Gate Club defeated Northrop Aircraft by 81/2-31/2, while the Los Feliz Chess Club of Los Angeles defeated the Santa Barbara Chess Club by 5-2. Playing in the strongest championship

California. In recent matches, the South

field mustered in the last few years by the Mechanics Institute Chess Club of San Francisco, Carol Capps walked off with first prize by scoring 10-2. He was closely followed by V. Pafnutieff 91/2-21/2 and A. J. Fink. 9-3.

The Los Angeles city championship finals began on August 2 with a very

strong entry of 16 players. Among the outstanding competitors were George Patterson, Adolph Weiss, H. Rogosin, J. P. Quillen, Robert Solana, George Croy, LeRoy Johnson, William Steckel, H. L. Hazard, Lyle Pritchard.