

U. S. Chess

Open Set

August 5-17

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The United States Open Chess Championship will take place August 5 to 17 in Cleveland, Ohio. George Koltanowski will direct the tournament for the second consecutive year.

At Oklahoma City last year there were 103 players from throughout the United States and this year the total is expected to be considerably higher. Canada is planning to invade the Open with 25 participants.

Addition of the U. S. Open gives Koltanowski, the "traveling chess master," a busy summer schedule. He will direct the following tournaments:

U. S. Junior Championship in San Francisco, July 8-14; Sonoma Festival, July 21; U. S. Open in Cleveland, August 5-17; Panhandle Open in Plainview, Texas, August 24 and 25; Champion of Champion and Morphy Centennial in Yankton, S. D., August 30-September 2; Morphy Centennial in San Francisco, September 21 and 22.

SONOMA—The first 50 participants in the annual Sonoma Chess Festival on Sunday, July 21, will receive special gifts from the Sonoma Valley Chamber of Commerce. Entries to play (\$1.50) can be sent to Lois McVeigh, secretary, Sonoma Valley Chamber of Commerce, Sonoma, Calif.

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE Postal Tournament sections are being formed all the time. Send \$1 to George Koltanowski, San Francisco Chronicle, and you will receive a list of opponents and rules of play.

LOOKING AROUND—The semifinals for the Interclub championship of Chess Friends of Northern California are now being played. Botvinnik, S. F., tied Morphy, Redwood City, 3-3, and they are playing a second time to see who will meet the East Bay victor in the final . . . Colonel J. J. Araiza won the championship of Mexico . . . Both Dr. Max Euwe and N. Rossolimo have accepted to play in the U. S. Open.

Mrs. Mercedes de Llaca of San Salvador played simultaneous earlier this month at the Carroll Ogden Chess Club here against five women opponents and won all her games.