Chess Tournament Opens Here Today; Seven Clubs Enter

The largest collegiate chess tournament held in the South began on the campus of the University of Richmond this afternoon when the Southern Intercollegiate Chess Association's fifth annual tournament opened.

The tournament, held in the Faculty Lounge of the Student Activities Building, began at one o'clock today and will continue until late tomorrow night. Engaged in the action are teams from the University of Richmond, Randolph-Macon College, Duke University, the University of Virginia, the University of North Carolina, William and Mary, and Georgetown University.

Miller and Rhoads department store will furnish a trophy to the team winning the tournament. This team will be proclaimed as the collegiate chess champion of the South. The University of North Carolina is the

defending champion.

Serving as tournament director will be William W. Chaffin, who, during his years in Richmond College and in the T. C. Williams' School of Law, served as first board player for the University. Acting as asistant tournament director will be Dr. Spencer D. Albright, Jr., who has served the club in the capacity of faculty advisor this past year.

The University of Richmond will field its strongest team in recent years, with Don Fidlow and James Farrar playing boards one and two, and Gunors Vilcino, Y. H. Chen, James Wheatley and James Brown playing alternately on boards three and four.

Many players will represent the visiting teams in this tournament. Playing on the first two boards for the University of Virginia will be Leigh Ribble of this city, and Phil Kolraovel. Other prominent chess experts present will be Kit Crittenden of the University of North Carolina, Dave Miller of Georgetown University and Carl Bitzer of Duke University.