



Chess Notes

PORTSMOUTH are pulling away from their challengers in Division I of the local Chess League, and their 5—0 win against Cosham leaves them with a clear lead.

The fact that Portsmouth are known to have a number of strong players is attracting others, and the latest addition to their strength is Lt. B. K. Butler. With the wealth of talent that they now have available, it is difficult to see how they can fail to win the Championship once again.

Results (Senior Section)

Division 1.—Cosham 0, Portsmouth 5 (G. Richardson 0, A. Carter 1; S. C. Noke 0, Lt. B. K. Butler 1; R. Tims 0, A. Hayes 1; A. Crossins 0, H. C. Bailey 1; H. S. White 0, M. Dymond 1). Gosport 1, R.N.P.L. 4 (W. J. Eaton 0, Dr. J. M. Holford 1; H. W. Tripp 0, Capt. G. P. Britton 1; E. Taylor 1, G. Mellows 0; H. Northover 0, A. N. Dossett 1; T. G. Fayers 0, H. J. Taylor 1); Community Centre 2, R.N.P.L. 3 (B. Carter 0, Dr. J. M. Holford 1; R. W. Davis 0, Capt. G. P. Britton 1; S. F. Adams 1, G. Mellows 0; R. I. Ross 0, A. N. Dossett 1; R. Speller 1, H. J. Taylor 0).

Division 2.—A.S.R.E. 1½, Portsmouth Grammar "A" 3½ (E. Underhill ½, J. F. Watson ½; G. Ratter 0, P. M. Collins 1; A. E. Roberts 1, R. Cath 0; P. S. Nutter 0, A. Russell 1; Lt. Cmdr. Stollery 0, P. Mihalop 1); Portsmouth "B" 4, St John's "A" 1 (D. M. Heywood 0, Bro. Charles 1; J. P. Price 1, E. Woo 0; G. L. Comben 1, F. Brown 0; W. Makar 1, C. Thomas 0; J. E. Smith 1, D. Peniston-Bird 0).

DIVISION I

	P	W	D	G	Pt
Portsmouth "A"	6	5	0	22½	5
Comm. Centre	5	3	1	17½	3½
Fareham "A"	5	3	1	16	3½
R.N.P.L.	6	3	1	14	3½
Cosham	6	1	0	9	1
Gosport	6	0	1	6	½

DIVISION II

	P	W	D	G	Pt
Portsmouth Gr. "A"	9	6	1	28½	6½
Portsmouth "B"	8	6	0	29	6
Fareham "B"	7	5	0	21	5
St John's "B"	6	4	0	13½	4
A.S.R.E.	7	3	0	16½	3
St John's "A"	7	1	1	13½	1½
Coll. Apps.	8	0	0	8	0

Pairings in the fifth round of the Portsmouth Individual Championship Tournament (with scores to date in brackets) are—Wells (3½) v. Heywood (4); West (2½) v. Richardson (3); Adams (2½) v. Noke (3); Carter (2½) v. Cartmell (2); Potter (2) v. Collins (2); Comben (2) v. Makar (2); Grant (2) v. Smith (2); Watson (1½) v. Garner (1½); Davis (1½) v. Griffiths (1); Farmer (1) v. Brading (1); Lee (0) has a bye.

Gosport Chess Club has suffered a sad loss in the recent death of Mr. G. O. Pike. Chairman and top board for Gosport Chess Club, he had been an active and popular player in the local League for a number of years.

The Gosport Club has also lost the services of Mr. J. S. Perry, who has gone to New Zealand, and they are seriously in need of reinforcements.

They lost their match against Portsmouth Community Centre in the Hants Community Centres Federation Chess Competition by 3—2.

U.S. MISSION IN AFRICA

A mission arrived in Accra for a tour of Africa to see how to increase United States aid in the field of science.