



# Chessmates

## THE FIRST COUNTY MATCH OF SEASON

**H**AMPSHIRE'S first county match of the season was played in London against Kent, and the score in both S.C.C.U. Championship and Amboyna Shield contests stand at the moment in Kent's favour by  $5\frac{1}{2}$ — $7\frac{1}{2}$  (with seven games unfinished) and 18—22 (with ten games unfinished), respectively.

The detailed scores will be held over until the results of the adjudications are received, but the results of the efforts of local players were as follows:

W. C. Martin (Fareham) lost on board 6; N. C. Taylor (Fareham), for adjudication; A. S. La Lond (Southsea) drew on board 16; D. M. Heywood (Portsmouth) lost on board 23; W. Makar (Portsmouth) won on board 24; P. Price (Portsmouth) lost on board 25; Lieut. D. K. Butler (Portsmouth) drew on board 27; J. E. C. Grant (Fareham) drew on board 32; Richardson (Cosham) won on board 37.

Following the record entry for the Individual Championship of the Portsmouth League, this year's entry for the County Individual Championship is greater than ever before.

It is also encouraging to note that ten of the following 20 entrants are from clubs in the Portsmouth area:

W. H. Pratten (Fareham), G. W. S. Roggin (Bournemouth), G. Richardson (Cosham), J. E. Smith (Portsmouth), R. B. G. Wells (Portsmouth), Lieut. K. Butler (Portsmouth), A. M. Edmonds (Woolston), C. H. Henshaw (Basingstoke), M. E. Ventham (Fareham), W. Makar (Portsmouth), C. Barton (Southampton), M. Simpson (Southampton), J. E. C.

Hobbs (Southampton), A. S. La Lond (Southsea), J. Valler (Southampton), W. C. Martin (Fareham), N. C. Taylor (Fareham), S. L. Russell (Broughton), D. K. Bevis (Bournemouth), A. Carter (Portsmouth).

The winner of this competition wins a cash prize of ten guineas and holds the Championship Trophy for one year. The runner-up receives five guineas.

### POSTAL CHESS

During the past week local Chess Club secretaries have received an unusual communication from the Burgomaster of the small Dutch town of Genemuiden inviting them to take part in a world-wide postal Chess Tournament. Teams are to be of five and each player has six games. The whole thing is being organized by the De Pioniers Chess Club and it is hoped to attract more than 500 teams.

The list of teams for the second division of the senior section of the Portsmouth Chess League, published last week, omitted Portsmouth Grammar School. There will therefore be seven teams in this division and not six, as stated.