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Dear Mr. Reynolds.

Only now am I getting out promotion pieces on my tour. I expect to be on the Pacific coast, from San Diego to Vancouver, B. C. from about the first week of February to the second or third week - depending on how it works out.

I haven't been around San Francisco for about ten years or more. I expect that the Mechanics Institute will arrange for an appearance. My good friend Charlie Bagby generally does that.

As far as I am concerned, the more exhibitions in the SF area, the merrier. It does not matter to me how weak or strong the players are. You have pointed out, however, the difficulty with the weaker ones. They never resign, and an exhibition could go on till all hours of the morning on account of that.

Nevertheless, when I give an XXXXX exhibition, the customers are always right. I try to suit their convenience. I also deliver a long or short lecture on the game before the exhibition, depending upon the time available. This, in fact, is my forte.

My fee is \$80 per appearance, limited to 40 boards of simultaneous . If more than 40 wish to play, it is \$2 per board extra.

I must have been to SF about a half dozen times in February, and the weather has always been favorable. The spot I have liked best was Carmel, Calif. That is the garden spot of the world.

As for the playing hall, the host club suits its convenience.



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You will most likely receive some literature on my forthcoming tour within the next ten days or so. Naturally, the sooner I get responses, the easier I can work things out. Some clubs prefer certain nights and I can conveniently arrange for these if given sufficient time.

My tour will take me from N.Y. to Texas to Mexico and Central America to Vancouver and Canada. Quate a hike.

Let me hear from you.

Sincerely

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PS Your listing will begin with the October issue. We sent you, however, 10 copies of the September issue.

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Al Horowitz