

CHECK KOLTANOWSKI IN THE CHRONICLE



Do you know

that George Koltanowski's Chess Column appears daily in the San Francisco Chronicle? And that competitions run continually with numerous chess books and magazines as prizes?

Do you know

that on Sundays, there is an added Chess News column by Koltanowski which keeps chess players well informed on chess happenings all over the globe?

Do you know

that you are always welcome to join the Sunday Ladder Competition?

Do you know

that your chess questions are answered free of charge by George Koltanowski if you write them to The Chronicle and enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope?

Do you know

that GEORGE KOLTANOWSKI'S Chess Column has appeared daily since May, 1947 in The SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE?

Here's how to follow the games and articles published daily in The Chronicle:

REGARDING THE NOTATION

Learn the notation outlined in the following diagram. It will show you how to record your moves:

N stands for Knight

O-O stands for Castling King's side

O-O-O stands for Castling Queen's side

x stands for take

— stands for to

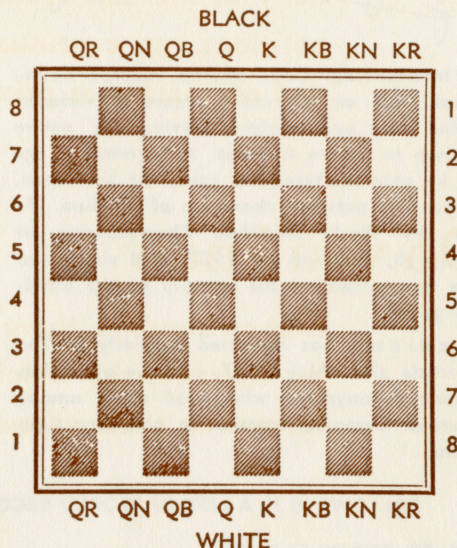
! stands for good move

? stands for bad move

ch stands for check

dis ch stands for discovered check

d ch stands for double check



REGARDING THE SUNDAY LADDER SOLVING COMPETITION

Two points are given for correct solution, one point if incorrect. White always moves up the board. Only KEY moves should be sent for two-movers. Each month there are two prize winners, who then lose their points and start again at the bottom of the ladder. Solutions must be postmarked before midnight of Tuesday following publication of the problem. **CARD MUST BEAR THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE SENDER.** List of solvers appear at regular intervals.

Address all questions and competition entries to:

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George Koltanowski

An International Chess Master, George Koltanowski had an impressive record of victories behind him even before leaving his native Belgium to live in America. A beginner at age 14, he soon mastered the game. At seventeen, he was the national champion of Belgium. He won the World Blindfold Championship at Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1937, and since that time has reasserted his mastery at the blindfold game.

His column has appeared regularly in The Chronicle since May 1947, and his name has become synonymous with good chess among countless Chronicle families in Northern California



FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF WORLD RECORDS SET BY GEORGE KOLTANOWSKI

BLINDFOLD:

EDINBURGH, Scotland, September 20, 1937: 34 games simultaneously. Played in 12 hours. Won 24—Drew 10!

SAN FRANCISCO, California, December 2, 1951: (Sponsored by The San Francisco Chronicle) 50 games—ONE AT A TIME—10 seconds a move. Played in 8½ hours. Won 43—Lost 2—Drew 5!

SAN FRANCISCO, California, December 4, 1960 (Sponsored by The San Francisco Chronicle) 56 games—one at a time—10 seconds a move. Played 9 hours. Won 50—Drew 6!

OVER THE BOARD:

SAN FRANCISCO, California, December 4, 1949. (Sponsored by The San Francisco Chronicle) 271 games simultaneously (started with 40 boards). Played in 12 hours. Won 251—Lost 3—Drew 17!

LOS ANGELES, California, May 22, 1955. 110 games simultaneously (ALL AT ONCE). Played in 12 hours. Won 89—Lost 4—Drew 17!

Chess Books Written By George Koltanowski:

In FLEMISH

Het Geweigerd Damegambiet
1929, Antwerp
Dame-Indisch 1929, Antwerp
Konings-Indisch 1930, Antwerp
De Budapester Verdediging
1930, Antwerp
Hoe meester G. Koltanowski, het
wereldkampioenschap Blindsimul-
taan veroverde 1931, Antwerp

In FRENCH

Mollett 1935, Brussels
Rosas 1935, Brussels

In SPANISH

Hastings 1934, 1935, Barcelona

In ENGLISH

En Passant 1937, Edinburgh
My Castles in Spain
1940, Lynchburg, Va.
Practical Chess 1948, New York
Chess Chats 1950, Santa Rosa
Chess Annual, 1954,
1955, San Francisco
Adventures of a Chess Master
1955, New York
Colle System 1960, San Francisco