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In any language, on land or the high seas, that means one thing: S.O.S.! Help!

This is a special appeal, members, for YOUR help in a very important matter that came to light last week. The well-esteemed San Gabriel Chess Club, located right next to the San Gabriel Mission on Mission Rd., is in a perilous situation due to low attendance figures in the summer months, and may lose its premises unless an immediate improvement is made. While the club itself is making every effort to gather its members for larger turnouts, many are vacationing or are playing in other tournaments which take up their weekly chess-night -- and the problem is NOW!

How about helping them out, members, by taking a visit in the next week or two to this fine club? They meet on Fridays, so this wouldn't conflict with your attendance at City Terrace. Incidentally, this critical situation exists mainly during August, as in the fall their regular members will be back. Will you try and help?

Maybe Mr. WISNER and the State Highways Chess Club are itching for a match -- the San Gabriel Club would make an excellent opponent. How about contacting Dan BRAINIES, SY 3-6121 (days), Mr. WISNER, and see what you can arrange?

BATTLE OF THE GIANTS

You are in a cool, green cathedral whose walls are tall trees in a forest, with the subdued rays of sunlight barely filtering in. There's not a murmur or a rustle, and you feel awe-inspired. With you are about fifty soundless onlookers, their attention focused on the carved chess-table cordoned off with a rope-barrier, watching Robert FISCHER and Samuel RESHEVSKY in their match at the new quarters of the Herman Steiner Chess Club at 8801 Cashio St.

A move is made, and chessmaster Irving RIVISE quietly adjusts the position on a large demonstration board to the left of the players. The move is relayed to the back of the room, where it is chalk-written on the back of a chair and shown through some sound-muffling sliding-glass doors to a large group of analyzers (headed by master Saul Yarmak) on an outside patio. There are two more demonstration boards out there, one showing the actual position at all times, the other used for analysis.

RIVISE, after making the move on the main demonstration board, turns a little sign saying "White to move", walks behind the players and adjusts the simulated board-clocks fixed to the wall. This shows the spectators the time elapsed for each move. Then everything settles down again, except for the extensive analysis on little pocket-sets among the spectators, and the occasional quiet movement of people along thick carpets through the exit which leads to the reception room. There you may smoke, speak a little above a whisper and meet old friends.

Among those friends you will see chess enthusiasts of all classes, from masters to budding youngsters; Sven ALMGREN, M. GORDON, J. HANKEN, J. TIPONE, W. CUNNINGHAM, H. BOROCHOW are some of the top names. Mrs. Lena GRUETTE flits by winsomely, greeting people, making notes and giving special concessions to reporters like your editor (very much appreciated!)

You go back into the playing hall, where the "Quiet Please" signs remind you to just think. You see RESHEVSKY walk around, smoking regularly through a holder, glancing occasionally at his opponent. FISCHER sits absorbed, sipping what seems like a malt through a straw, and glancing around at the spectators from time to time. Do we detect a faint smile on his face? Yes, it's there. Maybe it's the pleasant air-conditioning. Maybe it's just everything.

At the rear of the hall, a blackboard shows the complete score; several people sit in front of it copying it down. I. RIVISE watches over the whole scene, peering into a crystal ball (waterjug and glasses) from time to time, probably to see what the next move will be. Then he motions Walt CUNNINGHAM to sit by RESHEVSKY and keep score, as the latter gets into time-trouble. Ten minutes for fourteen moves. RESHEVSKY makes it, with two minutes to spare. Maybe it's the life-savers he's switched to.

Move 40, after almost five hours of play. Game adjourned, in a position that seems (to this observer) to be in RESHEVSKY's favor. However, you never can tell.....

and so, the two great players bewitch the audience, giving Los Angeles a rare treat. Eight games all told, each one displaying chess at its best. Will you be among the inspired onlookers for the last two games? On Thursday, starting at seven p.m., the Beverly Hilton Hotel acts host to the grandmasters; screen-star Jose FERRER will be Master of Ceremonies, introducing the players. On Sunday, at 11.30, the last game on the West Coast will take place at the Steiner Club.

See you there?

And now the game-score, until adjournment time, of the ninth game:

<u>RESHEVSKY - White</u>		<u>FISCHER - Black</u>	
1. P-QB4	N-KB3	21. R-Q1	N-Q2
2. P-Q4	P-KN3	22. N-R4	P-B3
3. N-QB3	B-N2	23. P-R4	B-K2
4. P-K4	O-O	24. P-KN3	K-B1
5. B-K2	P-Q3	25. K-N2	K-K
6. N-KB3	P-K4	26. K-B2	B-B2
7. O-O	N-B3	27. K-N2	R-B1
8. B-K3	R-K	28. P-B4	PxP
9. PxP	PxP	29. PxP	P-KB4
10. QxQ	NxQ	30. PxP	PxP
11. N-KN5	N-K3	31. P-N3	R-R1
12. N-N5	R-K2	32. B-Q3	B-K3
13. KR-Q1	P-B3	33. N-B3	K-B2
14. NxN	BxN	34. N-K2	N-B4
15. N-B3	R-Q2	35. B-QB2	N-K5
16. RxR	BxR	36. K-B3	R-KN1
17. R-N	N-N5	37. R-KN1	RxR
18. B-Q2	B-K3	38. BxR	BxP
19. P-B3	N-B3	39. BxP	P-R4
20. B-K3	KB-B	40. N-Q4	N-Q3

MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE RANCH.....

.....The great round-up is in full swing. Several players were burdensomely saddled in the fifth round of the Summer Open, as Mike REINA lost his first half-point, and M. KAZIMIERCZAK his first full point though he retains the lead with 4-1. REINA was over-fascinated by the wide open spaces, no doubt, as he captured WILLETTE's Queen then walked away calmly believing that the game was over. Unfortunately for him, WILLETTE did not utter the all-engrossing word, RESIGNS but played on for a move or two, enough to see REINA's flag fall before the time-limit-allotted moves were made! The two of them, great sportsmen as they are, agreed on a draw on the spot then went off bronco-busting together.

M. KAZIMIERCZAK fell into a little trap by your editor, losing a piece, and try as he did, could not force the trapdoors open again. SWETT suffered from hayfever, and after losing a Rook to WESTWICK left to seek better city brooding grounds. OGANESOV found the corralgate shut in his face by J. PORTH, while GISH tamed CHAUNT's mustang. BAKER and BUKEY branded LAUSHKIN's and MONTEZ' cattle with their own special kind of iron.

Full results:

OGANESOV	0	PORTH	1	BARRITT	1	KAZIMIERCZAK	0
CHAUNT	0	GISH	1	NORRIE (F)	0	MORIQUEZ	1
BUKEY	1	LAUSHKIN	0	MONTEZ	0	BAKER	1
SWETT	0	WESTWICK	1	GARREN (F)	0	COHAN	1
REINA	½	WILLETTE	½				

Eyes: JIMENEZ, KOVAC, ASH, PARKER.

Summer Open cont'd.

Current standings:

	<u>Points</u>	<u>Games played</u>		<u>Scheduled for Rd. 6</u>
KAZIMIERCZAK	4	5		
REINA	3½	4		
BAKER	3	5	REINA	- KOVAC
WILLETTE	3	5	JIMENEZ	- WESTWICK
BARRETT	3	4	GISH	- PARKER
PARKER	3	4	PORTH	- BAKER
ENRIQUEZ	3	5	COHAN	- OGANESOV
PORTH	3	5	GARREN	- ASH
JIMENEZ	2½	4	LAUSHKIN	- CHAUNT
WESTWICK	2½	3		Byes:
GISH	2½	4	WILLETTE	
MONTEZ	2	5	BARRETT	
OGANESOV	2	4	KAZIMIERCZAK	
BUKEY	2	5	MONTEZ	
LAUSHKIN	1	4	ENRIQUEZ	
KOVAC	2	2	BUKEY	
CHAUNT	1½	5	SWETT	
ASH	1	3		
NORRIE	1	5		
COHAN	1	3		
SWETT	½	3		
GARREN	0	5		

A LETTER OF INTRODUCTION

We received the following letter from Connecticut:

"I am a boy of 14. I would like to correspond with an average chess player of your club by mail. If interested tell the person to put his address on postcard and his first move of the game. My address is

Howard INGRAM
530 Warren St.
Bridgeport 4,
Connecticut.

Thank you,
Howard Ingram."

Any takers?

ROLL OUT THE BARREL

And serve a big tankard of the best aged lager to City Terrace-men GISH, OGANESOV, RADER and WILLETTE. They have all won their games in Round Seven at Monterey Park! In fact, RADER now leads the Reserves Section with four points; GISH leads the Challengers with five!

The amazing Mr. WILLETTE also has five points in the Championship Flight, standing in third place behind TITONE (6½) and CARPENTER (6). OGANESOV is not far behind with 4½ points. L. HILLMAN stands at 3 - 3, with one game adjourned, in the Challengers Group.

Results

CHAMPIONSHIP

TITONE	1	GAYLOR	0 0
SYVERSEN	0	CARPENTER	1
SMITH W.O.	0	THOMPSON	1
ZIZDA	0	WILLETTE	1
WILLETTE	1	THOMPSON	0
(From previous round)			
OGANESOV	1	BROW	0
TAITT	- Bye		

CHALLENGERS

GISH	1	IRWIN	0
WEEKS	1	RAINS	0
GARREN	1	KEHR	0
SMITH W.E.	adj. HILLMAN		
REDDICK	- Bye		
LEVIN	- withdrew		

RESERVES

RADER	1	GLASSBERG	0	---	ELFORD	1	RITCHIE	0	---	SWORD	1	STERNBERG	0
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GO TO THE MOUNTAIN

Most of you will have received the Program and Record Book mailed out in a grandiose manner by the PHOENIX Chess Club, announcing the ROCKY MOUNTAIN OPEN Tournament, to be held over the Labor Day weekend of Sept. 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, so we won't elaborate too much. It seems that ARIZONA is going all out for a tremendous tournament, and you should all make your plans right now to attend -- remember, if you don't do too well, the Grand Canyon is not far off and it's a long way down.... a sure way to forget your troubles.

It's a 6-round Swiss, two games each day. Time-limit, 45 moves in two hours (good), 20 moves per hour after. Excellent accommodations are available at the Hotel Westward Ho, and you can pay for it all with the cash prizes you win. First prize, \$ 75 and a trophy; second, \$25 and trophy, third, \$15 and trophy. Also trophies for Class A, B, C and unrated divisions; for the best junior player under 18; and the highest finishing woman player. (A chance for your wives, members!)

U.S.C.F. membership required. Entry fee, \$10 for adults, \$7.50 for juniors. Entries close at 12 noon, Sept. 2. Take sets and clocks.

Enjoy a visit to the Valley of the Sun!

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

Our hopes were fading and we were getting discouraged -- but the sun broke through the clouds finally, and we now do have results from at least two sections of the So. Calif. Championship Qualifying Tourney.

At Downey

H. D. RADER sets pace! After five rounds, the esteemed chess-organizer is tied for the lead with J. SABLESKI, Downey President, both with scores of 4 - 1. RADER's only loss occurred in the third round against KEESEY, last year's Downey Club Champion; SABLESKI hit the skids in the first round against D. SHELDON, who has since withdrawn.

The two leaders meet to-morrow for the exciting finale which will also see runners-up ANDERSON, METZGER and WALMISLEY (3½ pts. each) fight for a qualifying spot. No predictions in this event!

Standings:	RADER	4 - 1	KATZ	2½ - 2½
	SABLESKI	4 - 1	NICOLL	2½ - 2½
	ANDERSON	3½- 1½	MURPHY	2 - 3
	METZGER	3½- 1½	VAN'T'HOF	2 - 3
	WALMISLEY	3½- 1½	POSTMAN	1½ - 3½
	GODDARD	3 - 2	COUGHLIN	1 - 4
	KEESEY	3 - 2	FISHER	1 - 4
	STILLMAN	3 - 2	SMITH W.O.	1 - 4 (1)
	HOLT	2½-2½	SHELDON	1½ (withdrew)

At Pasadena

A great comeback story to report here -- Neil HULTGREN, who rocked himself into complacency under the sheltering palms in the finals of the Expert Candidates, gets off his hammock and leads with a perfect score of 5 - 0! Incidentally, this is an "insurance" tourney for Neil, who has already qualified for the So. Cal. Championship through the Expert Candidates.

Don YOUNG, an always dangerous veteran, follows in second place with 4 - 1, having lost only to Neil. Glen HULTGREN stands at 3 - 2 -- he went for the chops before YOUNG and his brother Neil. Other notables in the Tourney include PORTH, Dr. WILSON, E. KLEIN etc.

In the last round this Friday, N. HULTGREN meets HOWETH, and YOUNG battles Dr. WILSON. Full results (hopefully) next week.

FINNISH FINISH

The final standings of teams in the 1961 Student Chess Olympics at Helsinki, Finland, finds the U.S.S.R. carrying top honors with 39½-8½, our good old U.S.A. following closely with 34½-13½.

From the lesser participants, or we should say newer ones, MONGOLIA shows great promise finishing in a tie for eighth with England, at 20-28, while TUNISIA goes back to the shores of Tripoli with the honor of wresting one of her six points from the U.S.S.R.

Final standings:	1. U.S.S.R.	39½ - 8½	8. MONGOLIA	20 - 28
	2. U.S.A.	34½ - 13½	9. ENGLAND	20 - 28
	3. EAST GERMANY	31 - 17	10. DENMARK	19 - 29
	4. CZECHOSLOV.	31 - 17	11. FINLAND	18½- 29½
	5. BULGARIA	29 - 19	12. SWEDEN	10 - 38
	6. HUNGARY	28½ - 19½	13. TUNISIA	6 - 42
	7. HOLLAND	25 - 23		

We understand TIERRA DEL FUEGO wanted to enter, but discovered they had neither any students nor any chessplayers, so the deal fell through.....

PERSONALITIES

Many thanks to Dr. Sydney WEINBAUM for a subscription to TERRACHESS -- the ONLY weekly chessmagazine in So. California!.....Your editor played a three-way simultaneous at San Gabriel last Friday, one of them five-minute rapid -- rough! Of six games played, four by clock, your editor lost two -- on time!.....Sports Illustrated having a big spread on U.S. Champion Lisa LANE.....

STOP PRESS

RESHEVSKY - FISHER tied at 4½-4½ after nine games. The game carried to move 40 on another page ended in a draw, as did a previous adjourned game. Score to move 16 of game ten, played on Tuesday night:

FISCHER - White

RESHEVSKY - Black

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| 1. P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| 2. N-KB3 | N-QB3 |
| 3. P-Q4 | PxP |
| 4. NxP | P-KN3 |
| 5. P-QB4 | N-B3 |
| 6. QN-B3 | NxN |
| 7. QxN | P-Q3 |
| 8. B-K2 | B-N2 |
| 9. B-K3 | O-O |
| 10. Q-Q | B-Q2 |
| 11. O-O | B-B3 (1) |
| 12. P-B3 | N-Q2 |
| 13. Q-Q2 | R-B1 |
| 14. QR-B1 | P-QR4 |
| 15. K-R1 | N-B4 |
| 16. P-QN3 | |

(That's when TERRACHESS's time limit ran out!)

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

What is there to think about?? Get down there and watch RESHEVSKY and FISCHER!

Good luck to all who can make the U.S. Open in San Francisco, starting Aug 14th.