

# Chess Life



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# USCF CELEBRATES

#### **OMAHA BECKONS ALL PLAYERS** TO "JUBILEE" OPEN TOURAMENT

#### USCF Celebrates Its Founding With Fiftieth Anniversary Open

The hospitable land of Ak-Sar-Ben is spreading out the welcome mat at Omaha, Nebraska in anticipation of the celebration of the 50th U. S. Open Championship Tournament from July 11 to July 23, 1949. Plans to entertain the visiting chess players in the moments when they are not playing chess include many interesting ideas, for Omaha is a town rich in beauty and historic interest, aside from its commercial prosperity.

Across Nebraska's terrain traversed Coronado, the Spanish explorer,

in 1541. After him came Lt. Zebulon Pike, Lewis and Clark, Major Stephen Long, Prince Maximilian of Germany, John C. Fremont, and many others—each leaving their trace upon the land. Near Omaha stands the memorial to the heroic trek of the Mormons, who paused to

make the city their winter headquarters.

Creighton University, the University of Omaha, and the College of Medicine of the University of Nebraska lend dignity to the city while the Joslyn Memorial houses an art exhibition well worth a visit and sponsors both lectures and concerts.

Ten miles west of Omaha lies the internationally famous Boys Town of Father Flanagan - a city of 1,000 acres, complete with its own city council, post office, cha-pel, schools and vocational shops. near Omaha also lies the Fontenelle Forest, a large unbroken area of native forest, home of more species of birds than any other single locality in the United States.

These and many other attractions beckon to the chess player at this fiftieth anniversary U. S. Open Championship, which grew from the first Western Chess Association Tournament, held at Excelsior, Minnesota in 1900.

But as Omaha is a busy city as well, one of the largest grain markets in the world, home of textile, lumber, chemical and machinery industries, and second only to Chicago as a livestock market, hotels are always busy. So the chess player, planning to attend this Gala 50th Open Tournament, will lay his plans well in advance and have his hotel reservations made early. For hotel arrangements and information, write Kenneth A. Anderson, 1131 So. 33rd Street, Omaha, Nebr.

#### CRITTENDEN WINS IN NO. CAR. OPEN

Young Kit Crittenden of Raleigh won the Eastern North Carolina Open Tournament, held at Raleigh by the North Caroina Chess Ass, by the score of 41/2-1/2, conceding only draw to runner-up Paul Cromelin of Columbia (So. Car.) in the final round of the 5 round

Paul Cromelin, M. H. Upchurch, and A. G. Ashbrook finished on S-B points in the order named with equal game scores of 4-1 each. 20 players contested for the title.

Crittenden, now 15 years old, received a carved wooden set for his victory. He began his winning victory. He began his winning ways at last year's North Carolina Open in Winston-Salem, then went to win the Tennessee Open. He plans to compete in the U. S. Junior Championship at Fort Worth this summer, and his trip will be sponsored by the NCCA.

# Position No. 55 By R. K. Guy (London) Ceskoslovensky Sach, 1948

Position No. 56
By Edmund Nash (Washington) Original



8, 6p1, p5P1, 6K1, 8, 4k3, 8, 78 White to play and win

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6k1, 8, 3S4, 6pp, 2R4K, r6P, 8, 8 White to play and win

#### White To Play And Win!

Conducted by William Rojam

POSITION No. 55 by R. K. Guy of London represents that tricky and I treacherous ending which results from enemy Pawns rushing desperately to the Queening row. White has an agile Knight, Black has a cornered Queen-let these be the clues to the inobvious solution. lest you find such a situation facing you in a game where there is no time to find the proper sequence, you will do well to give the study a moment of attention. It might happen to you any day in this odd game we call

Position 56 finds the King in check. His problem is simple-to be not greedy as he flees-a lesson to the Pawn-snatcher, for there is more in chess than grabbing Pawns. It is not only the man who grabs the Pawn at QKt2 who loses his chances of victory.

### Canada and United States Make Plans For Warfare — Over The Chess Board!

By Thomas A. Jenkins

To arms! Calling all northern border chess fans. A chess enemy to the north is deploying a force in strength along a 3000 mile front for a surprise attack on Sunday, July 3rd.

Every woodpusher, potzer or expert is needed for the defence of our At many points near the Canadian-American line the enemy is prepared to challenge us from one board up to fifty.

Already at Waterton Lakes National Park, Alberta, Canada just across the Moniana border, Captin "Scotty" Louden, doughty western Canadian leader, is massing a force of 50 boards to do battle with H. M. G. Brandt's troopers assembled from Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Washington.

Flash!

At Detroit Rudy Eckhardt's boys are getting battle practice in the Detroit City Championship. They expect to be in fine fettle to meet the strong Windsor contingent on July 3rd. Top players from all over Michigan will converge on July 3rd. Detroit over the Fourth for the important Michigan Open Tournament. Eckhardt feels this added strength should be decisive for victory in this sector over Wind-

Flash!

Phil Mary at Buffalo reports re-cruits are signing up daily in an effort to hold the strategic Niagara Falls front.

Flash!

We are in dire need of players at the following salients: Belling-ham, Washington; Seattle, Wash-Omak, Washington; kane, Washington; Sandpoint, Ida-ho; Couer d'Alene, Idaho; Kalispell, Montana; Great Falls, Monhen; Montana; Crat Bank, Montana; Havre, Montana; Clas-gow, Montana; Williston, North Dakota; Devil's Lake, North Dakota; Grafton, North Dakota; Grand Forks, North Dakota; Minot, North Dakota; International Falls, Minnesota; Hibbing, Minnesota; Minnesota; Chisholm, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan; Port Huron, Mi-chigan; Detroit, Michigan; Buffalo, New York; Niagara Falls, New York; Watertown, New York; Thousand Islands, New York; Massena, New York; Malone, New York; Plattsburg, New York; Bur-lington, Vermont; Newport, Vermont; Berlin New Hampshire; Littleton, New Hampshire; Fort Fair-field, Maine; Calais, Maine; Eastport, Maine; Van Buren, Maine; and intermediate points. Flash!

If you can get together with a team of one man or more communicate at once with:-

T. A. Jenkins, Captain United States Team C. A. I. S. S. A. 26409 York Road Huntington Woods, Mich.

JOIN IN THE FUN Play in the U. S. vs. Canada Ocean-to-ocean Match

#### CHESS NOVELTY AT EASTMAN KODAK

An unusual chess exhibition was staged at Eastman Kodak Co. in Rochester (N.Y.) when Erick W. Marchand and Dr. Max Herzberger were placed in different rooms with a chess set and a microphone in front of each. The audience was in a third room with a demonstraand a loud speaker. tion board

Each of the two players on selecting his move would explain his reasons for the choice to the audience by use of the loud-speaker, outline his strategy, criticise his opponent's strategy, and make predictions as to the course of the

While the players found it a little difficult at first to concentrate on the game and at the same time speak intelligently for the audience as they thought their moves, the novel exhibition proved a great success and was declared very effective and instructive by the audience. After about three hours Marchand forced a win.

The experiment in chess exhibitions was sponsored by the Kedak Park Athletic Assn to stimulate interest in the coming New York State Chess Congress.

#### ALASKANS CARVE **IVORY CHESS SETS**

Far up North, on bleak Diomede Island bordering the International Date Line, Eskimo craftsmen are busy at work carving figurines from walrus ivory. For generations past they have devoted themselves to this fine art, and their products are much sought after.

Nome, Alaska seems to be the clearing house for this flourishing arts and crafts industry, and word comes from Nome that now the most unusual chess set is being made by these Eskimos. The king and Queen are delicately carved figurines in typical Eskimo garb Modelling the other pieces after their surroundings, the elusive Arctic Owls become bishops, and the fierce Polar Bears take the place of knights. True to traditional Eskimo forms Igloos are the castles, and the abundant Squirrels are

pawns.

The artisanship inherent in the Eskimos is making a genuine contribution to art in these beautiful chess sets. They have also proven adept in duplicating the conventional Staunton pattern.

#### SAVE THESE DATES

July 25-30, 1949 for the

U. S. Junior Championship Fort Worth, Texas

Make reservations for housing early by writing Frank R. Graves, 202 Farm & Home Bldg. or Col. D. F. Walker, Box 3125 Poly Station, Fort Worth, Texas. Registration and all inquiries may be addressed to either. Entry fee \$5.00 to USCF mem-

(Non-members may enter by adding \$3.00 annual dues to the USCF.)

### SAVE THESE DATES

July 11-23, 1949 for the U. S. Open Championship

Omaha, Nebraska
The Fiftieth "Jubilee" U. S.
Open Championship Tournament will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the beautiful Fontenelle Hotel in Omaha, Nebraska. Plans for the meeting include tours around Omaha for the contestants to historic Boys Town, the Joslyn Memorial and

other spots of scenic interest. Entry fee is \$10.00 to USCF members (Non-members may enter by adding \$3.00 annual

dues to the USCF).

Send entries to Howard E.

Chman, 5016 Dodge Street, Omaha, Nebr. Address all inquiries and requests for hotel reservations to Kenneth A. Anderson, 1131 So. 33rd Street, Omaha,

#### ROGAN CAPTURES INDIANA TITLE

Rough handling of past champions distinguished the annual Indiana State Championship at Indianapolis with defending champion Don Brooks finishing 20th, Gary City Champion George Martinson ending in 9th, and Indian-apolis City Champion Mark Pence finishing in last place.

First place in the 5-round Swiss went to Marvin Rogan, a student at the Indiana University. Ervin of Gary finished Underwood second, and Norberg Leopoldi of Indianapolis third. 25 players participated in the tourney,

At the annual meeting all officers of the Indiana State Chess Assn. were reelected: Glen Donley of Logansport as president, Fred Flanding of Portland as treasurer, and D. E. Rhead of Gary as secre

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#### C. A. I. S. S. A. - 1949

When in 1763 the English poet Sir William Jones elevated the dryad Caissa to the rank of tutelary goddess of Chess in a long and war-like poem, borrowed in part from Vida's latin Ludus Scacchia, no doubt he did not realize his dryad's name had a deeper meaning, which Team Captain Thomas A, Jenkins has discovered and revealed. For Calssa (1949 version) represents: Canadian-American International Salute Symbolizing Amity!

And in these troubled times which try men's souls, it is well to and in these troubled times which try men's souls, it is well to remember that Peace is not a myth but can become reality, that nations can live in amity if they set their wills to friendship in mutual accord. A historic fact that is symbolized by the Canadian-American ocean-to-ocean border where no grm fortresses stand to emphasize one nation's distrust for another.

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We plan a battle on this border; but it will be a battle of checkered boards and plastic men; and when the battle is over the victor and the vanquished will sit down together in amity and each vow to do better in the next conflict on the checkered field.

From Pacific to Atlantic shores the armies of chess will assemble on July 3rd for this glorious day of chess. And as Canadian and American enter the fray at each individual board, we send this wish to each one of them. Spare neither Pawn not Rook or Bishop in the battle, but may

Montgomery Major

# The Reader's Road To Chess

By Montgomery Major

CHESS REVIEW ANNUAL, Volume Sixteen; McKay (\$5.00)
Published by Chess Review, and distributed by David McKay Company of Philadelphia, comes the 16th volume in the series of Chess Review Annuals, a well-bound book containing one full year's issues of Chess Review.

We have upon occasion disagreed editorially with the opinions of the Editors of Chess Review—for it would be a sorry world indeed in which there was no dissent and disagreement. But we can recommend wholeheartedly the collected value of the contents of the Annual. pages unrolls brilliantly the history of a year of chess-a year that was rich with activity.

For the student, there are the rich and brilliant annotations by Hans Kmoch and I. A. Horowitz of the games of the World Championship Tournament, the U. S. Biennial Championship at South Fallsburg, and many lesser events—lesser because of the towering importance of the first named. There are the profound and studied articles of Dr. Reuben frier named. There are the protound and studied articles of Dr. Reuben Fine with their comprehensive annotations; the lighter but no less informative annotations of I. A. Horowitz, For the gourmet, there is the cavier and hors-d'ocuvres of Chess Quiz by T. A. Dunst and Chess Movies by Jack W. Collins. And on the lighter side the amusing chess cartoons

Not a book to be read page by page, but a book to be placed on the library shelf in a convenient niche where it can be reached easily and referred to constantly.

# Problems of Chess Life

Edited by Dr. P. G. Keeney

Address all communications for this column to Dr. P. G. Keeney, 123 East 7th St., New-port, Ky., enclosing self-addressed, stamped envelope if reply is requested.

#### Chess — A Prison Recreation

S TONE walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage." Within the confines of the State Prison at Howard, R. I, is a prisoner, one Wm. J. Couture, who is an ardent chess devotee, an excellent problem composer, a splendid correspondence player, a chess editor and an offender against the State laws,

Mr. Couture is not averse to having his status made public. He admits his guilt and confesses he deserves the sentence he is serving. Since his incarceration in the prison, Billy has been active in promoting interest in chess among the prisoners.

His warden, a humane man and an understanding man a man who recognizes that fallen men have good points and traits that properly developed and encouraged may lead erring sinners back into the channels of righteousness, realized that Billy's interest in chess was of such

nature that it could do much to create forgetfulness of the past and stimulate an interest in a pastime that would be both entertaining and

He therefore permitted Billy to organize a chess club among the prisoners and sanctioned their engaging in chess contests with outside chess clubs. He also granted Billy the privilege of conducting a chess column in the Howard Times, a prison paper.

I do not know the nature of Mr. Couture's offense, but I do know that he is eligible for parole in 1950 and I feel sure that from my brief correspondence acquaintanceship with him, that though he may have erred in the past; when released he will never again deviate from the

straight and narrow path. He has the best wishes of all chess fans for a successful and happy future.

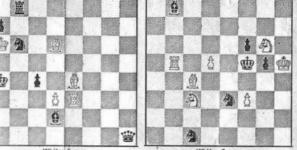
"Let he, that is without sin among you, cast the first stone!" Other prisons would do well to emulate the R. I. State Prison in promoting chess interest and activities among the prisoners! An item from the Howard Times: 'Nothing is more frequently opened by mistake than

Position No. 87

By Montgomery Major
Oak Park, III.

Composed for Chess Life
Black: 7 men

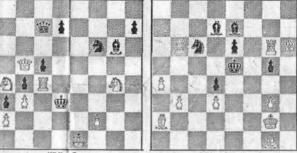
Position No. 88
By Wm. J. Couture
Howard, R. I. Composed for Chess Life



Ird, p7, Kall4, 8, htp.lis, spra3, 284, 7q, 1bd, 8, 5rSt, 1RIPLight, 2B5, 281829, 8, 2a5
White males in two moves
White males in two moves
White males in two moves

Position No. 89 By A. A. Fagan Montreal, Canada Composed for Chess Life

Position No. 90 By A. D. Gring Brookline, Mass. Composed for Chess Life



White: 10 men 8, abid, 1RalpiRQ, 4kipl, P2p4, 1P1P2PI, BSK1, 6B1 White mates in three moves

The outstanding (if not the feature) problem of this issue is Problem No. \$7, the composer of which is none other than the versatile Editor of CHESS LIFE, Montgomery Major, who blatantly confesses it is his first attempt at problem composing and pessimistically avows it will be his last. As to the pessimistic avowal—we shall await future develop-

Mr. Major's constructive ability can not be denied and stamps him as an ingenious composer, above the average novice composer, in that he has produced a sound problem. Soundness is the most essential re-quisite of a good problem!

Commenting on the problem strategy employed by "Major" in his initial composing effort I must admit its similarity to the strategy of an astute "general" on the battlefield who plans by one maneuver (the key-move) to attack the enemy on two fronts (divergent fronts) simultaneously, and in such manner that both fronts cannot be successfully defounded unless the comments by so exactly the comments of the comments defended unless the enemy by so guarding leaves another point un-guarded, which then becomes the point of penetration or the vulnerable

As a result victory is assured. Can anyone question the soundness of such strategy when employed either on the battle or checkered fields?

Problem artistry is lacking in Mr. Major's maiden composing effort

Problem artistry is facking in Mr. Major's manden composing entort, but other features of a good problem are present, notably a good key, one good defense and a couple of commendable mates. I feel certain that the Solvers of Problems of Chess Life will commend Mr. Major's problem and by vociferous demand insist he shall not be permitted to rest on his laurels" but continue on a problem composing career. Thanks, Mr. Major, for the contribution.

Problem No. 88 is by Wm. J. Couture of Howard, R. I. It is an exceptionally good problem. Our feature article reveals more about Mr. Couture and the peculiar and unfortunate circumstances under which he composes.

Problem No. 89 is by another new and up-and-coming composer of chess problems, A. A. Fagan of Montreal, Canada. This problem, like Mr. Major's No. 87, exhibits an attack on two fronts. It has a fine key and interesting mates. Given a little encouragement I believe Mr. Fagan will eventually blossom into a fine orchid in the Garden of Caissa. I mean this for praise. Some folks rave about orchids, declaring them to be "flowers without price."

Problem No. 90, last but not least of this issue's problem output, is a clever, interesting and amusing three-mover by A. D. Gring, well known and experienced problem builder of Brookline, Mass. The problem, while constructed on rather symmetrical lines, has a not too obvi-ous key and rather fair variety with pleasing mates,

#### Solutions!

Following are the keys to the Rook-Sacrifice Versions in issue of CHESS LIFE, April 29; Version A. R-Q7; Version B. Kt-Kt3; Version C. Kt-K6; Version D. R-Q6; Version E. R-QR3; Version F as disminummed was unsoun; having two keys, vir. P-B3 (Intention) and Q-RR3, in the diagramming a Black Pawn was omitted from Black's KB4. With this Pawn (Please turn to Page 4, Column 2)

Chess Life In New York By Milton Finkelstein

CLUB NOTES: The Manhattan Chess Club celebrated its victory in Met. League competition by staging a gala evening in honor of its championship team. High-light of the affair was a rapid-transit tournament which saw Max Pavey taking top honors, 21/2 points ahead of a field that included Shainswit, Bisguler, Horowitz, Schwartz, Kramer, Heitner, Williams, Moscowitz and Forster, who finished in the order named.

The Marshall Chess Club held a similar evening a few days later in honor of its less-successful but more active trio of teams. The more active trio of teams. The event was capped by the presence of Samuel Reshevsky, who played bridge for most of the evening! Meanwhile, Herman Hesse took

the lead in the Log Cabin Tournament, and appears likely to cap-ture this ten-man event. At the Queens Chess Club of Woodside, David Gladstone, one-time finalist in the U. S. Championships, won in the U. S. Championships, won the club tournament without losing a game. At the Brooklyn Chess Club, a high school tournament with 20 entries was won by Marshall Freimer, Erasmus Hall High School star, Eugene Shapiro of the City College chess team has cap-tured first prize in the Brooklyn club's B tournament.

Larry Evans, as well as a num-ber of other New York masters, are expected to travel to Omaha to make the 1949 Open as strong tournament as ever. With Adams defending his title, a stirring event is promised for all. Will you be

## For The Journament-Minded

June 18-19 South Carolina Championship Spartanburg, So. Car. To be held at Cleveland Hotel,

Spartanburg, beginning 10 a.m. June 18; open to all chess players; State title to highest rank-ing resident of State, Open title to highest ranking player including non-residents; 5 round Swiss; di-rected by Paul L. Cromelin; local arrangements in charge of Eph-raim Solkoff, Spartanburg Chess

# June 25-26; July 2-4 Michigan State Championship Detroit, Michigan

Open to Michigan players; no. of rounds determined at players' meeting June 25, 1:00 p.m.; highest ranking junior will become Junior Champion; write James B. Roberts, 4327 Berkshire, Detroit 24, Mich. for reservations and entry, also for information; will be held at Northeast YMCA, Cadillac and Harper Aves., Detroit. Entry fee

# July 1-4 Metropolitan Pittsburgh Cham-

pionship Pittsburgh, Penna. Open to residents of Allegheny County; to be held at Pittsburgh Downtown YMCA Chess Club; Entry fee \$5.00; Swiss or round robin, according to number of entries.

September 3-5 Southwestern Open Championship Tulsa, Okla.

Open to all players; to be held at Hotel Mayo, Tulsa; seven round Swiss: entry fee \$5.00; first prize \$100.00, second prize \$50.00, third prize \$25.00; sponsored by Texas Chess Assn; for information write Dr. Bela Rozsa, 1571 Swan Drive, Tulsa. Okla.

> PLAY IN THE Ocean to Ocean Match July 3, 1949 Write Thomas A. Jenkins 26409 York Road, Huntington, Michigan

#### Foresight

ONE of the master's qualities which earn the amateur's awe is the O expert's ability to see ahead several moves. As a rule, the possibility of seeing ahead is determined by the nature of the position. Combinative situations, in which the opponent's moves can be forced and hence foreseen, are the ones in which calculation is easiest. Endgame positions, because of their simplified character, likewise lend themselves to easy calculation.

But aside from the nature of the position, there is another factor which limits calculation, and that is the playing style of one's opponent. Nimzovich's moves were often so unorthodox that they could not be comprehended, let alone foreseen.

#### SICILIAN DEFENSE Kecskemet, 1927

A. NIMZOVICH	Black K GILO
1. P-K4	P-QB4
2. Kt-KB3 3. B-Kt5	Kt-QB3
The first surprise: on I	nost play-
ers, 3. P-Q4 has an almost	harmatic

ALC:	**					
3.	detained.				Q-B2	
4.	P-B3				P-QR3	
5.	B-R4				Kt-B3	
6.	Q-K2				P-K4	
In	order	to	prevent	P-Q4		
7.	0-0				B-K2	
8.	P-04!				1	

#### The second surprise a powerful Pawn sacrifice

BPxP KtxQP PxKt P-Q6 , Kt-Q4; 12, P-K6, PxP; 13. QxKP yields a strong attack. 12. Q-K31 Or 12. B-B4; 13 Q-Kt3, Kt-

K5; 14. QxKtP, BxP ch; 15. K-R1! (if 15. RxB, QvB ch), R-B1; 16. B-

R6 and wins. 13. Q-Kt3 1f 13. ...... If 13......, 0-0; 14. B-R6 etc.
14. B-R81
If 14...... , Q-B3; 15. Q-B3 wins



15. BxP ch The third surprise: if 15. KxB; 16, P-K6 ch wins the Queen. Black threatens ....., Kt-B7 now,

16. B-R6!
The fourth surprise: he laughs at the threat!

16. Kt-B3
17. Kt-B3
18. Kt-Q5, Q-B3; 19. B-K3!, P-Q3
(19. ..., B-B4; 20. Q-Kt5 ch); 20. B-Kt6 ch, K-Q2; 21. P-K6 mate!

18. QxQP 19. KR-K1 20. RxB! If 20. , KxR; 21. Kt-Q5 ch forking the Queen. If 20. ...., QxR; 21. QxKt threatening 22. Q-Kt6 mate and also menacing the Black Rook.

And yet Nimzovich was fond of saying (doubtless with a twinkle in his eye) that he abhorred brutal play!

(One of many brilliant games in-cluded in RELAX WITH CHESS by Fred Reinfeld, published by the Pitman Publishing Corporation.)

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#### USA - CANADA TITLE CONTEST

The United States Chess Federation and the Chess Federation of Canada jointly offer a cash prize of \$20.00 for a suitable title for the 3,000 mile U.S.A. vs. Canada Match, scheduled for Sunday, July 3rd, 1949.

The contest is open only to residents of Canada and the U.S.A. and titles should be limited to not more than ten words, and preferably less. Point and pithiness should be the aim. Canadian end'Aiguillon St., Quebec, Que.; and American entries to Thomas A. Jenkins, 26409 York Road, Huntington Woods, Mich., not later than June 20th.

#### SORENSEN TOPS AT PITTSBURGH Y

Conceding draws to Spiro and Taylor for a 8-1 score, Fred Sorensen captured the championship of the Downtown Y Chess Club of Pittsburgh after proving the victory no fluke by taking top spot in the 6-round Swiss preliminary

qualifying tourney.

Second place in the 10-man roundrobin event went to David Spiro with 6½-2½, losing no games but conceding draws to Sorensen, Byand, Spitzer, Taylor and Hickman. Third place on S-B points went to USCF Vice-President W. M. Byland who tied on points with Spitzer at 51/2-31/2 each. Byland lost to Sorensen and Kinney, and drew with Spiro, Taylor and Hick-man, the last being the perennial High School Champion of Pitts

#### GLADSTONE WINS AT QUEENS CLUB

D. Gladstone won the championship of the Queens Chess Club of Woodside, N. Y. with a score of 13-1, losing no games but conced-ing two draws. Other places are not yet certain with the present leaders being R. Egan with 91/4-11/2, E. J. Korpanty with 11-2, and C. Messerschmidt with 8-4.

Fifteen players were entered in the club tournament, whose president is E. J. Korpanty, CHESS LIFE annotator.

# IN HOBBY SHOW

FEATURE CHESS

The Gallant Knight Company of Chicago and Macy's of New will collaborate in June 13-25 in presenting a simultaneous tenboard exhibition every day during the two weeks from 9:45 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the fifth floor of Macy's during the Hobb Show there.

The youthful Larry Evans (17 on March 22nd) will preside at the simultaneous daily and is confidentily expected to show the form that made him twice champion of the Marshall Chess Club. The games will be played with the 5" tournament-size chessmen, manu-factured by the Gallant Knight

#### LOG CABIN CHESS HAS WANDERLUST

The itching feet of the Log Cabin Chess Club players are ready to hit the road again, using the U.S. Open Tournament at Omaha as an excuse. But after Omaha in August the Log Cabiners plan something spectacular in a country-wide dash, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto will start their route, then Detroit, Chicago, Omaha and thence south to Mexico before turning back again toward New Jersey and home.

But before they pack their bags, they hope to complete a long-dis-tance telephone match with the Chess Club of Chicago some time

#### ADAMS PLAYS AT SALT LAKE

U. S. Open Champion Weaver W. Adams gave Salt Lake City chess players a gala evening when he faced 31 opponents in a simultaneous, winning 23, drawing 4 and losing 4. Growing poetically statistical in his Let's Play Chess" in the Descret News, chess editor Harold Lundstrom estimates that Adams walked a mile in front of 496 pawns, 124 rooks, 124 knights, 62 queens and 62 kings-992 pie-ces in all, analyzing 1000 moves or more. Lundstrom computes that Adams played the average of one game for every nine minutes, al-lowing himself approximately 16 seconds for each move.

Victors against Adams were Sam Teitelbaum, Palmer Chase, Farrell Clark and James Shane; while draws went to Leon Fousenbeck, H. A. Dittman, M. F. Gatehouse and L. M. Page

#### **GLATT CAPTURES** MD. CLUB TITLE

By virtue of victory in a playoff, Joseph Glatt took the championship of the Maryland Chess Club after finishing in a tie with Charles Barasch in the regular rounds of the tournament.

May 21st saw the beginning of the first Annual Baltimore City Championship, sponsored by the Maryland Chess Club and the Balby the North Carolina Chess Ass.,

#### TO THE UNITED STATES CHESS FEDERATION:

Pleare accept my entry to the Tournament for the U. S. Open Championship of the United States, to be played at Omaha, Nebraska, July 11-23, 1949 at the Fontenelle Hotel.

			(Please Print)	
ADDRESS	(Street	Number)	(City)	(State)
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I agree to be bound by the playing rules of the United States Chess Federation and to y with the decisions of the Referee, the Tournament Director and the Tournament

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#### ILDERTON WINS MD. COLLEGIATE

Robert B. Ilderton, Maryland Junior Champion, added the Maryland State Intercollegiate Cham-pionship to his trophies with a perfect score of 7-0 in the 8-man round-robin event. Elderton, who is 18, is a sophmore at Maryland State University and president of the college chess club. won the Junior Championship in 1947, won the major reserve section of the U.S. Junior Champion-ship in 1947, and finished with a 6-6 score in the U.S. Open Cham-pionship at Baltimore in 1948.

Second place went to Richard Ravenal with 5-2, who lost games to Ilderton and Rosenthal. nard Rosenthal was third with 414. 31/2, losing to Ilderton and Rowles, and drawing with Bordley

#### MORGAN TAKES ROCHESTER TITLE

Ousting five-time winner Erich W. Marchand, Paul Morgan (formerly of Syracuse) won the Rochester (N. Y.) City Champion-ship with a score of 14-1, repre-senting two draws and no losses. Second place went to defending champion Erich W. Marchand. CHESS LIFE Games Editor, with a score of 1314-114. The game between Morgan and Marchand was a draw. Third place will probably go to Dr. Max Herzberger when two adjourned games are completed.

#### SCHREIBER WINS **BALTIMORE HIGH**

Victory in the Baltimore City High School Championship went to Graydon Schreiber with the per-fect score of 7-0 in the 8-man round-robin. Schreiber, aged 17, is a student of Polytechnic High School and president of the school Second place went to chess club. Richard McComas with 414-214 while third place was a tie between Soloman Golomb and Gus De Vos with 4-3 each.

#### RUSSIANS INVITED TO U. S. OPEN

President Alfred C, Ludwig of the Omaha Chess Club has taken steps to invite the participation of Mikhail Botvinnik and David Bronstein in the U.S. Open Champ-ionship to be held in Omaha in July. ionship to be neight Omana in July.

The invitations have already cleared with the State Department
which indicates that visas would
be issued to the Soviet players, and the matter is now in the hands of the United States Embassy at

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WHAT'S THE BEST MOVE? Position No. 25



8, 7p. 6pk, 2R5, p4P2, 6K1, PQ4P1, 3r1q3 White to move Send solutions to Position No. 25 to the Editor, CHESS LIFE, by June 20, 1949.

#### Solutions to Position No. 22

Solutions to Position No. 22
(Corrected Version)
From a game, Niederman-Zucke, 1985; I. B-BS, RAB; 2, R-RS ch, KaR; 2, QaR (BS)ch, R-RS; 4, Q-RG ch, R-RS; 5, Q-RR ch, K-RS; 6, Q-RS mate.

Many solvers posed a pretty problem in scoring by suggesting I, BSP, Q-Qi; 2, B-RS with Q-RS and an eventual forced win in sight, But although this solution does vin, it isses not the quick finality or neat conception of Niederman's own solution, so we cannot account a full point as the "best incurred activation were received from 1 decreased and the contract contract and the contract of the contract contract of the contract contract (W. Hyatisville), Dr. Russell Charvenet (W. Hyatisville), Dr

Mash (Washington), Joseph Fauener (Woodside), Side), Spide J. Bar go to: J. E. Com-stock (Duluth), Bernard Klein (Atlantic Beach), Elw. J. Korpadty (Woodside), Frank A. Keak (San Francisco), Sw. B. Wilson (Amherstburg). This leaves the second-quarter Hed between Swen Brask, Dr. Gaba, Eddile Gault, J. Huss and Edmund Nash with 6-0 each. So, the next few positions, while counting on the third quarter, will also serve as tis-breakers, until one solver outlasts the rest.

Standi	
Solver 2nd Qua	irter Total
Sven Brask6-0	11-1
Joe Faucher6-0	12-0
Dr. Howard B. Gaba 6-0	11-1
Eddit Gault60	7-0
Joseph Huss60	105-13
Edmund Nash60	11-1
Edw. J. Korpanty 53-3	10-2
Frank A. Neal	101-11
Wm. B. Wilson53-3	65-13
Russell Chauvenet5-0	10-1
J. E. Comstock5-1	101-11
J. A. Baker4-0	4-0
Malcolm D, Brown4-0	51.11
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#### BALTIMORE HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIP

Graydor	Schreiber	7-0
Richard	McComas	43-23
Solomar	Golomb	4-8
Gus De	Vos	4-5
Robert	Talbot	35-85
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#### KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE Northwest Masters and Experts Seattle, 1949

Notes by Erich W. Marchand

	White			J.	Black
î.	P-04	Kt-KB3	S.	P-K4	Kt-Kt3
2.	P-084	P-KKI3	6.	B-K3	B-Kt2
3.	P-KB3	P-Q4	7.	Kt-B3	0-0
4.	PxP	KtxP			
Bb	sck's gen	eral plan	is a	good er	tio allows

Kt-B3

cuit to maintain and protect, \$P.94 Kt-93 Bitt there is no need to earry this system foo far. This move invites too much penetration by White, \$3, ..., P.49R seems wise, and this would also kelp control QKI. P.43 P. P.49R seems wise, and the would also kelp control QKI. P.43 P. P.49R seems wise, and the penetral rule of the penetral rule with the penetral rule penetral penetral

After 17. BxP ch!





18. Kt-Kt5 ch 0xP mate

won the brillianey prize for

#### FRENCH DEPENSE

Tulsa Chess Club Championship Tulsa, 1949

Notes by Dr. Bela Rozsa

"!" White's strategy is to give quick development. Pap 4. Kt-QB3 Kt-KB3 les wisely to give back the P. t seems that P-KB4 would hold would also rip his K-side open. B-Q2 White reconstruct that P. Black

Q-K2 B-Q2 t bad! If White recaptures that P, Black I gain a move, KtaP KtaKt S, Q-KKt4 ....... QxKt B-B3

B-B3 est! Q-K2 v lan should Kt2. As it would have been bot-have been to develop t is White cannot take f R-KII. 11. Kt-K5 O-O-O 12. O-O-O B-KI

protect that P and this is the 16. Kt-B4 17. P-QR3?!

15. Q-K2 P-KB3
A much disputed move, White is giving away a P with the idea that Black will have to disrupt his Q-tide P structure and White will gain the QR file with his Rs. It is a long range plan but it follows a motte, "When playing chess, live dangerously," Of course White could have played simply P-QR4, then P-QR4, 18. Kt-R3 and Black would not have liked it.

17. — P-QK4 19. Q-Kt4!

18. Kt-K3 P-Q-Kt4 19. Q-Kt4!

After 19. Q-Kt41



It looks as if Black could play Kt-Rt5 bu White can go shead and play 20, QxRF BrB: 21 KxB, Q-R7 ch; 22, K-B3 and Black las nathing B-KI3 - 21. P-R4 PxKt 19. .... 20. Kt×Kt

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have made matters more ad played 37, ....., Q-R7.

ENGLISH OPENING

Rochester City Championship

Rochester, 1949 Notes by Erich W. Marcha

MARCHAND P-Q84 P-K4 Kt-Q83 Kt-K83

KtxP ch B-Kt5 Kt (6)-B5

After 29.

6

mune to espture be--KB1. 27. PxP R-B7 28. P-B4 Kt(Kt3)-B1 29. P-Q5 B-Kt4!

MORGAN B-Kt4!

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MARCHAND

B-B4 K-B4 S4 K-K5 B-K-K5
B-K-K5 K-K5 B-K-K5
B (53, B-B2 is not much better), KxB;
P-K15 (if 54 K-K4, P-K16 or 54 K-Q2,
G5 to be followed by K-K5 and later
Kirt at the right moment), PxP; 55, PxP,

JOIN IN THE FUN Play in the U. S. vs. Canada Ocean-to-ocean Match

P-Kt5 PxP B-B2

78. K-K41 49. R×R 50. B-K43 51. K-B2 52. K-K3

ne best try
ne B is of the wrong colo
us a passed P) 58. RFP low
RFP, 98. RFB, RFRI (I White
he draws); 01, K-B2, P-R6; 02,
03, K-B2, B-R63 ch; 66, K-B1,
Q-K-K151, B-P27; 59, P-K18(Q),
R ct draws,
K-K65, B-R64 ch; K-K14,
K-K66 64, K-K12
K-K66 64, K-K12
K-K66 64, K-K12

While Black is positionally in rather operate straits, he manages to find ways cloud the issue by tactical finesses.

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Q-K4 ch Q-Kt4 Q-Kt4 1 R-K7. R-QB1

Erich W. Marchand

Dept. of Mathematics University of Rochester, Rochester 3, New York

After 38. ...... R-Kt5!

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Kt-K6 RxKt KtxBP 41. Q-R2 42. RxK1 45. Q-Kt2 OxBP

Akron Tournament Akron, 1947 Notes by J. B. Gee

White P. J. SEITZ W. FEASELL 1. P.K4 3. B-84 2. Kt-KB3 Kt-QB3 4. 0-0 White lones a valuable tempo. By 4. KKt-K2 Black would have very little opening trouble. 6. P-QB3 P-OKM P-QKU BXP

k moves without thought, There is no
nt in placing the B at R4 now that White
settled, B-K2 is nuch preferable.

P-Q4

P-Q3

S. P-KR3

to torectal is S. Q-KR3, O-Q; 9. R-Q1, Q
10. B-R31 and Black is in trouble.

P-Q4

P-P; 10. PXP, Kt-K2; 11, P-K5, PXP;

KKEP, Kt-K3; Kt-Kt3.

B-Kt3 13, Q-K2

Kt-R4 14, Q-Q3

B-Q2 15, KPxP

...., EtxB and if 16,

KtxKt, B-Kt4,

KtxB 18, B-R4

P-KR3 13. Q-K2 P-B3
14. Q-Q3 PxP
15. KPxP QR-B1
and if 16. QxKt, QR-Q-K1 roken by P-KKt4. 20, Kt-K4 Q-K2 started, Black has lost Kt-H4 Kt(3)-B5

28. Kt-K3 Q-BS would ke w White has to defend, Q-Kt2 30. RxB RxP BxKt 31. RxQRP BPxKt; SL Q-K4, R-KtS ch; 32, KINE, BP

BxRP K-R2 R-B4 B-Kt5 35. K-Q3 36. Kt-R4 37. Q-K8 RxBP Q-Ktd RxQP ch R-R8 ch After 37. ...., RxQP ch

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KtxR, BxKt ch; 39, K-Q-Kt2 P-B4 ch 42. RxB ite cuts loo 0-Kt4

Q-K4 ch

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P-KB3 Q-B2 Q-O-O

could free

as Black

the P gained would only

34. R-K2 35. Q-B1 R(R)-QK1 36. K-R2 K-R2

37. PxKt, QxP ch; enough KtxRP; 37. fork the Q with a

-Kt3 38. Q-R3 was waiting for, but White

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Ite cuts loose.

PxR 44. Kt-B5 Q-Kt-Q-K4 ch
41. Q-B3; 45. QxP ch, K-B2; 46. KtQ-K35 ch; 47. QxQ, PxQ and Black still
a game. After the text White mates in

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NIMZOINDIAN DEFENSE South Dakota Championship Yankton, 1949

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KLKB3 6. P.QRD
P.K3 7. P.QRD
B.K15 8. Bx8
KLB3 9. KLB3 KLA
P.Q4
real justification for this ANDERSON PXP PXP QXP R-QI B-Q2 would stop KtxP!

After 13. , KtxP!



14. BxP ch KxB 15. KxKt 11 here White should play 15. Q-B2 ch, Kt. K5: 16. QxKt ch. | QxQ : 17. Kt-Rt ch, Black of course remains a piece shead | 15. .... | QxP ch | 15. KxKt | 16. KxB1 is not much better because of 18. B-B4.

H-B4.

KtxP Resigns
17. QxBP Kt-B4 ch
An amusing game despite the slip on move
15, and one not characteristic of Anderson's
usually strong play.

#### OAK RIDGE CLUB **ELECTS OFFICERS**

The Oak Ridge (Tenn.) Chess Club elected Myles Maynard as president, Fred Hutton as vice-president, and Dr. H. B. Ruley as secretary at the annual meeting. The Oak Ridge Chess Club, which sponsored the U. S. Junior Cham-pionship in 1948, has plans under way to establish a city chess league.

Solutions:

Solutions:

White to Play and Win

Position No. 55: 1, Rt-Kt3, P-R4; 2, KtB5 ch, K-Q7!; 3, Ktk7, P-R5; 4, K-E6, PR6; 5, P-R17, P-R7; 6, Rt-B5, K-B7; 7, PR6; 8, P-R17, P-R7; 6, Rt-B5, K-B7; 7, PR6; 9, P-R5; 9, P-R5; 9, P-R5; 10, P-R5; 11, P-R5; 11, P-R5; 11, P-R5; 11, P-R5; 12, P-R5; 14, RtR6; 15, P-R5; 15, P-R5; 15, P-R5; 14, RtR6; 16, P-R5; 15, P-R5; 18, R-R5; 18, R-R5; 19, P-R5; 19, P-R5;

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tion as diagrammed.

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Grant Turnblom and Dr. Hans Leonhardt (E. Lamidag), Wm. J. Couture (Howard), Edgar
Holladay (Charlotteville), C. B. Cook (Fr. Worth).

Impending Stalemate Problems were also correctly solved by Rev. G. M. Chidley
(Toronto), John Wehmau (Brooklyn), and Prof. Hans Leonhardt (E. Lansing).

Best! He has to protect that P on KKt, It is interesting to note that there is an invisible pressure on the QR file.

22, Paß BAC 25, Q-63 P-83
24, QR-K1 B-Q2
24, QR-K1 B-Q2 Ontario Provincal Championship Toronto, 1949 e and get the R file

Notes by Erich W. Marchand 30. Q-Q3 31. Q-Q4 32. B-B3 R-Q81
was tempting for Binek to play P-B4;
was tempting for Binek to play P-B4;
kKP ch and Binek will have nothing.
R-R5 R(1)-B2 35. B-Q1
R-K1 B-K5
lack will lose a piece now, but for the last
w moses his position was getting worse as
ere were too many threats to be met.
K-R1 37. R-KKI Q-K4
P-B3 Q-KKP 38. Q-Q Resigns
ack could have made matters were diff.

G. L. 10. P-Q3 11. B-K3 12. Kt-K2 13. B-Kt5 14. Kt-Kt3 15. Q-K2 16. B-K3 17. BxB 18. P-KB4

R R-K1 Kt-Kt1 P-84 P-KB3 PxP P-QKt4 Q-Q2 P-B5 R-B2 PxP QR-KB1

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Kt-Q4-K6 ir P-QB5 29. Q-Kt5

46. R-Q3 44. P-B6 45. P-B7

WEAVER After 46.



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VIENNA GAME

Simultaneous Exhibition Tulsa, 1949

Notes by Dr. Bela Rozsa

P-K4 Kt-QB3 B-B4 P-B4 Kt-B3 P-Q3 B-Kt5

17. 18. B-B1 19. Rx8 20. Kt-Kt2 21. Kt-Q2

28. 29. Q-Q2

30, 31. R(B)-Q1 32. R(R)-K1 33. Kt-Q3

37. R(Q)-K1

26. Kt(Q2)-B4

BxB Kt-Kt3 P-84 P-QR4

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office might have tried 28, Q-Q2, K Q-P, R-QRI but it looks too risky. K-Kt2 39, K-R3 tite is research.

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R-KB

Black S. ROZSA
that Mr. Adams has a little book publ, called "Simple Chess" in which he
with the play and win" and this parar game is under col. 18, However,
thouse up with a slight (1) radii
and White's strategy collars

KA. P.KA. S.
OBJ KL-KB.

in hopes of 47, P-B8(Q) (on other checks the F 42, Q-K7 ch, K-B1; 50 thecks the R interposes)

R-KB6 48. R-KB2 Resigns