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Chess action: The following chess tournaments were held at the Casa Alvarado Chess Center during the month of March. Directed by Ruby Yudacufski, the charming hostess at the Casa Chess Center.

- March 7 Rapid Transit Tournament. Won by Ted Yudacufski; Jerry Jennings, second; P. Clark, third; Bob Jones, fourth. Other players in this event included D. Matthews, F. Mills, J. Kilcrease, M. Hartman, B. Lyon, J. Hoffman.
- March 10- The Dennis Matthews farewell tournament. Four players in this Aloha to Dennis on his discharge from the service and return to his home in Wisconsin. Finishing in this order Ted Yudacufski, Jerry Jennings, Dennis Matthews, & Bill Kondrat.
- March 17- The St Patrick's Day Tournament assembled these high caliber chess players: Ted Yudacufski, first; Jerry Wollschlager, second; Jerry Jennings, third. Also playing were, Col Daly, F. Mills, Larry Marks, Chuck Nystrom, and Sparky Sparkman.
- March 51- Jerry Wolschlager played, simultaneously, against six of that Sunday's gathering, winning all except his game with Yudacufski. Jerry has agreed to play another simultaneous against all comers on Sunday April 7 and, if you will record your game, he will analyze it and offer constructive criticism.

We snitched the following information on up-coming tournaments from the Oakland Chess Club's monthly publication "En Passant" for April.

5 - 7 19-21 27-28	1	Visalia Amateur Open (USCF - Under 1800) Golden Bear Open (USCF - CSCF) Deningula (Den Amag) Open (CMMG)
	T	Peninsula (Bay Area) Open (CFNC)
18-19	May	Walnut Creek Open (USCF)
8- 9	June	Monterey International Open (USCF)
4	July	San Bruno open-air festival
4	August	Sonoma Valley of the Moon Festival
24-25	August	Oakland CC Annual Summer Tournament
23-26		American Open (USCF)
		Chess Nuts Rating Tournament - Sheraton-Palace (USCF)

Thanks to G. Nelson for donating a set of chess pieces to the MPCClub's 'barrel'. The barrel has been established to receive chess sets, full or with missing or broken pieces, or single pieces, donated by kind & generous friends, so we can have a supply of miscellaneous chess pieces that may help a club member revive a favored set that has a piece missing or broken. You can help... Donate your unwanted chess set.

in memory of

Robert E. Atkinson 1904 1968

It is with profound sorrow that we report the loss of this fine friend who passed away quietly at his home on March 26, 1968. Rest in peace.

The MPCClub's Spring Rating Tournament has been divided into three divisions to allow all members to participate and more of the lower rated members to win trophies and prizes. Called the 'Triple-header' here's how it goes - Starting date April 18 - Finish Way 16 -

Alpha	Open Tournament	Open to all USCF
Beta	Fun Tournament	USCF under 1500
Gamma	Maverick Tourney	MPCClub members not USCF.

Trophies for first in each event - Prizes for second in each event - Awards for third in each event. - USCF members will be rated. One game played each Thursday night at the Casa Alvarado Chess Center.

George Koltanowski, International Chess Master and syndicated chess columnist, in an exhibition at the Shutters Restaurant on the evening of March 18, spoke to local chess buffs about the antics of the American Chess Master, Bobby Fischer, at the Interzonal (chess) Tournament held at Sousse, Tunisia last year. Kolti indicated that in his opinion a communication failure, between Bobby and the tournament officials, was the basic reason behind the American Champion's withdrawal from this important event.

The World's Blindfold Champion gave a demonstration of his mental magic by marking the 64 squares of a chess board with the names of cities, countries, personalities, local chess players, phone numbers, and the serial number of one of Doc McKenny's dollar bills. Then, starting at a square indicated by Colin Chambers, Kolti, his back to the board and assisted by Iarry Warks, who marked the used squares, called each square by name or number and marched the knight about the board until he had touched down on each square. The Master called each move without hesitation and completed the knight's tour in a few minutes. An amazing demonstration and one for which Koltanowski is world famous.

Then, in a continuation of his chess-ability, Koltanowski played 25 boards, simultaneously. Jerry Wollschlager, Fort Ord Chess Champion, held the Master to a draw, but Koltanowski, moving swiftly from board to board, won all of the other games. Kolti presented Jerry with a copy of a new chess magazine, "Chess Digest", for his draw and also presented Helen Bennett a copy of the magazine for holding out long enough to be the last board finished.

The exhibition, sponsored by the Monterey Peninsula Chess Club, and hosted by Leo Copper, of the Shutters Restaurant, provided a gala evening for local chess fans. Our special thanks to Leo for providing the excellent set-up for this exhibition. When you are looking that special place to spend an evening, try the Shutters - 888 Munrus, Monterey. European cusine, with the casual elegence of the Bavarian gasthaus. And our thanks to Ruby for acting as cashier.

Arrangements have been completed to hold the Fourth Annual Monterey International Open Chess Tournament in the Pacific Room of the San Carlos Hotel in Monterey, on June 8 - 9, 1968. George Koltanowski, International Chess Master, will again direct this USCF rated event. Additional information can be secured from Ted or Ruby at the Casa Alvarado Chess Center, 494 Alvarado Street, Monterey, California. Phone (408) 372 9790 afternoons and evenings any day except Mondays.

Ted Yudacufski, your friendly chess-guru, is planning a semester of morning classes in chess tactics. Join these classes and sweep the Spring Triple Header. Win the suprise, upset, and most improved rating prizes. To Top The Tournament - Talk To Ted.

Check your United States Chess Federation membership expiration date. Memberships expiring this month are: Ted Yudacufski, D. Feliciotti, B. Barthelow, Bill Kondrat, Jim Kilcrease, Pete Medina, Willis Cook, and Sid Walden. Get your check in to the Treasurer and keep your USCF membership current.

ONE OF MY BRILLIANCIES by Jerry Jennings

Played at the American Open, Santa Monica, November 1966

French Defense (Patzer Variation)

J. Tarjan (white)

1. P-K4 ? An obvious blunder, weakening his KB3 and Q3 squares.

1... P-K3: Equalizing on KB4 and Q4. Very forceful, don't you think?

2. P-Q4 3. N-QB3 P-Q4 N-KB3

4. B-KN5
Forcing a trade. (of course he wants to make any equal trades he can; he's a mere 14-year-old kid* and I'm a grown-up!)

4... PXP
5. NXP B-K2
Sure, let him make his trades.
What do I care?

6. BXN BXB Ar 7. KN-B3? hi What? He has traded a bishop for a Knight, & neglected to Vice the Versa

(black) Jerry Jennings

7... B-K2: He had his chance, by golly, and muffed it.

8. B-Q3 N-B3
9. 0-0 !?
What's this? Has he forgotten my double-pressure on his QP?
However, if 9... NXP; 10. NXN,
QXN; it may accidently occur to him to play 11.B-N5 ch,
winning my Queen ... So ...

9... 0-0 10. P-B3? Depriving his QN of a good square.

10... P-QN3:
Does he see the trouble I'm brewing for him?

11. Q-K2? R-K1!
Applying subtle Xray pressure on his Queen.

Tarjan-Jennings cont'd:

12. KR-Kl ?? Ignoring the devastion I'm threatening.

12... B-N2::
And the long white line is mine, all mine.

13. QR-Q1 B-KB1 Allowing my QN (its a killer) passage to king side.

14. B-N1 ?? What's he doing, pushing wood or pulling it?

14... N-K2:
15. Q-Q3
Had it been made by a superior
player, I might give this move
an exclamation point because it
threatens, 16. N-B6 ch, PxN; 17.
QxP mate! Naturally, this mere
child could not be planning such
a subtlety, but he might stumble
into it, so ...

15 ... N-N3 ... Where it planned to go anyway!

16. N-K5
Trying to lure my knight away.
Maybe he's beginning to see his
feeble threat. Now watch this.

16 ... P-KB4!! 17. N-N3 N-B5!!! Run, silly queen!

18. Q-B2 Yum, yum, eatum up: NXP

19. R-KBl Stupid rook! What good did it do you to go to Kl in the first place?

19 ... N-R5!
Threatening to force a knight trade by: 20... N-B6 ch!

20... POW! B-Q3!

21. Q-K2 Yeah, that KBP needs all the help it can get! Hey, what's this? He has two isolated pawns, and I can force another.

21... P-B4:: Crushing: Wham! Bang:

22. BXP ????
Really now! But what good was that bishop anyway? White is obviously so desparate he'll try anything.

22... PXB!!!!! 23. Q-B4 ch ????? A "spite" check.

23 ... K-Rl 24. N-B7 ch ::???? Of course this move does have some merit.

24 ... K-Nl 25. N-R6 dbl ch Oh no! This patzer has stumbled onto a way to get a perpetual-check draw!

25 ... K-Rl 26. Q-N8 ch ?????????? Well, and lookee here, now! He's blown it!! Missed it altogether! Sorry, kid.

26 ... RXQ:::::::::: What can he do now? He's a full queen and bishop down!

27. N-B7 MATE Well nobody's perfect:

* Jim Tarjan was at the time the California Junior Champion, with an Expert rating. The young man should have a brilliant future. In the past year he has fed humble pie to a plural of Grandmasters. (Note: The March issue of Chess Life places Tarjan first in the under 16 list with a rating of 2232.)

A tournament player says "adjusting" or "J'adoube" to warn his opponent that he is touching a man for the purpose of adjustment. Be careful which man you touch first when capturing. It may have an important bearing on the outcome of the game.