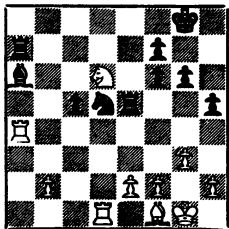


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J. Loftsson vs. K. Commons



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DEATH OF NORTH-SOUTH MATCH EXAGGERATED

As reported on this page last month, the annual North-South Match has been cancelled and a tournament will be played instead. However, as Mark Twain once wrote about reports of his death, the reports of the death of the North-South Match have been greatly exaggerated. An ancient institution like that does not die easily.

At the suggestion of Frank Hufnagel of Los Angeles, a score will be kept during the tournament of the results between Northern players and Southern players, so that a North-South Match will actually be played. The main difference will be that a player may have more than one game scored toward the total. In fact, he may not have any, or he may have as many as six. It all depends upon the luck of the draw, for pairings will depend upon the requirements of the tournament first and those of the match second.

The tournament which replaces the 45-year old North-South Match is the California Class Championships, to be held at the Hotel Californian, Fresno, May 29-30-31, 1971.

FRITZINGER AND HENIN ARE CO-CHAMPIONS

Dennis Fritzingler of San Francisco and Charles Henin of Sherman Oaks tied for first place in the 1970-71 California State Championship, held at the Mechanics' Institute in San Francisco December 27-29, 1970. Henin led the tournament throughout, but Fritzingler caught him in the last round. As the round began, Henin had six points while Fritzingler and Loftsson had five. With the White pieces, Fritzingler employed the King's Indian Reversed opening. To the surprise of the spectators, Henin refused to play tamely; instead he castled on the Queen-side and mounted a counter-attack. However, as so often happens with Black's counter-attacks, it was too slow. The final score was Fritzingler and Henin 6-3, Loftsson 5½-3½ and the rest of the field bunched.

The tournament was the final process of a qualification system which involved many preliminary tournaments. The ten finalists included the current champion and open champion plus eight survivors of qualifying tournaments;

Charles Henin	Champion	Harry Mayer	Calpoints
Tibor Weinberger	Open Champ.	Erik Osbun	Chess Friends
Ray Martin	Calpoints	Jude Acers	Cent. Calif.
Julius Loftsson	Calpoints	Dennis Fritzingler	No. Calif.
R.Stoutenborough	Calpoints	Walter Browne	S.F. City

(Calpoints are Southern California Chess League points for finishing high in twelve key tournaments. The Central California Chess League used a similar system. The other three won specific qualifying tournaments.)

The first step was to gather these players together and when this was done the following substitutions were made: William Bragg of Santa Monica, for Tibor Weinberger; Kim Commons of Los Angeles, for Ray Martin; Michael Ewell of Monterey, for Jude Acers; and Donald Dean of Berkeley, for Walter Browne. The ten finalists then played three games in Los Angeles and San Francisco, following which the players gather in San Francisco for the final six games.

The finals were scheduled for December 27-30, but before this happened, a couple of oddities took place. First Harry Mayer of Gardena became a Northerner, showing up in Oakland and requesting pairing with the Northern California contingent for the three preliminary games, and then Tibor Weinberger found that he could not take the time off from work that was required. Isaac Kashdan gave Weinberger an opportunity to play the finals over the week end. This would call for several games per day and Tibor declined, whereupon Kashdan repeated the offer to William Bragg. Bragg accepted, and there began a whirlwind of activity on his part. The other players were completely

cooperative and placed themselves at Bragg's disposal night and day. The result was a success. Bragg played his last game on Sunday, December 27th, and was able to go back to work.

The prize fund totaled \$600. First prize was \$250 and other prizes tapered off to \$15 for tenth. Grandmaster Kashdan came to San Francisco to start them off and the direction thereafter was in the hands of Raymond Conway, director of the chess room at the Mechanics' Institute, and Guthrie McClain. The cross-table:

CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, SAN FRANCISCO, DECEMBER 1970

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score
1. D. Fritzinger	X	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	6 - 3
2. C. Henin	0	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	6 - 3
3. J. Loftsson	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 3 $\frac{1}{2}$
4. R. Sonteborens	0	0	1	X	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	5 - 4
5. H. Mayer	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	5 - 4
6. E. Osbun	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
7. D. Dean	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
8. K. Commons	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	0	1	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
9. W. Bragg	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1	X	0	3 - 6
10. M. Ewell	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	0	1	X	2 - 7

SUHOBECK MONTEREY COUNTY CHAMPION

Alex Suhobeck of Monterey won the 1970 Monterey County championship in December by a perfect score of 5-0. Four players tied for second place, 4-1. The tournament was held at the Casa Alvarado Chess Center in Monterey and was directed by Ted and Ruby Yudacufski. There were 31 contestants. The cross-table:

MONTEREY COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP, DECEMBER 12-13, 1970:

	1	2	3	4	5	Score
1. A. Suhobeck	W17	W9	W6	W8	W2	5 - 0
2. M. Ewell	W24	W18	W3	W4	L1	4 - 1
3. D. Sewell	W16	W7	L2	W12	W8	4 - 1
4. D. Maxwell	W20	W19	W12	L2	W10	4 - 1
5. B. Lainson	W26	L13	W19	W14	W11	4 - 1
6. C. Nystrom	W21	W10	L1	D9	W18	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
7. C. Tanaka	W28	L3	W22	W18	D9	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
8. M. Bedford	W23	W14	W13	L1	L3	3 - 2
9. W. Sewell	W25	L1	W23	D6	D7	3 - 2
10. V. Pope	W15	L6	W16	W21	L4	3 - 2
11. R. Bustamante	W22	L12	W17	W13	L5	3 - 2
12. C. Wagner	W29	W11	L4	L3	W21	3 - 2
13. D. Henry	W27	W5	L8	L11	W20	3 - 2

MONTEREY COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP -(conti)

	1	2	3	4	5	Score
14. R. Osborne	W31	L8	W20	L5	W26	3 - 2
15. R. Amundson	L10	L16	W25	W23	W24	3 - 2

2½ Points: 16. K. Roberson, 17. G. Clark.

2 Points: 18. G. Oakes, 19. Ron Atkinson, 20. B. Catley, 21. J. Anderson, 22. J. Jarowski, 23. S. Gales, 24. G. Gerstl, 25. D. Anderson, 26. B. Kennedy.

1 Point: 27. S. Vandervoort, 28. P. Person, 29. B. Burgess, 30. J. Rushton.

½ Points: 31. S. Lowe, 32. M. Friddle.

DAHL EDGES BURGER IN CASTLE CHESS CLUB TOURNAMENT

Peter Dahl of San Francisco won first place in the Castle championship for 1970, the third time a newcomer to the club has won the title (it's getting to be a habit). Dahl backed into the title, because Bob Burger was undefeated until he unexpectedly lost a game in the last round. This tied the two in games lost, but because Burger had not played two games it was decided that Dahl had won on percentage. (There was definitely no connection between this ruling, which was made by the entire membership at the annual banquet at Jack's Restaurant, and the fact that Dahl was also Tournament Director.)

Henry Gross was a close third with a score of 7-2. The rest of the players scored less than 50%. Peter Grey and Guthrie McClain started the tournament but played less than half their games and their scores were dropped.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score
1. P. Dahl	X	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8 - 1
2. R. Burger	1	X	1	1	1	0	-	-	1	1	6 - 1
3. H. Gross	0	0	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7 - 2
4. Dr. R. Hultgren	0	0	0	X	P	0	1	1	1	½	4 - 5
5. L. Talcott	0	0	0	½	X	1	1	0	½	1	4 - 5
6. R. Freeman	0	1	0	1	0	X	0	½	½	1	4 - 5
7. Dr. M. Eudey	0	-	0	0	0	1	X	½	1	1	3½-4½
8. P. Traum	0	-	0	0	1	½	½	X	½	1	3½-4½
9. E. Lien	0	0	0	0	½	½	0	½	X	1	2½-6½
10. C. Wilson	0	0	0	½	0	0	0	0	0	X	½-8½

KENT CHAMPION OF STUDENT CLUB

Jeff Kent of Northridge won the championship of the Student Club with a perfect 5-0 score. The tournament was held in December and there were 34 contestants. The corss-table:

STUDENT CHESS CLUB, DECEMBER 28-29, 1970

	1	2	3	4	5	Score
1. J. Kent	W8	W10	W17	W2	W5	5 - 0
2. R. Melniker	W34	W14	W6	L1	W11	4 - 1
3. J. Davidian	W21	W19	D5	W7	D4	4 - 1
4. A. Levi	W13	W18	D9	W22	D3	4 - 1
5. S. Schwartz	W23	W11	D3	W9	L1	3½-1½
6. S. Telingator	W27	W26	L2	W16	D9	3½-1½
7. J. Williams	D15	W30	W13	L3	W18	3½-1½
8. B. Murdock	L1	W34	D14	W25	W26	3½-1½
9. R. Ervin	W28	W22	D4	L5	D6	3 - 2
10. P. Gersdorff	W30	L1	L22	W15	W19	3 - 2
11. D. Krystall	W31	L5	W24	W26	L2	3 - 2
12. A. Jones	-	-	W30	W28	W22	3 - 2
13. R. Powell	L4	W33	L7	W29	BYE	3 - 2
14. P. Casillas	W33	L2	D8	D19	W21	3 - 2
15. S. Bratman	D7	W20	D19	L10	W23	3 - 2
16. K. Moton	W29	L17	W21	L6	W20	3 - 2

2½ Points: 17. M. Followitz, 18. P. Garrick.

2 Points: 19. B. Petersen, 20. A. Meshnik, 21. S. Shapero, 22. S. Erickson, 23. R. Pedersen, 24. M. Hirsch, 25. D. Pemrose, 26. B. Waterman, 27. J. Balter.

1 Point: 28. J. Silver, 29. J. Spidler, 30. S. Barta, 31. M. Schumaker, 32. K. Morrissey.

0 Points: 33. R. Schumaker, 34. J. Foster.

FARDINI WINS GOLDEN BEAR TITLE, by Martin E. Morrison

The Regional Golden Bear Chess Tournament, another Central California record-breaking event, drew 103 players to the University of California at Berkeley on February 12-14. Charles Pardini, of San Francisco, with 2½-½, and Takashi Kurosaki, also of San Francisco, with 2-1, topped a field of Masters and Experts to win \$10 gift certificates to Chess Digest. In the Class A Division Craig N. Barnes of Oakland, and Stephen G. Quen of Alameda, both juniors from the Oakland Chess Club, shared the first-second prize of \$90. Lawrence Hughes of Berkeley, and Bruce Keeney of Berkeley, likewise shared a \$90 prize in the Class B Division. All four players accumulated 4-0 scores. Leading the Class C Division with 3½-½ scores were Michael A. Maloney of Berkeley, and Michael W. Tomey of Sunnyvale, winning \$45 each. A clear winner in the Classes D/E Division with

3½-½ was Matthew Hubbard, who took home \$20. Organizers and Tournament Directors for this third Central California Chess Association-sponsored tournament to go over the 100-player mark in the last year were Martin E. Morrison, Member of the USCF Tournament Director Certification Committee, and Elwin C. Meyers, a USCF Director.

The Master -Expert Section had only four contestants:

MASTER-EXPERT	1	2	3	4	Score
1. Charles Pardini	X	½	1	1	2½-½
2. Takashi Kurosaki	½	X	½	1	2 - 1
3. Donald Dean	0	½	X	1	1½-1½
4. Louis Bignami	0	0	0	X	0 - 4

DIVISION A

	1	2	3	4	Score
1. Craig Barnes	W22	W11	W3	W6	4 - 0
2. Stephen Quen	W15	W20	W18	W4	4 - 0
3. Robert Anderson	W12	W24	L1	W17	3 - 1
4. Bob Itasson	W24	W25	W5	L2	3 - 1
5. William Rogosin	W8	W9	L4	W7	3 - 1
6. Ronald Thacker	W23	W*	W10	L1	3 - 1
7. Frank Berry, Jr.	W25	D18	W20	L5	2½-1½
8. Richard Gordon	L5	W23	D9	W15	2½-1½
9. Lee Henderson	W*	L5	D8	W14	2½-1½

2 .Points: 10. Daniel Switkes, 11. Daniel Maxwell, 12. Charles Sullivan, Jr., 13. George French, 14. Garret Boer, 15. Dr. Ben Gross, 16. John Weisicle, 17. Randall Feliciano.

1½ Points: 18. Padraic Neville, 19. John Toulouse.

1 Point: 20. Steven Cross, 21. Peter Klimek, 22. Richard Roubal.

½ Point: 23. Ray Cuneo.

0 Points: 24. Charles Maddigan, 25. Michael Schemm.

DIVISION B

	1	2	3	4	Score
1. Lawrence Hughes	W8	W18	W14	W7	4 - 0
2. Bruce Keeney	W36	W38	W13	W5	4 - 0
3. Robert Alexander	D27	W30	W36	W16	3½-½
4. John Peterson	W22	W34	D16	W11	3½-½
5. Duncan Campbell	W33	W35	W10	L2	3 - 1
6. Jack Osbourne, Jr.	L38	W33	W19	W25	3 - 1
7. Flynn Penoyer	W23	W29	W25	L1	3 - 1
8. Raymond Segal	L1	W40	W35	W17	3 - 1
9. Sgt. Chuck Singleton	W42	L16	W34	W24	3 - 1
10. Joseph Szepanski	W*	W26	L5	W27	3 - 1
11. Alan Bodine	D28	W39	W18	L4	2½-1½

DIVISION B (conti)

	1	2	3	4	Score
12. Frank Leffman	L34	W31	D27	W30	2½-1½
13. John Manson	D39	W28	L2	W*	2½-1½
14. Dennis Myers	W21	W*	L1	D29	2½-1½
15. Dinis Santos	L29	D23	W38	W28	2½-1½
16. John Votruba	W37	W9	D4	L3	2½-1½

2 Points: 17. Leroy O'Doan, 18. Marc McNow, 19. George Harns, 20. Frederick Ulrich, 21. Carl Shiflett, 22. Peter Stokes, 23. Peter Rogosin, 24. William Archbold, Jr., 25. Marcos Costa.

1½ Points: 26. Alvin Boyd, 27. Kenneth Burns, 28. Ken Sauderson, 29. Steve Dinerstein, 30. Peter Brown, Jr., 31. Clifford Lamb.

1 Point: 32. Rendon Holloway, 33. Michael Cooper, 34. Michael Koblentz, 35. Donald Malcolm, 36. Edward Yeung, 37. William Forward, 38. Muron Johnson.

½ Point: 39. Peter Prochaska, 40. Charles Ensey.

0 Points: 41. Donald Gosiewski, 42. David Hubbard.

DIVISION C

	1	2	3	4	Score
1. Michael Maloney	D2	W18	W10	W6	3½-½
2. Michael Tomey	D1	W19	W16	W4	3½-½
3. Claude McHorse, Jr.	W5	W9	L4	W12	3 - 1
4. Anthony Mock	W7	W8	W3	L2	3 - 1
5. Kenneth Wong	L3	W21	W18	W17	3 - 1
6. Roger Dusatko	W14	D16	W17	L1	2½-1½
7. William Hardy	L4	D14	W20	W15	2½-1½
8. Ernest Rosenthal	W22	L4	BYE	D9	2½-1½
9. Leonard Trotter	W21	L3	W13	D8	2½-1½
10. Johann Weiler	W15	D17	L1	W*	2½-1½

2 Points: 11. Marvin Lee, 12. Randall Mullins, 13. Martin Sullivan,

1½ Points: 14. Bob Smith, 15. Robert Weisicle, 16. Michael Devitt, 17. Barry Nelson.

1 Points: 18. Robert Rodarte, 19. Terry Wilkerson.

½ Points: 20. John Narcisi.

0 Points: 21. Lawrence Farrell, 22. Karl Diebler, 23. Joseph Osborne, Jr.

DIVISION D-E

	1	2	3	4	Score
1. Matthew Hubbard	W3	W7	W2	D4	3½-½
2. Donald Gordon	W5	W4	L1	W6	3 - 1
3. Igor Gritzai	L1	D5	W6	BYE	2½-1½
4. Ken Kuniyuki	W6	L2	W7	D2	2½-1½
5. Dwain Miller	L2	D3	BYE	W*	2½-1½

1 Point: 6. Bruce Boer, 7. Keith Guertner.

KOFLOY WINS WHITTIER AMATEUR OPEN, 1970

Paul Kopløy won the Open Section of the Whittier Amateur Open by a $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ score. J. McCaffrey and G. Schweger tied for first place in Division B. W. McGrann won first in Division C and there was a tie in Division B between J. King and R. Kunz. The tournament director was Ken Fleshman:

DIVISION A

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score
1. P. Kopløy	D3	W2	W7	W4	W5	W8	$5\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$
2. R. Mendoza	W14	L1	W3	W10	W4	D5	$4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$
3. J. Birkel	D1	W7	L2	D6	W9*	D4	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
4. H. Guadarrama	W11	W6	W10	L1	L2	D3	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
5. D. Argall	L6	W13	W12	W8	L1	D2	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
6. R. Flacco	W5	L4	D14	D3	W13	D7	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$

3 Points: 7. H. Keesey, 8. R. Koutz, 10. T. Reese.

2½ Points: 9. R. Ford.

2 Points: 11. D. Rader, 12. M. Ahlstrom, 13. C. Larson.

½ Point: 14. J. Skratulia.

DIVISION B

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score
1. J. McCaffrey	D2	W15	W7	W5	W3	D4	5 - 1
2. G. Schweger	D1	W14	D3	W8	W10	W7	5 - 1
3. C. Faber	W12	W11	D2	W10	L1	W9	$4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$
4. Fred Frilling	L8	W16	W12	D11	W5	D1	4 - 2
5. J. Clifton	W16	W8	D10	L1	L4	W11	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
6. R. Williams	L7	L12	D16	W14	W15	W13	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$

3 Points: 7. T. J. Mishler, 8. S. Vajrabhaya, 9. D. Gould.

2½ Points: 10. J. Szlaska, 11. D. Sassoon, 12. T. Streeter.

1½ Points: 13. J. Pyle, 14. C. Cantong, 15. H. Knutson, 16. R. Osterwald.

DIVISION C

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score
1. W. McGrann	W6	L2	W5	W9	W3	W7	5 - 1
2. E. Salcido	W3	W1	W4	D5	L7	D6	4 - 2
3. J. Thomas	L2	W6	W10	W4	L1	W5	4 - 2
4. M. Hanon	W8	W10	L2	L3	D5	W9	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$

3 Points: 5. K. Harris, 6. W. Padilla, 7. J. Augustine.

2½ Points: 8. S. Bovetz.

1 Point: (K. Weichinger, 10. R. Hand.

DIVISION D							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score
1. J. King	W7	W10	W6	W3	W5	L2	5 - 1
2. R. Kunz	W12	W11	L3	W4	W6	W1	5 - 1
3. S. Pyle	D15	W4	W2	L1	W12	W7	4½-1½
4. R. Balisok	W9	L3	W10	L2	W16	W6	4 - 2
5. C. Lestlen	W8	L6	W9	W7	L1	W10	4 - 2

3 Points: 6. G. Easley, 7. K. Bauer, 8. R. Koehler, 9. J. Jackman.
 2 Points: 10. G. Baker, 11. P. Mangona, 12. G. Cade, 13. J. Copley,
 14. V. Hahn.
 1½ Points: 15. N. Granston.
 1 Point: L½. B. Eagle.

GUADARRAMA WHITTIER CLUB CHAMPION

Hector Guadarrama won the Whittier Chess Club Championship by the fine score of 5½-½. It was his third triumph in six years. Tied for second place were Irv Besen and J. Pyle. Besen won the trophy for the best performance by a rating of more than 1700 and Craig Faber the trophy for less than 1700. The tournament director was Ken Fleshman.

WHITTIER CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, OCT. - NOV. 1970

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score
1. H. Guadarrama	W52	W31	W36	W15	W8	D2	5½- ½
2. I. Besen	W50	D27	W4	W17	W5	D1	5 - 1
3. J. Pyle	W47	L15	W10	W45	W28	W9*	5 - 1
4. C. Faber	W29	D6	L2	W25	W32	W8	4½-1½
5. W. Howeth	D46	W41	W19	W7	L2	W20	4½-1½
6. G. Schweger	W53	D4	D7	W46	D15	W19	4½-1½
7. J. Birkel	W55	W30	D6	L5	W37	W16	4½-1½
8. R. Pease	W44	W20	W11	W9	L1	L4	4 - 2
9. D. Bicknell	W18	W13	W28	L8	W26	L3*	4 - 2
10. D. Sassoon	L15	W47	L3	W57	W31	W36	4 - 2
11. T. Reese	W60	W45	L8	D38	D27	W18	4 - 2
12. J. Skratulia	W38	L36	W30	L26	W46	W28	4 - 2
13. T. Mishler	W58	L9	L18	W49	W48	W27	4 - 2
14. R. Flacco	-	W23	L38*	W50	W45	W26	4 - 2
15. J. Barnard	W10	W3	W26	L1	D6	-	3½-2½
16. W. Thornton	W54	W32	L35	D20	W24	L7	3½-2½
17. S. Anderson	W51	D19	W27	L2	D18	D23	3½-2½
18. W. McGrann	L9	W55	W13	W31	D17	L11	3½-2½
19. C. Larson	W39	D17	L5	W33	W36	L6	3½-2½
20. P. Roa	W57	L8	W44	D16	W38	L5	3½-2½
21. L. Kalayjian	W34	L26	L45	D22	W34	W38	3½-2½
22. W. Crandall	L36	L29	W54	D21	W56	W43	3½-2½
23. P. Bronson	-	L14	W58	W47	W24	D17	3½-2½
24. H. Candara	L30	W58	W57	D36	L16	W37	3½-2½
25. J. Clifton	W62	L28	L32	L2	W52	W40*	3½-2½

- 3 Points: 26. D. Argall, 27. J. Szlamka, 28. H. Keeseey, 29. M. Hanon, 30. G. Easley, 31. R. Osterwald, 32. Fred Frilling, 33. K. Weichinger, 34. R. Hand, 35. W. Dunkin.
- 2½ Points: 36. R. Koutz, 37. Dr. J. Boyd, 38. K. Harris, 39. E. Hernandez, 40. R. Williams, 41. R. Kunz, 42. T. Streeter, 43. Frank Frilling, 44. L. Nieruchalski.
- 2 Points: 45. P. Doyle, 46. R. Ford, 47. K. Bauer, 48. D. Rader, 49. C. Cantong, 50. S. Pyle, 51. J. Thomas, 52. W. Padilla, 53. J. Augustine.
- 1½ Points: 54. E. Salcido, 55. G. Baker, 56. M. Rechsteiner.
- 1 Point: 57. N. Cranston, 58. P. Mangone, 59. S. Bovetz, 60. L. Van Iderstine, 61. J. Copley, 62. J. Dumont.

WEST COVINA CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, 1970

by David Argall

Anthony Wicher upset 2 experts to win the West Covina Chess Club Championship with a score of $5\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$. His only draw was against Ray Mendoza after Wicher had sole possession of first. Second went to Enos Wicher, Anthony's father and last year's club champion, with a score of 5-1. Enos lost only to Anthony in a 7-move blitz. Paul Koploy, Larry Ferguson, and Bill Metzger tied for third at 4-2.

Play took place at the West Covina Chess Club which meets at Mesa School, on Barranca just south of the San Bernardino Freeway, every Friday evening. David Argall directed the 23-man event.

WEST COVINA CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, 1970

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score
1. A. Wicher	W23	W3	W2	W4	D10	W16	$5\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$
2. E. Wicher	W11	W5	L1	W7	W8	W4	5 -1
3. P. Koploy	W18	L1	W17	W5	L4	W10*	4 -2
4. L. Ferguson	W19	W20	W6	L1	W3	L2	4 -2
5. B. Metzger	L2	W11	L3	W12	-	W9	4 -2
6. G. Torres	W21	W9	L4	D13	L14	W18	$3\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$
7. J. Birkel	D13	W8	W10	L2	W16	W14	$3\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$
8. T. McCleary	D10	L7	W23	W12	L2	W15	$3\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$

3 Points: 9. E. Herzog, 10. R. Mendoza, 11. R. Flacco, 12. R. Koehler

2½ Points: 13. D. Bicknell, 14. V. Carlson, 15. A. Harwood

2 Points: 16. D. Argall, 17. M. Vest, 18. L. Oje, 19. R. Williams

1 Point: 20. J. Barnard, 21. H. Johnson

½ Point: 22. J. Mesarch

0 Points: 23. C. Lautman

WEST COVINA FALL CLASSIC, 1970

Don Bicknell scored $5\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ to win the West Covina Chess Club's FALL CLASSIC tournament. Bicknell, who has never lost a tournament game at West Covina, drew only with Charles Grotts. Bicknell won by a full point.

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Paul Koploy, Ray Mendoza and Marshall Neuss tied for second, $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$. Don Westerfield won the B prize, 4-2. Rick Flacco won the C prize, $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$. Charles Lautman tied for the unrated prize. David Argall directed.

WEST COVINA FALL CLASSIC, 1970

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score
1. D. Bicknell	W11	W4	D14	W15	W2	W5	$5\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$
2. P. Koploy	W20	W7	W3	W14	L1	D4	$4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$
3. R. Mendoza	W12	W10	L2	D8	W15	W21	$4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$
4. M. Neuss	W18	L1	W11	W13	W10	D2	$4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$
5. E. Herzog	W16	D15	D9	W7	W8	L1	4 -2
6. D. Westerfield	L8	L17	W19	W20	W9	W10	4 -2
7. T. McCleary	W22	L2	W16	L5	D13	W11	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
8. R. Flacco	W6	L14	W18	D3	L5	W15*	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$

3 Points: 9. W. E. Smith, 10. Wm. Metzger, 11. L. Oje, 12. C. Lautman, 13. E. Delong

2½ Points: 14. C. Grotts, 15. G. Torres

2 Points: 16. V. Carlson, 17. J. Whiting, 18. H. Johnson, 19. M. Marcella,

1 Point: 20. R. Williams, 21. D. Argall, 22. B. Price

0 Points: 23. S. Portillo

WEST COVINA HOLIDAY SPECIAL, 1970

Don Bicknell won the West Covina Holiday Special with a perfect score of 5-0. This is the eighth tournament Bicknell has won, three of them at West Covina, this year.

Second place was shared by Paul Koploy and Enos Wicher. Greg Schweger scored $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ to take the under 1800 prize while Bob Kunz took the unrated prize with the same score. Rick Flacco once again took the C prize, with $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$. David Argall directed.

WEST COVINA HOLIDAY SPECIAL, 1970

	1	2	3	4	5	Score
1. D. Bicknell	W10	W9	W4	W2	W3	5 -0
2. P. Koploy	W12	W11	W6	L1	W8	4 -1
3. E. Wicher	W13	W8	W10	W9	L1	4 -1
4. D. Argall	W16	W19	L1	W12	D5	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$
5. B. Kunz	L8	W15	W11	W18	D4	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$
6. G. Schweger	W17	W16	L2	W13	D10	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$
7. J. Barnard	L19	W13	L12	W11	W14	3 -2
8. J. Birkel	W5	L3	W18	W15*	L2	3 -2
9. A. Wicher	W14	L1	W19	L3	W12	3 -2

2½ Points: 10. R. Flacco

2 Points: 11. W. Metzger, 12. D. Sassoon, 13. M. Vest

1½ Points: 14. G. Baker, 15. B. Griffith

1 Point: 16. V. Carlson, 17. G. Easley, 18. M. Marcella, 19. R. Williams

ROYAL CHESS, WEST COVINA, JAN-FEB, 1971

David Argall won the top section of the Royal Round Robin Chess Tournament. Argall scored $5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$, drawing only with Neuss. In the process Argall ended Don Bicknell's 40-game streak without a defeat. Paul Kopløy finished second with $4\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$, losing only to Argall.

In the Dukes division Rick Flacco, Tom McCleary and W. E. Smith tied for first in Grandmaster fashion. They drew with each other and beat everybody else. All three scored 6-1.

Edwin DeLong dominated the Lords section with a score of 7-0! He was first by a point and a half. Second place was shared by Charles Lautman and R. D. Martinez with scores of $5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$. Martinez result was especially good for a player who had never played a rated game before.

KINGS SECTION

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Score
1. D. Argall	X	1	1	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	-	$5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$
2. P. Kopløy	0	X	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	$5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$
3. D. Bicknell	0	0	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	4 - 3
4. I. Ferguson	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	1	0	1	-	$2\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$
5. E. Herzog	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	X	1	1	-	$2\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$
6. W. Metzger	0	0	0	1	0	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	-	$1\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$
7. M. Neuss	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	1	2 - 5
8. G. Torres	-	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	0	X	$1\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$

DUKES SECTION

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Score
1. R. Flacco	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1	1	6 - 1
2. T. McCleary	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1	1	6 - 1
3. W. E. Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	1	1	1	1	1	6 - 1
4. L. Oje	0	0	0	X	1	1	1	1	4 - 3
5. D. Westerfield	0	0	0	0	X	0	1	1	2 - 5
6. V. Carlson	0	0	0	0	1	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$1\frac{1}{2}-5\frac{1}{2}$
7. R. Williams	0	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	1	$1\frac{1}{2}-5\frac{1}{2}$
8. M. Vest	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	X	1 - 6

LORDS SECTION

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Score
1. E. DeLong	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7 - 0
2. C. Lautman	0	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1	1	$5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$
3. R. D. Martinez	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	1	1	1	1	1	$5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$
4. L. Balisok	0	0	0	X	1	1	1	1	4 - 3
5. G. Jones	0	0	0	0	X	1	1	1	3 - 4
6. J. Whiting	0	0	0	0	0	X	1	1	2 - 5
7. A. Brunten	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	1	1 - 6
8. W. Woodward	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	0 - 7

LOS ANGELES SCHOOL CHESS - 873 CONTESTANTS

All records were broken at the fourth annual Los Angeles school system's Chess Festival, held at the Birmingham High School in Van Nuys. On Saturday, December 19, 1970, 402 elementary school played in 28 sections, with each section having three trophies for the winners. The trophy for first place in one section was won by a 5-year-old, Carl Chavez of the kindergarden-first grade section!

On Sunday there were 218 junior high school players and 253 high school players (some of whom came from as far as Santa Barbara). It is impossible to list names in this magazine, so we will merely report that more than 200 trophies were distributed by the Piatigorsky Foundation. Mayor Sam Yorty proclaimed December 19-25 as Chess Week. Eddy S. Feldman, president of the Municipal Arts Commission, presented the scroll on behalf of the Mayor. Carl Brenner of the Youth Services Administration presided over the opening services on Saturday and Ferdinand Mendenhall, director of the Chamber of Commerce, opened proceedings on Sunday. The festival was originated by the Piatigorsky Chess Foundation and masterminded by Grandmaster Isaac Kashdan.

LOMPOC SCHOOLS HOLD CHRISTMAS CHESS TOURNAMENT

The Lompoc newspaper, the RECORD, staged a huge school chess tournament on December 21. There were 149 contestants, representing 19 schools.

Rick Cowdry, a senior, and Ross Perry, eighth grader, won trophies with 6-0 and 7-0 scores, respectively. Keith Delgadillo, 11, went undefeated in the elementary school section. Finishing behind Cowdry were: Gary Field, Bill Hobart, Duane Day, Stephen Bonneau, Tom Pike, Frank VanMetre and Larry Furphy. The tournament director was Vaughn G. Proctor, staff writer and columnist for THE RECORD.

COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS BY CONTINENTAL CHESS ASSOCIATION

Three championships were held by the Continental Chess Association of New York over the February 6 week end. The tournaments were held at the Airport Marina Hotel and were directed by William Goichberg.

The Western Intercollegiate Championship had 39 contestants. Julius Loftsson of UCLA and Andy Sacks of San Fernando Valley State tied for first place with 5-1 scores. Tied for third were Ronald Larsen, James Woodward, John Davidian and Jeff Kent.

The Western Senior Open had 45 contestants. There was a three-way tie for first place between Bruce Haisfield and Frank Thornally of San Francisco and James Ulrich of Beverly Hills, with 4½-½ scores.

The Western High School Championship had 138 contestants, who came from all parts of California and Arizona. There was a five-way tie for first place between Larry Christiansen, Ross Stoutenborough and

Robert Newbold, all of Riverside, and Dave Oppedal of Sacramento and David Sewell of Salinas. All five will receive part of their expenses to travel to the National High School Championship to be held in New York City, April 2 to 4.

A team championship was won by Piedmont Hills High School of San Jose, with Sonora of La Habra and Marina of Huntington Beach tied for second.

GAME OF THE MONTH

The following game was played in the last round of the State Championship and everything depended upon its outcome. When Black refused to play for the draw, the game took the classic Kingside vs. Queenside character, and from an opening of subtle transpositions a game of attack and counterattack developed.

CALIF. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, 1970

Game No. 1156- Kings Indian

White Black
D. Fritzing C. Henin
(Notes by Dennis Fritzing)

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| 1. P-KKt3 | P-KKt3 |
| 2. B-Kt2 | B-Kt2 |
| 3. Kt-QB3 | |

Expecting P-QB4, which I would have answered with P-Q3 and P-QR3, as in Larsen-Calvo, Palma de Mallorca 1968.

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| 3. ... | P-K4 |
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As Black is most likely familiar with that game, he probably wanted to try something else.

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| 4. P-K4 | |
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Now the game could become a Vienna. Against Frank Thornally in some tournament I played P-Q3 (as White) and P-KB4 and could have gotten an advantage.

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| 4. ... | P-Q3 |
| 5. Kkt-K2 | |

As this Knight will later be needed on the Queenside, it is important to develop it to this square. Meanwhile it prepares P-Q4...

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| 5. ... | Kt-QB3 |
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Which Black promptly stops.

6. 0-0

If I had been afraid of Black's castling Queenside I would surely have played P-Q3 here. Not to do so is a subtle invitation to Black to play sharply for attack, which in view of the fact he only needs 1/2 point, he surely should do.

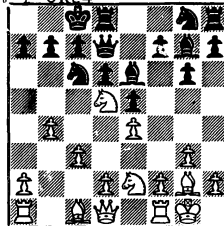
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| 6. ... | B-K3 |
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He accepts the invitation. Kkt-K2 and Castling Kingside would give better prospects of a draw.

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| 7. Kt-Q5 | |
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And so the Knight becomes point man for the White forces. This move blocks Black's P-Q4 which is the usual try for freedom in this setup.

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| 7. ... | Q-Q2 |
| 8. P-QB3 | 0-0-0 |
| 9. P-OKt4 | |



9. ... QKt-K2
 If B-R6; 10. P-Kt5 and if BxB; 11. PxBt, Q-R6; 12. PxPch, K-Kt1; 13. Kt-B4, PxBt; 14. KtxP, BxR; 15. Ktx Q, BxQ and Black has accomplished nothing, due to his weak position. A better try is 12...KxP, but 16. Q-Kt3ch and QxP is sufficient to win for White.

10. P-QR4
 Lobbing a few shells at the Black position for starters.

10. ... B-R6
 Finally Black can play this move, but is it good? White's forces are ready to roll..

11. P-Q3 P-KR4
 12. P-B3
 Effectively adding 9 layers of sand-bags to the White King's bunker. If now P-R5?, BxB, P-KKt4, K-R1 and Kt-Kt1 in that order trap Black's Queen.

12. ... KtxKt
 13. PxBt B-R3
 I expected KKt-K2 here. It seems more important to develop another piece rather than to exchange off blacksquare Bishops.

14. P-QB4
 White does not exchange immediately, as the Black Knight will then get KB4 for its post. If Black exchanges Blacksquare Bishops first, then White's Queen gets to K3.

14. ... QBxB
 15. KxB P-R5
 If P-KB4 instead, I would have played P-KR4 and if Kt-B3 then BxB, Q-B1 (on the Rook) and Q-K3 and I get to attack for awhile.

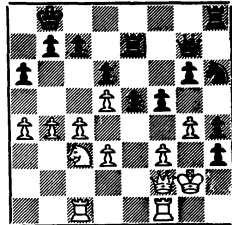
16. P-Kt4 P-KB4
 If P-R6ch, K-R1 and White's KKt2 is easily defended.
 17. P-R3 R-K1

18. BxB
 All Black's shots have been going wild. Now it is White's turn to attack. The weakness of K Kt3 is not easily exploited.

18. ... KtxB
 19. Kt-B3 Q-Kt2
 "Threatening" P-K5
 20. Q-Q2 R-K2
 Henin criticized this move, but Black is probably already lost, due to White's consistent build-up.

21. QR-B1
 To free the queen, but also to play P-B5 if the Black King remains where it is.

21. ... K-Kt1
 22. Q-KB2 P-R3



It is difficult to find a defense. Black is lost.

23. P-QKt5 P-R4
 24. P-Kt6 P-B3
 To keep out the Knight.
 25. Q-Q2

Which White threatens to play to Kt5 anyway. Black now embarks on a desperate plan as his Queenside cannot be defended.

25. ... P-K5
 26. QPxP RxQP
 27. KtxP RxBt
 28. PxB Q-K4
 29. Q-B4 Q-Kt7ch

30. R-KB2	QxP	35. R-QB3	Q-R3
31. QxPch	K-R2	36. K-Kt1	Q-R5
32. Q-K5	KtxP	37. Q-Kt3	Q-K2
33. PxKt	P-R6ch	38. P-K5	Q-Kt5
34. K-B1		39. K-R2	QxRP
Perhaps Black did not see this		40. P-Q6	P-B4
move, counting on only K-Kt1? when	Reaching time control.		
P-R7ch gives prospects of a draw.	41. P-K6		Q-B3
Now, however, Black is free to	42. R-Q3		RESIGNS
chien hoi at any time.	The Black Rook Pawn provides good		
34. ...	Q-K6		shelter for the White King.

BARRETT AGAIN HEADS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHESS LEAGUE

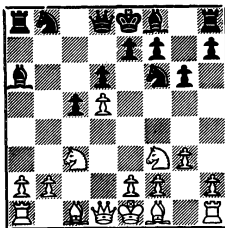
At the beginning of 1971 Gordon Barrett was reelected President of the Southern California Chess League. Benton James was elected vice-president; Henry Shipin, treasurer; Doug Lynn, secretary; and Ronald Pease, tournament director.

CALIF. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, 1970

Game No. 1157 - King's Indian

(Notes by Julius Loftsson)

White	Black
<u>J. Loftsson</u>	<u>K. Commons</u>
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-QB4
3. P-Q5	P-QK4(!?)
4. FxP	P-QR3
5. PxF	BxF
6. Kt-QB3	P-Q3
7. Kt-B3	P-KKt3
8. P-KKt3	



I have only once before played against this gambit (against Charles Henin in the '68 State Championship). Then I also played 8.P-KKt3 but

that was more because of a force of habit than a well conceived plan. After that game I developed a plan for White - this was my first chance to try it out. In most of the Benko-Gambit games I have seen, White has tried to neutralize Black's pressure on the Queen-side with exchanges, but the Black initiative has been amazingly lasting. In fact, it has often grown with each exchange. White's 8.P-KKt3 and his following moves are designed to prevent exchanges. This is logical. Black can only play on the Queen-side but with only 2 files to operate on and no pieces exchanged, his forces are likely to be congested and thus badly coordinated. Well, we'll see how this works out.

8. ...	B-KKt2
9. B-Kt2	O-O
10. O-O	QKt-Q2
11. Q-B2	Q-R4
12. R-Q1	KR-Kt1
13. B-Q2 (!)	

Against Henin I played 13.R-Kt1

(preparing 14. P-Kt3 and 15. B-Kt2) but now 13...Kt-Kt5! would have given Black a good game. White's Queen Bishop, in my opinion, is best developed on Q2, en route to K1. In the Henin game I eventually played it to Kt5 but after Black protected his K-Pawn the Bishop stood exposed and out of touch with the rest of White's pieces.

13. ... Kt-K1

14. B-K1 R-R2

A waiting move. He wants to be ready to double rooks on either file depending on what White does. But it is rather slow. 14...Kt-B2 was better. White could play 15. B-B1!, Kt-Kt4; 16. Kt-QR4, Q-B2; 17. QR-Kt1 and Black's Queenside is congested.

15. B-B1!

Overprotecting a weakness in the best Petrosian tradition. This is a key move in White's set-up. It may look extremely passive, but since it neutralizes Black's Queen Bishop and since that Bishop blocks all Rook play on the Rook file, the White Bishop must be considered excellently placed. (Remove the two Bishops in question off the board and see how Black's potentials increase!)

15. ... Kt-B2

16. QR-Kt1(!?)

I wanted to play 16. P-Kt3 and answer 16...Kt-Kt4 with 17. KtxKt, QxKt; 18. QKt-Kt1! and Black's initiative is checked. But Black can play on 16. P-Kt3, Q-R6! with play on the Rook file after Kt-Kt4. 16. QR-Kt1 is a promising pawn sacrifice I doubted that he would accept it and thought I would transpose into the above variation after 16...Kt-Kt4; 17. KtxKt, QxKt; 18. P-Kt3!

16. ... BxKt

17. BxKt

Of course not 17.PxKt, RxR; 18. RxR, B-B5 with a winning position.

17. ... QxP

18. Q-K4 R-K1

Forced. If 18...K-B1; 19. Q-R4 is embarrassing.

19. R-R1 Q-Kt6

20. Kt-Kt5(!)

The pawns are even now but White must play very actively. His advantage, preponderance of pieces on the King-side pressure against the pinned Bishop and Black's Queen being out of play, is very temporary. If he makes quiet moves Black will get the advantage because of his better Pawn formation. This is the critical position. Black can now play: (A) 20...Kt-B1; 21. KtxBP!, KxKt; 22. Q-B4, K-Kt1; 23. Q-R6, P-K4; 24. PxPe.p., QKtxP; 25. RxP, Q-Kt2; 26. B-Kt2, Q-B1; 27. B-Q5 and Black is pinned all over. (B) 20...Kt-Kt4; 21. KtxBP; KtxB (if 21...KxKt; 22. Q-K6, K-B1; 23. B-Q2) 22.Q-K6! with a strong attack. E.G. 22... Kt-B1; 23. Kt-R6, K-Kt2; 24. Q-B7, KxKt; 25. PxKt and Black is defenseless against P-R4 and P-Kt4. E.g. 25... KR-R1; 26. P-K R4, BxP; 27. BxB!, RxR; 28. RxR, RxR; 29. K-Kt2. (C) 20...P-B3. This is probably best. White plays 21. Kt-K6, a very comfortable attacking position, for he can advance pawns on the King-side opening up lines without worrying about counterplay.

20. ... Kt-B3

Black gets off by giving up a pawn.

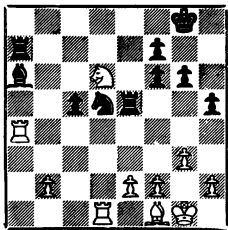
21. Q-KR4 P-R4
 Forced. The latent strength of White's King Bishop is manifested in the variation. 21...Kt(2)xP; 22. RxKt!, QxR; 23. P-K4, Q-Kt2; 24. RxB, RxR; 25. BxR and Black cannot re-capture because of an eventual mate on his KB2.

- 22. BxKt PxB
- 23. Kt-K4 R-K4
- 24. KtxQP(!) KtxP

Actually, this pawn is poisoned, but the win is very tricky. But if he doesn't take, White's Q-P will win the game.

25. Q-R4(?)
 I had planned 25. P-K4, but then noticed that my King Rook would be en prise after 25...BxB; 26. RxR? So I looked at other moves, saw 25. Q-R4 and played it quickly. But 25.P-K4 was correct and wins by force. The key move (after 25. P-K4, BxB) is 26.RxB! (removing the Rook from the line of the Black Queen) then 26...RxR. (if 26... R-Q2; 27. R-R8, K-R2; 28. Kt-K8). 27. RxR, Kt-Kt3; 28. Qx BP and now the only move to save the Rook is 28...Q-K3 but then 29.Q-Q8 wins a piece.

- 25. ... QxQ
- 26. RxQ



26. ... BxP(!)
 This I had completely over-

looked and it came as a shock. Still White's position is so strong that he retains his winning advantage even a pawn down - though now the win is problem like.

27. RxR

There is nothing in 27. RxKt; Black plays 27...RxR(Q); 28. RxR, R-Q8.

- 27. ... BxR
- 28. B-B4 B-B6
- 29. K-B1

Appearances are deceptive here. With a pawn up and reduced material Black seems to be all right. In fact, his position is extremely critical; he is probably lost in all variations. His pieces are very badly coordinated, being overworked defending each other.

29. ... R-K2

I can't find any other moves.

30. R-R3

Very tricky. But clearer was 30. RxR, KtxR; 31. KtxP, B-Q4 (if 31... K-B1; 32. Kt-Q8 wins a pawn) 32. BxB, KtxB; 33. Kt-Q6 and Black's Queen Bishop Pawn is doomed. White should win.

30. ... R-Q2?

The only move was 30...B-R8, horrible as it may look. Yet, White cannot trap it with 31. P-B3 because of 31...Kt-K6 and White must submit to a perpetual check by 32.K-B2; Kt-Q8; 33. K-B1 (33. K-Kt1, R-K8) Kt-K6, for if 32. K-Kt1, BxP; 33. BxP, K-Kt2; 34. K-B2, R-Q2! But of course, White can play after 30...B-R8; 31. R-R8, K-R2; 32. R-QB8 maintaining a winning position.

- 31. RxB RxKt
- 32. R-Q3

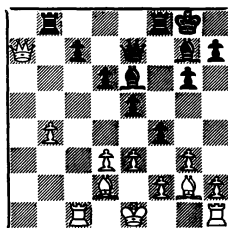
This Black had overlooked. In time pressure he plays on until time control.

32. ...	R-Kt3	16. KtxKtch	QxKt
32...Kt-Kt3 was	slightly better but	17. B-Q2	P-B4
still hopeless.		18. R-B1	
33. RxKt	RxP	White strives for too much.	
34. R-Q7	R-Kt5	18. 0-0 leaves him with a	
35. BxPch	K-Kt2	playable game.	
36. R-B7	P-R5	18. ...	P-B5
37. K-Kt2	PxP	19. Q-R7	
38. RfxP	P-B4		
39. B-K8ch	K-B3		
40. R-B6ch	K-K4		
41. RxBP	K-Q5		
42. R-Kt5	RESIGNS		

Game No. 1158 - King's Indian

White	Black
<u>D. Dean</u>	<u>D. Fritzing</u>

1. P-KKt3	P-K4		
2. P-Q3	P-KKt3		
3. B-Kt2	B-Kt2	19. ...	P-B6
4. P-QB4	Kt-K2	20. BxP	Q-B3!
5. Kt-QB3	O-O	21. RxP	B-R3
6. P-K3	QKt-B3	22. B-B6	QxPch
7. KKt-K2	P-Q3	23. K-Q1	RxP!
8. R-QKt1	B-K3	24. R-Kt7	RxR
9. Kt-Q5	R-Kt1	25. BxR	Q-B2
10. KKt-B3	P-QR3	An elegant quiet move to bring	
11. P-QKt4	P-QKt4	the game home.	
12. PxP	PxP	26. Q-R6	R-Kt1
13. P-QR4	PxP	27. B-K4	B-Kt5ch
14. QxP	KtxKt	28. K-B1	P-Q4
15. KtxKt	Kt-K2	RESIGNS	

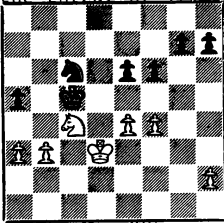


CARROLL M. CAPPS

We regret to record the death on January 15, 1971, of Carroll Mather Capps of San Francisco. Mr. Capps, approximately 60, was a former president of the San Francisco Bay Area Chess League, a regular at the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club, and many times Northern California and San Francisco champion. The Editor was fortunate to have known Mr. Capps since their high school days in Oakland and to say that his death is a loss to northern California chess is a grave understatement.

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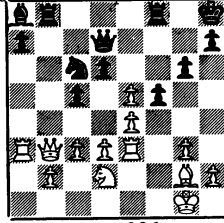
How does Black answer
the threat of 4. KtXP?



No. 305

K. Commons-D. Dean
California State Championship
1970

Can White play 22. P-K6?



No. 306

R. Hoppe-J. Grefe
Bay Area League Matches
1971

The two positions here have greater interest than many composed problems or endings - and such positions are inherently more difficult to "solve" because no one is there looking over the player's shoulder to announce what the particular task is.

Both involve "in-between" moves. As John Grefe points out in his notes to the second position (the full game will be given with solutions), White can hardly be blamed for being unable to fathom the complex possibilities after 22. P-K6! RxQ 23. PxQ, RxKtP 24. PxP! (the real "key"), RxKt 25. R-K8, RxBch! 26. KxR (look into K-R1), Kt-K4ch followed by KtxPQ2. Does White maintain a winning endgame?

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REGISTRATION: 8:30 AM-10:30AM, Pacific Room, Hotel San Carlos.
SCHEDULE: 5-Round Swiss. Players' meeting 10:45AM, Sat., June 26.
 ROUND 1 11:00 AM, Sat., June 26, 40 moves/1½ hours.
 ROUND 2 3:00 PM " " " "
 ROUND 3 7:00 PM " " 45 moves/2 hours.
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 ROUND 5 2:00 PM " " " "
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