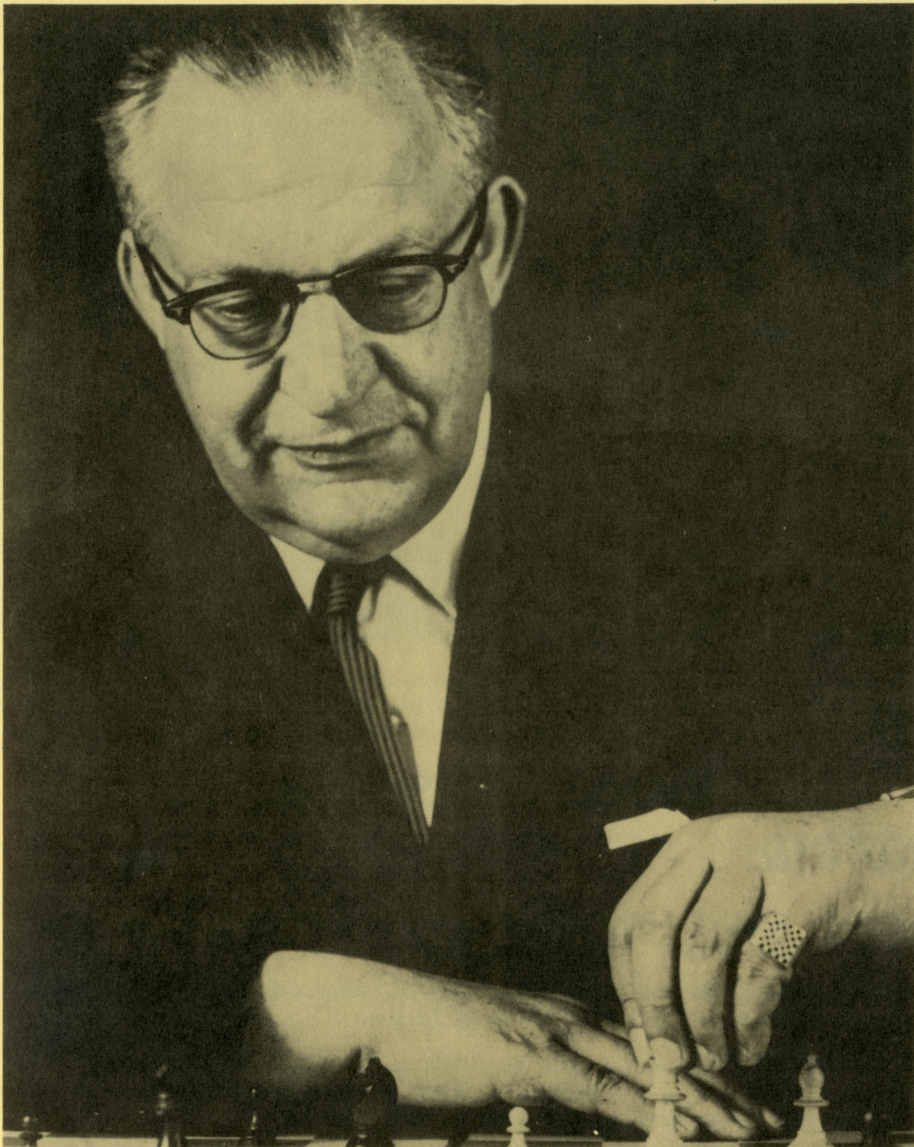


# KOLTANOWSKI ON CHESS



*George Koltanowski*

**George Koltanowski, International Chess Master**

Played in the Chess Olympics. (3 times for Belgium) Once for the USA (Helsinki, 1952) Team Captain of the U.S. team at the Olympics in Lugano, Switzerland, 1968 and co-captain of the USA team in Siegen, West Germany, 1970. Team captain of the U.S. Olympic team at Nice, France, 1974. Received Gold Medal from the Federation International Des Echecs in Nice, 1974. Directed the USCF Open 18 times! International Judge (FIDE) Mallorca, Spain, 1969.

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Koltanowski (at left rear) at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, California, December 4, 1960 wins Rapid Transit Blindfold Record. With moves made at 10 seconds each he won 50 games and drew 6 in 9 hours of play.

## Koltanowski Sets Records

### BLINDFOLD:

BRITISH RECORD FOR SIMULTANEOUS BLINDFOLD PLAY at Bath, 1934. Won 14 and drew 7 in 8 hours of play.

WORLD RECORD IN BLINDFOLD SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION, Edinburgh, Scotland, September 20, 1937. Won 24 drew 10 in 13½ hours of play.

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. Played in 12 hours. Won — 89 — Lost 4 — Drew 17!





George Koltanowski (foreground) wins the world's championship in blindfold chess at Edinburgh, Scotland, September 20, 1937. He played 34 games for 13½ hours, Won 24 games, drew 10.

## Chess Books Written By George Koltanowski:

### In ENGLISH

Practical Chess

Chess Chats

Chess Annual

With The Chess Masters

Practical Play of the Max Lange Attack

Adventures of a Chess Master

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TV Chess

En Passant

My Castles in Spain

In FRENCH

Mollert

Rosos

In SPANISH

Hastings

In FLEMISH

Het Geweigerd Damegambiet

Dame-Indisch

Konings, Indisch

De Budapester Verdediging

Hoe meester G. Koltanowski,

het wereldkampioenschap

Blindsimultoon veroverde

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 was the national champion of Belgium at seventeen.

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

His column is now published in many newspapers throughout the United States. He makes frequent appearances on radio and his program "Koltanowski on Chess" and "Grandmaster Chess" in color have been featured on The National Educational Television network.

Vice President of the United States Chess Federation, 1975-1978 Teaches Chess at the University of California Extension Division, and at the College of San Mateo, California.

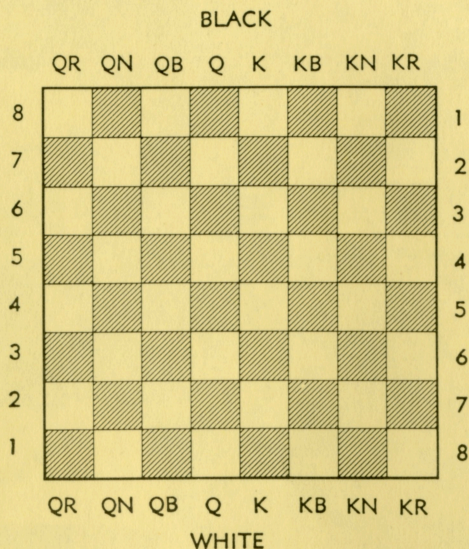


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Learn the notation outlined in the following diagram. It will show you how to record your moves.

## THE NOTATION

- 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



## THE SUNDAY LADDER SOLVING COMPETITION

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