

Court & Social

Court Circular



ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 29th
The Princess Royal, Member, International Olympic Committee, and President, British Olympic Association, accompanied by Vice Admiral Sir Tim Laurence, today attended the XXXIII Olympic Games in Paris, France.

Calls to the Bar

Students being called to the Bar this Trinity term:

Middle Temple
(Cont'd) Abigail Jayne Orwin; Prakash M Ravi; Julia Iman Binti Mohd Johan Nelson; Phoebe Olivia Hall; Aniel Innocent; Joscayda Maria Abreu Talbot; Elliott Michael Wright; Sophie Jane Hanson; Nicholas Zheng Lewis; Sze Ting Pui; Sarah Tiffany May Holt; Jen Hong Lim; Francesca Lucie Chaplin; Hansikha Kaur Banga; Ruby Grace Lillie Kalmes; Yee Xuan Tan; Jyoteesha Rumon; Kristy Jia Wen Wong; Xiao Chieng Ng; Hiba Fariba Noleen Abdullah; Toshiant Chuturdhara; Jia Yi Gan; Li Bin Koh; Zi Xuan Siew; Dhanya Ravi; Hong Tien; Richard Jerome Peter Selestine; Jun Qi Lim; Emily Margaret Osborne; Nasirah Cunniyah; Charlotte Mae Thomas; James David Keating; Leah Treanor; Abaigeal Lynn Van Deerlin; Peter John Turner KC; Mohini Devi Deepoo; Bibi Hanna Dookhee; Vinaayakaraj Vicknaraj; Lim Sook May; Manisha Sabaratnam; Alicia Joanne Dass; Shaun Joseph Matos; Hishiteeka Gondeea; Fahrthikeyan S Selvarajah; Aniesha Nana Afa Amokosa Oluobio; Siew Shien Lim; Yong Chow Lai; Rahim Amjad; Tee Qian Yu; Walter David Verkaik; Radin Mas Mohamad Mateen Bin Radin Mas Mohamad Sufri; Lee Jia Ying; Eu Meng Wong; Ren Jie Low; Arvind Krishna A/L Ram Prakash Rao; Sai Brinda Thiaga Rajan; Kennedy Aldsworth; William Francis O'Hara; Dashvin Ram Subramaniam; Imaan Foad Noorauly; Yu Heng Sin; Kesari Nandan Gujadhur; Ten Jia Zheng; Ting Ze Lim; Charlene Woon Zi Xuan; Dexter Zhen Hao Cheong; Prince Yao Dakpoo; Axxsa Wai Shan Chiu; Mei Teng Wong; Nadia Roumanaa Eathally; Jia Shen Chua; Carmen Jia Jue Lee; Benjamin Brian Follows; Ang Je Ee; Ling Xuan Xi; Igor Emmanuel Valere; Lim Li Ken; Ong Xin Yi; Maia Elizabeth Hercyk; Clara May Brown; Sara Jane Asquith; Sha Li Lee; Robert Andrew Kenneth Morton; Wan Nur Aisyah binti W Zulkipli; Dhanurved Bhaugeretty.
(To be continued)

Luncheon

Rotary Club of London
Miriam Smith was the speaker at a luncheon held yesterday by the Rotary Club of London at the Chesterfield Hotel, London W1. Ms Candy Liu, president, was in the chair.

Bridge news

Julian Pottage, Bridge
Correspondent, reports that last week the highest scores each day in the English Bridge Union's open 12-board online matchpoint duplicate pairs games were as follows:

Monday
77.26% scored by Sam Nim and Andrew Conway in Game 2 (3.30 pm)
Tuesday
74.09% scored by Jim Harvey and Suzanne Grist in Game 3 (7.30 pm)
Wednesday
73.12% scored by Gulden Kesimoglu and John Dakin in Game 2
Thursday
74.65% scored by Flo Baldwin and Peter Aughterson in Game 2
Friday
72.00% scored by June Homes and Carol Olivier in Game 3
Saturday
71.45% scored by Naomi Gibbs and Mike Rawlins in Game 4 (9 pm)
Sunday
68.17% scored by Berry Hedley and Graham Hedley as well as by Philip Colman and an Advanced BBO Bot both in Game 3.

Bridge Hand

No rush to ruff

By Tom Townsend

Dealer North Love All

♠ A 10 9
♥ 10 8 5 4 2
♦ Q
♣ K J 8 7

♠ 6 4 2
♥ Q 7
♦ J 10
♣ A Q 10 9 3 2

♠ K 5 3
♥ 9 6 3
♦ K 9 7 6 3 2
♣ 4

♠ Q J 8 7
♥ A K J
♦ A 8 5 4
♣ 6 5

West North East South
pass 2♥(2)
pass 3♣(3) pass 4♥(4)
pass pass

(1) Strong no-trump (15-17)
(2) Five-plus hearts (transfer)
(3) Second suit, forcing to game
(4) No slam interest

Contract 4♥ by South
Opening Lead ♠A (or ♦J)

FROM Round 16 of the European Championships in Herning, Denmark, the match between England (lying sixth) and Austria (23rd). There were five English players in this match, four playing for England, plus Louise Weiss Selway. Louise, daughter of Norman Selway and Kay Preddy, married Florian Weiss and now lives in Austria. While not highly experienced at this level, she made a thoroughly sound impression at our table – even on the wrong end of a heavy defeat. Austria faced in Herning, finishing only ahead of Scotland and Wales, but better things soon awaited Louise. In the World Youth Transnational Championships in

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 29th
The Duke of Gloucester, Patron, Three Choirs Festival, this evening attended a performance of "Mass for the Endangered" in Worcester Cathedral and was received by His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Worcestershire (Mrs Beatrice Grant).

Today's birthdays

Gen John de Chastelain, Chairman, Independent International Commission on Decommissioning, Northern Ireland, 1997-2011, is 87; **Sir Mathew Thorpe**, a former Lord Justice of Appeal, 86; the Earl of

Glasgow (Mr Patrick Boyle), television director and producer, 85; **Sir Peter Bottomley**, MP, 1975-2024, 80; **Dr Teresa Cahill**, soprano; opera and concert singer, 80; **Miss Frances de la Tour**, actress, 80; **Mr Richard Hunting**, Chairman, Hunting plc, 1991-2017, 78; **Sir Philip Mawer**, Secretary-General, General Synod of the Church of England, 1990-2002, 77; **Ms Harriet Harman**, KC, former MP, 74; **Miss Kate Bush**, singer and songwriter, 66; **Mr Daley Thompson**, former decathlete; Olympic gold medalist, Moscow 1980 and Los Angeles 1984, 66; **Mr Justice Cotter**, 61; **Mr Alun Cairns**, former Welsh MP, 54; **Mr Jason Robinson**, dual code

international rugby league and union player, 50; **Mr Graeme McDowell**, golfer; US Open Champion 2010, 45; **Mr Justin Rose**, golfer; US Open Champion 2013, Olympic gold medalist, Rio 2016, 45; **Mr James Anderson**, England cricketer, 42; and **Miss Hannah Cockroft**, wheelchair athlete; three-times Paralympic gold medalist, Rio 2016, and two-times gold medalist, London 2012, 32.

Today is the 250th anniversary of the death of Thomas Gray, poet. It is also the anniversary of the birth of Henry Ford in 1863 and of England winning the World Cup in 1966 at Wembley, with a 4-2 victory over West Germany.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

The Daily Telegraph

LONDON, WEDNESDAY JULY 30, 1924

FRANCE, BELGIUM, AND RUHR EVACUATION.

A JOINT PROPOSAL.

FROM OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

French and Belgian experts met last night to compare their alternative schemes for the military evacuation of the Ruhr, and merged the two schemes into one. The underlying principle of the scheme is that the pace of the military evacuation will be regulated by the punctiliousness with which the German Government performs its obligations under the Dawes scheme, and in particular those relating to deliveries in kind to the Allies. General George, MM. Seydoux, Gutt, and Terlingen were among the experts.

The "Big Five" – to whom Viscount Ishii and M. Hymans, the Belgian Foreign Minister, had been added, in view of the fact that, unlike his fellow Premiers, M. Theunis is not the Foreign Minister, but the Finance Minister – held a very important meeting yesterday morning. As the outcome of the Franco-Belgian conference which took place on Monday night it was definitely decided that the question of the military evacuation of the Ruhr should for the time being remain wholly outside the Conference, and form a subject of special negotiations between the two occupying Powers and the German Government – negotiations of which the other Allies will be naturally kept fully informed. This method is in conformity with the stipulation that the problems of security and the inter-Allied debts lie outside the purview of the present Conference. It would seem to imply that the countervailing advantages which France and Belgium may wish to secure in return for the early military evacuation of the Ruhr will, in the main, be forthcoming from the German side, although M. Herriot's adherence to his original policy will undoubtedly create a better and more concisive atmosphere in British circles regarding such points of difference as are still outstanding. It is remarkable that within the ranks of the French delegation, as in French political circles, there are three currents of opinion on the subject of the military evacuation of the Ruhr. The irreconcilable opponents of the measure, those who regard it as a basis for material bargaining, while the supporters of the Left policy in France, who consider that the evacuation should be carried out as a matter of principle and not of compromise.

It is probable that Great Britain, in return for the new French policy of conciliation, will be able to satisfy French desires in more ways than one – for instance, in regard to deliveries in kind beyond the Treaty period. It might also win over sections of French opinion which are still hesitant as to the possibility of a military evacuation of the Ruhr if Great Britain, with the assent of Germany, were to prolong slightly the occupation of the Cologne zone, perhaps with reduced effectives, beyond January next. Such a prolongation might ease the qualms of the more strategically-minded. If a solution of this military question be soon found, the railway difficulties in regard to the proposed dilution of the German personnel by Allied specialists should automatically disappear.

QUESTION OF ARBITRATION.

The main topic, however, of yesterday morning's informal conversations was the idea underlying the new formula which the French delegation propose to bring forward at to-day's meeting of the First Commission. That idea connotes the extension of the principle of arbitration to a number of first-class issues:

1. The case in which a single Power, notably France, is dissatisfied with the verdict given

in the matter of default of sanctions by either the Reparations Commission or the proposed panel of Dawes experts. The French may, conceivably, frame their formula in another manner – namely, that arbitration might be invoked whenever the Reparations Commission or the expert panel failed to reach unanimity on the point before it.

2. The French may also insist on arbitration in the event of failure by the German industrialists to fulfil their contracts, or the German Government to take the necessary measures for remedying the contractors' default; in other words, the case of Commercial sanctions might arise. Such disputes would, of course, involve, in the first instance, intervention either by the Reparations Commission down to 1930, or, afterwards, that of the Transfer Committee which would finance the deliveries.

3. Our Allies would also claim for any single Power which felt itself aggrieved the right of appeal from the decision of the Transfer Committee or of the Reparations Commission in matters connected with this category of operations.

It is probable, therefore, that a very catholic formula to this effect will be presented by M. Clémentel or M. Peretti to-day; but French jurists were very busy yesterday considering how far some of these proposals for arbitration would detract from the absolute sovereignty of the Reparations Commission as stipulated in the Treaty. It is certainly something of a paradox that our Allies, who are generally so concerned about the maintenance of the rights of the Reparations Commission in full, should be considering the curtailment of those rights in some respects.

As for the reception which is likely to be given to the French formula on the part of other delegations, and in particular the American delegation and the Dawes experts, I fancy that any attempt to restrict the independence, and consequently the responsibility, of the Transfer Committee will meet with very strong objections. At the same time, nothing could have been more helpful than the attitude of the American Ambassador, Mr. Kellogg, at yesterday's meeting of the Big Seven, an attitude which can only be likened to that of Colonel Logan on the previous day. Colonel Logan's formula, by the way, has not yet been abandoned, it is gratifying to learn, and will be reconsidered to-day, along with the formula and the original protocol of the First Commissions.

AMERICA AND THE LOAN.

The practical value of Col. Logan's proposal was pithily summed up in a remark I overheard yesterday to the effect that, whereas the Allied delegates, in their discussion, had committed the mistake of paying more attention to the foreclosure than to the affirmative security of the loan, the American delegates sought to correct that unbusinesslike procedure. Colonel Logan's proposal consisted, in the first place, of a number of considerations expressed in the following form:

The First Committee, having agreed unanimously upon the foregoing recommendations (the original protocol), certain of its members have informally discussed with the bankers the question whether the above-provisions would provide a satisfactory basis for the negotiation of the loan contemplated by the experts' plan. The results of such an informal conference, as reported to the committee, indicate that some additional assurances regarding the declaration of default, and the application of sanctions as a consequence thereof, may have to be provided. The Committee is of the opinion that such questions can only be dealt with as a part of the terms and conditions of the definitive loan, for, obviously, the terms of the loan and the character of the specific pledges will substantially affect the extent to which concessions may be made as an inducement for the loan in the matter of default and sanctions.

Announcements

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Deaths

BUXTON.—Andrew Edward died peacefully on 27th July 2024 aged 89. Wonderful husband, father, grandfather and brother. Funeral arrangements to be confirmed: office@hovetonhallestate.co.uk
Online Ref: W0027017

CHAMBER.—Michael Edward Deschamps died at home in Luxembourg on 20th July 2024 aged 83 years. Beloved husband of Deborah, devoted father of Richard, Alexandra and Rosalind, and loving grandfather of Rafael, Valentina, Aiden, Alicia and Luca.
Online Ref: W0027014

DAWES.—Sally Ann. Peacefully on 19th July 2024, aged 79 years. Beloved sister to Tim. Funeral to be held at GreenAcres, Colney, Norwich on 7th August 2024 at 1 p.m. Donations may be sent to Pancreatic Cancer UK. All enquiries to Peter Taylor Funeralcare, 85 Unthank Road, Norwich NR2 2PE. Tel: 01603 760787.
Online Ref: W0027034

HUSK.—Anne Mary (née Palmer) died peacefully on 24th July 2024 aged 90, surrounded by her devoted family. Loved and loving wife of Richard (Dick) for nearly 70 years. Mother of five daughters and five adored grandchildren. "Third Trainer" to Devonport Field Gun Crew 1984/85.
Online Ref: W0027033

STIRLING.—James, Sir James Stirling of Garden died on 22nd July 2024 aged 93. There will be a private burial followed by a memorial service at a later date.
Online Ref: W0026993

In memoriam

GOW.—Ian, 11.02.1937 - 30.07.1990. In proud and loving memory.
Online Ref: W0026766

LIPWORTH.—In cherished memory of Bertrand who passed away 9 years ago. "He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much. Whose life was an inspiration, whose memory is a benediction." (Robert Louis Stevenson).
Online Ref: W0026653

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Chess

Adams held to draw

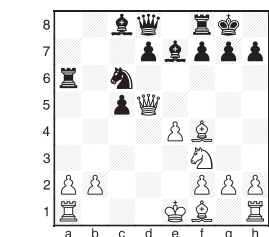
By Malcolm Pein

NO huge surprises in the first round of the British Chess Championships being played at Hull City Hall, although defending champion Michael Adams was held to a draw by Tom Villiers. Adams missed a couple of good chances, after which Villiers played accurately in the resulting rook and pawn endgame. Luke McShane played a nice game to defeat nine-year-old Ethan Pang. David Howell won smoothly with black against Jacob Boswell, and Gawain Jones was in serious trouble briefly against Declan Shafr of Scotland.

D Shafr - G Jones

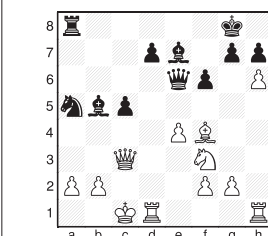
Benko Gambit

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 e6 6.Nc3 exd5 7.Nxd5 Be7 8.Bf4 Nxd5 9.Qxd5 Nc6 10.e4 0-0 11.Nf3 Rxa6? (After 11...Bxa6 12.Bxa6 Qa5- 13.Bd2 Qa6 White is under pressure, as he cannot castle and if 14.Rc1 Rf8 15.a3 Bf8)



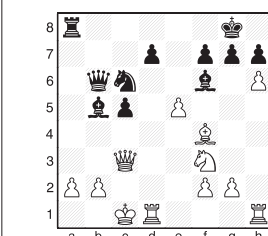
12.Bc4 (If 12.Bxa6 Bxa6 13.0-0-0 Nb4? Although, 13.Bd2? may be better) 12...Bb7 13.Qd2 (White is a pawn up and getting organised) 13...Na5? 14.Bxa6 Bxa6 15.0-0-0! Qb6 16.Qc3 Bb5 17.h4? (Modern chess, but Rd5 and Rad1 was best) 17...Ra8 18.h5 Qe6? (8...Nc6 19.h6

Bf6 was good when 20.e5? is today's puzzle) 19.h6 f6



Now if White defends a2, Black's attack is blunted and his position is on the verge of collapse after 20.b3 Nc6 21.a4 Bxa4 22.bxa4 Rxa4 23.Kd2, which looks scary, but White should win and if 20.b3 Nc6 21.a4 Ba6 22.Rb2 c4 23.Ng5 Qg4 24.Qf3 wins) 20.Ng5? Qxa2 21.Nxh7 Nb5? 22.Kc2 Ra3 (22...Ra4 is equally crushing) 23.Ng5 g3xh6 24.Ne6 Nd4- 25.Nxd4 Rxc3- 26.Kxc3 Qc4- 27.Kd2 cxd4 0-1

Black to play and win:



Answer:
27...Qb6 28.Qb6 Bb6 29.Qb6 Bb6 30.Qb6 Bb6 31.Qb6 Bb6 32.Qb6 Bb6 33.Qb6 Bb6 34.Qb6 Bb6 35.Qb6 Bb6 36.Qb6 Bb6 37.Qb6 Bb6 38.Qb6 Bb6 39.Qb6 Bb6 40.Qb6 Bb6 41.Qb6 Bb6 42.Qb6 Bb6 43.Qb6 Bb6 44.Qb6 Bb6 45.Qb6 Bb6 46.Qb6 Bb6 47.Qb6 Bb6 48.Qb6 Bb6 49.Qb6 Bb6 50.Qb6 Bb6 51.Qb6 Bb6 52.Qb6 Bb6 53.Qb6 Bb6 54.Qb6 Bb6 55.Qb6 Bb6 56.Qb6 Bb6 57.Qb6 Bb6 58.Qb6 Bb6 59.Qb6 Bb6 60.Qb6 Bb6 61.Qb6 Bb6 62.Qb6 Bb6 63.Qb6 Bb6 64.Qb6 Bb6 65.Qb6 Bb6 66.Qb6 Bb6 67.Qb6 Bb6 68.Qb6 Bb6 69.Qb6 Bb6 70.Qb6 Bb6 71.Qb6 Bb6 72.Qb6 Bb6 73.Qb6 Bb6 74.Qb6 Bb6 75.Qb6 Bb6 76.Qb6 Bb6 77.Qb6 Bb6 78.Qb6 Bb6 79.Qb6 Bb6 80.Qb6 Bb6 81.Qb6 Bb6 82.Qb6 Bb6 83.Qb6 Bb6 84.Qb6 Bb6 85.Qb6 Bb6 86.Qb6 Bb6 87.Qb6 Bb6 88.Qb6 Bb6 89.Qb6 Bb6 90.Qb6 Bb6 91.Qb6 Bb6 92.Qb6 Bb6 93.Qb6 Bb6 94.Qb6 Bb6 95.Qb6 Bb6 96.Qb6 Bb6 97.Qb6 Bb6 98.Qb6 Bb6 99.Qb6 Bb6 100.Qb6 Bb6