## CHESS NOTES

Hampshire's players opened the season with a friendly match against Berkshire in which the score stands  $13\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$  in our favour, with two for adjudication. Details of results of local players :-

Board 2. S. Dean (Cosham 1, D. Stevenson 0;

Board 4. W.H. Silber (Fareham) 0, J. Syner 1;

Board 7. D.J. Scotney (Portsmouth) 1, C. Burrows 0;

Board 11 I.A. Stenhouse (Gosport) 1, K. Wilkinson 0;

Board 12 M.M. Street (Fareham) 1, G. Borrowdale 0;

Board 19 C.W.J. Trotter (Gosport) 1, G. Langham 0.

It is hoped to arrange a return match with Berks at Portsmouth later in the season.

On the same Saturday, the County's strongest available players were competing in the West of England Senior Jamboree at Exeter, which saw Hampshire and Somerset finish equal first with 7 points and with one game, D.W. Bell (Hants) v. R.J. Gregory (Somerset) for adjudication. We are claiming a win (Bell is a pawn up) and if this claim is successful, Hampshire will be the outright winner of the Bristol Cup for the third successive season. Wins by G.E.J. Lambert (Bd.1), K.D.F. Gregory (Bd.3), S.P. Goodman (Bd.4), S.J. Hooker (Bd.5), A.J. Berry (Bd.6), B.P.A. Andrews (Bd.7) and D. Drew (Bd.12).

A.R. Cullinane, P.L. Marshall, D. Beer and L.C. Walters all lost.

There were no changes made to the playing rules of the team competition at the Annual General Meeting of the Portsmouth & District League held last week, although a minor amendment to the rules of the Individual Championship Competition was passed. All officers were returned unopposed and it was decided that the 25 teams (a record number) that have entered the coming League Championships will be arranged in four Divisions, as under:-

Division 2	Division 3	Division 4
Portsmouth B Leigh Park A Gosport B	Cosham C Polytechnic B Fareham C Leigh Park B Portsmouth C Portsmouth D	Emsworth Gosport C Schroder Fareham D Polytechnic C I.B.M. B
	Cosham B Polytechnic A Community Centre B Portsmouth B Leigh Park A	Cosham B Cosham C Polytechnic A Community Centre B Portsmouth B Leigh Park A Portsmouth C Gosport B Portsmouth D

The following remarkable game was between I. Pleci and L. Endzelius (Buenos Aires 1939) and is not one on which I would wish to be on the receiving end.

1. P-K4, P-K3; 2. P-Q4, P-Q4; 3. N-Q2, P-QB4; 4. KN-B3, QPxP; 5. NxP, N-Q2; 6. PxP, NxP; 7. QxQ+, KxQ; 8. B-N5+, P-B3; 9. 0-0-0+, K-K1; 10. B-N5+, K-B2 (if 10...B-Q2; 11. NxN, BxB; 12. NxKP wins) 11. R-Q8, B-K2 (11...PxB and 11...NxN both lose; see diagram) 12. N-K5+, PxN; 13. N-Q6+, K-N3 (13...BxN; 14. B-K8+, K-B1; 15. B-N6 mate) 14. BxB, NxB; 15. RxR, P-QR3; 16. B-K2, P-K5; 17. P-KB4, P-N4; 16. R-K8, K-B3; 19. R-B8+, K-N3; 20. P-KR4, B-N2; 21. P-R5+, K-R3; 22. N-B7 mate.

rlbR2nr; pp2bkpp; 4 pp2; lBn3Bl; 4N3; 5N2; PPP2PPP; 2K4R

PLECI v. ENDZELIUS

Position after 11...B-K2