

ADOLPH WEISS

Runner-up in 1943 Victory Tournament

Adolph Weiss of Hollywood, California, has secured second prize in the Postal Chess 1943 Victory Tournament. Though his finals section, 43-V 210, is not quite finished, Adolph has earned the \$50 award by the fine score of 5-1 in the preliminary round, 5½-½ in the semifinals and 6-0 in the finals, for the weighted point total, 44.1. He just shades Marvin Palmer (and other potentially high scorers yet to be reported) by one-tenth of a point.

Adolph was born in Baltimore, Maryland. A musician and composer, he won a Guggenheim Fellowship, 1931-2, in musical composition, and studied in New York, Chicago and, in 1924-7, at the Akademie der Kuenste in Berlin. He works for the M.G.M. studios in Hollywood.

Adolph has won six games in the 1945 Golden Knights Championship preliminaries and two, so far, in the semi-finals. He plays a very individualistic game, with a marked preference for unusual openings and early departures from "book" lines. Though he has won at least one club championship, he rates as his greatest chess achievement a win from Herman Steiner in a Pacific Coast Championship Tournament.