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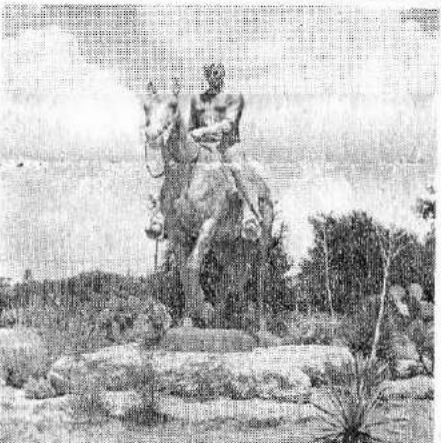


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PLAY CHESS AND HAVE FUN!



PORT WORTH
Above—Rock shelter house and figure-eight reflecting basin fed by natural springs in the luxuriant Fort Worth Botanic Gardens.

Left—Will Rogers, beloved Oklahoma cowboy humorist, rides into the sunset on his favorite horse, Soap Suds. Statue stands in front of Will Rogers Memorial Auditorium. Will called Fort Worth "his home away from home."

WICHER TAKES WISCONSIN TITLE

Celebrating a return to tournament chess after a long absence, Enos Wicher regained the Wisconsin Championship which he had held in 1940 and jointly with Arpad Elo in 1941. Wicher, a graduate student at University of Wisconsin and candidate for a Ph.D. in Physics, scored 6½-½ in the seven round 58 player Swiss event at Milwaukee, directed by Ernest Olfe and Paul Liebig for the Wis. State Chess Assn. and Wis. State Recreation Assn., drawing a game with runner-up Arpad E. Elo.

Former State Champion Elo scored 6-1 for second place, drawing games with Wicher and Averil Powers. Third place went to former Milwaukee City Champion Mark Surgies with 5½-1½ on S-B points. Surgies drew with Powers, Ralph Abrams and John Grakovac. Fourth place went to chess editor Averil Powers, also with 5½-1½, drawing with Elo, Surgies and Paul Thorbjornsen. Strength of the tournament was indicated by the fact that Milwaukee City Champion Martin Ptacek placed ninth and former State Champion Richard Kujoth tenth on S-B points with equal 5-2 scores.

At the annual meeting of the Wisconsin State Chess Assn. F. C. Stokes of Waterloo was elected president, and Arpad E. Elo of Milwaukee secretary-treasurer.

COLORADO PLANS GALA TOURNEY

To make Colorado truly chess conscious, a four-ring tournament has been planned for August 23-26 to be played under the pines at the Denver University Campus. The novel arrangements include simultaneous exhibitions by international masters, a first annual postal congress where correspondence players can meet in person and play their mail opponents over the board, a special tournament for state champions of other states, and the first Colorado Open Championship. This last will be a 7 round Swiss, open to all with \$5.00 entry fee, to crown state and open champions. USCF Director Merl Reese, 1740 Glenarm Place, Denver 2, Colo., W. M. Spackman, editor of The Chess Correspondent, Boulder, Colo., and Carl Powers, Colorado Springs, Colo. will be tournament directors. For details, write to Mr. Reese.

COHEN TRIUMPHS AT MONTREAL

Moishe Cohen of the En Passant Club has won the Montreal City Championship, in which he held the lead consistently from the start. Second place went to young Lionel Joyner of the Montreal Chess Club. Third place is still in doubt, depending upon the outcome of adjourned games.

FORT WORTH BECKONS TO ALL TO ENJOY U.S. OPEN TOURNEY

Chess Players And Their Families Will Find U.S. Open A Real Vacation

Scenic and historic Fort Worth, one of the great vacation spots of the Southwest, has laid its plans for one of the finest U. S. Open Championship Tournaments ever held. Many special features have been planned for the entertainment of the players and their families in a city that holds many attractive recreational facilities.

Trinity, Forest Park and Rock Springs are only three of the wooded wonderland of interlinking parks on the Trinity River, providing in all 11,000 acres of scenic wonder with swimming pools, baseball diamonds, tennis courts, picnic facilities, horseback riding and one of the finest zoos in the Southwest, together with a world famous Botanic Garden.

For the fisherman and boating fan three lakes skirt the north of the city, teeming with crappie, bass, perch, bream and catfish, while the lakes are dotted with sail and power boats. For the golfer there are four municipal courses in addition to three country clubs; and the baseball fan may see the Brooklyn-owned Cats in LaGrave Field, one of the finest Minor League plants.

Program for the U. S. Open Championship, to which all chess players are invited, includes a banquet at the Hotel Texas and the Tenth Annual U. S. Lightning Championship event; The schedule of one round of play a day provides ample time for the contestants to enjoy the beauties of Fort Worth and partake of the many opportunities for other recreational activities. The Fort Worth Chess Club in sponsoring the event has pledged a minimum of \$1,650.00 to be distributed as prizes to the contestants.

Women's Tourney

Special plans have been made to entertain the women chess players in the Concurrent U. S. Woman's Open Championship event, to which an unusually large number of women players are expected this year. A number of Southwestern women players have indicated an eagerness to cross swords at chess with representatives from the Middle West and East.

Headquarters will be at the Hotel Texas, one of the finest hotels in the Southwest, but accommodations will be available at a number of other excellent hotels. Players are advised to place their reservations early for accommodations because of the anticipated large number of entries in this most popular of U. S. chess tournaments.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO ALAIN WHITE

By airmail from London, S. Sedgwick, newly appointed problem editor of British Chess Magazine and secretary of the British Chess Problem Society, expresses the grief of the British problem enthusiasts and the Problem Society upon learning of the passing of Alain C. White. Mr. Sedgwick writes: "A great light has gone out, the like of which we shall never see again."

LAFRENIERE WINS YAKIMA CO MEET

Yakima High school Champion Oliver LaFreniere won the Yakima County (Wash.) Championship 19½-3½ in a double round robin event at the Yakima City Chess Club. William H. Hage was second with 18-4 and defending champion Eli Triesman third with 17-5.

GRUEN CAPTURES INDIANA TITLE

By virtue of defeating Loyn Richardson and George Martinson in a playoff match while Martinson bested Kenneth Rearick, Alfred D. Gruen became the 1951 Indiana State Champion. In the actual 5 round 23 player event at Logansport, directed by Floyd B. Bolton, these four players tied for first on game points, with Richardson placing first on S-B points.

Richardson with 4-1, drew games with Donald O. Brooks and Dale E. Rhead; Rearick lost one game to Richardson; Martinson lost one game to Rearick; and Gruen lost his game to Richardson. Peculiar circumstances prevented Mr. Gruen from playing in the first two rounds, and he was awarded a bye in the first round and his game to Richardson forfeited in the second. Despite this handicap, he recovered to win the title.

The Indiana Chess Assn. re-elected the following officers: Glen C. Donley of Logansport president, Dale E. Rhead of Gary secretary, and Fred C. Plauding of Portland treasurer. Floyd E. Bolton of East Chicago was designated Tournament director and assisted by Loyn L. Richardson of South Bend and Roger Gren of Muncie.

ANDERSON TAKES TORONTO TITLE

Once again Frank R. Anderson has won the Toronto City Championship with 4-1 in the 6 player round robin finals, losing a 4th round game to N. Kuttis. Other places remain uncertain, to be determined by the outcome of adjourned games.

In the preliminaries P. Avery won section one with 10-0, followed by I. Suk 8-2 and Z. L. Sarosy 7½-2½, while in section two F. R. Anderson scored 7½-1½, with T. Jewitt 7-2 and N. Kuttis 6½-2½.

VIRGINIA U WINS INTERCOLLEGIATE

The first tournament of the recently organized Southern Intercollegiate Chess Association saw the University of Virginia win with 16½ points by virtue of a 2½-1½ victory over Duke University. Duke also scored 16½ points but had to be content with second place. Third place went to the University of Richmond with 13 points. The University of Virginia received the handsome Miller and Rhoads Trophy, donated by the Richmond department store of that name. The tournament was held at the University of Richmond Mill-hiser Gymnasium and other Southern schools represented were Randolph-Macon College, Medical College of Virginia, and Washington and Lee University.

The Collegiate Association was organized by William Chaffin of the University of Richmond, its first president, and Prof. Rodney M. Baine of the University of Richmond, its permanent secretary. Next year will see Thomas Pettigrew of the University of Virginia as president and the action at Charlottesville where it is expected that many more Southern colleges will be represented.

BINDER RETAINS IND'PLS TITLE

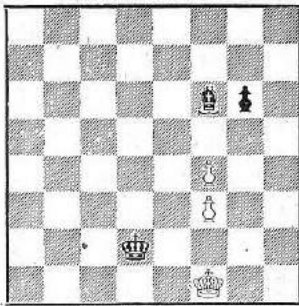
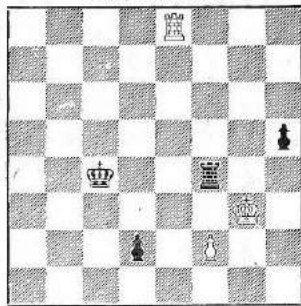
In a 5 round 14 player Swiss, 1950 City Champion Leopold Binder retained the Indianapolis Open title by a perfect 5-0 score. Second place with 4-1 went to H. O. Peterson who lost his only game to the defending champion. A. Gruen, a former city titlist, was third with 3½-1½, losing to Peterson and drawing with B. Edwards. Fourth place on S-B points went to three-time State Champion J. Van Benton with 3-2, losing games to Binder and Peterson. Fifth and sixth respectively with equal 3-2 scores were G. O. Taylor and B. Hofmann. Ages in this representative event ranged from D. Carter, 17, to Frank Lay, 91.

HURT CAPTURES CHARLESTON MEET

John F. Hurt won the Charleston (W.Va.) City Championship with 12½-1½ in an 8 player double round robin, losing one game and drawing one with runner-up Edwin Faust. Faust score 11½-2½ for second place, losing one game to Edward M. Foy, and drawing one game each with Walter Crede, Jr. and Frank Branner. Foy placed third with 9-5 and Walter Crede, Jr. fourth with 7½-6½.

PURDY REPEATS IN AUSTRALIA

For the fourth time C.J.S. Purdy, brilliant editor of Chess World, won the Australian Championship with a 12-3 score in the 16 player round robin event at Brisbane. Mr. Purdy lost one game to Karoly and drew four. Second place went to Lajos Steiner with 11-4, losing games to Purdy and Crowl and drawing four. A three-way tie for third at 10-5 each was held by Latvian masters L. Endzelins and K. Ozols with J. Hanks. The Lithuanian master R. Arlauskas tied for sixth at 8½-6½ with J. O. Baay, Champion of Indonesia. For the first time on record representatives from all six states in the Commonwealth competed, and the tournament was a part of the official Australian Commonwealth Golden Jubilee.



4R3, 8, 8, 7p, 2c2r2, 6K1, 3p1P2, 8
White to play and draw

8, 8, 5hp1, 8, 5P2, 5P2, 3k4, 5K2
White to play and draw

White To Play And Win!

Conducted by William Rojman

DESPITE the heading of our column, the two examples offered above are both "White to play and draw," representing outstanding examples of modern endgame composition in the Soviet Union where the art has become a most flourishing one.

Position No. 69 in the mainline of play resorts to an unexpected stalemate to achieve the end, while Position No. 70 requires rather delicate maneuvering.

For solutions please turn to Page four.

BUSCHKE PLANS LECTURE TOUR

Dr. A. Buschke, specialist in rare chess literature and CHESSE LIFE columnist, plans a novel chess tour, lecturing upon the historic and anecdotal facets of chess. His lectures, which emphasize the human interest side of the game and are illustrated from his own wide knowledge of chess with numerous anecdotes about masters and near-masters as well as little-known facts and curious incidents, require no wallboards or demonstration boards. They will be illustrated with rare books, manuscripts and autographs from Dr. Buschke's own collection, some of which date back to the XVth Century.

Club interested in this novel feature for an unusual evening's entertainment, which will attract an audience from book-lovers, problemists and others not usually in regular attendance, may contact Dr. Buschke at 80 East 11th street, New York 3, N. Y.

MAIL CHESS HAS NOVEL TOURNEY

Believing in the good-will value of postal chess, promoter Morton W. Luebbert, Jr. of Triplett, Mo. has instituted a novel invitational correspondence chess tournament of 21 players, called the Major League Masters' Invitational Correspondence Chess Tournament. Features of this event, which will produce better chess with fewer blunders, are a more liberal time limit than usual in most such mail contests and no adjudications. The entry list reads like a Who's Who of Correspondence chess: William R. Jones (Minneapolis), Mrs. Virginia Wigren (Chicago), Dr. M. G. Sturm (Trinidad), Adolph Weiss (Los Angeles), H. F. Underwood (Washington), Weaver W. Adams (West Orange), Glenn E. Hartleb (Erie), Angelo Sandrin (Chicago), Pvt. Lee Magee (Fl. Riley), Alfred Ludwig (Omaha), Ronald E. Brask (Attleboro), Walter Muir (Schenectady), Walter Mann (Columbus), Dr. F. Bohatirchuk (Ottawa), Herbert W. Hickman (Haverford), Richard Kujoth (Milwaukee), Pvt. Kenneth R. Smith (Randolph Field), John E. Howarth (Howard), Mrs. G. Platigorsky (Los Angeles), and Morton E. Luebbert, Jr. (Triplett). The last named substitutes for Hans Berliner and has declared himself ineligible for any prizes in the event which he will also direct.

Success in this venture will encourage Mr. Luebbert to conduct similar events for less well known postal players, and those interested may write him for details at Triplett, Mo.

DUNKEL WINS GARY TITLE

George O. Dunkel won the Gary (Ind.) City Championship with 4-1 score on S-B points, drawing with George Martinson and Floyd B. Bolton in the 15 player 5 round Swiss. Second and third respectively on S-B points with equal 4-1 scores were Wallace Kosiba and Dale E. Rhead. Kosiba lost a game to Philip Schuringa, and Rhead did likewise. Fourth place went to George Martinson with 3½-1½, drawing with Dunkel and losing a game to Kosiba. Floyd B. Bolton directed the tournament.

LUDWIG RETAINS OMAHA TITLE

With his strongest rival in the Armed Forces, Alfred C. Ludwig experienced little difficulty in winning the Omaha City Championship 14-0 from a field which represented a large number of new players in the city championship. H. Hamlin was second with 11-3 and W. Carr third with 8-6 in the 8 player double round robin event.

Early Correspondence Chess In U.S.A.

By DR. BRUNO BASSI

Upsala, Sweden

THERE is no chapter in the History of Chess so insufficiently investigated as that concerning the Game by correspondence. This sad statement applies also to American Chess History, and I hope it will therefore be of some interest to record here the first known instance of Correspondence Games in the States.

In 1835, the New York Chess Club, which had then found a comfortable assembling place in Ann Street, arranged a game by correspondence with the players of the Federal City. The Metropolis of the East Coast was represented by Saroni and the lawyer Adam L. Logan, whereas the game in Washington was conducted by a committee including among others John L. O'Sullivan, who was for many years Editor of the Democratic Review and later for some time Minister Resident at the Court of the King of Portugal. Unfortunately, the score of the contest has not been preserved, as far as I know: perhaps some-readers will try to unearth it? The game was interrupted and, according to a late tradition (Fiske, 1859), was afterwards finished by O'Sullivan in New York, over the board, and won by the Manhattan players.

It is first in 1840 that we hear of another match by correspondence, this time between New York and Norfolk, Va. It was to consist of two games, conducted simultaneously, and the winning party was to be entitled to a fine set of men. The players on the part of New York were Colonel Charles D. Mead, a member of the New York bar, and James Thomson, both of whom were later in Europe and played Kieseritzky. In the Norfolk committee was, among others, Littleton W. Tazewell, formerly Governor of the State of Virginia.

The moves in the games were published in the New York American, which deserves therefore a place in the history of early American chess columns, the first regular of which appeared, as it is well known, in the New York "Spirit of the Times" the first March of 1845.

The first game lasted two years (1840-1842) and was drawn. The second, begun by Norfolk, was concluded in the early days of June 1842, when at the 26th move, New York announced mate in four moves. As it is a fine specimen of Old Days play, we bring here the score of the game:

KING'S BISHOP OPENING

Correspondence Game
1840-42

White NORFOLK, VA.	Black NEW YORK
1. P-K4	P-K4
2. B-B4	B-B4
3. P-QB3	Q-K14
4. Q-B3	Q-K13
5. K1-K2	P-Q3
6. P-Q4	B-K12
7. O-O	K1-K13
8. PxP	PxP
9. K1-K13	B-K15
10. Q-Q3	Q-K12
11. P-K14	K1-R4
12. B-K3	O-O
13. K1xK1	BxK5
14. K1-Q2	K1-B3
	15. Q-B2
	16. QxR
	17. Q-B1
	18. P-K13
	19. B-Q5
	20. BxK1
	21. Bx8
	22. Q-K3
	23. KR-K1
	24. Q-K1
	25. R-K12
	26. QR-K1



After 26. QR-K1
NEW YORK

NORFOLK

The game reported above made the round through all then existing chess magazines and columns of the world. It appeared in Bell's Life, in the Chess Player's Chronicle and in the Palamede.

St. Amant, the Editor of the Palamede, condemned in his comments the sacrifice of the exchange made by New York at the 15th move as unsound, and asserted that the winning of the game by New York after that move was the result of "luck." Norfolk, he maintained, should have played QxK1 instead of RxK1. Some years afterwards, Stanley published the game in the "Spirit of the Times" (1846, May 2nd), denying the allegation of the French critic, and appended some variations to prove the correctness of New York's course. St. Amant, upon receiving a copy of Stanley's remarks, rectified his error: there is however a certain air of incredulity about his apology: it was evidently difficult for him to believe that any chess player at a distance of three thousand miles from France and the Cafe de la Regence could be able of forming and elaborating a combination so deep as that in question!

At the close of the contest, a dispute arose as to the actual result of the match, drawn games being at that time considered as nihil. Norfolk insisted that the match consisted of two games, that one was not the majority of two, and consequently the whole struggle resulted in a draw. New York replied that if one was not the majority of two, it was yet infinitely greater than nothing! A long paper warfare resulted: but the matter was at length submitted to the adjudication of O'Sullivan, who decided in favor of New York and in a long essay demonstrated the justice of his decision. New York therefore received the prize.

This and many other amusing details about early correspondence play can be gathered perusing old books and chess columns, but also chess history, like the best things of the world, like wisdom and wealth, like books and beauty, like the pies of Strasbourg and the wines of Cyprus, is an enjoyment confined to a comparatively small portion of the human race.

FEDERAL VICTOR IN RADIO MATCH

In a two session short-wave radio match the Federal Chess Club of Washington defeated the team of the Army Records Administration at St. Louis, winning with Black and drawing with White. Ham station W3PZA handled Washington with Ethel M. Smith, Charles F. Glass, Wm. H. Blair, B. A. Yoka and A. A. Stern as technicians, while George Bischoff handled St. Louis through WOTCE at Normandy, Mo. Consultants for Federal were V. Mirable, V. Saporoito, H. C. Underwood, J. Wall, N. T. Whitaker and W. Plampin, captain. The St. Louis team consisted of C. Burton, A. Henderson, H. A. Lew, E. J. Roesch, R. Vollmar and J. C. Peterson, captain.

SCCA SCHEDULES ACTIVE SEASON

A very busy season with three important tournaments has been planned by the South Carolina Chess Assn. for 1951, according to the announcement of SCCA Secretary Robert F. Brand of Charleston.

First there will be the South Carolina State Championship, restricted to SCCA members, on June 16-17 in Columbia. On September 1-4 in Columbia will be held a joint North and South Carolina Championship event in cooperation with the North Carolina Chess Assn. Finally on November 10-12 there will be held the South Carolina Open Championship at the Prince George Hotel in Georgetown to which all chess players are invited.

Tuesday, June 5, 1951

Chess Life In New York

By Eliot Hearst

BEFORE this year's final round struggle between the Marshall and Manhattan Clubs, there was an air of expectancy—for this might be the Marshall Chess Club's "year," their first in six annual contests. Had not the Marshall lost a very close match the year before (9-7) and had not the Manhattan been held to a draw already in the current competition by a weaker Marshall reserve team? Indeed, the Manhattan was giving draw odds—they must win to retain their title. However, the hopes of the Marshall faithful were soon crushed, for the Manhattan once again fully asserted its superiority with an overwhelming victory of 7½-2½ (with two games adjourned).

It seemed that the Marshall Club just could not get started. Halper and Lasker lost early, and then Hearst fell victim to a startling and most sound opening innovation in one of his favorite variations (not any more!). Kevitz came through with a victory over Horowitz—the Marshall's lone win—in a mad time scramble, during which Horowitz, it is said, missed a winning try with scant seconds left. Hill, Pilnick and Seidman performed more admirably than the other Marshall stalwarts, but their efforts were unrewarding; the Manhattan swept those boards also.

The Reshevsky-Simonson game (it will be remembered that Simonson brilliantly defeated the grandmaster in last year's match), was, of course, the feature game, but it involved few of last year's thrills and surprises, and at adjournment, it seems a likely draw with Reshevsky having the plus, however. (After the two adjournments are played off, the probable match result will be 9-3).

Perhaps the Manhattan's crushing victory cannot be explained except in terms of playing superiority, but it is interesting (but fruitless) to consider whether the Marshall would have been more successful if Reuben Fine had played this year; his competition would have strengthened the team all along the line.

IN BRIEF: Final entrants in Manhattan C. C.'s International Tourney are Fine, Reshevsky, Evans, Kramer, Bisguier, Shainswitz, Horowitz, Byrne, Najdorf, Euwe, O'Kelly and Guimard. Rossolimo and Bolbochan were forced at the last moment to withdraw their entries, but Fine's inclusion makes the tourney even stronger than it had been... Milton Hanauer's exhibition at Marshall Chess Club resulted in 14 wins, 2 losses, and 3 draws for the exhibitor... In a tandem simultaneous, lasting six hours, on the Columbia University campus, E. Hearst and J. Sherwin scored 35 wins, 2 losses, and 3 draws... Arthur Bisguier will be inducted in the June draft call.

Alekhine's Career

(Continued from page 2, col. 5)

threatens not only R-R7 but also R-K16.
39. P-B5 40. Q-K18 Q-Q4
Defending the K17 square as well as the BP(B4) in case of Q-B3ch Now agony sets in for White.
41. R-KK3 R-K7 43. Q-KB8ch K-K4
42. P-R5 Q-Q5 44. Q-QR8
Perhaps only in the last two moves there shows also Alekhine's resourcefulness: first to remove the Black K to K14, and then to occupy with the Q the main diagonal from where she shoots both at Q5 and K11.
44. Q-Q7 49. Q-B1ch Q-B5
45. Q-R1 QxRP 50. Q-K1 K-R3
46. Q-Q5ch R-K4 51. R-KB3 R-K6
47. QxP(4) Q-Q7 52. RxR QxRch
48. K-K3 Q-KB7 53. K-K12 K-K14
and Black won shortly after breaking through with his K.

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1951 CCLA Special Tournament Correspondence Chess

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Tournament Life

BUDAPEST DEFENSE Washington vs. St. Louis Radio Match, 1951

Chessboard diagrams for the Budapest Defense match, showing positions after 14 and 24 moves.

ST. LOUIS 15. B-B2 P-B6 24. R(4)-Q1 B-R6 16. P-KK12 Kt-B 25. R-R8 P-B5(Q) 17. Q-K1 Q-K4 ch 26. R-Q R-R ch 18. Q-Q2 Kt-K5 27. K-B2 P-KP 19. K-K1 Kt-K6 28. P-R5 Q-K1 20. P-KR4 Kt 29. R-R1(1)-B7 ch 21. P-Q Kt-Q ch 30. K-K13 R-K17 22. R-K1 B-K1 Resigns 23. R-B P-B7

QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED World Championship Match Seventh Game, Moscow, 1951

White BOTVINNIK 3. D. BRONSTEIN 1. P-Q4 P-Q4 2. P-QB4 P-K3 The QK1 will go to Q2. The text is used chiefly for transitional possibilities. 3. P-B3 4. P-KK1 5. P-KP with White best; 14. B-I7; R-B2, etc. and the game stands even (Koshvsky-Botvinnik, Nottingham, 1936). Or 8. Q-Q3, Kt-K3; 9. Kt-K5, Kt-Q2; 10. Kt-K4, B-K1; 11. P-B5, Kt-K1; 12. P-K1, P-K1; 13. QxQB, etc., and the game is even. 7. O-O 8. B-QR3 The idea behind this is P-K13. 10. Kt-K5 11. P-Q2 Q-K2 12. Kt-K4 13. P-K1 14. B-K1 15. P-KP won't work now. 16. Kt-Q2 Q-K2 17. Kt-K4 18. P-K1 19. P-K1 20. P-K1 21. P-K1 22. P-K1 23. P-K1 24. P-K1 25. P-K1 26. P-K1 27. P-K1 28. P-K1 29. P-K1 30. P-K1 31. P-K1 32. P-K1 33. P-K1 34. P-K1 35. P-K1 36. P-K1 37. P-K1 38. P-K1 39. P-K1 40. P-K1 41. P-K1 42. P-K1 43. P-K1 44. P-K1 45. P-K1 46. P-K1 47. P-K1 48. P-K1 49. P-K1 50. P-K1 51. P-K1 52. P-K1 53. P-K1 54. P-K1 55. P-K1 56. P-K1 57. P-K1 58. P-K1 59. P-K1 60. P-K1

FRENCH DEFENSE Montreal City Championship Montreal, 1951

White M. COHEN 1. P-Q4 P-K3 2. P-Q4 P-Q4 3. Kt-QB3 B-K15 4. P-K5 P-QB4 5. QxP; R-K1; 10. QxRP, P-K1; 11. Kt-R4, B-Q2; 14. P-R5, R-KK1; 15. P-R6, and White stands best (Bogatyrev-Alatorov). Also good here would be 7. Q-K3, Q-K1; 8. Q-K1; 9. Q-K1; 10. Q-K1; 11. B-Q2, Q-K1; 12. B-Q2, Q-K1; 13. B-Q2, Q-K1; 14. B-Q2, Q-K1; 15. B-Q2, Q-K1; 16. B-Q2, Q-K1; 17. B-Q2, Q-K1; 18. B-Q2, Q-K1; 19. B-Q2, Q-K1; 20. B-Q2, Q-K1; 21. B-Q2, Q-K1; 22. B-Q2, Q-K1; 23. B-Q2, Q-K1; 24. B-Q2, Q-K1; 25. B-Q2, Q-K1; 26. B-Q2, Q-K1; 27. B-Q2, Q-K1; 28. B-Q2, Q-K1; 29. B-Q2, Q-K1; 30. B-Q2, Q-K1; 31. B-Q2, Q-K1; 32. B-Q2, Q-K1; 33. B-Q2, Q-K1; 34. B-Q2, Q-K1; 35. B-Q2, Q-K1; 36. B-Q2, Q-K1; 37. B-Q2, Q-K1; 38. B-Q2, Q-K1; 39. B-Q2, Q-K1; 40. B-Q2, Q-K1; 41. B-Q2, Q-K1; 42. B-Q2, Q-K1; 43. B-Q2, Q-K1; 44. B-Q2, Q-K1; 45. B-Q2, Q-K1; 46. B-Q2, Q-K1; 47. B-Q2, Q-K1; 48. B-Q2, Q-K1; 49. B-Q2, Q-K1; 50. B-Q2, Q-K1; 51. B-Q2, Q-K1; 52. B-Q2, Q-K1; 53. B-Q2, Q-K1; 54. B-Q2, Q-K1; 55. B-Q2, Q-K1; 56. B-Q2, Q-K1; 57. B-Q2, Q-K1; 58. B-Q2, Q-K1; 59. B-Q2, Q-K1; 60. B-Q2, Q-K1

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Saul P. Wachs, A. DiCarroll, S. Sklaroff, etc.

CONNECTICUT OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP New Haven, 1951

Conducted by Erich W. Marchand

On 17. Kt-B3 The White Kt will reach the strong post K5. 18. Kt-B3 19. R-B2 R-QB2 20. KR-B1 Kt-K5 21. Kt-K5 Kt-B3 22. Q-Q3 P-K13 23. Kt-B6 and if then Q-K5; 24. QxQ followed by Kt-K7 ch winning. 25. Q-R6 K-K12 26. P-R4 Kt-R4 27. R-R ch QxR 28. R-R ch QxR 29. R-R ch QxR 30. R-R ch QxR 31. R-R ch QxR 32. R-R ch QxR 33. R-R ch QxR 34. R-R ch QxR 35. R-R ch QxR 36. R-R ch QxR 37. R-R ch QxR 38. R-R ch QxR 39. R-R ch QxR 40. R-R ch QxR 41. R-R ch QxR 42. R-R ch QxR 43. R-R ch QxR 44. R-R ch QxR 45. R-R ch QxR 46. R-R ch QxR 47. R-R ch QxR 48. R-R ch QxR 49. R-R ch QxR 50. R-R ch QxR 51. R-R ch QxR 52. R-R ch QxR 53. R-R ch QxR 54. R-R ch QxR 55. R-R ch QxR 56. R-R ch QxR 57. R-R ch QxR 58. R-R ch QxR 59. R-R ch QxR 60. R-R ch QxR

After 47. Kt-Q3 BRONSTEIN 47. Kt-Q3 48. Kt-K1 49. Kt-Q3 50. P-R3 51. Kt-B2 52. K-K3 53. Kt-R3 54. K-B2 55. P-K14 56. Kt-P ch 57. Kt-K14 58. Kt-P ch 59. Kt-K14 60. P-R3 61. Kt-B2 62. K-K3 63. Kt-R3 64. K-B2 65. P-K14 66. Kt-P ch 67. Kt-K14 68. Kt-P ch 69. Kt-K14 70. P-R3

Chessboard diagram for the French Defense match, showing positions after 47 and 50 moves.

White BOTVINNIK 47. Kt-R3 48. Kt-K1 49. Kt-Q3 50. P-R3 51. Kt-B2 52. K-K3 53. Kt-R3 54. K-B2 55. P-K14 56. Kt-P ch 57. Kt-K14 58. Kt-P ch 59. Kt-K14 60. P-R3 61. Kt-B2 62. K-K3 63. Kt-R3 64. K-B2 65. P-K14 66. Kt-P ch 67. Kt-K14 68. Kt-P ch 69. Kt-K14 70. P-R3

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and White does have his Black B! One idea, since White played B. Kt-B3 instead of B. P-Q3, was B. Q-R4 and a possible attack against White's weakened Q-side. Another idea was B. P-K4 9. P-KR4 10. B-K2 11. P-R5 12. KR-K11 KR-B1 13. B-Q2 14. P-Q3 15. P-QR4 P-QR3 16. B-K2 17. P-K1 18. R-K12 19. Q-K1 20. R-K12 21. Kt-R3 22. R-K12 23. Q-K14 24. QxR ch 25. R-R ch 26. R-K12 27. R-K12 28. R-K12 29. R-K12 30. R-K12 31. R-K12 32. R-K12 33. R-K12 34. R-K12 35. R-K12 36. R-K12 37. R-K12 38. R-K12 39. R-K12 40. R-K12 41. R-K12 42. R-K12 43. R-K12 44. R-K12 45. R-K12 46. R-K12 47. R-K12 48. R-K12 49. R-K12 50. R-K12 51. R-K12 52. R-K12 53. R-K12 54. R-K12 55. R-K12 56. R-K12 57. R-K12 58. R-K12 59. R-K12 60. R-K12

After 31. B-Q2 JOYNER 31. B-Q2 32. Q-Q5 33. Q-Q5 34. R-R 35. Q-Q5 36. R-R 37. Q-Q5 38. R-R 39. Q-Q5 40. R-R 41. Q-Q5 42. R-R 43. Q-Q5 44. R-R 45. Q-Q5 46. R-R 47. Q-Q5 48. R-R 49. Q-Q5 50. R-R 51. Q-Q5 52. R-R 53. Q-Q5 54. R-R 55. Q-Q5 56. R-R 57. Q-Q5 58. R-R 59. Q-Q5 60. R-R

Chessboard diagram for the North Carolina Team Tourney, showing positions after 31 and 32 moves.

White COHEN 31. B-Q2 32. Q-Q5 33. Q-Q5 34. R-R 35. Q-Q5 36. R-R 37. Q-Q5 38. R-R 39. Q-Q5 40. R-R 41. Q-Q5 42. R-R 43. Q-Q5 44. R-R 45. Q-Q5 46. R-R 47. Q-Q5 48. R-R 49. Q-Q5 50. R-R 51. Q-Q5 52. R-R 53. Q-Q5 54. R-R 55. Q-Q5 56. R-R 57. Q-Q5 58. R-R 59. Q-Q5 60. R-R

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What's The Best Move? By Guilherme Groesser

Chessboard diagram for 'What's The Best Move?' showing a position with White to play.

Send solutions to Position No. 72 to the Editor, CHESS LIFE, by July 5, 1951.

Solutions to Position No. 69

This problem-like win dates back to Leipzig, 1898 when Dr. Ryder won very simply by playing 1. Q-K1! Black must now lose the Queen or suffer mate by Kt-B3 ch. We congratulate the solvers who were not led astray into attempts to find a more complicated solution.

The most popular suggestion of 1. B-K6 is immediately defeated by the brilliant 1. Q-K1, threatening after 2. R-Q, Kt-Q, -a move that many solvers overlooked. More plausible is 1. B-Q2 and then if 2. Q-R5, P-K3 or if 2. B-K6, QxR; QxQ, R-P; 4. Kt-P ch, K-Q1 and the game is not hopeless. Likewise 1. Q-K1, is answered by P-K4 and there is no immediate winning combination to compare with the simple 1. Q-K1.

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White to Play and Win

Position No. 69: 1. B-QB ch, K-K6; 2. B-Q8, R-K5 ch; 3. K-B3, K-R7, 4. Rxf1, stalemate. Position No. 70: 1. K-B2, K-Q8; 2. K-K3, K-K6; 3. K-K4, B-K2; 4. P-B5, P-K4; 5. K-K3, K-Q6; 6. P-B7 (not 6. P-B4); 6-Q7; 7. P-B6, PxP ch; 8. K-B3, K-K4 wins; 9. P-B4 drawn.

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