



## **CHESTER N. FUGLIE**

### *Sparks in Chess*

Chester N. Fuglie of the Riverside, California, Chess Club has scored 18 straight wins in the 1944 Postal Championship and 15, so far, in the 1945 Golden Knights Championship. His 1498 rating also ranks him very near the top in Postal Chess. Yet his sparkling play against Charles G. Schroeder in the postal game of the month, next page, displays an interesting and venturesome style.

Chester was born in North Dakota in 1910, learned chess about 1929 while at college in Riverside. He had to get chess set and rules by mail through Sears, Roebuck and Co., and was not able to play much until he moved to El Centro in the Imperial Valley, 1935, and there organized a chess club which competed against that of Tiajuana, Mexico. Chester plays first board for the Riverside Chess Club, has scored two wins, four draws in matches with Los Angeles area clubs. In his first cross-board tournament, last year, he won the Riverside County Championship, 7½-½. Yet he remarks he is much better at postal play than cross-board—and because he prefers play by mail!

Chester is Agricultural Engineer for the California Electrical Company, servicing electric-power irrigation. He has a wife and two children, and his eight year old son is convinced he is the only one in Riverside who can beat his Dad at chess.