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EDITORIAL

LAWS of CHESS:

As many of our readers are aware, the World Chess Federation (universally known as "F.I.D.E." from its French initials) is the body responsible for the rules under which the game is played. Some forty years ago a rule was introduced which made it illegal for a game to be agreed as a draw in less than thirty moves. It proved impossible to enforce this rule, and it was consequently abandoned.

Last year a rule was brought in stating that it was illegal to agree to a draw in under thirty moves except for exceptional circumstances as laid down by the judge or tournament controller. It is not difficult to imagine that this produced widely varying interpretations from different controllers and at Basle this year at their annual conference F.I.D.E. took another look at the situation that had arisen. After due deliberation they came to the conclusion (as recorded in the official minutes) that "in cases where a player, or players, are guilty of a clear contravention of the moral principles of the game, international judges are required to penalize them with the loss of the game", and amended Paragraph 3 of Article 17 of the Rules of Chess to read:-

"A draw by agreement before the 30th move is forbidden. Contravention is to be punished by the loss of the game for both players. The judge should take care that this regulation is not circumvented. As an example it should be observed that the judge, in cases of a draw by repetition of moves, has the right to investigate whether the circumstances are not to be held the equivalent of a direct draw by agreement."

Whether this rule will live much longer than either of its ill-fated predecessors is at least open to question, but for this season at least, it stands as a Law of the game, and governing bodies in this Country, as in all other Countries where Chess is played seriously, will doubtless offer some guidance to those officials whom they invite to conduct tournaments and/or competitions on their behalf.

NEWS FROM THE COUNTIES

BUCKS: We are indebted to the October issue of the County news letter for much of the above information which has been taken from a letter from Mr. Harry Golombek, the B.C.F. representative on F.I.D.E. and himself an international judge of world-wide repute. Bucks report the division of the club teams into two divisions for this season as they have 12 entries for the County Club Championship. The County grading list has also been published containing names of players down to Grade 11b. The individual championship has attracted 42 entries who will be divided into seven sections of six players. On 21st. March, 1964, Mr. Harry Golombek will play 40 Bucks players simultaneously at Aylesbury.

NEWS FROM THE COUNTIES (Continued)

SURREY: Mr. F. A. Winter as Editor of the County News Letter has published his first issue of the current season giving seven and a half pages of news and information. Entries for the Club competitions total 13 for the Alexander Cup, 13 for the Surrey Trophy, 11 for the Beaumont Cup, and 11 for the Minor Trophy, all of which should keep a lot of players busy during the next six months. Ten Schools are entering one or more teams in the Briant Poulter Shield competitions.

BERKS: The County Secretary, Mr. D.J. Blackman has issued another News Letter wherein the improvement in the County Match results are duly noted. Efforts are to be made to get Chess columns in several local newspapers in the County as a means of increasing publicity for the game.

JUNIOR RESULTS

Arrangements have been made for the Fleming Trophy Matches (which are over sixty boards) to be played at St. Bride's and the first two of these have resulted as follows :-

19th October :	Middlesex 30	Surrey 30
26th October :	Middlesex 42½	Essex 17½

On Saturday, 2nd. November, the Chess Education Society staged an interesting event at the Inns of Court Club, Drury Lane, when an exhibition of chess material was held and at St. Bride when twenty-two Old Stagers met a similar number of Junior players as part of National Chess Week. The Hon. Secretary of the Society is Mr. R.A. Milton, B.A., A.D.B., 23c, Wild Street, Drury Lane, W.C.2., and more details will be given in our next issue.

SITUATION VACANT

Mr. H.W.R. Keeble writes:- "After over five years of invaluable service to the County Players of the Union in helping with the organisation of matches at John Lewis' and in many other quiet ways, Mr. L.N. WEAVER has decided to retire, and will shortly be taking up residence in Sussex. A volunteer is therefore required to take his place. Main duties will be to assist in the preparation and clearing up of County Matches at John Lewis' on about 15 Saturdays each season. Approximate working hours 2.0 p.m. to 7.30 p.m., also to help as required in the dispatch and return of equipment to the London Junior Championships (Christmas Richmond Congress (Easter), Ilford Congress (Whitsun) and British Congress (August). These latter tasks are usually done in the evenings shortly before and after the events concerned.

Promotion can be offered when I retire in the not too distant future (I hope)..

Union Equipment Fund: The collection boxes for this Fund have, so far this season yielded a total of £3. 5s. Od., leaving £4. 15s. Od. needed to complete the cost of the 25 clocks acquired (£100). Messrs. Keeble and Weaver would like to say that they greatly appreciate the generosity of the anonymous player who put a £1 note in one of the boxes on either the 2nd or 9th of November, an example they hope will be followed".

Editor's Note : We are also indebted to Mr. Keeble for the recent gift of a hardboard box especially constructed to contain 24 of the new clocks that have been purchased out of the Equipment Fund.

SITUATION FILLED

The post of Hon. Secretary of the ESSEX County Association has been filled by the appointment of :- Mr. V.C. Barber, 478A, High Street North, Manor Park, London, E.12.

HANTS: The County news Bulletin for October reports the first county match against Surrey played at Southsea, which received excellent coverage in the local Press, particularly for a young local player who went along to watch his friend play in the Match and found himself brought into the side at Board 4.....and won his game!!

THIRD ANNUAL LUNCHEON & TEAM JAMBOREE

On Saturday, 16th. November, we met once again for lunch in the Directors' Dining Room at John Lewis', before the Jamboree, when the principal guests were Sir Frederick Hoare, deputy-President of the British Chess Federation and Mr. A.R.H. MacDonald, Secretary to the John Lewis Associated Companies. Our President, Mr. L.A.J. Glyde of Essex, welcomed those present and expressed our thanks to John Lewis' for all the help that they have given to Chess, and asked Mr. MacDonald to convey to his Directors our appreciation of all the amenities that we enjoy. He also thanked the Jamboree sub-Committee for their work in organising the whole events of the day. Mr. V.J. Soanes, President of the B.C.F. proposed the toast of the Southern Counties Chess Union reminding us of the part the Union had played in the formation of the British Chess Federation in the early years of the century, and thanking us for the support given to the present-day B.C.F. by the Union members and officials. Replying to the toast Sir Frederick Hoare thanked Mr. Soanes for his good wishes for the Union, and added his thanks to John Lewis' for their help for Chess, recalling the days of the old National Chess Centre before when he at the age of seventeen, took lessons in chess from Miss Vera Menchik who afterwards became the World Lady Champion. At the conclusion of the lunch Sir Frederick presented Dr. Jonathan Penrose with the Williams Simms Prize which goes to the winner of the British Individual Championship each year, and wished him the best of luck in his efforts in international chess.

The Jamboree had attracted twenty entries, including by special invitation of the Committee, a Midland County side from Leicestershire, as well as the usual four Junior teams from our own Counties. At the close of play there were five unfinished games that defied over-the-board analysis and these were sent for adjudication, so that the final placings are very much in doubt.

The Hon. Secretary would like to express his thanks to the Match Captains (all twenty of them !) for a very high degree of co-operation which resulted in practically all games being started a few minutes past three o'clock. Also many thanks to all the other people who helped in many ways; to Mr. Keeble and his helpers who set out one hundred boards, sets and clocks, long before three o'clock, to Miss Titcomb, Miss Anness, Mr. Sage and Mr. Sinclair who kept the results charts up-to-date, to those adjudicators who stayed after the end of play and reduced the number of undecided games from about thirty to five, and lastly, to all those players - and they were many - who helped by putting their sets in order when their games had ended.

The present scores stand as follows :-

Beds.	4	Insurance	3½	The President's Team	6
Berkshire	4	(one adjudication)		Surrey Juniors	6
Bucks	4½	Kent Juniors	2	Surrey Seniors	3½
Croydon League	3½	Kent Seniors	5	(two adjudications)	
(one adjudication)		Leicestershire	5½	Sussex	4½
Essex Juniors	5	Middlesex Juniors	6½	(one adjudication)	
Essex Seniors	6½	(one adjudication)		Thames Valley League	3½
(two adjudications)		Middlesex Seniors	8	United Banks	2½
Hampshire	6½	Oxfordshire	4½	(two adjudications)	

In our next issue we hope to include the final table of the results and the full scores of all the teams (all hundred of them).

J. J. Lauder

P.S. With some of the adjudication results now in, the Final Scores of the leading counties are : 1st.-Middlesex Seniors, 8 pts.; 2nd.-Essex Seniors, 7½ pts.; 3rd.-Middlesex Juniors, 7 pts.; 4th.-Hants, 6½ pts.

MIDDLESEX		NORFOLK	
1	D.E.Rumens	1	O.M.Hindle
2	H.Israel	1	P.Dawson
3	C.S.Lee	1	F.H.C.Marriott
4	T.Landry	@	J.M.Scott
5	M.Firth	1	A.G.Barker
6	D.E.Lloyd	0	J.F.Dunn
7	D.J.Mabbs	1	W.S.Golding
8	K.Harman	1	A.Moyle
9	F.E.Tinworth	0	P.J. Adams
10	R.Spiers	1	L.A. Poll
11	A.Philpott	1	M.A.Durrant
12	S.O.N.Hawes	1	R.A. Clegg
13	A.Mazitis	1	G.J.Sparkes
14	R.Ferttoszegi	1	D.Guttridge
15	J.E.Redon	1	R.W.Clark
16	R.F. Harman	1	J.H.Billing
17	J.Poole	1	T.D. Lenton
18	T.T.Godwin	1	P.R.Johnson
19	D.J.Rogers	1	R.Middleton
20	P.J.Holt	1	H.Rawcliffe
<u>13½</u>		<u>5½</u>	

(Played 2nd November 1963)

Championship: Cambridge 13 Essex 5
 Played at Cambridge 26th October, 1963.

CAMBRIDGE		ESSEX	
1	G.M.Sheldrick	@	H.I.Woolverton
2	R.F.Holmes	1	Dr.B.Sturgeon
3	R.E.Graf	1	L.A.J. Glyde
4	G.A.Winbow	1	K.M.Oliff
5	D.I.W.Reynolds	1	A.J.Morrell
6	D.J.F.Ewing	1	S.M.Kalinsky
7	G.C.Fox	0	J.R. Stock
8	A.F.Downham	1	M.R.Porter
9	M.H.S.Whiting	1	J.T.Pascoe
10	S.J.F.Walsh	0	S.Wilkinson
11	A.R.Fersht	1	G.A.Lampitt
12	R.H.Donaghy	1	D.Ebbett
13	M.J. Rose	1	J.A.Spiegel
14	L.Vickery	@	L.R.Ainsworth
15	G.A.Wright	0	Y.P.Keffler
16	C.H.Pemberton	1	J.W.Passant
17	J.E.Pepper	1	T.A.A.Tobertson
18	P.W.Murphy	0	R.W. O'Brien
19	A.L.Wernock	1	D.Burgess
20	J.W.Cash?	1	J.Gilderson
<u>13</u>		<u>5</u>	

Championship: Sussex 14½ Kent 5½
 Amboyna: Sussex 33 Kent 17
 Played 26th October at Hastings

SUSSEX		KENT	
1	D.G.Springgey	1	P.B.Cook
2	W.A.Winser	1	J.W.Ecelson
3	H.G.Rhodes	1	J.F.S.Rumble
<u>2½</u>		<u>½</u>	

SUSSEX		KENT	
from previous column		2½	
4	A.Hall	1	R.E.Smith
5	C.H.Stacey	1	E.H.K.Beecher
6	R.T.Buckland	1	W.L.Brierley
7	Dr.D.B.Scott	1	G.Pope
8	H.T.G.Matchett	1	G.Champion
9	O.A.S.Damant	1	K.F.Champion
10	J.I.P.Simpole	1	R.Elwell
11	A.B.Bamford	1	G.F.Steele
12	C.Orchard	1	B.E.Glaze
13	G.H.James	1	J.H.McK.Finch
14	A.D.Whyte	0	D.M.Easterman
15	R.St.G.Upton	1	Dr.E.L.Lonbay
16	H.D.Wells	0	B.P.Bourne
17	G.F.Ramsay	1	E.G.Creek
18	L.J.Cannon	1	O.J.Fox
19	G.M.Norman	0	E.J.Hobbs
20	R.G.Shrebsall	1	R.B.Parkin
<u>Championship Totals</u>		14½	5½
21	G.N.Sinden	1	H.J.Galbraith
22	R.J.Manfield	1	A.K.Henderson
23	A.J.Hooke	0	J.G.Lloyd
24	A.Pidcock	1	H.D.Hancock
25	H.P.James	1	G.H.Redfern
26	J.A.Felton	1	Lt.Col.W.H.Knox
27	A.Buckle	1	J.D.Small
28	G.O.Worrell	1	D.E.Rodford
29	R.H.Williams	1	W.J.Rylands
30	D.A.W.Hamilton	1	S.Allen
31	G.A.Rain	1	S.J.Tydeman
32	L. Winter	0	G.O.Esher
33	A.T.Watson	0	H.G.Samek
34	B.Thomas	1	D.A.Tame
35	A.G.Stubbs	1	Miss D.Garland
36	B.Denman	1	C.B.Head
37	D.F.Parrett	1	G.D.Falkener
38	H.G.Hughes	0	J.D.Worwood
39	M. Trory	1	E.J.Head
40	Miss P.Renwick	1	D.G.Peters
41	P.Kirtlan	1	R.G.Drew
42	S.W.Wheatland	0	J.Sellens
43	E.J.Bowley	0	J.Murrell
44	J.R.Peryer	0	A.Whittle
45	Miss A.Gammans	1	P.R.Lorch
46	E.Donovan	0	T.A.Dyos
47	L.Skinner	1	W.E.Busbridge
48	Miss P.Garland	1	W.Beaumont
49	B.A.French	1	E.O.Lloyd
50	Major C.D.Balding	1	R.Drew
<u>Amboyna Shield Totals</u>		33	17

COUNTY MATCH RESULTS

Championship: Surrey 9 Oxford 8 Played at St. Bride's
26th October, 1963.

<u>SURREY</u>		<u>OXFORD</u>		<u>BUCKS</u>		<u>HAMPSHIRE</u>			
1	M.J.Franklin	0	R.Persitz	1	Championship	7		11	
2	F. Parr	1	A.S.Hollis	0	21	E.Woolford	1	D.A.Bloxham	0
3	J.G.Brogden	@	J.K.Footner	@	22	R.L.Owen	0	S.L.Russell	1
4	D.Gilbertson	0	P.N.Lee	1	23	C.J.Stapley	1/2	R.Strevens	1/2
5	K.F.H.Inwood	1	J.N.Walker	0	24	J. leRougetel	0	P. Hurn	1
6	H.G.Felce	@	R.W.Morgan	@	25	K.O'Byrne	1	F.D.Balchin	0
7	F.W.Allen	@	A.I.N.Brodie	@	26	W.E.Gammon	1/2	H. G. Dell	1/2
8	T.Jover	1/2	N. Wilson	1/2	27	G. Edmonds	0	M. Bauchop	1
9	Aird Thomson	0	J.M.Taylor	1	28	J. Bryant	0	L. Allen	1
10	W.E.C.Richards	1	A.F.Footner	0	29	B. Guzik	1	A. Lakin	0
11	D. Le Surf	1/2	A.J.Whiteley	1/2	30	H.G.Westcott	0	L. West	1
12	R.G.White	0	G.Hollis	1	31	P. T. Carr	0	Miss G. Moore	1
13	B.Lyons	1/2	N.Stockman	1/2	32	D. Bird	1	G.Baverstock	0
14	D.Mattingley	1/2	P.D.Ralph	1/2	33	R.W.Gleave	1/2	A.F. Garner	1/2
15	D.B.Pennycook	1/2	P.R.Hindley	1/2	34	A.Wodzianek	0	J.H.Gardener	1
16	P.Taylor	1	B.C.Wyatt	0	35	M.A.Hewitt	0	W.J.Eaton	1
17	G.C. Nurse	1/2	H.Booth	1/2	36	R.S.Robinson	1	R.T.Pink	0
18	F.J.Prouse	1	R.Keeley	0	37	M.R. Myant	1	H.E. Davies	0
19	R.E.Mattocks	0	P.Joyce	1	38	R.J.Milden	0	R.C.Clark	1
20	B.A.Jones	1	Default	0	39	A.A.Clery	0	A.E.Clark	1
		<u>9</u>		<u>8</u>	40	A.A.Ashton	1/2	D. Banham	1/2
Championship: Bucks	7	Hampshire		11	41	Mrs. A.Hopton	0	D.A.Johnston	1
Amboyna	Bucks 21	Hampshire		27	42	G.R.Lancaster	0	W.L. Bidgood	1

At John Lewis' 2nd November, 1963

<u>BUCKS</u>		<u>HAMPSHIRE</u>		
1	P.J.Oakley	1/2	M.E.Ventham	1/2
2	W. Evans	0	Dr.A.J.Pointon	1
3	B.W.Atkinson	0	H.M.Evans	1
4	W.G.Whitaker	0	Cdr.A.J.Peters	1
5	W.F.Coles	@	M.V.Lambshire	@
6	Dr.J.Harwood	1/2	P.M.Collins	1/2
7	A.Niedzwiedzki	1/2	L.C.Walters	1/2
8	C.R.Berry	0	P.J.Patience	1
9	C.A.Turner	1	D.Parr	0
10	E.B.Sandercock	1/2	A.R.Cullinane	1/2
11	D.G.Summers	1/2	P.L.Marshall	1/2
12	H.W.Cookson	0	Hon.C.Orde-Powlett	1
13	K.G.Hyde	@	A.C.Barton	@
14	D.R.Smith	1	J.F.Watson	0
15	O.Morduch	1	L.E.Vine	0
16	E.O.Seymour	0	G.L.Pritchard	1
17	M.Fryer	1/2	T.J.deBuriatte	1/2
18	R.C.Hopton	1/2	J.E.Crewe	1/2
19	M.Passingham	0	D.J.Groves	1
20	J.K.Jackson	1/2	M. Makar	1/2
				<u>21</u>

Adjudicated games Results

<u>Surrey</u>		v	<u>Hants</u> 12th October	
3	D.Gilbertson	1	W.H.Pratten	0
20	T.Noyce	1/2	G.L.Pritchard	1/2

Final Scores:

<u>Championship:</u>			
Surrey	12	Hants	8
<u>Amboyna Shield</u>			
Surrey	29	Hants	21

<u>Beds</u>		v	<u>Norfolk</u> 12th October	
8	B.M.Gibbs	0	W.S.Golding	1

Final Score:

<u>Championship</u>			
Beds	8 1/2	Norfolk	11 1/2

Championship Totals 7 11

(continued in next column)