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## BOTVINNIK <br> WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH ROUND BY ROUND DESCRIPTION

## By Fred Reinfela

CHESS LIFE presents the story of the World Championship Tournament, as seen by the eyes of the noted annotator and author of chess studies, Fred Reinfeld, who will give his impressions in each is. sue of CHESS LIFE during the course of the Tournament.) ment ever beld, Paul Keres was in first place with two straigh mins

Prophesying the outcome of such an event is a ticklish af fair, but the standings cited above may well be the key to the final results: Keres and Botrinnik fighting it out for first place, with a slight edge for the latter; Reshersky third, for it is doubtrul that his superb hghting qualities can outweigh his
lack of theoretical knowledge and practice; Smyslov and Euwe sharing the cellar. Euwe is the oldest contestant (47), and he is too prone to tactical oversights to do well in such a tournament. Smyslov is out of his depth in such exalted company If the first two games are any criterion, the play will be gratify-
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portant games He bad a cramped game but manenver ed with hls customary pat fence, which was rewarded by Smyslov's weak 28 th Kt Q5. Thereafter Reshersky tive, and in tive, and in usual time scrambles came near winning a Pawn. Careful analysis may show that he could have maintained his material advantage.
Euwe was unlucky against Keres, who adopted a renerable and characteristic cramped Lopez delense favored by Steinitz, Euwe handled the openiug and eariy middle game in good style, but he went astray wre? Thereafter Keres displayed his grand abilities as a tactician Note that if White had played 33 . QxKP? he would have lost a piece by 33 ., Q-K7. With his 33rd move Keres began some beantiful play, culruinating to 37 .. R-B4! (if 38 Q-R8, R-B7 wins). At move 39 Keres conld have won at once with 39 , Kt-B6 ch! for if 40. K-B2,
RxR eh. 18 erushing. However, his RxR eh. is ervashing. However, his
continuation was of course good enough to wi

## Round Two

Keres started out with a very quiet variation which transposed into the Gruenfeld Defense. Despite the harmless appearance of this line, Smyslor seemed badly ratthed. Keres worked up a tremendSmyslov's Queen was out of play. After winning the exchange, Keres forced the win of a piece, causing Smysloy's resignation.
Enwe started out with a good game against Botvinnik, but the latter's Pawn sacrifice on move 17 seemed to upset Euwe considerably. Instead of raturning the offered Pawn at once ( $20 \ldots, \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{Q} 4$ ) he should have tried 20 . PxP: 21. RxP, Kt-Q4; 22. QXQ. KtxQ. have ample pressure for hits Pawn, but the light could doubtless have

ROUND ONE
Smyslov $\frac{1}{2}$, Reshevsky $\frac{1}{2}$; Ruy Lopez, E, Keres 1; Ruy Lopez, 5 moves
Botvinnik,
ROUND TWO
Keres 1, Smyslov 0; Gruenfeld Defferise, 27 moves.
Botvinnik 1, Euwe 0; QGD (Semi-Slav), 32 moves. Reshevsky, bye.

ROUND THREE
Reshevsky 1, Keres 0; Indian De fense, Smyslov $\frac{1}{\text {; }}$ Botzinnik Gruenfeld Defense. Euwe, bye. been prolonged, As actually played, Black had no chance after 22. Pxp Whise had all the open lines, and Black was never able to untangle his pieces. White's 28th is killing, for it $28 .$. PxP; 29. RxKP is decisive. The finish is pretty. (See game scores on page 3.)

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arna to make some comments American contest some comments about this seryations to the end of the tournament, he will be rewarded with a chorus of "Sour grapea!"
The original decision to include three Russian players and only two Americans was disadvantageous for us. It is not clear why Smyslov Was included, as he has not won a major event, to this writer's
knowledge. However, since he was anowledge. However, since he was
incinded, is third American might well have been added.
In drawing up the tournament rules, it should have been borne in mind that whereas Russian masters are helped by the State, American payers have to depend on their own private eflorts, thus rasing might. find themselves unable to cornpete. This has atully compete. This has actually hap pened in the case of Reuben Fine who ammouced close to the las minute that "professional dutses" made it impossible for him to com pete. The tournament was thus rohbed of considerable sporting intercst, as Fine has accomplished nothing of importance since his Ereat reat of tying Keres for first prize in the great Arro Tournament of 1938, ahead of Botrinnik, Alekhine, Euwe, Reshevsky, Capablanca and Flohr. It would therefore have been interesting to see how Fine would have acquitted himself in this tourney.
(Please Turn to Page 3, Col. 2)


## in the Team Mutch at Moscow.

## Their Need Remains!

I N PAST issues of CHESS LIFE, we have published the names and L addresses of European chess Irfends who were brought to our attention as deserving and in need of help. There has been generous response from our USCF members. Particularly commendable is the example set by the Oak Ridge Chess Club which dispatched a GARE package to eacn of the Aly turopeans listed in ClibSS LIFF on October 20.

For the bent int of readers who missed onr earlier appeals and as a reminder to those whose good intentions are about to kecome good deeds, we repest the listing
Kurt Richter
Donhoffstrasse Donhoffistras
Berlin Karla
Garmany

Herinann Rommilo
Bubonhausorstrasse 28
(22b) Zweibruecken
Grench Zone


Joseph Lokvenz
Be Hoelrivog
Burastrasso 30
Vienna VII
Friedrich Saemisch
(2sb) Kiel Herzog-Fiedrich Strasse 66
Onn Sehleswla-Holstein British Zone, Germany
Let's show these men that they can rely on their American chess friends in hisis hour or on ped.

PAUL G. GIERS

## Area 4 Preliminary Won By Whitaker; Martin Southern 2nd; Ross Owens 3rd

Four finalists battled it out for the privilege of representing Area 4 In the U. S. Biennial Championship Finals, and victory went to N. T Whtaker of Shadyside, Md. Martin Southern of Knoxville, Tenn., pres Richmond, Va., president of the Virginia Chess Federation, was third; and George DeVanlt of Jolinson City, Tenn., was fourth.

Thirteen players assembled for the contest and were divided into three quadifying sections. Whitaker won the first section with junio Jackie Mayer of Louisville, Ky., a close second. Owens won the second section by a nose, ahead of junior Gerry Sullivan of the University of Tennessee. Southern and DeVault tied for leadership in the third section.

Highlights of the tourney, played t Jahnson City Tennessee, were the dangerous game in which young Mayer almost upset the vet eran Whitaker, and Southern's spirited last round battle with the final Fictor.
The finel winner of the tournament, after a long absence from chess, in the last year has signalled a determined comeback by placing in a tie for fifth at the U . S. Open Tournament at Corpus Christi after a the for second with Veaver Adams in the Ventnor City Open Toumameat
The tournameit was directed by Mrs. Gustav Harat of Elizabeth, Tenn., and amoay the spectators were Dr. P. G. Kpeney, CHESS LIFE problem edifor; Rev. Robert
and aviator Paul Cromelin, president of the Georgia Chess Association, who flew in to the meeting and persuaded the members of the Southern Chess Association to change the annual Southern Association Tournament from Knoxville Tenn. (previously considered) to Augusta, Ga. for the customary date of July 1-4, inclusive

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

STANDINGS (SEVEN ROUNDS) Botvinnik
Reshevsky
Smysi
Euwe

## USCF ANNOUNCES 49TH U. S. OPEN

The 49th annual United States Chess Federation Open Champion ship, oldest in the country's history will be held July $5-17$ in the Hotel Lord Baltimore in that Southern city, Elbert A. Wagner, Jr., USCF president, announced today.
As usual the entry fee will be held to $\$ 10$, plus a USCF memberhip card. Although USCF Seere tary Edward I, Treend will ac cept entries up until one hour be ore the player's meeting in the spacious ballroom of that hotel on Monday. July 5, it is believed best that players register early with the tournament committee, for a ecord attendance is known to be entering this year and the event may have to be limited to 150 . Ira Lovet, 227 North Charles street, Baltimore, Md., is in harge of local arrangements for the event and is now booking hotel reservations in the Lord Baltimore, biggest and newest of the hotels in the "Southern Queen City." The Baltimore Chess Club, in cooperation with the Maryland Chers Association, is sponsoring the eveut this year.
The Baltimore club alone has a membership of 150 players, all USCF of course, and nearly all of these are expected to enter the qualifying rounds of the event. Play is expected to be conducted at least partly on the Swiss Sys-
tem, found so efficient in past tem, found Bo efficient in past
events of the USCF where the entry list has run to record proportions.

Mr. Lovett said that many side events have been planned, including a banquet in the hotel, al though he was not yet ready to announce dates. Mr. Wagner said that the members meetings and directors sessions would again be held this year in conjunction with the Open Tournament

## RADIO CHESS

## HAS ITS DAY

Cleveland sends forth its chatlenge to all comers to meet either its insistent juniors of the Pawn Club or the assembled strength of its City Chess League in radio matches. The Cleveland group plan to begin their conquest of the airlanes with a match against the Columbus (Ohio) Chess Club. Interested clubs may address Radio Chess Director AI Martews, 12416 Marne avenue S.W. Cleveland, Ohio.
Close on the heels of the Cleveland announcement comes the open challenge from the assoclated chess clabs of Philadelphia (Pa..) where the united efforts of Charles $O$. Badgett and the York Road Radio Club have established a travelling transmitter which is available for club and transmit for rebroadcast ing to the powerful W3EM station at Oreland (Pa.) Clubs in the radio group are: Abington $Y$ Ger mantown Y, Mid-City North City Mereantile Library Franklin Yale \& Towae Juniata Phila Rife Club U . of Pa Contact U. Pa. Contact may be made with Walter Hall 2151 N the Hancock
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The United States Chess Federation
Entered as mecond elans matter Soptember 5, 1946, at the post ofice at Dubuque, Iowa,
under the apt of March $9,28 \mathrm{~m}$.
Address all communications to the United States Chess Federation (except those regarding CHESS LIFE) to USCF Secretary Edward I. Treend, 12869 Strathmoor Avenue, Detroit 27, Michigan.


BETTER BE HAPPIE THAN WISE
T WAS John Heywood, that lesser contemporary of Shakespeare, who mused that it is "better to be happie than wise". Perhaps there is some
justice to his easy philosophy, but those who are merely happy and not wise sometimes make the way more difficult for their more sagacious brethren.

A case in point is a recent blast against the dates selected for the 1948 U. S. Open Tournament at Baltimore, demanding that these dates be changed to suit the writer's convenience. The blast contains, as
must in all fairness be admitted, several valid reasons why the weeks of July 5 -July 17 are not the happiest choice; but the writer fails to consider several important factors involved.

The sotting up of an Open Tournament entalis much dabor, expense and a multitude of details. It cannot be arbitrarily shifted from one locality to another after the initial arrangements have been made, And,
as in the case at Baltimore, the dates set for the Tournament are not always governed by the wishes of the committee in charge, but frequently by the availability of space and housing. At Baltimore hotel
féservationis are always tight, and flie dates selected were the only ones actually available for the Tournament.
Another complaint, to round out the count, comes from two Eastern
youngaters who have heard rumors that the 1948 Junior Tournament will not be held in the East. They state didactically that ant the Junior strength is in the East, and that therefore it must be favored, for-
getting that a good third of the entrants in the last Tournament in Cleveland came from the West and South, or wishing to ignore this point. By rail travel the site to which they object (and they are ob-
fecting on rumor, as no site has been officially selected as yet) is closer to more than halr the entrants in the last Junior Tournament than any We do not object to the theory that it is better to be happy than wise; but we do request that these happy souls inquire a bit into facts
before they display their indifference to before they display their indifference to wisdom.

The Reader's Road Jo Chess

CHESS FOR YOU AND ME By Milton Hanauer; McKay ( $\$ 2.00$ ).
Want to teach your school age son or daughter to play chess; think
the job is too tough and don't know of a good book to turn the trick? OK... Send 82 to the USCF Service Department for the latest of the McKay Chess Manual Series: "Chess for You and Me" by New York's
keen chess player and successful teacher of chess in that city's school keen chess player and successful teacher of chess in that city's school
system, Milton Hanauer. Hanauer, veteran of many books on chess and many tournaments at Ventnor, has combined his years of teaching the game to school children to produce this really good book.

Written in a very breezy conversational style, based on running
 unnecessary punctustion that makes so many efforts look so boring), the book really goes into chess in
what appears to be the best method these days: teaching basic theory and concept, rather than "book ines" and unexplained rules and axioms.

Biggest surprise of all and a definite step in the right direction is the chess notation. The only reason this reviewer does not devote the entire column to that is I feel therd will be many a long and loud argument on the point. The book is done entirely teaches and the one he uses in the book. ... whlle the book does open up many vistas of good chess playing possibilities for the novice, it leaves locked
forever the treasury of recorded chess in English publications today.
But... It is time that someone did start toward making algebraic the language of chess in America. Pity is that Hanuer did not go the language barriers: the international correspondence method of number both the ranks and the files.
$\qquad$ as 51 , etc. QR2 thercfore is $12, Q K t 2$ is $22, Q B 2$ is $32, Q 2$ is 42 , etc. So $Q R 8$ be comes 18 , QKı8, becomes 28 , etc. The numbering is always from the White side of the board. E.).
Let us hope that also in these days of all-around mediocrity Reason is not wholly without partisans.

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Addrest all communfoations for this oolumn to Dr. P. Q. Keeney, 123 Eart 7th St., New-
port, KY en enolosing self-addressod, stamped anvelope if reply is requestod.
Pardon Me!
Have you ever rode in or on an overcrowded vehtcle and some male or female, who was "too fat for you," trod accidentally of course on
one of your feet, that had on it a tender pet bunion or corn, and then in sweet apologetic voice ejaculated "pardon me"?

Of course you lave had that experience and again possibly you have been on or in a sfmilar crowded vehicle on a bad ralny or snowy day and once again some male or female, this time "too large for you" to one of the ribs (of the umbrella, nat the female) into one of your pro-
 truding orbs, and politely excused with a "pardon me"! Of course you have and of courge, being a gentleman or a lady, you grimacing with exquisite torture, said "certainly!"

And again of course you may have been the man whose best friend ran away with your wife and left a note saying "pardon me!" Of course to which
you would chuckle "pardon me! You'll sure need a pardon. I am the one who has been pardoned!" But now I ask you, have you ever been playing game of chess with an opponent, to whom you position that you feel it in your bones mate must inevitably result; when you almost jump out of your skin at hearing the voice of some overwrought kibitzer on the sidelines excitedly exclaim: "for heaven's sake, don't do knight and double check him, and you'll have him gestutzt?!" Of course you are dismayed, perturbed, aggravated and aetually lost, when your opponent follows the kibitzer's advice.

But I'll wager your reaction to the kibitzer's interference is not a polite "pardon me!" And if you are willing to "pardon me!" I, for one, am willing to condone anything that you may do or say to the kibitzer! there is not a region in the hereafter hot enough for the kibitzer's deserved and justifiable punishment. Why not join me in praying to the you must once again "pardon me" for "telling you" that what is going to happen to kibitzers shouldn't happen to a dog! If after reading this article anyone should query "Is that a problem?" I'm asking you "like a kibitzer?"


Our problem offerings in this issue are original contributions to the column by one of America's foremost problem composers, Vincent LanEarly in the 1930's Mr. Eaton, then designated as Master Eaton, was a budding composer of great promise and a frequent contributor
to the Cincinnati Enquirer Chess Column, of which at that time I was Chess Editor. At that time I recognized his genins and predicted a brilliant future for him in the composing field. At this time I am elated
to comment that all the good things I prophesied regarding his ability and talent have been verifled. In ordinary English this means "I told you so!" In substantiation of my esteem for Mr. Eaton's composing genius I offer (paraphrasing the advertising slogan of a popular auto)?
"When better ( Excellency in problem construction and Eaton are practically synonymous.

I believe solvers who study the problems diagrammed above will agree that my laudation of Mr. Eaton is justified.
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CHESS LIFE TASK COMPOSING COMPETITION
Two entries only from a composer. Contest closes June 10. Entries to be mailed to Problem Editor, Chess Life, 123 East 7th Street,
Newport, Ky. For task conditions refer to issues of CHESS LIFE, Newport, Ky. For task con
February 5, 20 or March 5 .

The layman thinks that the superiority of the chess master lies in his ability to think out 3 or 4 , or even 10 or 20 , moves ahead. Those chess lovers who ask me how many moves I usually calculate in advance, when making a comblnation, are always astonished when I reply, quite truthfully, "as a rule not a single one" Formerly, in Anderssen's time, the ability to make combinations was in fact the very essence of chess talent. Since then, however, the chess mind has further developed, and the power of accurately calculating moves in advance has no greater
place in chess than, perhaps, skillful calculation has in mathematics.


New York City's chess players
always seem to well informed about the doings of the chess world. The answer can only be that New Yorkformed! A survey of the newspaper columns reveals that they have more chess news available, and
more chess columns, than any other community in the U. S.
Best of the columnists is Hermann Helms, who writes for the
Brooklyn Eagle, the Times, the Herald-Tribune and the Sun. The Eagle column deals with chess in Times and Tribune present adeuqate coverage of all important Sun, appearing at least four times a week, contain amazingly comcolumns, reporting every chess event, include frequent game sary for CHESS LIFE to congratulate the newspaper and its chess reporter on a distinct and lastin
contribution to American chess!
H. R. Bigelow, retired-metropolitan chess master, writes three traditional columns for the Post news and games fill his rather short columns, with frequent local items and regular coverage of chess
events at Mr. Bigelow's New York Athletic Club. Most recent addition to the field is a weekly column in PM by Al
Horowitz, which features chess for the novice, including rudimentary opening traps and such features as
have lately engrossed the beginners among Chess Review's readers. All in all. the available chess fare
is diverse and filling, providing yet tinuing supremacy in national
chess.

For The
Journament- Minded
Note: Entrance fees are uniformty $\$ 5.00$ in every Area Tournament
to USCF members. (Non-members may participate by including $\$ 1.00$ for USCF dues with their regular
entry fee.)

March 27-A prit 3 Los Angeles, Calif.
Play will be held at Hollywood Chess Club, 108 N . Formosa Ave,
Los Angeles 36, Calif; for details write Dr. Ralph H. Kuhns, 1256 W.
Seventh St., Los Angeles 14, Callf. Seventh St., Los Angeles 14, Callf.

Area 2 U. S. Preliminaries Philadelphia, Penn. Will be played at Franklin Chess Club, S.W. Corner of 11th and tails write Issac Ash, 1636 Walnut Street, Philadelphia: entries must be in by March 29th.
Kentucky March 27.28 Louisville, Kentucky Will be played in Louisville; entry fee .50c; age limit 21 years
old; for dotails write to J. Mayer 233 East Madison, Louisville 2, Ky.

Walter F. C. L. A.
Experimental James Memorial (Correspondence Chess) Entry fee $\$ 2.00$ open to COLA members only; membership dues $\$ 3.50$; write Dick Rees, 2826 Cor-
rectionville Road, Sioux City 19 , Iowa. $\qquad$
May I
1948 Anhual Gambit Tournament
(Correspondence Chess)
Entry fee .50 e ; only to CCLA members; membership dues $\$ 3.50$, including subscription to The Chess
Correspondent.

Chess For The Jired Business $M_{\text {an }}$

By Prad Renfifid

## Squeeze Play

I USUALLY requires anywhere from 30 to 50 moves to achieve the 1 paralyzing positional bind so dear to the heart of the modern player. Rare indeed is a game dike tht iollowing one, In which a player is re-
duced to complete inmobility in 20 moves! Even more remarkable is the fact that Black is not the victim of briliant sacrificinl play. White's moves are quiet, but they speak volumes.

## QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED



So far the game has been ultraorthodox; but now, instead of the regulation $8 \quad$ PxP; 9 BxP , Kt-Q4
there follows a weak move which leads to trouble.
$\stackrel{8}{\text { Unliess }}$ Black is very careful, he nay find himself burdened with a weakness on the QB file

9 Pxp
Not good, as it opens up the file for White's powerfully posted Rook. KPxP should have been tried.
 QB4: 12 B-K4 winning the xchange.


Black finds his opponent's iron grip on the QB file extremely irksome. Thus if $12 . . . \mathrm{Q}$-Q3; 13 Q -
$\mathrm{B} 2, \mathrm{Kt} 3$; 14 Kt 55 and Black's B2, Kt-B3; 14 Kt K5 and Black's $13 \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{Q} 2$
$14 \mathrm{~K} \times \mathrm{O}$

$14 \mathrm{~K} \mathrm{\times O}$
Simplification has brought no relief. If 14 Kt-B3; 15 Kt -K5 and again the Bis
$\begin{array}{ll}15 & \mathrm{KR}-\mathrm{QB} 1 \\ 16 & \mathrm{~A}(1)-\mathrm{B6}\end{array}$
p.op
$17 \begin{array}{ll}18 \\ \text { R.O. } \\ \text { Kt-K5 }\end{array}$
Tighter and tighter: the bind proceeds apace.
Or 18 K-K2; $19 \quad \mathrm{RxP}^{\mathrm{K}-\mathrm{Ki}}$ and Black's situation is hopeless,
If $19 \quad \mathrm{Kt}$-B6 $\quad$ P-QKt4 (what else); 20 P-QKt4 and Black is strangled.



Any mave of a piece will cost Black a piece at least. As soon as his Pawn moves are exhausted, he will have to lose a piece all the same.

## CHALLENGE COMES

 FROM FAR IRANChess players of Chicago (and - the USA in general by inference) are boldly challenged to pick up the gauntlet of defiance cast by one daring Ali Safdas of Teheran,
Iran.
In a letter to Mr. J. Perl of the Gallant Knight Company of Chicago, Mr. Safdas writes
"I should be much obliged also if you would introduce me to a chess master of your city and kindly let me know whether or not this gentleman would like to have a
chess game with me through correspondence, or also the master might arrange a tournament among your city

Remembering that ancient Persia was one of the cradles of chess in its infancy, only the bold and skilled are advised to accept this gallant challenge. Mr. Ali Safdas may be addressed at 34 Shaibani

World Championship

## (Continued from Page 1, col. 2)

However, as the tournament rules provided that chere would be
no replacements of the original entrants, the USA would have been left with only one competitor even if Fine had amnounced his withdrawal at an earlier date. This is surely a great pity, as we have at least three first-class players who could have substituted worthity for Fine.
In any event, we can only wonder when we read that the Russian competitors were accompanied by a delegation of 21 , including at least one first-rate master (Ragozin). not making the trip for the purpose of broadening their minds. Oare will doubtless be delegated to analyze middle games, another endings, a third to advise on the Ruy Lopez fourth on the King's Gambit, etc. The Book of Samuel tells us that David slew Goliath with a stone from a sling. Whether the modern Samuel can prevall against the three Soviet masters plus their 21 assistants, is more than doubtful

## THIRD ROUND

In the third round the play con tinued to be sprightly -and why not? either you land first place
in thls tournament, or it doesn't matter what you do. Of course, once the half-way mhrk is reached, the players will be divided into wo camps: those who have chance for first prize and those
who haven't. It is reasonable to forecast that the players in the second group are naturally likely to relax their efforts.
Reshevsky started with a strange opening, taking two moves to get his Queen's Pawn to Q4-doubtless to get away from the books. The loss of time did not seem to do him any harm, and he obtained a good development. At an early stage he began a Queen-side at tack which left some weaknesses in Black's camp, but Keres seemed to have everything well defended. Beginning with his injudicious 22.

P-B4 he loosened up his position too much; and, playing beautiful chess, Reshevsky began to infiltrate. By dint of clever maneuvering he won a Pawn, after which a decisive invasion in one form or another could not be prevented by Keres. The later waited for the sealed move, and later resigned without sealing.

Against Smyslov, Botvinnik chose a form of the Gruenfeld Defense of which he is very fond, although it gives Black a badly cramped game. Playing the variation for all it is worth, Botvinnik skilfully kept the ball rolling, always finding some counterattack in spite of his cramped position. Ultimately, Smyslov won a Pawn, but, as so often happens in such positions, Botvinnik's pieces had sprung into action: the extra. Pawn could not be held, and a draw was soon agreed. A well contested game.

SAVE THESE DATES!
July 5-July 17
For The
49th Annual U. S.
Open Tournament
at baltimore, mD.

## (lbess Life

Saturday, March 20, 1948


## White To Play And Win!

There are many tricks and ruses to end-game play, but the theory usually resolves itself into keeping the opponent hopping by a series of threats or checks that restrict the freedom of his manoeuvering, Position No. 9 is a quiet and extremely simple idea to illustrate a conception frequently overlooked in end-game study and over-board mate. Position No, 10 is a heavier setting in which check a staleof mate prevent Black from asserting his preponderance in force.

Solutions will be published in the April 20th issue.

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES


tional The 8th Internawill take place the end of March. Six Argentine masters and many European masters, amongst them; Alexander, Eliskases, Najdorf, $\mathrm{O}^{2}$ Kelly, Stahlberg and Pachman, wil compete. Denker is also invited. According to a news item from Europe I hear that Pachman is laid up in a hospital in Prague and has cancelled his participation. BELGIUM: The championship of the Club des Echecs des Gand ended in a victory for Is. De Vries with $5 \mathrm{k}-1 \mathrm{l} ; 2$ and 3 were $G$. De Wolf and G. van Hoorde 42-2k each.
ENGLAND beat Australia in a radio match 7 to 3 . Here are the detailed results:


YUGO-SLAVIA: I have been asked to give the full result of the cham-


