

October 11, 1968

PRICE: Ten Cents (Pickup)

Mail Subscription:

Annual \$5.50 6 Months \$2.75 5 Issues 1.00

Vol. 7, No. 20 Page 944

Southern California's Bi-weekly Newsbulletin Issued in affiliation with The So. Calif. Chess League

Editor: Gordon BARRETT 12536 Daryl Ave Granada Hills Cal. 91344 360-5710

BIG FOUR: HENIN, SCHUTT, HUNNEX, LOFTSSON

The royal battle of the giants of So. California has ended last last Sunday at the Atlas Chess Club, when the So. Cal. Championships concluded in producing four qualifiers into the California State Championship. Our heartiest congratulations to -

Charles HENIN, past holder of the State Championship and the California Open, recent winner of the Ernest Shields Open at Bakersfield;

Ray SCHUTT, past qualifier into the State Championship, and well-known northern topster who has recently moved to Lod Angeles;

George HUNNEX, highly-respected Orange County expert, recent winner of the Cats Tournament at City Terrace, and feared upsetter of top echeloners; and

Julius LOFTSSON, household master-name on the So. Cal. scene a few years ago, who's just back after an extended absence.

The four will meet California Open top finishers Tibor WEIN-BERGER and Gilbert RAMIREZ, State Championship qualifier John BLACK-STONE and four others qualifying from Northern Calif. events in the State Championship, which will be played during the last week of December in San Francisco. Good luck, all of you!

Twenty-one players participated in the Open section of the So. Calif. Championships at the Atlas Club, HENIN taking first with 4½-½, drawing with SCHUTT. Walter BROWNE, losing only to HENIN, was clear second with 4-1 (BROWNE has previously qualified by virtue of holding the current State title, however will be unable to play in this year's competition). HUNNEX and SCHUTT shared the Expert prize; other winners include: Kim COMMONS, J. KENT and Larry NEZHNI, Class A; David L.CERO, Johann STOLPE and Robin TAYLOR, Class B; John SURLOW, Richard GOLDIE and Ken MORRISEY, Class C: R. LA BRE & W. HUNT, D-u/r.

SO. CALIF. C AMPIONSHIPS

Atlas Chess Club Oct, 1968

OPEN		Ratg.	Round One	Round Two	Round Three	Round Four	$\frac{\texttt{Round}}{\texttt{Five}}$	Total	Tie-b.
1. HENIN 2. BROWNE 3. SCHUTT 4. HUNNEX 5. LOFTSSON 6. PILNICK 7. SAIDI 8. LAZOS 9. TARJAN 10. SFILLER 11. THOMASON 12. CUMNINGHAM 13. RHEE 14. LOPEZ 15. RADER 16. GOLDSTEIN 17. HALL 18. ALMGREN 19. RICH 20. PERILLO 21. WEINBERGER	CWRGJCTJJAMWPRHSBSJPT	2219 2436 2198 2013 2216 22112 2316 2295 2070 1866 2231 2099 1636 1863 1845 2065 2042 2444	WWLDWWWLWWDWLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLL	W 1 8 1 9 7 6 3 3 3 6 4 4 9 2 0 0 L 1 8 1 7 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	W L W W L L W W D L L L W W D L L	W W W W L L D D L L L L L W	DW 11243425089Y8W112	4½ 4 3½ 3 2½ 2	8½ 7 6 11 8½ 7 6 9½ 8½ 5½ 8½ 7½ 7½ 7½
CLASS A 1. COMMONS 2. KENT 3. NEZHNI 4. DeLAURA 5. COTTEN 6. MOORE Dr. 7. SCHEY 8. BORGES 9. YERGON 10. BROMLEY 11. HARTER 12. Mc GRUDER 13. THOMSON 14. LYON 15. AHLSTROM 16. GAZSE	K.J.R. D. R. D. F. C. G. L. W. I. M. M.	1961 1787 1802 1925 1800 1960 1879 1921 1917 1899 1923 1904 1883 1962 1880 1805	W 13 9 W 16 8 7 6 5 2 4 3 Y 1 1 0 C L 4	W 12 W 15 D W 10 W 11 W 16 D D L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L	W 4 D 7 8 1 9 0 2 W 15 W 15 W 14 W 12 L 11	W 8 W 10 W 13 D 7 W 12 W 11 D 4 L 1 W BY L 6 L 5 L 7	W 5 D 4 W 7 D 1 8 3 6 D 10 D 13 L 11	5 3½ 3 2½ 2 1 ½	7 6 8½ 6½-12 6½-10½ 9½ 9 8½ 8 7½ 4½ 7 2½

SO. CAL. CHAMPIONSHIPS POLKA DOTS

None of the top-rated men in any of the sections succeeded in taking the crown....Senior Master Tibor WEINBERGER withdrew after the first round after an unusual dispute over ethics....The catering service offering roast beef and chicken dinners and all kinds of other goodies went over big with all the players....Masters Jim TARJAN Jim LAZOS and Walter CUNNINGHAM were off form in this one, will be roaring back next time....There's a possibility that Ray SCHUTT cannot participate in the State Finals, in which case a playoff match between PILNICK, SAIDI, LAZOS and TARJAN will determine the fourth spot.... Overheard: Player presenting USCF card showing Life-membership: "If this expires, I'm in real trouble...."

SO. CALIF. CHAMPIONSHIPS - cont'd.

SO. CALIF. CHAMPIUNSHIPS - CONT. d.										
			Ratg.			Round Three			Total	Tie-br.
	OT ACC	D		One	Two	Tittee	Four	Five		
7	CLASS		1020	W 16	W 11	W 10	w 6	D 7	111/	
1.	LUCERO STOLPE	D. J.	1737 1710	W 16	W 11 L 13	W 10 W 16	W 10	D 3 W 6	4½ 4	8½
3.	TAYLOR	R.	1746	D 12	W 4	W 18	W 9	D 1	74/	8
4. 5.	MYERS KANER Dr.	R. M.	1789 1704	W 19 L 7	L 3 D 19	D 11 W 15	W 18 W 11	W 8 W 14	3½	7 5 9½
6.	GLASS	R.	1731	W 14	W 7	W 13	L l	L 2	3	91/2
7· 8.	WHITMAN SMITH	C. K.	1769 1694	W 5 L 17	L 6 W 12	L 8 W 7	W 12 W 13	W 11 L 4		8 7½
9.	RAZIEN	P.	1637	L 2	W 19	W 17		W 16		7-111/2
11.	WOZNIAKOWS STOUTENBRO		1627 1799	W BY W 18	W 17 L 1	L 1 D 4	L 3 L 2 L 5 L 7	W 15 L 7	2	7-11½ 9½
	BATCHELDEI CARROLL	R J. M.	1643 1780	D 3 W 15	L 8 W 2	D 19 L 6	L 7 L 8	W BY		7½ 7–11
14.	LINN	D.	1651	L 6	L 18	W BY	W 17	 ъ 5		7-101/2
15. 16.	CLIFTON BROWN	J. M.	1707 1620	L 13 L 1	L 9 W BY	L 5 L 2	W 16 L 15	L 10 L 9	1	8½ 8
17.	PILIAVIN	L.	1751	8 W	L 10	L 9	L 14			71/2
18.	NEUTON MELNIKER	L. R.	1709 1794	L 11 L 4	W 14 D 5	L 3 D 12	<u>L 4</u>			6½ 4½
-,.					- /					· · · ·
	CLASS (2								
1.	SURLOW	J. R.	1588 1467	W 3 W 12	L 2 W 1	W 11 W 7	W 7 W 5	W 5 L 3 W 2	4	9-14 9-13½
3.	MORRISEY	K.	1597	L l	W 12	W 10	W 9			8
4. 5.	IFILL BRAGG	D. D.	1527 1505	D15A W 10	W 6 W 8	L 5 W 4	W 10 L 2	W 8 L 1	3½ 3	7 9½
6.	POLLAND	P.	1537	L 8	L 4	M 12	W 11 L 1	W 7 L 6	2	5 9½
7. 8.	WILSON KORTE	W. R.	1591 1459	W 6	W 9 L 5 L 7	L 9	W 12	L 4	2	81/2
9.	BRONSON BOWE	P. B.	1485 1455	W 13 L 5	L 7 W 13	W 8 L 3	Ь 3 Ь 4	 D 11	1½	5½ 8
11.	MILLS	M.	1440	L 7	W BY	L l	L 6	D 10		6½
	HIGGINS GREEN	0. L.	1551 1568	L 2	L 3 L 10	L 6	L 8	W BY	0	
	CLASS D-									
	HUNT		u/r	W 12	W 3 W 4	W 5 W 11	W 6	D 2	41/2	91/2
2.	LA BRE NARIKAWA		u/r u/r	W 17 W 13	W 4 L 1	W 11 W 14	W 7 W 5	D 1 W 10	4	9 7-13½
4.	ALARCON	V.	u/r	W 18	L 2 W 10	W 17	W 10	W 6	3	7 - 12 8½
5. 6.	BRIGGS CARTER	Е. М.	938 1371	W 7 L140	W 19	L 1 W 18	L 3 L 1	L 4	,	71/2
	MATHESON KRYSTALL	E.	u/r u/r	L 5 D 9 D 8	W 16 W 14	W 12 L 10	L 2	W 11 W 12		6½ 6
9.	MYER	T.	1058	D 8	L 11	W 15	L 13	W 16	2½ 2	
	JOHNSON BELLETINI		u/r u/r	W 16 D 15	L 5 W 9	W 8	L 4 D 8	L 3 L 7	2	8½
12.	FOSTER	D.	1381	Ll	W 13	L 7 W 16	W 19 W 9	L 8 L 5		8
	DENBOW TROTTER	F.	u/r u/r	L 3 W 19	L 8	L 3 L 9	W BY			7
15.	MOORE KALENBORN	J. R.	u/r 1228	D 11 L 10	ь 17 ь 7	L 9 L 13	L 16 W 15	W BY L 9	1½ 1	5-7½ 6½
17.	HIATT, R.	u/r	- L 2	, W 15	, L4;	18.MIL	LER W.	L 4, W		; 19.
	JACKSON,	υ. L	14, L	6, W	BY, L	12.				

THE CHESS SACRIFICE - BOOK REVIEW

If you'd thought all a sacrifice meant was giving away material to your opponent in the hope of profiting by it later, you've got a lot to learn. In Vladimir Vukovic's latest book (published by David McKay Co., \$6.95) a comprehensive account is given of no less than 15 types of sacrifice, with explanations of strategy and definitions that would give a first-class dictionary a challenge. If you haven't heard of the promotion sacrifice, the pseudo-sacrifice, the preventive sacrifice, the battery sacrifice, or the desperado, anti-Turton maneuvre, inhibition, optical error, relative pin, thinking-time risk and a host of others, you owe it to yourself to study this book, which explains them par excellence. And it does it with loads of diagrams, most of them from actual games - considering the "spectacle" normally involved in sacrifices, it is a wise method indeed to have little text and lots of diagrams.

Only occasionally does the book go overboard with difficult text, e.g., "The reader thereby gains a clever insight into the structural relationships of sacrificial combinations, and in some cases the possibility is opened up of, as it were, synthetically brewing up a sacrificial combination out of the familiar functional

elements...."

The book contains 51 complete games, and hundreds of positions from which sacrifices occur. While the sacrifices are obvious in some cases, they are surprising in many and invite top mental exercise for the reader who studies the diagram first, trying to find the continuation. (Most readers, only naturally, will do this.) Occasionally, an analysis is faulty (see Thinking Cap Time, elsewhere), but this is rare.

A most entertaining and tuitive book.

THINKING CAP TIME SOLUTION

Several of you sent in replies to us on the little puzzler published in our last issue, whereby we asked you to find how SCHMID mated PETROSIAN in four. Many found a five-mover, but nobody a four-mover. A real stumper? Not quite. There isn't a four-move mate, that's what.

The fiver is as follows: Q-Q6+, R-B3; 2. Q-B5+, RxQ; 3. either PxR+, K-B3; 4. R-R6+, Q-N3; 5. RxQ mate. The four-mover that isn't there? Well, we took the position and analysis from the book reviewed above, and reprinted its line, without analysing it ourselves. The book gave, Q-Q6+, R-B3; 2. QxQ, RxQ; 3. R7-R7 and mate follows. Undoubtedly PETROSIAN, the author of the book and your editor all overlooked Black's R-N2, which opens a square for the King after R1-R6+. Oh, well! We apologize for causing you to waste undue time on this. Incidentally, there is a 3-move mate if Black plays QxQ; R7-QR7 and mate follows.

SO. CALIF. AMATEUR OPEN

BIG! AT SANTA MONICA! OCTOBER 18-20! \$700 GUARANTEED!

For those rated under 2000 or unrated. In two sections, five rds. At Joslyn Hall, Lincoln/Wilshire, Santa Monica. Directed by Andy KEMPNER. Entry fee, \$11.00; Juniors under 18, \$5.00. Reg. Friday 6-7.30 p.m. Class A prizes: \$120, \$80, \$50, \$30; B, \$100, \$60, \$40, \$20; C-D-u/r, \$80, \$50, \$30. Top D, \$40. Trophies. Don't miss!

The Weekend Tournament Player

Ten minutes after the start of the evening round, our tournament player is at the T.D.'s desk, asking when is adjournment time.
A little while later, he's at the boards with pencil and paper,
figuring. And figuring some more. Then he's at the T.D., wanting
to know whom he'll be paired with next morning if he wins his game
and assuming that Brownell beats Greenell, Schutz draws with Donovan,
Vinkle withdraws after losing, and Ripple drops down from a higher
point-group. Also, what if he draws his game and Vinkle does as well?

Time marches on, and our player vacillates between gloom and elation. He watches all other results carefully, points at errors on the boards and informs the T.D. that his name has been misspelled. In fact he does so many other things it's a wonder he can play his game at all. Consequently he gets into time-trouble and ends up playing

serious rapid transit.

What he does when his game is over depends on the result. If he loses, he wants a long discussion with the T.D. about his remaining chances, and whether he should stay for Sunday's games or not. If he wins, he's at the boards studying studying the prize fund and figuring all the odds and ties. If he draws, he wants to know how many rating points he's lost or won (but not forgetting to point out the position where he had the game won). Win, draw, or lose, he complains about the early starting on Sunday (it's immaterial whether it's 9 a.m., lo, ll, or noon) and how late it is now (it's 10.30 p.m.). He's off to bed (he says), then stops at the far end of the room to analyze, play some raid transit and return to watch a long game lasting until 2 a.m.

He turns up next morning complaining that he didn't have enough sleep and how come he got three blacks in a row. (He didn't honest!) He settles down quickly to probably his most scrious chess, and is a lamb again - but, with the end of the tourney in sight, there's an ingenious side to him we ain't seen yet!

(To be continued)

(We thank "Scacchic Voice" of Oakland for reprinting part of this series - most gratifying.)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

We told you about the big SO. CALIF. AMATEUR OPEN at Santa Monica on our previous page. We omitted to tell you that there will be a special door prize drawing from those who register in advance, of a copy of the Second Piatigorsky Cup book - worth registering for! Also, advance registrants who are USCF first-joiners will get in half the entry fee; advance registrants and USCF-renewers get 10% off their USCF dues.....Hurry. SORRY! The foregoing sentence, starting with Also, applies to the RIVERSIDE OPEN, not the So. Cal. Amateur. Boy, did we get mixed up. Forgive and forget? No, don't forget. Just got it straight! The RIVERSIDE OPEN will be held on Nov. 1-2-3, 6 rds. at Borgville Park, Riverside. First prize, \$100. class prizes, \$50 each. Entry fee, \$10. Jrs under 18, \$5. More on this in our next issue. COTTEN directs....

City Terrace NEW AMPROACH TOURNAMENT starts Oct 16. 4 or 5 rds, trophy to winner; no entry fee, however, each player must join or extend USCF membership for one year. Kind of like "Chess For Fun", 'cept you pay for own membership and win a trophy instead....

No room for other shorties this time. Adieu!