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The lllinois Bell Telephone "Ten Second Timing Clock" which is one of the fouture attroctions of the Iltinois Siate Chess Association display at the
Wortd Hobty Show in Chicapo. Laning over the slock is USCF Dirctor Edvin A smann, surrounded by members of the Mhmois Bell Telephore Chess Chub,
while the chess set is the 5 King Size Tournament Chexumen of the Gellant

Position No. 95
By Richard K. Guy
Loudan, England
British Chess Magazine, 19

Position No. 96
By Milor Marysko Composed for CHESS LIFE

8, 1Pk5, P2p3p, 3, 8, 5K2, 8,
white to play and win

## BELL CLOCK IS HOBBY SHOW STAR

Most fascinating attraction at Coliseum at Chicago is the the Coliseum at Chicago is the "Ten Second Timing Clock" of the II-
linois Bell Telephone Chess Club. linois Bell Telephone Chess Club. Constructed at the Bell Lab., the elock flashes lights on each number consecutively to mark the time accurately, being syneronized with the Bell time system. Each player has a button, as on a reguar chess clock, to start the clock for his opponent, and at the end of ten seconds the clock automatically indicates that the limit has been overstepped.
During the Hobby Show at the chess booth of the Illinois State Chess Association at all times 10 boards are open for simultancous play for the public attending. Sim ultaneous players for this continuous exhibition come from the cooperation of the Austin Chess \& Checker Club, The Hyde Park Chess Club, the Irving Park Y Chess Club, the Chicago Chess and Checker Club, and the Illinois Bell Telephone Chess Club. $5^{\prime \prime}$ King Size Tournament sets for the simultaneous are furnished by the Gailant Knight Company of Chieago.

## MIAMI U REPEATS IN MAGIC LEAGUE

For the second season the University of Miami chess team has won the championship of the Magic City Chess League of Miami, Fla, This was the same team that placed fourth in the recent Intercollegiate Team Tournament in New York, sparked by Florida State Champion Clarence Kalenian, who scored the highest points of any contestant. University of Miami scored five wins and one draw, while second place in the League went to Greater Miami Chess Club

## BRASK CAPTURES ATTLEBORO OPEN

By virtue of victory in a tiebreaking game, Sven Brask won the Attleboro (Mass.) Open City Championship from Frank Gustaf on who tied with him $13^{1 / 2}-1 / 2$ in the regular 15 player round robin cvent. In the regular rounds Gustafson and Brask drew their contest. Third place went to Mathew Grzyb of Providence, R. I., with $11-3$, losing games to Brask, Gusafson and Hy Finc. David Hudnut, also of Providence, was fourth with 10-4, while Audley Child and Hy Fine tied for fifth with equal $81 / 2-51 / 2$ scores.

## BIG ENTRY MARKS CHGO CITY EVENT

the Chicago City Championship being conducted by the Chicago city Chess League and the ChiChess a Checker Club has drawn an unusually strong entry for the round-robin event, which will be played at the rate of one round a week. Among the players are defending champion Paul Poschel, Einar Michelsen, Herman Hahibohn, Burton Dahistrom, Paul Tautvaisas, K. Nedved, Leighton, Pizzi and Turiansky, in addition to Angelo Sandrin, Sam Cohen and other strong Chicago players. Dahlstrom will direct the event, which has a 20 player entry list.

## MULLER REGAINS WASH. SPEED

By besting Dan Wade and John Cheevers in a play-off match, Glen Muller regained the Washington State Speed Championship. In the regular event, Muller, Wade and Cheevers tied for first with 5-2 each in the 8 player 7 round Swiss. Cheevers placed second by defeating Wade in the playoff.

## The Kibitzer Has His Day <br> Foro the Eisuorst Mai bas

## DR. BOHATIRCHUK DRAWS FIRE

## Dear Mr. Major:

As one of the thousands of American admirers of the skill and artistry of the Soviet chess masters, I was both shocked and angered by the display of poor sportsmanship and unproven sland ers made by Master Bohatirchuk in his reeent letter to CHESS LIIFE.
The chief tenet of the Communsts and of Soviet propaganda is that the Soviet Union can do no wrong. This view is, of course absurd-but it is no less absurd than the view of the ex-Communist (or, in this case, of the ex-Nazi) that the Soviet Union can do no right. If the world is to have peace in our generation, both views must be decisively rejected by all those who value fair play, an open mind and a just evaluation of evidence.
In his letter, Dr. Bohatirchuk makes the following mutually contradictory statements:

1) The reason Botvinnik
won the championship in 1948 was not that he was the best of the five players who competed for the title, but that Smyslov and Keres participated in "team work" to see that neither of the foreigners, Reshevsky or Euwe, won the title: in other words, they threw" some of their games.
2) The Soviet players are really not as good as they are reputed to be. (This statement is made after just having stated that Keres and Smyslov did not play their best).
3) There are too many Soviet international masters.
4) The reason for the supremacy of the Soviet masters is that they are subsidized by the State, and if any other country did the same for its players, masters of equal strength would be developed.
5) All chess masters who
(Please furn to Page 2, Column 2)

## SULLIVAN TAKES

 TENNESSEE OPENssee Open Champiouship at Oak Ridge, Jerry Sullivan, Jr, of Knoxville captur ed the Jennessee titic with $5 / 2$ $1 / 2$, drawing with runner-up Rober Coveyou of Oak Ridge, Coveyou placed second with 5-1, drawing with the winner and Martin Leibo witz. Third place went to Law rence Noderer of Oak Ridge with 4-2, losing games to Sullivan and Coveyou in the 14 player 6 round Swiss event.
Out of state player Edwin M Faust of Montgomery, W. Va., with $31 / 2-21 / 5$ placed fourth, while the strength of the tournament was evinced by the fact that Kit Crittenden of Raleigh only placed in : tie for fifth. Martin Leibowitz of Oak Ridge, in a tie for fifth, with $3-3$ won the Tennessee Junior title. Also in the tie for fifth were USCF Vice-President Martin South ern, Mark Pence, and W. A. Scott of Atlanta, Ga. It was the exclusion of the last from the Southern Open Tournament of 1950 that caused so much unfavorable comment, and it is a pleasure to sec his name among the competitor at Oak Ridge.

## MAHER CAPTURES TRI-CITY TITLE

With a score of 5 1-2-1-2, Law rence Maher of Moline (III) won the Tri-City Open Championship held by the Tri-City Chess Club at Davenport, Ia., Maher drew with Joe Matherly and won his other games in the 16 player 6 round Swiss event. Second place went to club president John Warren with $5-1$, conceding one loss to Maher Third place with 42 went to P. D Burkhalter of Moline.
As winner of the Tri-City title Maher will contest a match with Karl Wiegmann of Rock Island for the Quad-City title (Davenport, Ia Rock Island, Moline, East Moline, III., and Bettendorf, Ia.), which Wiegmann has held for several years. Maher is a former holder As we go to press, Maher has scored two victories in the matci and needs only one more to gain the Quad-City title.

## COLLEGE CHESS <br> IS RADIO-MINDED

The College Chess Committee of the United States Chess Federation has announced the appointment of Charles Gersch, 895 West End Avenue, New York City, as Director of College Radio Chess. Mr. Gersch, a member of the New York University chess squad, will coordinate radio chess activities among the nation's colleges. Any college team that has access to a ham radio station (and most of the colleges have such stations on the campus) can make contact with others by writing to the Director of College Radio Chess. It is hoped that a national radio chess league will be developed among the college teams.

During the recent intercollegiate Team Tournament in New York, a number of college squads indicated their willingness to enter into such radio play. Yale, Miami, and R.P.I are expected to begin radio play

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## NON CAUSA PRO CAUSA

$\mathrm{I}^{\mathrm{N}}$ THIS issue we publish an answer to the recent Open Letter of Dr. $I$ Fedor Bohatirchuk regarding Soviet Chess. We do not intend to enter into the controversy, but feel that it is only just to indicate that our correspondent in this instance has made two crrors in his statement. These errors do not necessarily invalidate his arguments, but should be considered in judging them.

First, the appeal of personal prejudice in paragraph two of Mr. Siller's argument is, of course, not logic but merely an appeal to intolerant sentiment. That Dr. Fedor Bohatirchuk is an exile by choice from the Soviet Union does not necessarily invalidate his opinions; but the fact that he is an exile does give him some authority to speak of conditions in the Soviet Union - a better right in fact than that of those who have gleaned their impressions of the Soviet Union from magazine articles. The attempt of Mr. Siller to prejudice his readers against Dr. Bohatirchuk on personal grounds is hardly one that will appeal to "those who value fair play, an open mind and a just evaluation of evidence" to quote Mr. Siller's own words.

We will not comment upon Mr. Siller's five points (although all the conditions regarding the playing of the World Championship Match were not quite as equitable as Mr. Siller chooses to believe). The inequity in arrangements, we must confess, hardly justifies a cold charge of a Soviet plot and there is little evidence to sustain this point of view in regard to this particular event.

But, we feel we must point out that Mr. Siller (undoubtedly without deliberate intention) has distorted Dr. Bohatirchuk's statements in his fifth point. Dr. Bohatirchuk proposed exclusion of all chess professionals who received direct salaries from the state - not those chess professionals who supported themselves variously in the role of professional by their own activities. There is more than a slight distinction.

Whether Dr. Bohatirchuk has "done a great disservice to the proud tradition of chess by implying that our greatest masters subvert their life-work for dishonest motives" is a matter of opinion for the reader to determine for himself. Those who are familiar with the basic principles of Dialetic Materialism may find the charge easier to credit than Mr. Siller has. But there is, of course, no definite proof that the Soviet masters are skilled exponents of Dialetic Materialism, however skillful they may be in chess.

Montgomery Major

## The Keader's Road Jo Chess <br> $B_{y}$ Keter Seredere

DAVID BRONSTEIN'S BEST GAMES OF CHESS 1944-1949. By Larry
Evans. Limited Edition No. 2. Order from Larry
St., New York City, Pp. ix, 70 mimeographed. $\$ 3$.

THE appearanee of this mimeographed volume, the secend in Larry Evans' series, is admirably timed. Whatever the outcome of Bronstein's current world championship match with Botvinnik, the challenger's games are sure to enjoy a vogue. The 41 games given here,
ranging from Kiev 1944 to Budapest-Moscow 1949, represent Bronstein at his best. Most of the examples are, perforce, from all-Russian events, but the USA, England, Prague, and Budapest matches are included. The annotations are full, with Evans supplementing by his own analysis the contributions of a dozen and a half writers, among them Fine, Flohr, Romanovsky, Kmoch, Keres, and, for twelve of the games, Bronstein Romanovsky, Kmoch, Keres, and, for twelve of the games, Bronstein
himself. The usual indexes and a six-page chessic biography of Bronhimself. The usual indexes and a six-page chessic biography of Bron-
stein (translated from the Russian by Dr. N. M. Gassen) complete the book.

The whole performance is as extraordinary in its own way as the rise of Evans himself as a master. The style is ungraceful and immature but, as one who has worked through many an annotation can testify, the kind of chess thinking offered in the notes is most emphatically not. The disadvantages of the mimeographed form are all too obvious; but if Master Evans receives enough encouragement for his efforts in this form, his subsequent work will soon enjoy conventional publication. The game given below as a sample of Bronstein's style, which Flohr compares with that of Reshevsky, concludes with what Evans calls "one of the most amazing winning moves on record."

[^0]by Vincent L. Eaton



MESSRS. M. A. Michaels and Ewhen Onyschuk are the co-winners of the bi-monthly Ladder solving contest with scores of 110 points . Our hearty congratulations to both of these expert solvers, who will receive suitable awards for their skill and perseverance.

Problem No. 243
By Julius Buchwald
Jackson Heights, N. Y.
Entry in CHESS LIFE
Composing Tourney


Problem No. 245
By C. W. Sheppard
Norristown, Pa.
ntry in CHESS LIFE Composing Tourney

First Prize, Olympic Tourney, 1948


White mates in two moves
Solutions to previous published problems on Page four.

## The Kibitzer Has His Day

are professionals, i.e., who succeed in making a living from chess alone, should be thrown out of the FIDE.
I would like to take up these points in order:

1) The charge that the World Championship Tournament of 1948 was "fixed" is not only outrageous, but patently absurb. Dr. Bohatirchuk is an important masatirchuk is an important mas-
ter, as anyone acquainted with ter, as anyone acquainted with
world chess knows. But I venture to say that Euwe and Reshevsky can compare with him in expertness at chess. Yet they, the victims of the alleged "Soviet plot," could not detect the foul play which not detect the foul play which Bohatirchuk charges in the
public press. There is also publie press. There is also
sufficient objective evidence to show that there is no sense to these accusations. For ex ample, I quote the following from Kmoch and Horowitz in the Tournament Book: "A surprise of the tourney was the prise of the tourney was the
series of titanic struggles beseries of titanic struggles be-
tween Botvinnik and Smysolv tween Botvinnik and Smysolv.
Abandoning his past role of Abandoning his past role of
Botvinnik's 'cousin,' Smyslov threatened to become at least a 'Dutch uncle.' In the eighth round, for example, Botvinnik strained every nerve to win only to meet at each turn with and iron-clad defense. When Smyslov finally forced a subtle Smyslov finally forced a subtle
draw, Botvinnik looked chadraw, Botvinnik looked cha-
grined, as though he had al-
ready mentally pocketed a point which wasn't there." And concerning the draw between Botvinnik and Smyslov in the 18th round these masters say: "The defensive resources that Smyslov can find in a difficult position testify both to his genius and to the inehaustibility of chess itself. The game is a notable contribution to the theme of the heroic defense." Yet Dr. Bohatirchuk would have us believe first, that Smyslov was trying to "help" his "teammate" and second, that he was not up to his usual strength! not up to his usual strength!
One would do well, too, to glance at the relative scores which Botvinnik made against Smyslov and against Euwe and Reshevsky: against Smyslov 3.2, against Euwe $31 / 2 \cdot 11 / 2$, against Reshevsky $31 / 2-11 / 2$. A comparison of these scores would indicate that Reshevsky and Euwe also pitched Botvinnik a point here and there! (This follows from the fact that the Russians are, according to Dr. Bohatirchuk, not as good as they are cracked up to be.)
2) The contradiction between this and (4) is so obvious as to require no comment. I cannot refrain, however, from quoting the following from Dr, Brohatirchuk's letter: "The Soviet masters have demon(Please turn to page 3, col. 3)

## V. ALEKHINE IN SOVIET-LAND

THE 12 games published in "Das Schachleben in Sowjet-Russland included the aforementioned game aginst Feldt (here called "von Feldt"), which, as we know, was played in 1916 and therefore does not belong into Alekhine's Soviet period at all $\left(^{4}\right)$. We can disregard it here also for another reason: it has been published by Alekhine himself again in his "Best Games (1908-1923)." as no. 48. In his book, we find also, as "Game 49," the "conclusion of an Odds Game, played at Petrograd, December, 1917" against M. Gofmeister. The manuscript of what Alekhine here calls a "diabolic" (teuflisch) position and his notes to the concluding moves is in our collection; it also gives as the date of the game "Petrograd, December 1917"-we can therefore infer that Alekhine was in Petrograd in December 1917 and had opportunities to play chess.
Unfortunately, this, as far as we could establish, is all we seem to know about Alekbine's where abouts in 1917 and his chess activities; in fact, it is almost all we know about Russian chess life in 1917-the only other games of that period we can recall having seen is one played between Romanovsky and Talvik, a Ruy Lopez published by Romanovsky in his book, "Ways of Chess Creation" (in Russian, 1933), p. 154, and a CaroKann defense played on Feb. 3 1917 between L. Borkhov and A F. Ilyn-Zhenevsky in the latter's booklet "Memoirs of a Soviet Mas ter" (in Russian, 1929), p. 17, Neither "Shakhmaty" 1922, p. 17, in its report on Russian Chess since 1976, nor Alekhine in "Das Schachleben in Sowjet-Russland," nor Kogan in his "History of Chess in Russia" (in Russian, 1927) or his "Sketches on the History of Chess in the USSR" (in Russian 1938) report anything on chess life in Russia during 1917.

In 1918, Russian chess life, at least in the big centers of Moscow and Petrograd, becomes more active: Ilyn-Zhenevsky reports of a tournament in which not less than 16 first-category players participated (Petrograd, Summer 1918) Alekhine in "Das Schachleben in Sowjet-Russland," p. VII, gives the score table of a triangular tournament between the "three masters then still residing in Moscow," April 1918, viz: Alekhine ( $41 / 2$ ) Nenarokov $(31 / 2)$, A. Rabinovich (1), and mentions also a match between Nenarokov and A. Rabinovich "played soon after this trivich "played soon after this tri
angular contest" ( $4: 4,3$ draws).
In the game section of "Das Schachleben in Sowjet-Russland," we find two games between Alek hine and A . Rabinovich from the triangular "match-tournament," but in both instances the date is given as "May" 1918 (not April, as in the text part of "Schachleben in Sowjet-Russland"). One of these
*) The dating (1920) of this "famous blindfold game" in BCM, 1939, p 370 far off the mark.
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## EXCUSE IT, PLEASE!

Shrioking from the just wrath of both Marshall and Manhattan Chess Club players, the Editor apologizes for headlining the March 5th issue with the startling information that "Hanauer Wins Manhattan." As the story itself indicates, Mr. Hanauer won the Marshall Club Cham pionship and psychologists are re quested to determine why the Editor wrote the word "Manhat Editor wrote the word "Manhat-
tan" in its place-as he hasn't been to New York in some tweny five years and cannot therefore be accused of personal bias.

# Chess Jor The $^{\text {Tired Business }}$ Man <br> By Fred Reinfeld <br>  

## Too Late Or Too Soon?

$A^{S}$ the inheritor of the Romantic tradition of attack, Spielmann conA tinued to play the King's Gambit long after every other player of note had discarded it. In the middle '20s he wrote an article entitled From the Sickbed of the King's Gambit, and finally, in 1929, he took the fateful step of beginning to play the abhorrent 1 . P-Q4. Doubtless to his astonishment, he won many a pretty game with this move.

Yet Spielmann's career ended on a note of tragic irony, for since his death the younger masters have revived the King's Gambit with marked success,
QUeen's gambit declined
Sopron, 1934

| R. White ${ }^{\text {Wrielmann }}$ | 1. Flack |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1. P.O4 | Kt-k83 |
| 2. ${ }_{\text {Prem }}^{\text {Kt-KE3 }}$ |  |
| 4. ${ }_{\text {QKT-Q }}$ | Kt-ks |
| 5. P-K3 | KlıKt |
| 7. ${ }_{\text {axa }}$ | Exe. ${ }_{\text {P. }}$ |
| 8. $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B1}$ | P.083 |
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By a roundabout route the game has transposed into the semi-Slay Defense. True to his style, Spicl-
mann opens up the game at the mann opens up ${ }_{\text {first }}$ opportunity.
 the Queen from the King-side, on whieh Spielmann is training his guns; (b) he places his unprotected
Queen on a square where she may Queen on a square where she may
be vulnerable to a discovered attack by White's Knight; (c) he leaves his Bishop bottled up. 15. ......., P-B4 followed in due
course by set White far more difficult problems.
16. R-B3
$\begin{gathered}\text { M6. R-B3 } \\ \text { "Sinderle } \\ \text { attack! }\end{gathered}$卷 6 雷 ${ }^{2}$ If instead 16. ........., $\mathrm{P} \cdot \mathrm{Bt} 4 ; 17$. R-KKt3, K-R1 (17. ........ Kt-Q2 or 17. ....... Kt-K1 is refuted by 18 .
BxP ch! while 17. ......., $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{R} 4$ is answered by 18. Q-R6!); 18. KtKt6 ch winning the Queen!

If Black guards the Queen with 16. ........, QR-B1 then 17. R-KKt3, K-R1 (or 17. ........ Kt-R4; 18. QR6!) ; 18. RxP!, KxR; 19. Q-Kt5 ch, K-R1; 20. QxKtch, K-Kt1; 21. RK1!, KR- Q1 (or 21. ........ Q.Q1; 22. Q-R6, P-KB4; 23. R-K3 and wins); 22. BxP ch!, K-B1 (if 22.


Kt-Kt6 ch, K-K1; 24. RxP ch! forcing mate very nicely.
 Force
18. R-KR3
The only way to hold on ont was 18. .... P-Kt3; 19. KtxKtP! leaving White two Pawns ahead.
 Q-R4); 20. Q-Kt4 ends it all (threat ${ }_{20}{ }_{20} \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{R} 8 \mathrm{ch}$
For if 20 . $\qquad$ $\mathrm{KxR}^{\text {Resigns }} 21 . \mathrm{Kt}$ Kt 6 ch wins the Queen after all. A snappy Spielmann game.
(One of many brilliant games included in RELAX WITH CHESS
by Fred Reinfeld, published by the by Fred Reinfeld, published by the
Pitman Publishing Corporation.)
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Bat $W_{\text {oue }}$ ?
By Guilherme Groesser

rik2, pp3p1p, 3P2q1, 4Qp2, 4pPr1, 8, PP4PP, 2R2R1K
White to play
Send solutions to Position No, 68 to the Editor, CHESS LIFE, by May 5, 1951.

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\text { Solution to Position No. } 65
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Welker (Pampa), N. P. Witting (Salem),
W. B, Wulson (A).

## PAVEY AWARDED BEST GAME PRIZE

To Max Pavey went the award for the best game played at the 1950 New York State Championship at Binghamton for his victory over Jack Collins. Second prize went to Reuben Klugman of City College for his win over E. T. McCormick. USCF President Harold M. Phillips served as judge.
strated only the superior technique and knowledge in the opening and their play in the middle and end-game is quite average." I suggest that quite average." I suggest that
you substitute the names of you substitute the names of
Botvinnik, Smyslov, Keres, Botvinnik, Smyslov, Keres,
Bronstein, Boleslavsky or LagoBronstein, Boleslavsky or Iago-
sin for the phrase "Soviet sin for the phrase "Soviet
masters" in this quotation and see how much sense this statement makes.
3) There is only one cure for this-more non-Soviet masters. This charge is similar to the charge that "there are too many masters in New York ${ }^{\text {¹ }}$ and is just about as logical. Dr. Bohatirchuk's suggestion that no more than two repre-
sentatives from any one counsentatives from any one coun-
try be allowed to compete for the championship is on about the same level. This scheme would permit some fourthrate player to compete in preference to a grandmaster because he had the good fortune to be a citizen of the soverign to be a citizen or
state of Potzerania.
4) I have already referred to the contradiction of this point with (2). The truth of this contention is, however, incontestable.
5) This is a fine example of upside-down reasoning. Instead of urging American chess enthusiasts to take steps to promote chess as a profession and thus enhance our position chuk suggests that penalties be imposed upon those chess be imposed upon those chess
masters who are able to demasters who are able to de-
vote their entire time to their vote
art.
Dr

Bohatirchuk has done great disservice to the proud tra dition of chess by implying that our greatest masters subvert their life-work for dishonest motives. cannot help thinking that this is a good example of the psychological process of "transference." The greatest danger to the free world now stems from the home of Botvinnik, Smyslov and Keres-but, as Marquis Childs, I believe, said in a recent column, if there is a more dangerous element than the Communists, it is the ex-Communists.

The Soviet Union, has, because of its dogmatic and intolerant totalitarianism, deliberately es tranged its chess masters from their Western colleagues. We were all offended by the "stand-up" the Soviet team gave us in 1947 for the scheduled return match, and we were chagrited when Russia
and her satellites sent no teams to the Dubrovnik Olympies. But let us, nutured in the American tradition of fair play and tolerance, not fall victims to the sin of false charges and unsupported accusations.

## HARRY SILLER

Far Rockaway, New York
Whether Dr. Bohatirchuk's letter con sained 'false charges and unsupported accussations," anch reader must determine for himself. But it is only proper to indiacte
that Mr. Siller has completely misiter preted Dr. Bohatirchuk in reyard to fessional masters (point 5) while in the matter of Soviet international master (point 3), a close stady of the text of Dr Bohanirchmks original lerter (CHESS he objected primatily to the methods of their selection by FIDE in a sholesal manner which included a number of so-
called international masters hardly poorthy of the title. CHESS LIFE has alread $>$ protested this biased selection of FIDE in ocations.-The Editor.

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## Aprit 12 <br> Massachusetts State Championship

 Boston, Massachusetts Begins at Boston Gity Club at 7:30 p.m.; 8 round Swiss; Thursdays.
## April 16.17 South Carolina Championship Columbia, S. C. Columbia, S. C.

Open to residents of state; $\$ 2$ entry fee; 5 round Swiss; Hampto Hotel; starts 9:00 a.m.; trophics.

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Puget Sound Open Championship Seattle, Wash.
Open to all chess players; for details: write Charles K. Joachim 2712 E. Fir St., Seattle 22, Wash.

## TENNESSEE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

## Oak Ridge, 1951



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# Chess Life In $\eta_{\text {ew }} Y_{\text {ork }}$ 

$\mathbf{A}_{\text {the Manal championship of }}^{\text {S the ann Chess Club, }}$ New York Metropolitan League Champions, draws to a close, it appears certain, despite the dis parity in number of games played by the various leaders, that eithe defending co-champion Arnold Denker, former champion Arthu Bisguier, or George Kramer wil take top honors. Kramer, playing most of his games ahead of
schedule to leave time open for schedule to leave time open for
his honeymoon, leads with $81 / 2-31 / 2$ while Bisguier (8-3) and Denke ( $71 / 2-1 \frac{1}{2}$ ) have equally fine rec ords. The fact that such well known masters as A. S. Pinkus, M. Pavey and G. Shainswit are only manag ing to achieve even (.500) scores thus far is another indication of the matched strength and stub borness of this contest.
The Marshall "Masters'" tour ney, postponed for a week to ac commodate Reuben Fine, is now only three rounds complete to date. Larry Evans, displaying an amazing resourcefulness and consistency among such select company, leads with a score of $3-0$, while Fine, throwing away a probable win against Lasker and allow. ing the latter to salvage a valuable half point, is second with $21 / 2-1 / 2$. Lasker (2-1), Simonson (1-2), 2 , including a time forfeiture to Lasker), Hanauer ( $1 / 2-21 / 2$ ), and Santasice ( $0-3$ ) are the current scores of the remaining contest-
ants. Final results of this top noteh event will be reported in the next issue.
IN BRIEF: Investment Bankers, defending champs in New York' Commercial Chess League, lead again this year with United Na tions and I. B. M. teams following closely ... After a "wait" of three months, Columbia University finally received the Harold M. Phillips trophy, symbolizing the Intercolle giate Team Championship ... John T. Westbrock, by winning the Mar shall Chess Club Consolation Tourney, automatically qualifies for next year's regular championship

Nick Bakos, former Marshal Chess Club expert, now stationed $\mathrm{in}_{\mathrm{U}}$ Alexandia, Virginia, with the U. S. Army, is hoping to get into cryptography service (maybe some day he'll be able to decipher a Herbert Scidman score sheet scrawl" . . A A five-letter wor in a recent "New York Times"
cross-word puzzle was defined cross-word puzzle was defined
"Larry Evans' game"; we leave it to our readers to figure out the correct answer! ... Your reporter was interviewed on TV recently he tried to explain moves of pieces working of clocks, history of chess etc., while attempting to control his shaking knees; Im afraid was no competition for the - K fauver investigations, however New York's Met League season will be initiated shortly ... In its closest match in two years, Colum bia defeated N.Y.U., $41 / 2-31 / 2$.

## KOLTY WRITES IN NEWSMAGAZINE

Beginning with the February 19 issue of Fortnight, a bi-weekly news magazine of California, Geo Koltanowski is conducting a chess column as a feature of each issue in addition to his regular chess column in the San Francisco Chron icle.

Little River Community CIub (Miami) saw Florida State Champion Clarence Kalenian win 9 and draw 1 in a simultaneous chess exhibition while he also won 8 checker games and drew one.

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SICILIAN DEFENSE
Manhattan Club Championship
New York, 1951
Notes by Jobn E. Howarth

30. K-R1 was MULFORD
30. K.R1 was forced, but Black would
continue with \&R16 regaining at least continue with 9 - $\mathrm{K} / 6$ regaining at least
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two games, Alekhine's only win against Rabinovich whose 1 point strangely consisted to 2 draws in "My Best Games of Chess (1908-1923)" where the dat is also May 1918. The other game is one of the 2 draws (*). The other draw against Rabinovich and none of the three games against Nenarokov (two wins, one draw) seem to have been published any where.

In Das Schachleben in Sowje Russlimd" we find, in addition to thi gances from the "Chess Olympics," Mos cow 1920 -a surprising high percentage o only 1i) gatmes altogether! (Anothe drawn gamte is among the unpublishe mall Howe published in a "Best Gemes, Alekhine published not only games he had won-sce, e.g., no. 45, his first game hard fought drave against Reti, Vient 1922, not to speak of as number of other drawn. games hidden in notes to oth 1922, no 34, 10 White's 610 Euve-Alckhine, Budapest 1921, no. 77 nole to black's thh move; Eune-Alckhime 13 th move; Alckbine-Capablanca, ne. 79 Teichmann, Carlshad 1923, no, 80, no to Black's 8th move; and possibly more We could also site other examples of ob ings, such as for instance the very inter csting and almost contrite proface to the written, of cotrse, iust between the matches with Euwe, i.e., at a time when be had every resson to "take stock" in
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