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We might as well let you in on our terrible disappointment, if only to bring forth a valiant effort displayed last week by our Exec. Secretary -- when we ALMOST pulled off the biggest coup in local chess history!

Yes, we were teetering on the edge of the cliff; it was touch and go. One move, and we would have hauled in BOBBY FISHER for a simultaneous at City Terrace!! Negotiations were underway and we really believed we were about to give you an unforgettable treat.....However, the fates and muses were not on our side. Bobby decided that he wished no other chess activity during his match against RESHEVSKY, and of course we don't blame him. But it sure would have been nice! A tremendous word of thanks to Mr. OAK for his outstanding effort in trying to achieve the impossible.....maybe next time?

SCALING THE UNIVERSE

City Terrace members watched the sky with awe last week, following the path of rising star KAZIMIERCZAK who got his fourth straight win in the Summer Open Tournament. He sent J. PORTH into orbit and into the Challengers' Section. Meteor C. SWETT broke into fragments before the cosmic power of F. CHAUNT, while R. GISH went into hiding on the dark side of the moon after a glimpse at rising comet Y. OGANESOV.

Along the milky way, A. BAKER, S. PARKER and H. MONTEZ sparkled, while even Saturn's ring couldn't save your editor from the path of onrushing planet J. KOVAC. This planet bears watching, by the way -- he defeated S. WEINBAUM in the Team Matches and would reach Expert rating for sure if he could only lick his tendency to blunder.

M. REINA brought down the curtain of the Aurora Borealis over E. JIMENEZ, and E. WILLETTE blinded ENRIQUEZ with an elaborate sunburst.

Astronomers ASH, LAUSHKIN, WESTWICK and COHAN watched silently from the ground, as they collected the scientific results:

Round four

| | | | |
|----------|---|--------------|---|
| BAKER | 1 | GARREN | 0 |
| KOVAC | 1 | BARRETT | 0 |
| BUKEY | 0 | PARKER | 1 |
| CHAUNT | 1 | SWETT | 0 |
| ENRIQUEZ | 0 | WILLETTE | 1 |
| GISH | 0 | OGANESOV | 1 |
| JIMENEZ | 0 | REINA | 1 |
| PORTH | 0 | KAZIMIERCZAK | 1 |
| NORRIE | 0 | MONTEZ | 1 |

ASH, LAUSHKIN, WESTWICK, COHAN -- Byes.

SOYEJIMA retired.

The Tournament will be divided into three sections from now on, the Championship, Challengers, and Reserves Sections. Those who have finished four games, or reached the required points, qualify into the sections as follows:

CHAMPIONSHIP SECTION

| | |
|--------------|-------|
| KAZIMIERCZAK | 4 - 0 |
| REINA | 3 - 0 |
| PARKER | 3 - 1 |
| JIMENEZ | 2½-1½ |
| WILLETTE | 2½-1½ |

CHALLENGERS

| | |
|----------|-------|
| BAKER | 2 - 2 |
| PORTH | 2 - 2 |
| MONTEZ | 2 - 2 |
| ENRIQUEZ | 2 - 2 |

RESERVES

| | | | | | |
|--------|---------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| CHAUNT | 1½ - 2½ | BUKEY | 1 - 3 | GARREN | 0 - 4 |
|--------|---------|-------|-------|--------|-------|

STILL UNDECIDED

| | | | |
|----------|-------|----------|--------|
| BARRETT | 2 - 1 | LAUSHKIN | 1 - 2 |
| OGANESOV | 2 - 1 | ASH | 1 - 2 |
| GISH | 1½-1½ | NORRIE | 1 - 2 |
| WESTWICK | 1½-1½ | SWETT | ½ - 1½ |
| KOVAC | 2 - 0 | COHAN | 0 - 2 |

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ANCIENT HISTORY

Way back in the Stone Ages, the EL MONTE Chess Club held a tournament which we referred to as the "Little Tournament" owing to the low number of its participants (five). We reported that GARREN was the winner, but have not received the final full results until the other day.

So, to bring it up to modern times, here is the complete table:

EL MONTE "LITTLE" TOURNAMENT

JUNE, 1961

| | <u>Round One</u> | <u>Round Two</u> | <u>Round Three</u> | <u>Round Four</u> | <u>Round Five</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 1. GARREN | W 2 | Bye | <u>W 3</u> | <u>W 4</u> | <u>W 5</u> | 4 - 0 |
| 2. COHAN | L 1 | D 3 | W 4 | W 5 | Bye | 2½-1½ |
| 3. ENNIS | L 5 | D 2 | <u>L 1</u> | Bye | <u>W 4</u> | 1½-2½ |
| 4. BEREZNAK | Bye | W 5 | L 2 | <u>L 1</u> | <u>L 3</u> | 1 - 3 |
| 5. FILLEY | W 3 | L 4 | Bye | L 2 | <u>L 1</u> | 1 - 3 |

A few interesting statistics: Of the ten scheduled games to complete this tournament, four were won and lost on a forfeit; GARREN romped home as the winner, having played exactly ONE game! Furthermore, he could have played and lost in the fifth round, still retaining first place.

To think that this same El Monte Club played host to the Metropolitan Open right after this tournament, seems kind of incongruous to us -- but that's the way it goes.

A SCORE OF SCORES

We have so many results from MONTREY PARK that it'll make your head swim -- so let's get right at it.

CHAMPIONSHIP SECTION

| <u>Round Five</u> | | | | <u>Round Six</u> | | | |
|-------------------|---|-----------|---|------------------|------|------------|-----|
| SYVERTSEN | 1 | ZIZDA | 0 | SYVERTSEN | 0 | TITONE | 1 |
| TITONE | ½ | CARPENTER | ½ | BROW | 0 | ZIZDA | ½ |
| THOMPSON | ½ | TAITT | ½ | CARPENTER | 1 | S ITH W.O. | 0.0 |
| S ITH W.O. | 1 | WILLETTTE | 0 | OGANESOV | 1 | TAITT | 0 |
| GAYLOR | 1 | OGANESOV | 0 | WILLETTTE | adj. | THOMPSON | |
| BROW - Bye | | | | GAYLOR - Bye | | | |

Monterey Park Tourney - continued

CHALLENGERS SECTION

| <u>Round Five</u> | | | | <u>Round Six</u> | | | |
|-------------------|---|---------|---|------------------|---|---------|---|
| GISH | 1 | HILLMAN | 0 | GISH | 1 | GARREN | 0 |
| IRWIN | 1 | REDDICK | 0 | IRWIN | 1 | RAINS | 0 |
| KEHR | ½ | NORRIE | ½ | KEHR | 0 | HILLMAN | 1 |
| LEVIN | 0 | RAINS | 1 | WEEKS | 1 | NORRIE | 0 |
| SMITH W.E. | ½ | WEEKS | ½ | SMITH W.E. | 1 | REDDICK | 0 |
| GARREN - Bye | | | | LEVIN - Bye | | | |

RESERVES SECTION

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---|-----------|---|-----------|------|-----------|---|
| RADER | 1 | RITCHIE | 0 | RADER | 1 | ELFORD | 0 |
| SWORD | 1 | GLASSBERG | 0 | SWORD | adj. | RITCHIE | 0 |
| STERNBERG | 0 | ELFORD | 1 | STERNBERG | 1 | GLASSBERG | 0 |

Retired from competition: MURPHY, BERESNAK, HALL.

STANDINGS

| <u>CHAMPIONSHIP</u> | | <u>CHALLENGERS</u> | | <u>RESERVES</u> | |
|---------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| 1. TITONE | 5½-½ | 1. GISH | 4 - 2 | 1. RADER | 3 - 3 |
| 2. CARPENTER | 5 - 1 | 2. IRWIN | 4 - 2 | 2. SWORD | 2½-3½ |
| 3. GAYLOR | 4½-1½ | 3. SMITH W.E. | 3½-2½ | 3. ELFORD | 2 - 4 |
| 4. SYVERSEN | 4½-1½ | 4. WEEKS | 3½-2½ | 4. STERNBERG | 2 - 4 |
| 5. SMITH W.O. | 4 - 2 | 5. GARREN | 3 - 3 | 5. RITCHIE | 1 - 5 |
| 6. ZIZDA | 4 - 2 | 6. HILLMAN | 3 - 3 | 6. GLASSBERG | 0 - 6 |
| 7. TAITT | 3½-2½ | 7. LEVIN | 3 - 3 | | |
| 8. OGANESOV | 3½-2½ | 8. RAINS | 3 - 3 | | |
| 9. THOMPSON | 3 - 2 | 9. KEHR | 2½-3½ | | |
| 10. WILLETTE | 3 - 2 | 10. REDDICK | 2 - 4 | | |

TID-BITS

Hope you've all seen the game scores of the first two FISHER-RESHEVSKY duels, posted on our notice-board.....Sorry to learn that JIMENEZ was unable to take part in the So Calif. Junior Championship -- better make it next year, Emanuel, or you'll grow out of it.....News about the Rocky Mountain Open next week.....We hang our heads in shame, digging a burrow and joining the gophers. Maybe next week we'll have those So. Cal. Qualifying results.....Any news from Ben RAKIMI lately? He's been kind of silent.....Come to think of it, we haven't seen Miss ERUS since the Novice Tourney.....There may be a lot of "Byes" coming up in the Summer Open soon, so let no one be surprised.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

When you don't know what to do -- there seems to be no particularly "good" move for you anywhere -- get up, walk around, and get your mind off the game. When you come back, new ideas will crowd you.