to tell until the last round games were over, as to who would win what!

LARRY LEDGERWOOD played with verve, and showed good combinational play. Here's a young lad who deserves watching! HAROLD EDELSTEIN, though beaten in the final round by LEDGERWOOD, fought in most of his games, even winning a lost game to EARL YAGGIE, (see games section). R. PLOCK possesses great theoretical knowledge and with more experience under his belt he will go far.

LOUIS TOMORI reestablished himself by nosing out MIROSLAV NEKVASIL of Czechoslovakia. Louis played steady chess and that makes for good scores in any tournament. ERIC BRENT deserved his third place; a dangerous opponent at any time.

AMOS KNACK in winning "C" Division, really went to town, and bore down hard on his opponents.

Many played for the first time in C.F.N.C.'s OPEN TOURNAMENT and one and all enjoyed it. In fact, they enjoyed it so much that they asked, as soon as the event was over: "When is the next Tournament!" The question intrigued...and as we really enjoyed the hard labor too, we worked diligently, and are happy to announce our FIRST OPEN SPRING TOURNAMENT on March 23-24 in SAN FRANCISCO. C.F.N.C. is a leader and helps promote further interest in Chess and thus deserves your support. I will be directing the tournament again on March 23-24.....Hope all you Chess Friends will be there too!

George Koltanowski

1957 CHESS FRIENDS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA OPEN RESULTS  
FEBRUARY 9-10

Expert and Class A

1.	Ledgerwood, Larry	5½
2.	Plock, R. J.	4½
3.	Edelstein, Harold	4½
4.	Gertenhaus, S.	4½
5.	Dickinson, Robert	4½
6.	Hendricks, Wade	4½
7.	Cummings, Frederick	4
8.	Farly, George	4
9.	Taggart, Don	4
10.	Chappell, Alan	4
11.	Cuneo, Raymond	3½
12.	Zeiler, Ben	3½
13.	Gross, Dr. Ben	3½
14.	Lieberman, Jim	3
15.	Huneke, Carl	3
16.	King, Henry	3
17.	Stevens, Wm. S.	3
18.	Landfair, Walter	3
19.	Yaggie, Earl	3
20.	Thacker, Ronald	3
21.	Schmerl, James	3
22.	Anders, Ernst	3
23.	Wang, Arthur	2½
24.	Olvera, Frank	2½
25.	Rebold, Wm.	2½
26.	McLeod, Dan	2½
27.	Edberg, Richard	2½
28.	Hardy, David	2
29.	Cook, Jim	2
30.	Joplin, Steve	2
31.	Trenberth, Robert	2
32.	Bullockus, Dr. T.	2
33.	Carter, Melville	2
34.	Lamon, Ralph	1½
35.	Morey, Norman	1½
36.	Igra, Dr. L.	1
37.	Murphy, R. L.	1

Class B continued

T.	Thomas, Hardy	3½
T.	Bredoff, Mike	3½
T.	Buder, Norman	3½
	McGinley, Chas.	3½
	Bogdanoff, David	3
	Allen, Leighton	3
*	Jacobson, David	3
	Romander, Hugo	3
	Forceman, Bruce	3
	Triopoulos, Tom	3
	Lund, Robert	2½
	Perry, L. E.	2½
	Bartholomew, Ernest	2½
	Carson, John	2½
	Wheeler, Les	2½
	Pattullo, Wm.	2½
	Osternig, Louis	2½
	Willis, Douglas	2½
	Frandy, Mervyn	2
	Riley, Isham	2
	Holmers, W. V.	2
	Bellinger, Duane	2
	Daniloff, Elena	2
*	Ausmus, Raymond	2
	Nelson, W. A.	2
	Boehme, Richard	1½
	Snavely, Ted	1½
	Wong, Ben	1½
	Dalessi, Don	1½
	Jolly, Frank	1
	Dickstein, Dr. L.	1
	MacGregor, E. R.	1
	Rosenstein, Dr. L.	1
	Cleaveland, G. H.	½
	Ellington, Miles	0
	Vargas, Edward	0

Class C

T.	Knack, Amos	5	T.
T.	Bignami, Louis	4½	T.
T.	Stenner, Ron	4	T.
T.	Wiebe, Richard	4	
	Hathway, C. W.	4	
	Hill, Leonard	3½	
	Barton, Carl	3½	

T.. Trophy

\* Book Prize

Class C continued

8.	Peterson, Gary	3 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>
9.	Mulligan, Major P.	3
10.	Finnegan, Richard	3
11.	Kilker, Stanley	3
12.	Hill, Arden	3
13.	Emery, Russell	3
14.	Turner, Robert	3
15.	Bartholomew, Mrs. M.	3
16.	Hoppe, Roy	3 *
17.	Cordes, Craig	3
18.	Grosz, Max	2
19.	Raynal, E. L.	*
20.	Phillips, Douglas	2
21.	Sarafian, Leo	2
22.	Ambrose, Larry	2
23.	Newcomer, Nathan	2
24.	Rivera, Manuel	2
25.	LaBrash, George	2
26.	Kreft, John	2
27.	Hurley, John	2
28.	Henderson, Howard	2
29.	Wheeler, Chas.	1
30.	Ayer, Milo	1
31.	Tullis, Lowell	1
32.	Crayne, Chas	1
33.	Shapiro, Stan	1
34.	Stegman, Paul	1
35.	Farris, Richard	0
36.	Sacre, Harry	0 *
37.	Guinn, Walter	0

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Tournament                      Tournament  
Ratings                      Ratings                      Ratings                      Ratings  
TEAM CAPTAINS PLEASE NOTE: The  
following list does not effect the  
rating of players for the Winter  
Schedule. Revised ratings will be  
played at the start of the Summer  
Schedule; list to be published in  
advance.

ALLEN, Leighton.....	B 1732
AMBROSE, Larry.....	C 1553
ANDERS, Ernst.....	A 1814
AUSMUS, Raymond.....	B 1682
AYER, Milo.....	C 1310
BARTHOLOMEW, Ernest.....	B 1692
BARTHOLOMEW, M.....	C 1544
BARTON, Carl.....	C 1580
BELLINGER, Duane.....	B 1638
BIGNAMI, Louis.....	B 1660
BOEHME, Rinehard.....	B 1622

Tournament Ratings continu

BOGDANOFF, David.....	B 1768
BREDOFF, Mike.....	A 1864
BRENT, Eric.....	A 1878
BUDER, Norman.....	B 1794
BULLOCKUS, Dr. T.....	A 1830
CARSON, John W.....	B 1698
CARTER, McIlvile.....	B 1772
CHAPPELL, Alan.....	A 1954
CLEVELAND, G. H.....	C 1526
CLEGHORN, Peter.....	B 1786
COOK, Jim.....	A 1826
CORDES, Craig.....	C 1536
CRAYNE, Chas.....	C 1394
COMMINGS, Frederick.....	E 2088
CUNEO, Raymond.....	E 2020
DALESSI, Don.....	C 1572
DANILOFF, Elena.....	B 1620
DICKINSON, Robert.....	E 2054
DICKSTEIN, Dr. L.....	B 1674
EDBERG, Robert.....	A 1954
EDELSTEIN, I.....	E 2034
EILINGTON, F.....	C 1502
EMERY, Russell.....	C 1580
FALY, George.....	E 2024
FARRIS, Richard.....	C 1430
FINNEG N, Richard.....	C 1564
FOREM, Bruce.....	A 1834
FRANDY, Mervyn.....	C 1542
GARTENHAUS, Solomon.....	E 2052
GIEGER, Robert.....	A 1840
GROSS, Dr. Benjamin.....	A 1864
GROSZ, Max.....	C 1504
GUINN, Walter.....	C 1322
HARDY, David.....	B 1742
HATHWAY, C. W.....	B 1656
HELMERS, Walt U.....	C 1596
HENDERSON, Howard.....	C 1500
HENDRICKS, Wade.....	E 2136
HILL, A. B.....	B 1616
HILL, Leonard.....	B 1690
HOPPE, Roy.....	B 1684
HUNEKE, Carl.....	A 1884
HURLEY, John T.....	C 1500
IGRA, Dr. L.....	B 1680
JACOBSON, David.....	B 1762
JOLLY, Frank.....	C 1428
JOPLIN, Steve.....	B 1776
KILKER, Stanley.....	C 1556
KING, Henry.....	A 1852
KNACK, Amos.....	B 1782
KREFT, John.....	C 1434
LA BRASH, George.....	C 1476
LAMON, Ralph.....	B 1692

T. Trophy

\* Book Prize

Tournament Ratings continuedCLASSIFICATIONS:

LANDFAIR, Walter.....	E 2014	E----Export-----2000 and up
LEDGERWOOD, Larry.....	E 2120	A----Advanced-----1800 to 1998
LIEBERMAN, Jim.....	A 1854	B---Intermediate-1600 to 1798
LUND, Robert.....	B 1674	C----Average-----1598 and less
McGINLEY, Chas.....	B 1702	The next few games are the short-
MCLEOD, Dan.....	B 1770	cuts from the C.F.N.C. OPEN
MacGREGOR, E. R.....	C 1528	White: W. Landfair
MOREY, Norman.....	B 1744	Black: W. Hendricks
MULLIGAN, Major Peter.....	C 1478	SICILIAN DEFENSE
MURPHY, Robert L.....	C 1582	1. P-K4 P-QB4 5. N-QB3 P-K4
NEKVASIL, Miroslav.....	1930	2. N-KB3 N-QB3 6. N4-K2? B-B4
NELSON, W. A.....	1666	3. P-C PxP 7. P-B3 Q-N3
NEWCOMER, Nathan.....	C 1544	4. P-B3 N-B3 8. Q-Q3 N-QN5
OLVERA, Frank.....	B 1748	White resigns (a)
OSTERNIG, Louis.....	B 1604	(a) 12...Q-Q2, B-K6; 10...Q-Q1, (QxB, NxPch) 3-B7ch; 11.K-Q2, Q-K6 mate.
PATTULLO, Wm.....	B 1654	
PERRY, L. E.....	B 1658	
PETERSON, Gary.....	B 1610	White: A. Wang
PHILLIPS, D. A.....	C 1510	Black: H. Edelstein
PLOCK, Richard J.....	E 2012	SICILIAN DEFENSE
RAILEY, Isham.....	B 1608	1. P-K4 P-QB4 8. B-N2 BxNch
RAYNAL, E. L.....	C 1438	2. P-KB4 N-QB3 9. BxB NxB
REBOLD, Wm.....	A 1828	3. N-KB3 P-Q3 10. Q-Q2 NxB
RIVERA, Manuel.....	C 1462	4. N-B3 N-B3 11. QxN B-N5
ROMANDER, Hugo.....	B 1718	5. B-K2 P-KN3 12. P-KR3 N-Q5
ROSENSTEIN, Dr. L.....	B 1618	6. P-Q3 B-N2 13. Q-KB2 BxN
SACRE, Harry.....	C 1326	7. P-N3? NxKP Resigns
SARAFIAN, Leo.....	C 1472	
SCHMERL, James.....	A 1922	White: R. Dickinson
SHAPIRO, Stan.....	C 1386	Black: J. Cook
SNAVELY, Ted.....	B 1664	FRENCH DEFENSE
STEGMAN, Paul.....	C 1426	1. P-K4 P-K3 11. P-KB4 P-R5
STENNER, Ron.....	B 1628	2. P-Q4 P-Q4 12. N1-B3 N-QR4(b)
STEVENS, Wm.....	A 1822	3. PxP PxP 13. P-B5 B-Q2
TAGGART, Don.....	A 1954	4. B-Q3 N-KB3 14. N-K5 P-B3
THACKER, Ronald.....	A 1876	5. B-KN5 B-K2 15. BxN BxB
THOMAS, Hardy.....	B 1774	6. Q-K2 O-O 16. Q-R5 R-K2
TOMORI, Louis.....	A 1918	7. N-Q2 R-K1 17. P-KN4 Q-B2
TRENBERTH, Robert.....	A 1998	8. O-O-O N-B3(a) 18. P-N5 BxN
TRIPODES, Tom.....	B 1776	9. P-QB3 F-QR4 19. P-B6(e) P-KN3
TULLIS, Lowell.....	C 1384	10. R-K1 B-K3 20. Q-R6 Resigns(d)
TURNER, Leroy.....	A 1870	(a) Much better is 8...P-B4, and open the QB file for counter-attack
TURNER, Robert.....	C 1572	(b) First 12...P-R3 is better.
VARGAS, Edward.....	B 1648	(c) Threatens QxRPch and Q-R8 mate.
WANG, Arthur.....	A 1856	(d) There's nothing he can do against Q-N7 mate.
WHEELER, Chas.....	C 1510	
WHEELER, Leslie.....	B 1656	HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS SINCE
WIEBE, Richard.....	B 1684	YOU LAST RENEWED YOUR DUES? PLEASE
WILLIS, Douglas.....	B 1708	BE SURE TO NOTIFY THE TREASURER!!!
WONG, Ben.....	C 1584	
YAGGIE, Earl.....	A 1880	
ZEILER, Ben.....	A 1936	

The following game is actually a sad story of missed mates. Black sacrifices a piece for the attack, and when he has the mate in hand, he overlooks first a mate in two and then a mate in four!

WHITE: H. Edelstein

BLACK: E. Yaggie

FRENCH DEFENSE

1. P-K4	P-K3	11. Q-B2	P-KN4	22. K-R1	Q-BP
2. P-Q4	P-Q4	12. B-N3	P-KR4	23. N-K5	Q-Q3
3. PxP	PxP	13. BxP	(xB)	24. QR-K1	N-N3
4. B-Q3	B-Q3	14. - N4	P-T5	25. BxP	NxN
5. N-KB3(a)	B-KN5	15. P-L	B-Q2	26. PxN	Q-QB3
6. O-O	N-QB3	16. P-L	P-M5	27. BxBch	QxB
7. P-B3	Q-Q2	17. N-L	P-B4	28. Q-Q3	Q-N5
8. B-KN5(b)	P-B3	18. P-KBL	RxPch	29. N-B3(d)	R-B1
9. B-R4	KN-K2	19. NxP	Qx-N1	30. QxP	RxPch(e)
10. QN-Q2	O-O-O	20. P-N5	P-L6(e)	31. NxP	Resigns
		21. PxN	RxPch		

(a) Prefer 5.N-K2 here. (b) Trying to stop Blac. from castling Q's side. Actually he is helping his opponent to set up a King's side attack fast! (c) Attack is all that matters now. (d) 29.Q-B3 was needed. Now Black can mate in two moves with 29...RxPch; 30.KxR (orNxR) Q-N7 mate. (e) Overlooks that White will protect his KN2 square with his Queen. Instead 30...RxN; 31.QxR; R-N8ch; 32.RxR, QxQch; 33.R-N2, QxR mates!

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White: R. Cuneo

Black: R. Edberg

QUEEN'S INDIAN

1. P-Q4	N-KB3	10. KPxP	N-K4	23. N-B6ch(c)	BxN
2. P-QB4	P-K3	11. N-Q4	NxP	21. NPxP	Q-B1
3. N-QB3	P-QN3	12. QxN	Q-Q2	22. R-N1	Q-R3
4. P-KB3	B-N2	13. N-B5	O-O-O(a)	23. B-K3	K-R2(d)
5. P-K4	I-KR3	14. NxPch	QxN	24. R-L5	K-N1(e)
6. B-Q3	P-Q3	15. N-N5	K-N1	25. KR-N1	K-L1
7. KN-K2	QN-Q2	16. Q-R3	I-R3	26. BxI	PxP
8. O-O	B-K2	17. N-Q4	Q-Q2(b)	27. RxN	Q-R2
9. P-Q5	PxP	18. P-QN4	I-KR4	28. QxRP	Resigns
		19. P-N5	I-R4		(f)

(a) Hoping for 14.NxNf, so that he can get some kind of an attack with QR-KN1. Black has played the whole line rather tame, and White continues with a strong attack on the Black King, without Black having any counter attack of any kind. (b) Hoping to stop N-B6. (c) White does not let go from now on. (d) Helps nenc. If 23...QxF; 24.BxNP decides with ease. (e) Simple RxR was threatened. (f) If 28...QxQ; 29.R-N8ch, K-B2; 30.R1-N7 mate. A real smash-up.

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White: E. Bartholomew

Black: Dr. L. Rosenstein

SICILIAN DEFENSE

1. P-K4	P-QB4	6. NxI	I-QR3	11. O-O-O	Q-B2
2. N-KB3	N-KB3	7. B-N5	B-K2	12. Q-N3	P-QN5
3. N-QB3	P-Q3	8. Q-B3	O-O	13. N-N1	BxP
4. B-B4	P-K3	9. N4-K2	I-N4	14. BxN	QxR
5. P-Q4	IxP	10. B-Q3	B-N2	15. QxPmate	

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White: A. Knack  
 Black: R. Stenner  
 TWO KNIGHTS DEFENSE

1. P-K4	P-K4	16. N-Q3	Q-Q2	31. Q-K2	Q-Q2
2. N-KB3	N-QB3	17. P-K5	B-K2	32. R-K5	P-KN3
3. B-B4	N-B3	18. N-KB4	B-KB4	33. Q-B3	Q-Q1
4. O-O	B-K2	19. P-K5	PxP	34. Q-B4	Q-N3
5. R-K1	O-O	20. N-K5	Q-Q3	35. P-M4	P-B4
6. P-B3	P-Q3	21. Q-R5	KR-B1	36. QPxP	Q-B3
7. P-Q3	B-N5	22. N-K2	B-B3	37. PxP	P-KR3
8. QN-Q2	QN-R4	23. N-N3	ExN	38. PxPch	K-N3
9. P-KR3	B-Q2	24. NxN	B-N3	39. Q-N3ch	K-R2
10. P-QN4	NxB	25. N-N4	P-B3	40. RxP	Q-K3
11. NxN	P-Q4	26. QR-K1	R-1	41. Q-Q3ch	R-N2
12. NxKP	B-K3	27. P-KR4	B-B4	42. R-Q7ch	K-B1
13. B-N5	P-B3	28. NxN	RxN	43. Q-Q6ch	QxQ
14. BxN	BxB	29. RxR	PxR	44. PxQ	K-K1
15. P-Q4	R-K1	30. RxRch	K-B2	45. RxP	Resigns

White: L. Tomori  
 Black: M. Bredoff  
 RUY LOPEZ

1. P-K4	P-K4	13. B-Q3	P-QB3?	25. R-K3	P-R5
2. N-KB3	N-QB3	14. NxN	QxN	26. R-B3	QR-Q1
3. B-N5	P-Q3	15. P-QN4	Q-Q1	27. R-K1	Q-R4
4. O-O	B-Q2	16. BxQP	R-K1	28. R-B6	RxB
5. P-QB3	B-K2	17. P-K5	B-N5	29. PxR	K-N2
6. P-Q4	PxP	18. P-KR3	BxN	30. Q-B3	N-N4
7. PxP	N-B3	19. QxB	N-N4	31. RxPch	NxR
8. N-B3	O-O	20. Q-N4	P-KN3	32. RxR	QxP
9. R-K1	P-KR3	21. PxN	P-R4	33. R-K7	QxP
10. B-KB4	N-R2	22. Q-B4	N-K3	34. QxNch	QxQ
11. N-Q5	P-R3	23. Q-K3	Q-R5	35. B-B4	Resigns
12. B-B4	N-R4	24. Q-K4	Q-N4		

White: D. Jacobson  
 Black: L. Tomori

QUEENS GAMBIT		17. BxPch	KxB	34. R-E4	R-K3ch.
1. P-Q4	P-Q4	18. NxN	QR-Q	35. N-K5	P-N6
2. P-QB4	P-QB3	19. K-K3	R-Q4	36. PxP	PxP
3. N-QB3	N-KB3	20. N-B4	R1-Q1	37. R-N4	R-QN8
4. N-KB3	QN-Q2	21. N-K5ch	K-K3	38. K-Q3	R-R3
5. B-B4	PxP	22. N-B3	P-QR4	39. K-B3	-R6
6. P-K4	N-N3	23. R-QN1	P-QM4	40. N-B4	-R7
7. N-K5	B-K3	24. R-N2	K-Q4	41. NxP	RxR
8. R-B1	P-KN3	25. N-Q2	R-R6ch	42. KxR	RxP
9. N-R4	NxP	26. N-N3	R-Q3	43. N-K3	R-K7
10. NxP	NxN	27. R-B2	P-QR4	44. N-Q5ch	K-B2
11. BxN	Q-R4ch	28. K-B4	P-R5	45. N-B4	R-KB7
12. B-Q2	NxB	29. N-R5	R-Q6	46. P-M3	RxP
13. QxN	QxQch	30. R-B5ch	K-K3	47. K-B4	R-KB2
14. KxQ	B-R3ch	31. NxP	K-B3	48. N-R3	R-B4
15. K-K2	BxR	32. R-B2	P-N5	49. P-Q5	P-R3
16. BxB	BxP	33. K-B4	R-Q8	50. K-Q4	R-B6
				51. Resigns	

Read at the University of Pennsylvania Dinner by the author, H.  
Klingsberg---1951

CHESS

Let us all arise and bless,  
The exasperating game of chess.

Hungry? Weary? Life a mess?  
Find a partner; indulge in chess.

A noble pastime; great invention;  
Not much tougher than the fourth  
dimension.

Take it up, and you will find,  
No better way to lose your mind.

All the moves are quickly mastered;  
It might help if you're slightly  
plastered.

The pawn is small, not much to look at;  
He travels straight, but captures  
crooked.

Cherish him, for in the end,  
He may prove your truest friend.

The knight; his course is rather freaky,  
And if I may add, a trifle sneaky.

Like a phantom, like a ghost,  
He shows up where it hurts the most.

The bishop; now, there's a chap,  
Who dashes clear across the map.

Watch this fellow; if you're slack,  
He will stab you in the back.

But of these minor arms, enough;  
Let's discuss the heavy stuff.

The rook is clumsy, like a truck,  
But if he's headed for you, duck!

Run for cover, find some shade;  
Hide your king and barricade.

And now we pause, with humble mien,  
And genuflect to the noble queen.

Proud protector of her lord,  
Mistress of the chessic board.

If you keep her, you're in clover;  
Lose her, everything is over!

To win in chess, so I am told,  
Above all else, you must be bold.

Know the gambits, learn the tricks  
And you, too, can say; "Mate in six."

But should you lose, don't stop to weep;  
Take a pill and go to sleep.

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We had about 25 entries in our problem solving contest and several contributions to the column. First prize in the contest will be a copy of "Practical Chess Openings", second prize will be a copy of "Chess Board Magic" and third prize will be a copy of "The Bright Side of Chess."

The solution to Problem #1 was P-B6. This problem has what is known as a "star-flight" theme because of the pattern of flight squares of the black king.

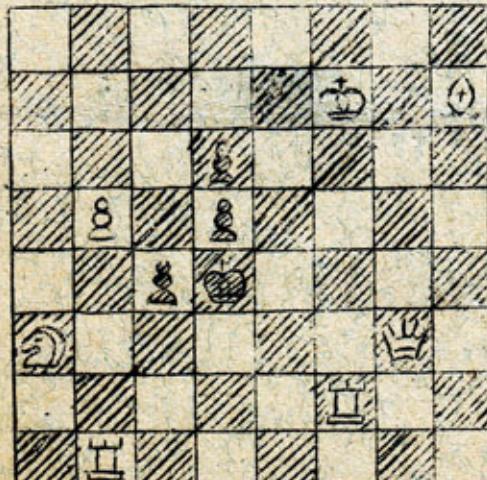
The solution to Problem #2 was P-K4 and the theme here is a "chameleon echo" because the two mates are repeated (the echo) and the black king stands on a different colored square in each mate (chameleon).

Sorry I am so slow in answering the mail but will get it done as soon as possible.

Problem #3 composed by Shai C.

Problem #4 composed by your Editor.

#3. Mate in 2 - 7 points



#4. Mate in 3 - 5 points

