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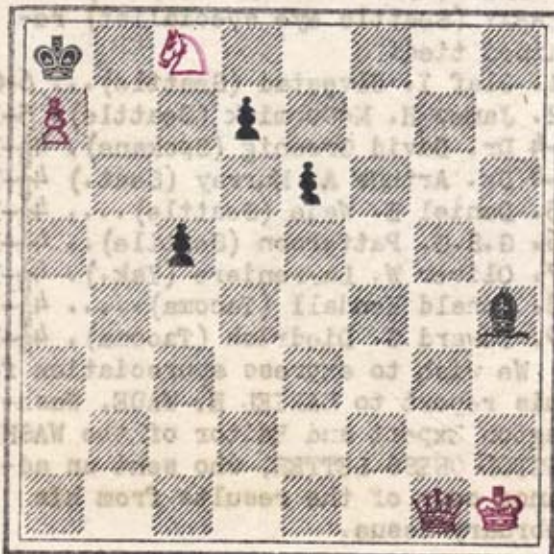
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## BE SURE TO ENTER THIS YEAR'S SAN FRANCISCO CITY OPEN! ROUND ONE STARTS MARCH 11TH AT MECHANICS INSTITUTE!!

At the business meeting of the San Francisco Bay Area Chess League, it was decided to cut the matches short to allow time for a really big tournament.

Gentlemen, this is IT! If fifty or more players enter, the winner will automatically qualify for (be seeded into) the State Closed Championship without having to win the State Open or having to play in the Northern California Qualifying Tournaments.

HENRY GROSS will direct the 12-round Swiss which will continue 12 consecutive Saturdays until May 30th. Cash prizes, trophy prizes, and a special trophy for the best score in the last six rounds. An official announcement will soon be distributed by the Bay Area Chess League to all prospective players hereabouts.



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UHLMANN WINS AT HASTINGS; PORTISCH 2ND

At the annual international Christmas  
-New Year's Tournament held in England,  
23-year-old WOLFGANG UHLMANN strode thru  
the opposition undefeated, scoring 8 win  
and 2 draws.

LEONARD W. BARDEN, England's well-  
known theorist, who has been authoring a  
series of articles on the openings in  
the CHESS CORRESPONDENT, trailed them  
all. Perhaps a detailed knowledge of o-  
pening theory is not quite as important  
as the will to fight in both the middle  
game and endgame -- a trait we have not-  
ed to be lacking in contemporary British  
Masters with a single exception, of  
course, of the amazing C. H. O'D ALEXAN-  
DER, England's only FIDE International  
Grandmaster.

A reasonable example of "fighting  
chess" was displayed in the RADOICIC-  
FUSTER game, which endured 18 hours and  
138 moves.

The final scores and standings:

1. Wolfgang Uhlmann (East Germany) . 8-1
2. Lajos Portisch (Hungary) ..... 7-2
3. Erno Gereben (Switzerland) ..... 6-3
4. Klaus Darga (West Germany) .... 5½-3½
5. Andreas Duckstein (Austria) .... 5-4
6. Robert G. Wade (New Zealand) ... 4-5
7. Peter H. Clarke (England) ..... 4-5
8. Geza Fuster (Canada) ..... 3-6
9. Miro Radoicic (Yugoslavia) .... 1½-7½
10. Leonard W. Barden (England) ... 1-8

OLAF ULVESTAD ROLLS UP A 6-0 SHUT-OUT!  
50 SET RECORD IN WASHINGTON STATE OPEN

Last year a record 38, this year a  
spectacular 50 players entered the an-  
nual (non-USCF-rated) Washington State  
Open Championship held in Seattle Janu-  
ary 24th-25th! West Coast Ratings  
were used to pair this 6 round swiss  
in the Seattle University Lounge.

Does practice help? Only last Nov-  
ember, we reported ULVESTAD scoring  
5½-½ to win the Central Washington Op-  
en in Yakima. Also in that tournament  
DR. DAVID GROENIG and OLIVER W. LA  
FRENIERE both scored 4-2. All three  
players this time improved their final  
tally in a 6-round-swiss by a full  
half point! A coincidence, you say?

For those of you who have a copy of  
MCO-9 (Modern Chess Openings, 9th edi-  
tion, 1957), ULVESTAD is the same fel-  
low who worked out that analysis on  
page 18 for the Two Knights Defense.  
He is also a rated USCF MASTER (2253).

Tournament Directors AL LIVINGSTON  
and BUZ EDDY did a tremendous job! Al  
was handicapped with the flu on Sunday  
but played as well as directed so the  
number of entrants would be even, thus  
avoiding Byes. Buz mimeographed the  
complete cross-tables and sent a copy  
to each player in the tournament with-  
in three days after its conclusion!  
(Tournament Directors in these parts  
take note!! -Ed)

The following top nine positions  
are based on solkoff tie-breaking  
points, with the Median used as a sec-  
ondary tie-break. Even then Doctors  
GROENIG (Spokane City Champion) and  
MURRAY (Seattle eye specialist) re-  
mained tied!

1. Olaf I. Ulvestad (Seattle)... 6-0
2. James H. McCormick (Seattle) . 5-1
- 3-4 Dr. David Groenig (Spokane) . 4½-1½
- 3-4 Dr. Arthur A. Murray (Seat.) 4½-1½
5. Daniel E. Wade (Seattle) .... 4½-1½
6. G.S.G. Patterson (Seattle) .. 4½-1½
7. Oliver W. LaFreniere (Yak.) . 4½-1½
8. Donald Kendall (Tacoma) ..... 4½-1½
9. Edward C. Diedrich (Tacoma) . 4½-1½

We wish to express appreciation for  
this report to DANIEL E. WADE, Wash-  
ington Expert and Editor of the WASH-  
INGTON CHESS LETTER, who sent an ad-  
vance copy of the results from his  
February issue.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHESS LEAGUE

At Mechanics Institute 24 Jan 59

<u>M.I. BISHOPS (2½)</u>		<u>M.I. KNIGHTS (4½)</u>	
R. Plock.....	1	J. Schmitt.....	0
J. Kalisch.....	½	Chas. Bagby.....	½
Lou Tomori.....	0	J. Murray.....	1
N. McLeod.....	0	Earl Pruner.....	1
W. Crabtree.....	½	A. Bourke.....	½
Dan McLeod.....	0	Kurt Bendit.....	1
R. Hoppe.....	½	C. Svalberg.....	½

OAKLAND (3½)

L. Ledgerwood..	1	N. Falconer.....	0
John Demos.....	½	Robt. Burger....	½
Art Wang.....	1	W. Hendricks....	0
Les Talcott....	0	Dan Belmont.....	1
C. Sedlack.....	1	F. Adelman.....	0
Ray J. Cuneo... 0		R. Hultgren.....	1
Bob Trenberth.. 0		R. Willson.....	1

At Golden Gate Chess Club 24 Jan 59

<u>CALIFORNIA (1)</u>		<u>GOLDEN GATE (6)</u>	
L. Frankenstein ½		Henry Gross.....	½
Ron S. Thacker. 0		Eugene Krestini. 1	
R. Walker.....	0	Gil Ramirez.....	1
Edwin Simanis.. 0		W. Pafnutieff... 1	
J. McGuire.....	½	R. Currie.....	½
R. Turner.....	0	C. Capps.....	1
D. Willis.....	0	H. Rosenbaum.... 1	

At Golden Gate Chess Club 7 Feb 59

<u>GOLDEN GATE (5½)</u>		<u>OAKLAND (1½)</u>	
Henry Gross.....	1	L. Ledgerwood... 0	
Walt Pafnutieff 1		John Demos.....	0
Gil Ramirez.....	1	Arthur D. Wang.. 0	
R. Currie.....	½	Les Talcott.....	½
C. Capps.....	1	C. Sedlack.....	0
H. Rosenbaum... 0		E. Lion.....	1
S. Van Gelder.. 1		Ray J. Cuneo.... 0	

At Mechanics' Institute 7 Feb 59

<u>CASTLE (2)</u>		<u>M.I. KNIGHTS (5)</u>	
N. Falconer....	0	J. Murray.....	1
Guthrie McClain 1		Charles Bagby... 0	
Robt. Burger... 0		Earl Pruner.....	1
F. Adelman.....	0	James Schmitt... 1	
Dan Belmont.... 0		A. Bourke.....	1
R. Willson.....	1	C. Svalberg.....	0
R. Hultgren.... 0		C. Bendit.....	1

M.I. BISHOPS (7)CALIF (0-FORFEIT)

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-- Jim Reynolds reporting

At Mechanics Institute 31 Jan 59

<u>MECH. INST. B (4)</u>		<u>MECH. INST. B/1 (3)</u>	
Don Sutherland.. 1		Wethington.....	0
J. Hope.....	0	Mike Ewell.....	1
Fred Wreden.... 1		Chas. Loveland... 0	
R. Loewinsohn.. 0		Hoffman.....	1
Irving Warner... 0		W. Rawley.....	1
Robert A. Karch. 1		John Johnson.... 0	
Wm. Hudson.....	1	Ehrlich.....	0

MISSION (1½)

J. Sumner.....	0	C. Loney.....	1
T. Hendrickson.. 0		Leighton Allen... 1	
Lowell O. Tullis 0		Noel Renaud..... 1	
D. Lundmark.... 0		Robert Blakemore. 1	
Ivan Vegvary... ½		Jim Reynolds.... ½	
Mike Kramer.... 1		V. Jewett.....	0
G. Wong.....	0	R. DeLashmutt... 1	

At Golden Gate Chess Club 20 Jan 59

<u>PRECITA VALLEY (2½)</u>		<u>GOLDEN GATE (4½)</u>	
C. Loney.....	1	H. Edelstein.... 0	
Leighton Allen.. 1		Dr. Ben Gross.... 0	
Jim Reynolds.... 0		D. Nason.....	1
Dave Gibson.... ½		Carl Huneke..... ½	
Robert Blakemore 0		George M. Farly.. 1	
R. DeLashmutt... 0		Henry King.....	1
V. Jewett.....	0	J. Cullen.....	1

At Mechanics Institute 17 Jan 59

<u>MECH. INST. B/1 (3½)</u>		<u>MISSION (3½)</u>	
Mike Ewell.....	1	T. Hendrickson... 0	
Chas Loveland... 0		Mike Kramer.....	1
John Johnson.... ½		D. Lundmark.... ½	
W. Rawley.....	1	John Ramirez.... 0	
Forfeit.....	0	D. Fromer.....	1
Ehrlich.....	1	J. Sumner.....	0
Wethington..... 0		Lowell O. Tullis. 1	

"B" DIVISION STANDINGS (After 2 rds)

	W	L	D	PS	PA	Score
*Golden Gate.....	1	0	0	4½	2½	1-0
*Mech Inst B.....	1	0	0	4	3	1-0
Precita Valley... 1	1	0	0	8	6	1-1
MI B/1.....	0	1	1	6½	7½	½-1½
Mission.....	0	1	1	5	9	½-1½

\*Each team received a Bye

"A" DIVISION STANDINGS (after 3 rounds)

	W	L	D	PS	PA	Score
Golden Gate.....	5	0	0	16½	4½	3-0
M.I. Knights.....	3	0	0	15	6	3-0
Castle.....	1	1	1	10½	10½	1½-1½
MI Bishops.....	1	2	0	11½	9½	1-2
Oakland.....	0	2	1	6½	14½	½-2½
California.....	0	3	0	3	18	0-3

INTRODUCING A BRAND NEW FEATURE!!OFF THE CHEST - George W. Flynn

A few quotes from a British Broadcasting Corporation talk by Leonard W. Barden.

"A mark of the weak player is to make premature attacks with a few pieces before making sure that all the pieces are properly coordinated. An early excursion with the Queen is one example. The sound general rule, therefore, is to bring all the pieces into play before starting the attack.

"One of the most frequent troubles of the club player is that he does not know what kind of move to look for once the opening is over.

"It is inadvisable for most of us to try to play a large number of openings. The best idea is probably to have one opening (as White) which you know really well and which is fundamentally sound -- whether it is the Ruy Lopez, the Queen's Gambit, etc. With Black, you should have one main defense to the king's pawn and one to the queen's pawn.

"If a new move does not seem to have any obvious refutation, you should try it out; in practice, the surprise value usually outweighs any slight unsoundness."

Barden suggests that you study master games which begin with your favorite opening to find out the kind of middle-game strategy you should follow.

I wonder if anyone has ever made a list of famous Westerners who were chess-players? General Vallejo of early California played chess, for instance. Does any of his games survive? Also I recall reading that one of the French champions served as vice-consul in San Francisco about 1850. Perhaps he might have played Vallejo. Is there a historian in the house? .....Or should I say, "Is there an historian in the 'ouse?"

Don't you think we sometimes take our chess too seriously and forget that it should always remain a game? What I mean is that I have often lost sleep, tossing and turning for hours, analyzing my mistakes and proving to myself that I really should have won the game I lost earlier in the evening.

Have you ever done that? Well, it seems to me that we have to figure on losing games and making mistakes. If we win all our games, I think it obvious we are playing far below our strength. Shouldn't we be glad there are players available who can defeat us and thus allow us to play our final best?

Or is that too much Pollyanna? Well, at least it's an idea, as the man said who always began his game with 1. P-Q5.

If you were suddenly given a million dollars, would you continue to play chess? Of course you would, and that's the real proof of the enduring value of our game. To coin Flynn's Basic Law of Chess: "Chessplayers play chess, no matter what."

And, to conclude, let me confess that the happiest hours of my life have been those spent playing chess and winning. ....The next happiest? Playing chess and losing.

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(Editor's note: Let's send at least a postcard welcoming George and his new column! His address: 4912 Reid Way, Sacramento 19, California.)

TULLIS LEADING WITH 3-0 IN PRECITA VALLEY NINE PLAYER ROUND ROBIN!

Fantastically underrated by the recently published West Coast Rating List -- a low Class C with 1331 points -- our Feature Writer has so far scored a clean sweep over some of his more highly rated contemporaries! Will he be able to maintain this breathless pace?

Top three after the third round: 1. Lowell O. Tullis (3-0); 2. Cliff Loney and Mike Kramer (both tied at 2-0).

BAY AREA INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE -- Lincoln Brown reporting

Sometime in Late 1958

<u>CALIF RESERVES (4)</u>		<u>SHELL DEVELOPMENT (2)</u>		<u>UCRL (5½)</u>		<u>KAISER CO (½)</u>	
C. Heaton..... ½	G. Hartwig..... ½	R. Good..... 1	David Hardy..... 0	George M. Farly.. ½	Chas. McGinley.. ½	Hugh Morrison... 0	Oscar Nieporice. 0
A. Goldschmidt.. ½	W. Ritchie..... ½	W. Swiatecki... 1	Forfeit..... 0	B. Jones..... 1	Forfeit..... 0	Forfeit..... 0	Forfeit..... 0
Robert M. Baer.. 1	H. Kennedy..... 0	E. Appelman.... 1		V. Perez-Mendez. 1			
Lincoln Brown... 0	N. May..... 1						
D. Rae..... 1	J. Hampton..... 0						
T. Hughes..... 1	B. Rubio..... 0						
<u>LIVERMORE (5)</u>		<u>CROCKETT CLUB (1)</u>		<u>SHELL (5)</u>		<u>GENERAL METALS (1)</u>	
Richard J. Plock 1	W. Rhoades..... 0	M. Wald..... 1	Dr. Koerber..... 0	G. Hartwig..... 0	M. Schaeffer.... 1	A. Case..... 0	T. Christenson.. 0
E. Canfield..... 1	L. Martin..... 0	W. Ritchie..... 1	B. Sindhl..... 0	N. May..... 1	T. Plato..... 0		
F. Martin..... 0	J. Canago..... 1	J. Hampton..... 1		R. Hurlbert..... 1			
Doyen..... 1	P. Contestable... 0						
Sands..... 1	F. Enos..... 0						
Wesley..... 1	C. Beale..... 0						
<u>BANK OF AMERICA (5)</u>		<u>UCRL (1)</u>		<u>PG&amp;E (4)</u>		<u>SHELL (2)</u>	
T. G. Hullett... ½	R. Good..... ½	V. Bedjanian.... 1	G. Hartwig..... 0	J. Yale..... ½	W. Ritchie..... ½	H. Kennedy..... 0	M. Wald..... 1
J. K. Puechner.. 1	George M. Farly... 0	A. Nikitin..... 1	M. Schaeffer.... 1	A. Lang..... 0	N. May..... ½	Forfeit..... 0	
P. Byrne..... 1	W. Swiatecki..... 0	D. Lee..... ½	B. Linth..... 0	L. Orloff..... 1			
G. Teltoft..... ½	B. Jones..... ½	Lincoln Brown.. 1	T. Christenson... 0				
A. DeSouza..... 1	M. Moravcsik..... 0		O. Yates..... 0				
J. Vucicivich... 1	J. Tabor..... 0						
<u>PG&amp;E (6)</u>		<u>GENERAL METALS (0)</u>		<u>CALIF RESERVES (5)</u>		<u>BANK OF AMERICA (1)</u>	
V. Bedjanian.... 1	Dr. Koerber..... 0	C. Heaton..... 1	T. G. Hullett... 0	A. Goldschmidt.. 1	J. K. Puechner.. 0	P. Byrne..... ½	G. Teltoft..... 0
A. Nikitin..... 1	A. Case..... 0	Robert M. Baer.. ½	J. K. Puechner.. 0	W. Webb..... 1	P. Byrne..... ½	G. Teltoft..... 0	O. Goertz..... ½
D. Lee..... 1	M. Schaeffer.... 0	J. Yale..... 1	P. Byrne..... ½	D. Rea..... ½	G. Teltoft..... 0	O. Goertz..... ½	J. Vucicivich... 0
J. Yale..... 1	B. Linth..... 0	Lincoln Brown.. 1	G. Teltoft..... 0				
J. Worthen..... 1	T. Christenson... 0						
L. Orloff..... 1	O. Yates..... 0						
<u>CALIF RESERVES (3½)</u>		<u>LIVERMORE (2½)</u>		<u>PG&amp;E (3)</u>		<u>UCRL (3)</u>	
C. Heaton..... 0	Richard J. Plock.. 1	A. Lang..... 0	George M. Farly. 1	V. Bedjanian.... 1	W. Swiatecki.... 0	B. Jones..... 0	V. Perez-Mendez. 1
A. Goldschmidt.. 1	E. Canfield..... 0	A. Nikitin..... 1	J. K. Puechner.. 0	J. Yale..... 0	B. Jones..... 0	V. Perez-Mendez. 1	J. Tabor..... 0
Robert M. Baer.. ½	F. Martin..... ½	D. Lee..... 1	P. Byrne..... ½	D. Lee..... 1	V. Perez-Mendez. 1	J. Tabor..... 0	K. Stone..... 1
W. Webb..... 1	J. Seidman..... 0	L. Orloff..... 0	G. Teltoft..... 0	L. Orloff..... 0			
Lincoln Brown... 0	K. Tiede..... 1						
L. Tornheim..... 1	C. Paulson..... 0						
<u>PG&amp;E (3)</u>		<u>FLOURESCENT (3)</u>		<u>CALIF RESERVES (3½)</u>		<u>KAISER CO (2½)</u>	
V. Bedjanian.... 1	Ernest Anders.... 0	A. Goldschmidt.. 1	B. Morgan..... 0	C. Heaton..... ½	David Hardy..... ½	Hugh Morison... 1	Chas. McGinley.. ½
A. Nikitin..... ½	Carl Huneke..... ½	Robert M. Baer.. 0	David Hardy..... ½	W. Webb..... ½	Hugh Morison... 1	Chas. McGinley.. ½	William Lisker.. ½
L. Orloff..... ½	George Carroll... ½	D. Rea..... ½	Hugh Morison... 1	Lincoln Brown.. 1	Chas. McGinley.. ½	William Lisker.. ½	H. Lien..... 0
J. Yale..... 0	Marvin Ray..... 1						
D. Lee..... 1	W. Rawley..... 0						
J. Worthen..... 0	P. Vanderleest... 1						

.....MORE RESULTS NEXT ISSUE!

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GAMES SECTION Edited by Noel Renaud

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(Send games to Noel Renaud, 125 Brompton Ave., San Francisco 12, Calif)

GAME PLAYED IN A TEAM MATCH between Berkeley and Hayward on 16 December 1958.

Game No. 51

Another chess swindle perpetrated. After playing the first twenty moves in exemplary fashion, White unaccountably falters and loses the game when a simple blocking move, 21. R-Q6 maintains his great positional advantage and should win easily.

White: Art Willis (B)

Black: Robert A. Karch (H)

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

- |          |       |
|----------|-------|
| 1. P-Q4  | N-KB3 |
| 2. P-QB4 | P-KN3 |
| 3. N-QB3 | B-N2  |
| 4. P-K4  | P-Q3  |
| 5. N-B3  | O-O   |
| 6. B-K2  | P-B3  |

A waste of time. Better is 6...QN-Q2 or 6...P-B4, then if 7. P-Q5, P-QR3.

7. O-O QN-Q2

Could try 7...N-R3.

8. P-QN3 P-K4

Black is at a loss for a suitable continuation. The text creates more weaknesses in his position.

9. PxP

Opening the file is to White's advantage.

9. .... PxP

Slightly better is 9...N/2xP.

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|----------|------|
| 10. B-R3 | R-K  |
| 11. Q-B2 | Q-B2 |
| 12. QR-Q | B-B  |

Necessary to prevent 13. B-Q6 which threatens to win the KP by forcing the Queen back to Q-square. If the Queen attempts to avoid that move it risks being trapped.

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|-----------|------|
| 13. B-N2  | N-B4 |
| 14. P-QN4 | N-K3 |
| 15. P-QR3 | B-N2 |
| 16. KR-K  |      |

White refrains from trying to win the KP as 16. NxKP is countered by 16...NxP or 16...QxN; 17. N-Q5, QxB; 18. QxQ and Black wins 3 pieces for the Queen.

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|----------|------|
| 16. .... | B-Q2 |
| 17. P-B5 | QR-Q |
| 18. B-B4 | N-Q5 |

Black loses patience. This is not a sound sacrifice. Better is 18...B-QB

to prevent 19. R-Q6 and invite exchanges.

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|-----------|------|
| 19. NxN   | PxN  |
| 20. RxP   | N-N5 |
| 21. R-Q3? |      |

This loses quickly. The only move here is 21. R-Q6. Then is 21...B-K4; 22. P-R3. If 21...B-B4; 22. P-R3 and if 21...B-Q5; 22. R-K2.

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|----------|-------|
| 21. .... | QxPch |
| 22. K-B  | N-K4! |

The most forceful move.

23. R-Q4 Q-R8ch

Black has a choice of moves: 23...NxB; 24. RxN, B-K3; or 23...N-B6.

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|----------|--------|
| 24. K-K2 | B-N5ch |
| 25. K-K3 | QxRch  |
| 26. N-K2 | B-R3ch |

Or 26...NxBch.

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|-------------|--------|
| 27. P-B4    | BxN    |
| 28. BxB     | Q-N6ch |
| 29. K-Q2    | BxPch  |
| 30. K-Q     | Q-K6   |
| 31. Q-B3    | RxRch  |
| 32. QxR     | QxQch  |
| 33. Resigns |        |

Black wins another piece after 33. BxQ, R-Q.

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TRENBERTH WINS 6-0 IN

HAYWARD 5-MINUTE TOURNNEY!

With the clocks set at 5 minutes to the hour, amiable Robert R. Trenberth waded like butter thru the opposition at the quarterly speed tournament held by the Hayward Chess Club on Monday, February 2nd. Close behind and losing only to the champ was John Demos, 5-1.

No less than 6 club members then tied at 3-3! They were Mr. and Mrs. Bartholomew, Bill Castellano, Bill Hall, Ken Richards and Bob Karch.

These events are free to club members and an engraved trophy is awarded to the winner each time.

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JOIN THE USCF!

IT'S ALWAYS A SOUND OPENING MOVE!

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CHESS LEAGUE

.....Neil T. Austin reporting

Results - Round 1PITTSBURG (6½)

Les Talcott..... ½  
Sief Poulsen.... 1  
A. Loera..... 1  
Ray Guzman..... 1  
F. Olvera..... 1  
Tom Tracy..... 1  
F. Weinberg..... 1

STOCKTON (½)

R. Leigh..... ½  
H. Minchaca.... 0  
W. Jarvis..... 0  
M. Saunders..... 0  
A. Saxon..... 0  
A. Radinsky.... 0  
H. Keibler..... 0

SACRAMENTO (6)

W. Haines..... 1  
Ostap Bender.... 1  
Neil T. Austin.. 1  
William Rebold.. 1  
J. Morton Sr.... 1  
Ed Edmondson... 1

MODESTO (0)

L. Davis..... 0  
M. Morgan..... 0  
R. Ewing..... 0  
L. Bennett..... 0  
E. Jones..... 0  
L. Krogness.... 0

SACRAMENTO #2 (4)

W. Rogers..... 1  
M. Mattingly... 0  
V. Belmont..... 0  
Jekabs A. Celle. 1  
J. Hunting..... 1  
J. Morton Jr.... 1  
W. Wilson..... 0

OAKDALE (3)

E. Sai..... 0  
J. Sutherland... 1  
C. Smith..... 1  
H. Mortenson... 0  
V. Smith..... 0  
W. Smith..... 0  
J. Christianson. 1

Results - Round 2PITTSBURG (6)

Sief Poulsen.... 1  
Ray Guzman..... 1  
F. Weinberg..... 1  
F. Olvera..... 1  
R. Turner..... 0  
Tom Tracy..... 1  
Gabriel Garcia.. 1

MODESTO (1)

L. Davis..... 0  
L. Krogness.... 0  
L. Bennett..... 0  
M. Morgan..... 0  
R. Ewing..... 1  
E. Jones..... 0  
J. Raisch..... 0

SACRAMENTO #1 (5)

W. Haines..... 1  
Mansur K. Saca.. 1  
O. Celle..... 1  
Ostap Bender.... 1  
Neil T. Austin.. 0  
William Rebold.. 1

STOCKTON (1)

R. Leigh..... 0  
H. Minchaca.... 0  
J. David-Malig.. 0  
L. Issacs..... 0  
N. Schultz..... 1  
M. Sanders..... 0

SAN JOSE (6)

W. Adams..... 1  
B. Mueller..... 0  
Jim Iwashita... 1  
J. Blackstone... 1  
L. Daugherty... ½  
J. Gray..... 1  
Virgil Mitchell. ½  
R. Fournier..... 1

OAKDALE (2)

L. Sanny..... 0  
J. Kimball..... 1  
W. Smith..... 0  
S. Slosted..... 0  
C. Smith..... ½  
J. Christianson. 0  
H. Mortenson... ½  
A. Buerer..... 0

Results - Round 3SACRAMENTO #1 (5)

A. Janushkowsky 1  
Mansur K. Saca. 1  
W. Haines..... 1  
Ostap Bender... ½  
Ed Edmondson... ½  
J. Morton Sr... 1

SACRAMENTO #2 (1)

W. Sprague..... 0  
N. Graham..... 0  
M. Mattingly... 0  
W. Rogers..... ½  
Jekabs Celle... ½  
D. Gold..... 0

PITTSBURG (4)

Les Talcott.... 1  
Ray Guzman.... ½  
Tom Tracy..... 1  
F. Weinberg... ½  
L. Turner..... 1  
M. Rivera..... 0

OAKDALE (2)

J. Sutherland... 0  
J. Sutton..... ½  
F. Kimball..... 0  
C. Smith..... ½  
J. Christianson. 0  
W. Smith..... 1

SAN JOSE (5)

B. Mueller..... 1  
R. Fournier.... 1  
J. Blackstone.. 1  
L. Daugherty... 1  
G. Powers..... 1  
J. Gray..... 0

STOCKTON (1)

N. Schultz..... 0  
H. Minchaca.... 0  
L. Issacs..... 0  
M. Sanders..... 0  
A. Saxon..... 0  
A. Radinsky.... 1

TEAM STANDINGS AFTER 3 ROUNDS:

Pittsburg..... 3-0  
San Jose..... 3-0  
Sacramento #1..... 3-0  
Sacramento #2..... 2-1  
Modesto..... 1-2  
Oakdale..... 0-3  
Stockton..... 0-3  
Fresno..... 0-3

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At a recent meeting with fifteen (!) Southern California clubs represented, new officers were elected to manage the League business for 1959:

Allen Carpenter..... President  
Herbert T. Abel..... Vice-President  
Fred Haeger..... Secretary  
Ralph K. Hagedorn..... Treasurer  
H. D. Rader.... Tmt and Rating Director

Team matches will be the chief operation for the months ahead. We hope that some one member of this fine team will send us the league results from time to time for West Coast Ratings.

**SPOKANE, WASHINGTON CITY CHAMPIONSHIP; January 22, 29 and February 5, 1959:  
DR. DAVID GROENIG AND GORDON CORNELIUS TIE -- PLAYOFF MATCH SCHEDULED**

Scoop! Up in the heavy snow country east of the Cascade Mountains a city chess tournament was played on three consecutive Thursdays! Defending Champion CORNELIUS actually defeated DR. GROENIG in their individual encounter, but he lost the 5th round game on forfeit to even up their final scores at 5-1. As is customary in Spokane, a match will be played off for the city title.

As a matter of interest, we have indicated the individual West Coast Ratings just prior to the event.

	Rating	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Rd6	Score	Med-	Solk
1. Dr. David Groenig.....	2043	W7	W8	W3	L2	W4	W5	5-1	13	20
2. Gordon Cornelius.....	1986	W10	W3	W4	W1	LF	W7	5-1	13	19
3. Sgt Jess Tuggle.....	1900	W5	L2	L1	W10	W8	W6	4-2	12	18
4. Robert F. Kittredge....	1905	W6	W9	L2	W5	L1	W11	4-2	12	17
5. Dr. Hector Aldape.....	1835	L3	W6	W7	L4	WF	L1	3-3	13	
6. George W. Priebe.....	1702	L4	L5	W9	W11	Bye	L3	3-3	10	
7. Dr. Wavely Ellsworth...	1700	L1	W11	L5	Bye	WF	L2	3-3	9	
8. Dr. Griffith H. Parker.	1834	W11	L1	L10	W9	L3	Bye	3-3	7	
9. Steve Stenerson.....	1544	Bye	L4	L6	L8	W11	WF	3-3	5	
10. James DeLananty.....	1700	L2	Bye	W8	L3	LF	LF	2-4		
11. James Waugh.....	1400	L8	L7	Bye	L6	L9	L4	1-5		

**BACL ROVING REPORTER**

.....by Jim Reynolds

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THE CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPION "JINX" is on again. It is a nice title to achieve but it apparently "jinxes" the champ when it comes to the team matches. This reporter remembers when the then State Champ GIL RAMIREZ of two years ago couldn't win a single game during the team match season. CHARLES BAGBY appears to be the victim of the champ "jinx" this year as GUTHRIE MOCLAIN scored a win over him in the Castle-Knights match February 7. Only JAMES SCHMIDT, last year's champ, was able to overcome the "jinx", tho he started out slowly that year with a couple of early round draws.

There is much activity to report now around the BAOL and your reporter could go on and on, so here's an attempt to brief it down to the most interesting occurrences. The Chinese New Year Parade again had its influence on a team match. The captain of the Mech. Inst. B Team, BOB KARCH, was delayed not only by the parade, but by an accident on the Bay Bridge as well. The Precita Valley produced a lineup and punched their clocks at 7:45 p.m. and this was considered a mean thing to do. But--last year the shoe was on the other foot when a few members of the P.V. team were delayed by the Chinese New Year Parade. The Mech. Inst. B Team at that time demanded a lineup when the P.V. captain was missing or forfeit the match. The M.I. Team sat down and punched their clocks as P.V. hurriedly made a lineup with what men they had. Starting out 2 points behind and a few minutes behind on a few clocks they managed to salvage a draw and went on to win the championship! This year Mech. Inst. B didn't start out minus 2 points but they were behind on all clocks, however Precita Valley fell apart and Mech. Inst. B won the match (and the championship?).....

There is much pro and con about the West Coast Ratings, but here's an indication. After a team match was cinched, one member of a team said to a fellow member, "The match is cinched--, you're only playing for your rating points now!" From such remarks as these, the indication is that players do care about their West Coast Rating.

**A MAJOR REVISION IN THE RATINGS SYSTEM??**

It's being considered. Numerical ratings would be abolished and players would be Master, Expert, A, etc. A classification, once earned, would be for life. But,-- advancement will be based on a 60% or better record against those in the next higher class. The minimum would also be 20 rated games within two years.



LET'S ALL TAKE A BUS TO THE U.S. OPEN IN OMAHA THIS YEAR!  
A TWO-WEEK CHESS VACATION AT THE BEGINNING OF AUGUST!

The bus will leave from San Francisco to Los Angeles (409 miles), with stops enroute to pick up passengers in Oakland, Modesto, Fresno, Bakersfield and Los Angeles. The route can be changed to provide the greatest convenience for the majority of the passengers.

From Los Angeles the shortest route will be taken to Omaha, Nebraska (1,683 miles). To reduce the time on the road and travel expenses, the bus will continue without stopping, except for meals and to change drivers every ten hours.

The entire trip from San Francisco is expected to take 49 hours. We will have at our disposal a standard, Greyhound highway bus equipped with air-conditioning, individual reclining seats, and outside baggage facilities. Seats will be reversible and collapsible tables will be supplied to accommodate those who wish to play enroute.

The regular round trip fare direct to Omaha (from either San Francisco or Los Angeles) is \$73.59. However, the bus has to travel an additional 409 miles down the California coast so that the normal charter bus savings is wiped out. The fare will be \$75.00 round trip, payable in advance (by July 1st). Thirty-two (32) paying passengers are needed.

Hotel accommodations may also be reserved. These hotels are centrally located in Omaha:

	<u>Fontenelle</u>	<u>Paxton</u>	<u>Conant</u>
Single.....	8.90.....	5.60.....	5.00
Double.....	11.70.....	7.50.....	6.75
Twin.....	14.50.....	9.45.....	7.80
Triple.....	16.75.....	9.45.....	9.45

Arrangements can be made for those wishing to double or triple with other chess-players who will also be taking the trip.

The precise dates of the U.S. Open are not known, but an advance report indicates it will be either from August 3-15 or July 25-August 8. The bus would then depart San Francisco on August 1st or July 23rd.

If there are any changes to the above information, they will be published in the CHESS HERALD. In the meantime, won't you please send me a postcard to let me know how many persons are interested? To paraphrase current business advertising, mailing a postcard does not obligate you in any way and no salesman will call.....

Wouldn't you like to see the looks on their faces when the California Bus pulls up at the U.S. Open? Imagine the psychological effect on the players themselves!

Write..... Robert A. Karch  
 16025 Paseo del Campo  
 San Lorenzo, California

-- C H E S S A L U C I N A T I O N S -- of L O W E L L T U L L I S

\$\$\$ A Syndicated Mess \$\$\$ North Burnaby, British Columbia -- "I enjoyed those rules for Postal Chess. I now would not mind playing myself!" George, you are now a chessalunatic. Lifetime membership of \$1.25 and the score of your first solitaire chess game will entitle you to our pin and one year's subscription to the Pacific Coast CHESS HERALD.

Nova Scotia, Canada -- via CHESS LIFE 5 Jan 1959 -- "Lowell Tullis, the guy they must have been thinking about when they started saying, 'C-R-A-Z-Y, Man, CRAZY,' ....Fred Wren, I answer with the opening 'Cat On A Hot Tin Roof' by Tennessee Williams...., "Of course, it is a pity that so much of all creative work is so closely related to the personality of the one who does it." Your pin is reserved pending receipt of the necessary stipend or the mathematical formulae which explains how 25¢ in coin or 4¢ stamps and one dollar comes out \$1.04 in CHESS LIFE.

Fullerton, Calif. -- "I'd like to join your postal tourney, but have 18 games going now and the Southern California 'over-the-board' tourney is starting in February. There's just not enough time." Close, Fred, but no cigar.

Murray, Utah -- "Do I understand correctly, the name of the publication is (the) Precita Valley Chess Herald and it is a Pacific Coast outfit?" Norv, the confusion is intended to be created on the back cover--, not the front--, altho sometimes I wonder.....

San Francisco -- "Only a genius can understand the meaning of self-filling goblets of beer and wine required to be constantly at your right elbow." ....Right hand, please, for tilting destroys the electronic mechanism... "Perhaps you have thought of something new that many chessnuts (sic) will fall for." Please, L.D.W. chess enthusiasts are too cheap to fall for anything, even if they are assured of making a profit.

Fairfield, Conn. -- "Unfortunately, Connecticut is slightly outside the 50-mile radius, however, you might be interested in a social match with my team." That's it, John, if you miss with the left, counter with a right..we need more like you and P.S. You were sure saved by the bell, no???

Pacific Coast CHESS HERALD -- Dec 1958, page 8 -- "Now, I'm not so conceited to claim I will succeed where so many before me have failed, but we 'little guys' must keep trying--; because, as sure as night follows day, perhaps, not during my lifetime, but one day, one of us will be pleasantly surprised with success." Thanks, fellows, for your support... Any idea on how to get this monkey off my back?????

New York City -- "Sorry, but I'm currently on another planet....The game of chess is so different here." Welcome back to California (soon, we hope) Dr. John.

Xena, Ohio -- (After a page of sordid details) -- "This was done for a chess club I joined which meets on my partner's night off so that I cannot play with them! I have managed to rearrange schedules and postpone appendectomies and obstetrical patients so that I can play in the club tournaments." Dr. Harry, you remind me of the old saw regarding space, like here..... "Due to lack of space all births and deaths will be postponed until next week."