

NORTHROP
Chess Club



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To All Members of Northrop Chess Club:

- - - - ANNUAL CHESS KNIGHT - - - -

We can take especial pride in our exhibition for we have the privilege of meeting two of the most famous figures in the chess world. Isaac Kashdan and Harry Borochoff are anxious to meet each and every one of you. We will welcome your chess Queens and let them take pride, in the fact their Knights are jousting in the chivalrous game. Should you have any young "Chessters" interested in the game, - what better way to plan a Saturday night!

Refreshments will be served to all. The ladies can also count on a relaxing evening as they are welcome to play games.

There are still some reservations available, though obviously not for long. Let's give this program the "big push" and we'll be anxious to greet each of you personally! Remember! Guests and spectators are welcome. See you!!

Northrop Recreation Club
By: Bill Henderson, Commissioner
N.R.C. Chess Club

OPERATION M = 1000 NEW MEMBERS

The United States Chess Federation needs your support and will be glad to welcome you into the family. When you join the U. S. Chess Federation, they want you to feel that you have become one of their chess friends, a member of our fraternity of chess players. You have, in fact, joined a group of chess players who are working and playing together in a spirit of friendly cooperation held together by a mutual interest in a grand game.

The United States Chess Federation is a democratic non-profit organization of individuals seeking to advance the status of chess, broaden its participation, improve its values as art and recreation, and restore international leadership to America.

The United States Chess Federation is the official organization, the designated American unit of the International Chess Federation, and the governing body on Rules and Championships. It is governed entirely by its members and their elected officials.

Mr. Harry Borochoy, California's State Chairman for Operation "M" will give our Chess Club on 27th June a talk on the advantages of belonging to the United States Chess Federation. The membership dues is \$5.00 for one year which includes the bi-monthly chess paper "Chess Life". The necessary membership applications will be available. Your Editor is hoping that at least 20 of our club members will join. In your own personal interest, it is highly desirable that each of you have official U.S. Chess Federation Rating. If enough of Northrop's members join, we can run a sponsored tournament and receive an official chess rating. This would in effect place Northrop's Chess Club on the United States Chess Federation Chess Map.

TOURNAMENT SUMMARY

On 15 February 1959, our tournament started with 120 players taking part covering Plants 1, 2, 3 and Engineering Center. Your Editor would at this time like to congratulate the Plant Champions and to the gentlemen who served on our tournament committee for a job well done. The following are the Plant Champions:

Plant I	Bill Lurie	Organization 8930
Plant II	A. Pena	Organization 2811
Plant II, 2nd Shift	K. Decker	Organization 2521
Plant II, 3rd Shift	W. Burton	Organization 2551
Plant III	J. Card	Organization 5550
Engineering Center	R. Lalane	Organization 3160

NEW CHESS COMMISSIONER FOR NORTRONICS DIVISION

Mr. Bob Kozel, Organization 2843, Ext. 759, has been appointed Chess Commissioner for the Nortronics Division. Our congratulations and best wishes to Bob and the Nortronics Division Chess Club.

Copies of "Chess Chatter" will be made available to Bob and he will handle the mailing distribution. If at any time, Nortronics Division Chess Club has any Chess News that they would like to include in "Chess Chatter", we will be anxious to include it in our monthly chess publication.

All Chess players at this time will keep their rating identification number. When your rating card is completed and you need a new one, please mail to Bill Henderson, Organization 8920, Zone 12, Plant I, for all Norair Division Chess Club; and to Bob Kozel, Organization 2843, Zone 40, Plant II for all Nortronics Division Chess Club.

The Chess Exhibition that will be conducted on the 27 June 1959 is a joint effort for both Norair and Nortronics Chess Clubs.

NORTH WINS. 37 - 33 IN FRESNO MATCH

The North repeated its victory of last year, scoring 37 to 33 in the 26th Annual North - South Match held last Sunday at the Hotel Californian in Fresno. A total of 70 contestants took part in the Fresno match. Charles Henderson, Captain for the South, won the Special Award for the shortest game ending in Checkmate with 6 moves.

SPECIAL AWARD TO BOROCHOW

Jerry Spann, President of the U. S. Chess Federation, flew to Fresno to attend the North - South Match and presented a Special Award to Harry Borochow, California Chairman of Operation "M".

Spann announced that California has overtaken New York and leads the nation in number of members enrolled in the Federation. Borochow's continuous efforts were mainly responsible for more than 200 members who signed up since June 5, 1958.

INTERNATIONAL CHESS

Miguel Najdorf of Argentina and Ludek Pachman of Czechoslovakia scored 10 1/2 - 3 1/2 to tie for top honors in the 1959 Mar del Plata classic. Just a half-point behind with 10 - 4, came Robert Fischer of the United States and Boris Ivkov of Yugoslavia.

Fischer got off to a bad start with two wins, two losses and two draws in his first six games. His losses to Rene Letelier of Chile and Pachman were not repeated. After losing to the latter in the fifth and eight games, he drew with Najdorf, Ivkov, Emma and Luis Sanchez, winning the rest, and ending with a record of eight wins, two losses, and four draws.

BOBBY FISCHER TO ZURICH

Bobby Fischer, International Grandmaster, has accepted an invitation to play in the strong international tournament which begins in Zurich on May 19, 1959. This event, which is being staged to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the Zurich Chess Club. This tournament will give our young champion the workout he needs before playing in the Candidates' Tournament in Yugoslavia later this summer. Foreign masters invited are: Keres and Tal from USSR; Gligoric, Yugoslavia; Olafsson, Iceland; Fischer, U.S.A; Barcza, Hungary; Unzicker, W. Germany; Larsen, Denmark; Donner, Holland; and Dueckstein, Austria. Swiss masters, Bhend, Blau, Keller, Kupper, Nievergelt, and Walther will also compete.

TAL LEADS AT ZURICH, FISCHER SECOND

Mikhail Tal of Soviet Union is leading after 10 rounds in the Jubilee International Masters Tournament in Zurich, with a score of 8 1/2 - 1 1/2. Bobby Fischer is in second place with a score of 8 - 2. Five rounds remain to be completed. Following is the standing after 10 rounds:

	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>		<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
Tal	8 1/2	1 1/2	Unzicker	5 1/2	4 1/2
Fischer	8	2	Bhend	4	6
Keres	7 1/2	2 1/2	Walther	4	6
Gligoric	7	3	Duckstein	3 1/2	6 1/2
Barcza	6 1/2	3 1/2	Keller	3 1/2	6 1/2
Olafsson	6	4	Kupper	3 1/2	6 1/2
Donner	5 1/2	4 1/2	Blau	1	9
Larsen	5 1/2	4 1/2	Nievergelt	1/2	9 1/2

ISAAC KASHDAN'S CHESS CAREER

INTERNATIONAL GRANDMASTER

- 1921 Mr. Kashdan started his chess career at the age of 15 at Stuyvesant High School in New York.
- 1924 Won a problem solving tournament for his first chess publicity.
- 1925 Won the championship of the Manhattan and Rice-Progressive Chess Clubs, the two leading clubs in the country at the time.
- 1928 He was on the first American Team to go to Europe. The team came in second. Mr. Kashdan won the prize for the best individual score in the event.
- 1930, 1931,
1933 and 1937 Played on American Team events in Europe. American winning the World Championship in the last three events.
- 1930 to 1936 Won or came second in a number of International Tournaments, including Berlin, Frankfort, Stockholm, Gyor, Hungary, Mexico City and Pasadena.
Pasadena Tournament in 1932, Mr. Kashdan finished second to Dr. Alekhine.
In 1932, Dr. Alekhine, then World Champion, predicted that Mr. Kashdan would be his successor. However, after Mr. Kashdan's marriage in 1933, family duties preempted the time he could devote to chess tournaments.
- 1938 Tie with I.A. Horowitz in United States Open Chess Champion, Boston, Mass.
- 1942 Tie with Samuel Reshevsky in United States Chess Champion, New York.
- 1946 and 1955 Played two matches in Moscow, Russia, making an even score.
- 1947 Mr. Kashdan, last tournament was winning U. S. Open Champion, Corpus Christi, Texas.
- 1956 to 1959 Chess Editor for Los Angeles Times, and is the American Representative on the Editorial Staff of FIDE Review (a quarterly magazine presenting chess news from all over the world - published in four languages).

Mr. Kashdan's outstanding chess career has been published in some of our best chess books. (The official Blue Book and Encyclopedia of Chess and the Fireside Book of Chess).

Every chess player cannot help but feel an inspiration when they have studied Isaac Kashdan's contribution to United States Chess. His devotion and dedication to furthering our world cause arouses a similar emotion in us as when we were stirred as children by our Patriotic Heroes. Let us all attend our forthcoming event and meet this wonderful chess devotee.

MANHATTAN CHESS CLUB, NEW YORK, 1948

NIMZO-INDIAN DEFENSE

B. Siff
White

1. P-Q4 N-KB3
2. P-QB4 P-K3
3. N-QB3 B-N5
4. Q-B2 P-Q4
5. P-QR3 B-K2
6. PXP PXP
7. B-B4 P-B3
8. P-R3 O-O
9. P-K3 R-K1
10. B-Q3 QN-Q2
11. N-B3 N-B1

12. N-K5 B-Q3
13. O-O N-K3
14. B-R2 P-KN3
15. N-B3 N-N2
16. BXB QXB
17. KR-B1 B-B4
18. N-Q2 R-K2
19. P-QN4 QR-K1
20. QR-N1 BXP
21. PXB RXP
22. B-B1 N-B4

I. Kashdan
Black

23. PXR Q-N6 ch.
24. B-N2 QXP ch.
25. K-R1 N-N6 ch.
26. K-R2 Q-B5
27. N-B3 R-K7
28. NXR NXN ch.
29. K-R1 N-R4
30. Q-Q2 N(4)-N6 ch.
31. K-R2 N-B8 ch.
32. K-R1 Q-R7 ch
33. NXQ N(8)-N6 MATE

MANHATTAN CHESS CLUB, NEW YORK, 1924

KING'S GAMBIT

I. Kashdan
White

1. P-K4 P-K4
2. P-KB4 PXP
3. B-K2 P-Q4
4. PXP QXP
5. N-KB3 P-QB3
6. N-B3 Q-QR4
7. O-O N-B3
8. P-Q4 B-Q3
9. N-K5 BXN
10. PXB N-Q4

11. N-K4 O-O
12. B-Q3 N-Q2
13. P-B4 N-K2
14. BXP N-KN3
15. N-N5 P-KR3
16. N-K6 R-K1
17. NXP KKN
18. Q-R5 Q-B4 ch.
19. K-R1 R-R1
20. B-Q2 KNXP

D. Bentz
Black

21. QR-K1 P-B3
22. R-B3 K-B1
23. B-N4 QXB
24. RXN NXR
25. RXP ch. K-K2
26. QXN ch. K-Q1
27. R-B7 R-KN1
28. P-QR3 Q-B1
29. Q-B6 ch. K-K1
30. RXQ ch. RXR
31. B-N6 ch. RESIGNS

HARRY BOROCHOW'S CHESS CAREER

Mr. Harry Borochoy, U.S.C.F. Master Emeritus, has had a long and interesting chess career. Harry started playing at the age of eight but did nothing beyond the ordinary until 1917 when at CCNY he won the colleges' championship, scoring 15 1/2 - 1/2, and the New York Chess Club Championship, 7 - 1. In 1918, he captained the City College Chess Team to their first victory against Penn and Cornell, winning both his games, his team scoring 5 wins and 3 draws in the Triangular Chess League. The Triangular then beat the Quadrangular in a team match, 9 - 4 (Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton).

Harry's tournament and match successes, after coming to Los Angeles, follow:

1919 - 20 - 21	Finished 2nd in Los Angeles Championship
1922, 1924, 1925	Won Los Angeles Championship, ahead of Mlotkowski, Perry, Mugredge, Patterson, Weinbaum, Gowdy, and Gibbs
1920	Tied third for California State Championship
1921	Tied second for California State Championship
1930 - 31 - 32	Won the California Championship, ahead of such players as Mlotkowski, Fink, Gross and Tippin.
1919 to 1930	Won or drew in all telegraphic or crossboard matches with Northern - California, in annual Memorial Day matches, until beaten by Johnny Tippin, age 17, in 1931.
1928	Won correspondence Chess League of America North American Championship (Concluded in 1930).
1931	Western Championship, Tulsa, scored 4 - 5 finishing 6th. After 4 rounds, Harry had scored 3 - 1, having lost only to Reshevsky, when 2 pawns up in a simple end game he blundered his Bishop away, losing.
1932	Harry organized the 1932 Pasadena Chess Congress, giving numerous simultaneous exhibitions towards raising the necessary funds.
Later in 1932	Harry scored 5 1/2 - 5 1/2 in the Pasadena Congress, a point behind Alekhine, Kashdan and 1/2 point behind Reshevsky, Steiner and Dake, who were bracketed 6 - 5; 1/2 point ahead of Fine. Harry won from Reshevsky, Fine, Reinfeld and Araiza; drew with Kashdan, Dake and Fink. By winning from Reshevsky and Fine, Harry became the only U.S. player ever to have won from both in the same tournament. In the first U.S.C.F. ratings, Harry placed 17th just two positions behind Herman Steiner.
1945	1st Master's Reserve Section Pan-American Chess Congress, Hollywood, 13 1/2 - 2 1/2. 6th Speed Tournament (13 1/2 - 5 1/2), Fine, Reshevesky, Rosetto bracketed 1st (17 - 2), 4th Horowitz, 5th Steiner, (1/2 point ahead of Pilnik 7th, (13 - 6). Won from Fine, the U. S. Speed Champion and drew with Rosetto and Steiner.
1954	2nd to Herman Steiner in California State Champion. 2nd to Sven Almgren in Southern California Championship (S.B. System broke the tie in favor of Sven). Played match with Almgren, winning 3 1/2 - 1 1/2.
1955	Pan-American Tournament, Hollywood, 10th in tie-breaking S.B. System, when tied with 13 others for 10th to 23rd in a field of 73.

HARRY BOROCHOW'S CHESS CAREER (Continued)

- 1958 Steiner Chess Club Master's Tournament, 3rd, behind Rivise and Kovacs (Youngsters Soules and Hamman, as well as Rivise, pulled him down the 3 points lost).
- 1959 California State Chairman for Operation "M" = 1000 New Members.

The following game Harry considered his best game of all time:

NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPION 1930

VIENNA GAME

<u>H. Borochow</u>		<u>A. H. Palmi</u>		
<u>White</u>		<u>Black</u>		
1.	P-K4	24.	K-R1	R-Q3
2.	N-QB3	25.	R-QN1	Q-R4
3.	P-B4	26.	Q-N3	B-R3!
4.	BPXP	27.	R-N2	B-B5!
5.	N-B3	28.	Q-R3!	B-Q7
6.	P-Q3	29.	R-KB	RXR ch.
7.	PXN	30.	QXR	Q-B2
8.	B-K2	31.	Q-B3	K-N2
9.	B-KB4	32.	R-N5!	R-KB3
10.	P-Q4	33.	Q-R3!	P-QR3
11.	BXKP	34.	P-N5!	R-B4
12.	NXN	35.	RXQP	Q-N3
13.	P-N3	36.	R-Q7 ch.	K-B!
14.	B-Q3	37.	P-QR4!!!	K-K1
15.	R-KB1	38.	R-K7 ch!	KXR
16.	Q-K2	39.	QXP ch.	K-K1 (forced)
17.	Q-N2	40.	Q-Q7 ch.	K-B1
18.	P-N4	41.	QXR ch.	PXQ
19.	B-B5	42.	N-Q7 ch.	K-N2
20.	O-O-O	43.	NXQ	BXP ch.
21.	BXB ch.	44.	K-N1	BXP
22.	KR-K1	45.	NXP	K-N3
23.	K-N2	46.	P-R4	Resign

LASKER ENTERTAINS TWO CHESS "WIDOWS"

By Beatrice Reinfeld

For the chessmaster, a formidable tournament is an ordeal; for his wife it is an ordeal of a different, perhaps even more difficult, kind.

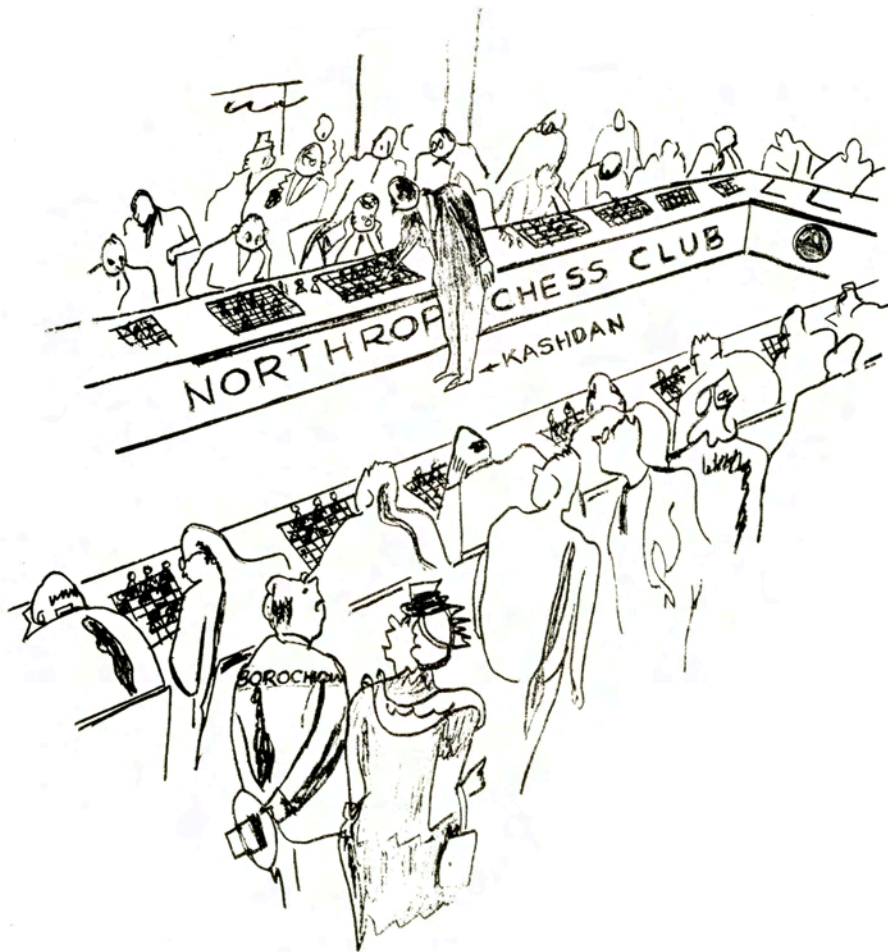
My husband was one of the contestants in the 1940 U. S. championship which was being held in a subterranean room in the plushy Astor Hotel at Times Square in New York. It was stuffy there, and the only sound was the murmur of the spectators as they analyzed the positions on the large wallboards. This half silence was broken every few minutes by the muffled clacking of the subway trains that ran under the room.

The heavy humming quiet, the dimmed lights, and the stuffy atmosphere made me feel so bored that I allowed myself to be drawn into a game of chess with Mrs. Kashdan, who plays a good deal of chess. As for me, I know the moves and dimly recall some rules I learned while typing my husband's earliest books many, many years ago. Also, I know how to count the pieces in my husband's games, to see if someone is ahead in material. Does that make me a chessplayer?!

Mrs. Kashdan and I played in what we hoped was a quiet, inconspicuous nook away from the contestants and spectators. I was blundering as usual, trying hard not to shame my husband by losing too many pieces gratis, quaking whenever I heard a footstep! The game was almost over and I was getting ready to flee when a pale, courtly, gray-haired, genially smiling old gentleman with a merry twinkle in his eyes and a smelly cigar in his hand, stopped at our table and placed his hand on a piece. It was the famous Dr. Lasker, about whom I had heard many charming anecdotes, and of whom I stood in great awe. Naturally he was surrounded by a crowd of admirers. He proceeded with the greatest of good nature, with flashing fingers, to show us how the game might have been played, and what beautiful combinations were inherent in the position, not failing to assure us courteously that we were playing admirably.

He went on with, "If here, then here, winning this that or the other...." and "on the other hand, if...." Perhaps Mrs. Kashdan, an old hand at playing in ladies' tournaments, could follow; but I was horribly embarrassed at the thought of such a brilliant light being cast on the game which we undertook only to alleviate our boredom while our husbands were struggling in a really important match.

I had forgotten this incident, but recently my husband reminded me about it and asked for my impressions. In spite of my embarrassment, I recognized then, and still feel, that this great personality was not making fun of us; he was having a wonderful time, without any feeling of condescension. He was merely entertaining us, helping to while away the weary hours of waiting.



"I don't see how he does it. My feet would be killing me."