

PROBLEMISTS WIN Chess Life Problem Composing Awards Go To Musante, Holladay, and Kujoth

> By VINCENT L. EATON Editor, Mate the Subtle Way!

W E take pleasure in presenting the awards in CHESS LIFE'S W International Composing Tourney for two-move problems, all of the entries in which have now been published. It was truly a global contest, for in addition to 35 problems by American composers, there were 13 from Canada and a total of 29 from Argentina, Australia, Bercontest, were is from canada and a total of 29 from Argentia, Austral, Ber-muda, Belgium, Great Britain, Czechoslovakia, The Netherlands, Israel, Italy, and Sweden. The quality of the entries was generally good— comparable to that of most of the recent tourneys—and the task of rating them has not been easy. The judging has been done by the Problem Editor, guided by the comments and counsel of the late Alain White, to whose memory grateful tribute is once more paid.

The award as originally drafted has had to be revised slightly, The award as originally gratted has had to be revised slightly, some of the best entries having been found to be unsound or anti-cipated by previously published work. The major casualty was the following by O. Stocchi: 8, p7, 1bB2Q2, 1R3s1q, 1Ek2rS1, p2Sp2p, b1P1sP2, 3K4. Mate in two by 1, B-R5. Originally selected for first prize, this was found to be anticipated by J. Buchwald's first prize winner in the 1936 Enroque! tourney, as follows: 4K3, p1Ps1BBb, 3pSP1p, 1Sr2k2, q1s3R1, 2Q4P, 7h, 8. Mate in two by 1, B-R8.

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SECOND PRIZE (\$7.50): Edgar Holladay. Five strategic corrections by the black Knight-a difficult task, cleverly performed.

THIRD PRIZE (\$5.90): Edgar THIGD PRIZE (\$5.00): Edgat Holladay. An unusual progression follows the defenses 1, ....., KKt-Kt3, 1, ....., QKt-Kt3, and 1, ...., Kt-Q6, with attractive line-play.

SPECIAL PRIZE (\$2.50): Richard Kujoth. The key gives the Black King four additional flight squares, with a varied assortment of mates following them.

Scaling the Honorable Mentions and Commended problems is some-what arbitrary, since they are very on a level in respect to much quality.

FIRST HONORABLE MENTION: EIRST HONORABLE MENTION: Eric M. Hassberg, Jackson Heights, New York. B2S152, Iqrs4, p2P1p2, Rorkb3, 1Q1S281, 3P1P2, 2P5, 1K1R4. 1. Kt-B5, featuring an amaz-ing network of pins after 1. ....., P2P009 BxP(Q6).

SECOND HONORABLE MEN-TION: R/Dr. Horacio L. Musante, Buenos Aires, Argentina. b7, 4p3, 1p3p1q, 1R1s1Q2, BPkB1b1R, mates after 1. ....., either Kt-K6 disappearing after the key but reappearing after 1. ....., either

THIRD HONORABLE MENTION: C. W. Sheppard, Norristown, Penn-sylvania. 2Q2B2, 23p4, 1pk1p3, 1S4K1, 1rpR2p1, 1p3R2, 1sbP4, q6B. 1. RxQP, with a rich variety of strategic play. FOURTH HONORABLE MEN-

FOURTH HONORABLE MEN-TION: S. Sedgwick, Manor Park, England. 2B5, 3S1K1p, r2p1p1r, p3Bk2, 6Rp, 1pbp1p2, 2qs1S2, 8. 1. Kt-R3; and artistic setting, with a flight-giving key and three mates by the White Knight battery following self-blocks. FIFTH HONORABLE MENTION:

Comins Mansfield, Surrey, England. 8, qpp3QS, 6b1, 2r2p2, RB2Bk1s, 2r2PpK, 2p2Ps1, b3S3. 1. B-B6, combining nine mates in a pleasing blend

SIXTH HONORABLE MENTION: Edgar Holladay, Charlottesville, Virginia. 5SqB, 2pQ1P2, 2p1s1r1, 3s2Pp, 1S3k1K, 3pR2B, 4Rr2, bb6. 332Pp, IS3KIN, 39R2B, 48r2, 000. 1. QxP(B6), changing two correc-tions by the King's Knight to three by the Queen's. SEVENTH HONORABLE MEN-WOW Ching Decoded HEM-

SEVENTH HONORABLE MEN-TION: Julius Buchwald, Jackson Heights, New York. K2R4, 8, 6p1, bS2p2B, 1B1sp3, 2s3R1, 1ppPP3, 2rk51Q1, 1, R-Kt2, combining the "Schiffmann" and 'Mari' themes in the defenses by 1, ....., either Kt+p KtxP.

EIGHTH HONORABLE MEN-EIGHTH HOWNGADLE MEAN TION: Francis J. C. DeBlasio, Brooklyn, New York. 8, IP1QRp2, 3B1P2, 3k4, IP1p2S1, Ir1b3K, B5Sb, 2sR4, 1, P.Kt8(Kt), with an interesting group of cross-checks. NINTH HONORABLE MEN MEN-NINTH HONORABLE MEN-TION: A. J. Fink, San Francisco, California. B5KB, ps2Q1Rp, qb2S3, 1b1k2pr, 3P2P1, 4p3, S1R1P3, 3r4. I. KtxP, with an unusual cluster of mates

TENTH HONORABLE MEN-TION: Ewhen Onyschuk, Toronto, Canada. 4R3, 2Q252, q2rb3, 1P3p2, 2Bskp1R, p1s1P1r1, K2B4, 4S3. 1. Q-55, with a wealth of interfer-propulate ence play. COMMENDED

Francis J. C. DeBlasio, Brooklyn, New York, KIb5, s7, 2pS4, BpkB4, 2S1Q3, 8, 2R1s3, 12Rr3, 1, Q-K5.

Julius Buchwald, Brooklyn, New York. r2k1B2, S1pp3R, 5K2, 7B, b1pQ4, b7, 8, 8, 1, Q-K5. P. ten Cate, Rotterdam, The Netherlands. 5b1R, 8, 8, R6K, 1pkS2S1, 6Rp, P3b2r, 2s2B2, 1, R-0K13

QKt3.

Knud Rasmussen, Richvale, Can-ada. 7Q, K1S1B1r1, p1B1p2b, R1s1kppS, s4r2, 2P5, 3P4, 8. 1. ada. Kt-Kt5

E. Shahaf, Tel-aviv, Israel, and J. J. P. A. Seilberger, The Hague, The Netherlands. 2S1B2B, 8, 5s2, rlkPS3, 1p4sb, 1P6, 2rR1p2, 5Q1K. 1. B-Kt7

C. W. Sheppard, Norristown, Pennsylvania. 3K2b1, 1Sp4P, 5Q2, S2k3r, 3P2r1, 4b3, 1P3Rs1, 1B4B1, 1. Q-K7.

## ANTO TRIUMPHS AT TORONTO U

H. Anto won the Varsity Champ-ionship at the University of Toronto 8<sup>1/2</sup>-<sup>1/2</sup>, drawing with T. J. Kagetsu who placed second with 8-1. Ka-getsu also drew with G. G. Perrault. Third place went to H. Feldberg with 6½-2½. Anto and Kagetsu will play a six-game match for the title.

FIRST PRIZE By R/Dr. Horacio L. Musante Buenos Aires, Argentina Black: 9 men



White: 10 men Ibb4K, 1qs5, SP2, 1PBPK3, rs2SR2, 182rp1B, 7Q, 8 White mates in two moves (1. Kt-Q6)

## THIRD PRIZE

By Edgar Holladay Charlottesville, Virginia Black: 10 men



White: 8 men 7s, 3p3K, 7R, r2Qs!S1, 2b1p1k1, 4B3, 4p3, bq1B1R1S White mates in two moves (1. KtxP)

### **BOOK PUBLISHED** OF PAN-AMERICAN

Industrious Jack Spence of Omaha has now issued Vol IV in his American Tournament Series-The Hollywood Pan-American Tournament, 1945. The book con-sists of 78 games with 39 of these annotated, covering an important American chess event in which the leading contestants were Reshev-sky, Fine, Pilnik, Horowitz, Kash-dan, Rosetto, Steiner and Adams. The book is mimeographed in a limited edition of 200 copies, sell-ing for \$2.00 each. Orders may be sent to Jack Spence, 208 So. 25th Avenue, Omaha 2, Neb. Also available are a few copies of Vol III in the series, The U.S. Champion-ship of 1948 at South Fallsburg, also priced at \$2.00.

## **EVANS WRITES** FOR MAGAZINE

Making his bow as an author, U. S. Champion Larry Evans has a three page article in the January issue of the "United Nations World," complete with a large complete with a large photo of the youthful author. The magazine retails for 35c on the stands and may be obtained for Alc postpaid by writing United Nations World, 319 East 44th Street, New York City.-It is rumored also that Larry's photo will appear in an early issue of "Look" magazine. Chess is looking up

is looking up.

## SECOND PRIZE By Edgar Holladay Charlottesville, Virginia Black: 9 men



White: 10 men (b), 1530(q, PBklpp2, P20182, 4B3, 1R352, 1p6, 1K2R1b1 White mates in two moves (1. B-Q3)

SPECIAL PRIZE (For best problem by an American who has not previously won a tourney award) By Richard Kujoth Milwaukee, Wisconsin Black: 2 men



White: 14 men 6QI, 1P4P1, 1pP2P2, 1K2kP2, 4S2P, 8, 1P1S2R1, 2B2R2 White mates in two moves (1. Kt-B2)

## CORPUS CHRISTI SEES GRAY WIN

James W. Gray with 7-2 in a ten player round robin won the Cor-pus Christi City title, losing games to Charles Blanpied and Folk Weaver. Henry Youngman and Charles Fuchsman tied for second with 6½-2½ each. Youngman lost to Gray and drew with Pablo Cor-tez, Blanpied and Weaver, while Fuchsman lost to Gray and Youngman and drew with Blanpied. Pab-lo Cortez placed fourth with 6-3.

## GEE TRIUMPHS IN SACRAMENTO

By virtue of S-B points, J. B. Gee topped the 15 player 5 round Swiss Sacramento City Qualifying Tour-ney with a 41/2-1/2 score, drawing with M. O. Meyer who placed sec-ond, also with 4½-½. Ray Rich-ards was third with 41, losing a game to Gee. Fourth to seventh with equal 3-2 scores on S-B points were R. E. Russell, S. G. Johnson, E. Roman and S. Snaulding Tho F. Roman, and S. Spaulding. The final Sacramento City Championship event began January 23rd.

#### ISCA CONDUCTS CHGO CITY EVENT An invitational Chicago City

Championship will be conducted at the Lawson YMCA by the Illinois State Chess Ass'n on February 10.

## CUBA INVITES FIVE US PLAYERS

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FIVE US PLAYERS Cuba has invited five masters from the USA to compete in the gala International Tournament at Havana in February, which is be-ing held to celebrate the 50th an-niversary of the founding of the Republic of Cuba. The Americans invited are U. S. Champion Larry Evans, former U. S. Champions Samuel Reshevsky and Herman Steiner, former U. S. Open Champ-ion Israel Horowitz and Dr. Edward ion Israel Horowitz and Dr. Edward Lasker.

Other noted players invited in-Other noted players invited in-clude: Najdorf, Eliskases, Prins, Rossolimo, Gligoric, Arturito Po-mar, Juan Toran, and Braslav Rabar. Cuba will be represented in the event by Dr. Juan Gonzales and Dr. Romano with four other as yet unnamed Cuban players for a promoved entry list of 19 nextici. a proposed entry list of 19 partici-pants. Of the invited players, the presence of Rossolimo is reported the only doubtful one. Business engagements may prevent his ap-pearance, as it forced Dr. Max Euwe to decline an invitation to participate.

Trifunovic may be included among the contestants according to rumor.

## GUTEKUNST TOPS ALLENTOWN CITY

In the 9 player round robin, for-The s player found room, for-mer Penn State Champion Thomas C. Gutekunst won the Allentown City title with 8-0. Paul Sherr and Jack Mack tied for second with  $5\frac{1}{2}\cdot2\frac{1}{2}$  each. Sherr lost to Gute-kunst and Mack while drawing with Armin Herrmann, while Mack lost games to Gutekunst and Herrmann while drawing with Woodrow Young, Herrmann placed fourth Young. Herr with 4½-3½.

## MANNEY WINS IN WASH. OPEN

O. W. Manney, former Arizona champion, topped the 26 player 6 round Swiss Washington Open Championship with 5½-½, drawing with Leonard Sheets. Second place went on S-B points to Don Turner of Portland with 5-1, losing a game to Manney, while Leonard Sheets placed third, also with 5-1, drawing with Manney and James Amidon.

Fourth to ninth respectively on S-B points with equal 4-2 scores were George Stearns, Dr. Shepard, Dr. A. A. Murray, Charles Joachim, D. Ward, and Floyd Hebert.

## MSCA MEETING HOLDS INTEREST

The annual meeting of the Massachusetts State Chess Association will be held on February 22 at 10:00 a.m. at Phillips Brooks House in Cambridge and all members have been urged to attend. The very important item on the agenda is a resolution for the MSCA to become the State Chapter of the USCF through adoption of the National Chess Coordination Program. Results of a test census taken earlier indicate that the majority of the membership favors such affiliation, but it remains important, according to MSCA Presi-dent Robert W. Reddy, that all members be present to vote upon the resolution.

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UNITED STATES CHESS FEDERATION President Treasurer Secretary Harold M. Phillips Edward I. Treend Phil J. Mary 258 Broadway 12869 Strathmore Ave. 2011 Carew Tower New York 7, N.Y. Detroit 27, Mich. Cincinnati 2, Ohio USCF Membership dues \$3.00, except: Michigan \$5.00, Pennsylvania \$4.00, Tennessee \$4.00, Texas \$4.00. Vol. VI, Number 11 Tuesday, February 5, 1952	4S1K1, 1s1SR2Q, 2R1S3		New York. The directors of the Marshall do not as yet appear wor- ried about this unforeseen com- petition, though it is 'likely that several "two-dimensional" club players (!?) are expected to enroll in the special course. The \$300.00 board on which the game is played has 512 courses
	Problem No. 305	Problem No. 306	third to sixth floors of the eight
WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY? O <sup>N</sup> the agenda in international chess for 1952 are three important events, in which the United States should be represented. These are the Interzonal Tournament at Stockholm to determine participants in the Candidates Tournament for the World Championship title, the Woman's World Championship Tournament at Moseow, and the Inter- national Team Tournament at Helsinki, There is also under discus- sion the World Junior Championship event.	Newport, Kentucky	By C. S. Kipping The Problemist November, 1951 Black: 12 men Black: 12 men B	story setup; the difficulty of a chiev- ing checkmate with only the usual number of men forced the inventor to fashion 4 new pieces—the super- queen, fool, hippogriff, and arch- bishop. As far as the mathemati- cian-inventor Dr. Kogbetliantz knows, no one has ever played the game here in America; he points out, however the efficience with

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If the United States is not represented in all, or most, of these events, there will be a loud outcry from the critics, ever cager for the opportunity of vocal exhibitionism.

But ultimately the responsibility for U.S. participation in the various international events rests with the indvidual chess players of the USA. And any criticism they may voice at a failure to have such representation is a criticism of their own failure.

The United States Checks Federation desires American participa-tion in all such international events, for that is one of many reasons why it was organized. But participation is expensive, it demands a considerable outlay in transportation and living expenses for the players sent to represent the Federation and the USA. Whether the USCF can finance any or all of these adventures in international chess decords carlierary upon the financial support given to the Federation USCF can finance any or all of these adventures in international chess depends entirely upon the financial support given to the Federation by the individual chess players of the USA. If the chess players, as in-dividuals, respond loyally with their support of the Federation, there is no question but that all such events can be provided with American entries to the greater glory of chess in the USA. But to do this, all chess players must contribute to the cause by paying their own dues in the USCF promptly and in encouraging their chess playing friends to do likewise.

Those who call the tune, must pay the pipers; those who want the USA to assume its proper role in international chess must be willing to share in the financial responsibility. Montgomery Major

The Kibitzer Has His Day From the Editor's Mail Bag

Dear Mr. Major:

Re Mr. Soudakoff's complaints and accusations (CHESS LIFE, Volume VI, Number 7) I have to say this:

In his letter of inquiry dated October 1, 1951, Mr. Soudakoff raised only one question: "... I would like to know ... on what basis invitations were extended to the 1951 ... U. S. Championship ..., adding: "I raise this question because (a) three players who were because (a) three players who were rated below me in the Rating List (b) although I was available and eager to play, no invitation was extended to me."

I answered politely (Oct. 3, 1951) that the U. S. Rating List has so far not been adopted as binding for the U. S. Championship, that the 1951 Championship had to be held 1991 Championship had to be left as an invitation tournament, that in the last minute I had to find some substitutes without being bound to follow any prearranged list, and that among those I ac-cordingly tried to contact was Mr. Soudakoff himself whom I unfortunately failed to reach since his telephone didn't answer.

To this, Mr. Soudakoff replied in a letter (October 20, 1951) so mandatory and arrogant I had to inform him of my unwillingness to continue our correspondence on the level he entered.

Here are some samples of the attitude Mr. Soudakoff has taken in his second letter:

(1) He reprimanded me for having failed to answer questions he didn't ask: ". . . you have not exupon t as:  $\cdots$ , ..., you have not explained what the purpose of the Rating List is ..., nor why the Federation chooses to ignore its own list."

(2) He blamed me for his failure to understand the term invitation to understant the term invitation tournament meaning that (by de-cision of the Board of Directors) the selection of the players has been left to the Tournament Committee's insight, (As for the emer-gency substitutes, I gladly take the responsibility for having consider-ed Mr. Soudakoff as good as any of those substitutes who did par-ticipate, and vice versa.)

(3) He hinted I might have been bribed: "I am led to assume ... the basis of selection was on fac-tors other than merits." (Style his.)

(4) Quoting me as saying: "Had known that you were eager to play I would have extended an in-vitation to you with pleasure, sat-isfaction and relief" he made this preposterous comment "In other words, by your own admission, had I forsaken my pride and pleaded with you for an invitation, it would have been forthcoming."

(5) He involuntarily disclosed the frivolous nature of his accusa-

A former master raincad machinist of Neoraska, Bill Plinley re-tired to his clifflike home back of Hollywood at 811 Maltman Ave. and then set to work and invented special knives and lathes to turn out his beautiful sets, which are to be found as standard equipment in pract-ically every chess club in the country. Always in search of excellent hardwood to make his sets, Pinney has used woods from all over the

world. He once used a piece of a keel from a Chinese junk brought to this country by a movie studio and later taken to Catalina Island and sunk in a film-shooting episode.

He ages his own wood under his He ages his own wood under his house and takes great pride in never selling anything but a per-fectly carved set. He makes four sizes, master, club, junior club, and student, and does not whole-sale them but sells directly to his chess barying cliented a which acchess-playing clientele, which ac-counts for his prices being so low.

It is difficult to say how long It is difficult to say how long it takes the meticulous craftsman to make a set, since he makes all the pieces on a machine of his own invention. That is, he will make 50 Pawns at a time, then reset the machine and make 50 or 100 Knights, then reset the machine for a third piece machine for a third piece.

tions by giving me stern advice how I should have behaved in my capacity as Chairman of the Tour-nament Committee (". . . when you accept authority you must assume responsibility") and telling me what damage I have done in that what damage I have done in that capacity ("... you have done chess in America a disservice ..." and "... the personal disservice you have done to me ....").

Well, well-there is just a slight slip in Mr. Soudakoff's egocentric

He also makes the redwood boxes for the sets and handsome boards for each size set.

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White: 7 men SSRB4, kr6, p7, Rp2S3, IK6, 5B2, 8, 8 White mates in two moves White mates in two moves White mates in the moves

Master Woodcarver Makes 10,000 Sets

 $F^{\rm OR}$  20 years now, the chess world has beat a path to the mountain-side home of kindly 76-year-old William T. Pinney, master wood carver, who estimates that in his time he has made 10,000 chess sets.

A former master railroad machinist of Nebraska, Bill Pinney re-

For solutions to previously published problems, please turn to page

By HAROLD LUNDSTROM "Let's Play Chess" – a regular feature in the Deseret News,

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He has a novel method of weighting the pieces so that the lead can never drop out. Mrs. Pinney polishes and finishes each piece by hand. All the pieces, boards and tables are finished with spar varnish.

So far as Pinney knows, he is the only person who makes chess sets for the blind. Each piece has an identifying mark for the players to feel. The white squares on the board are raised a little higher than the black so that the players can tell where the pieces are and each piece has a little are, and each piece has a little peg to keep it from being knocked over.

Extremely hospitable to every visitor who comes to see his shop, Pinney carefully explains his methods and machinery which are relatively simple.

bombast: I never was the Chair-man of the Tournament Commit-tee, while the Chairman of that committee never had all the duties nonchalently devolved upon him by Mr. Soudakoff. Or should he have forsaken his pride and plead-ed with Mr. Soudakoff for a nod? HANS KMOCH

Secretary of Tournament Committee

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ghtievsual ntor perrchatiantz the ints out, however, that officers at the Russian West Point are required to master the fundamentals. Your remaster the fundamentals. Your re-porter seems to recall a U. S. army officer who brought a tri-dimen-sional set down to the playing rooms at the U. S. Open in Fort Worth last summer; in fact, Isaae Kashdan seemed quite intrigued by the game. Perhaps some of our readers can refresh my memory on that point! that point!

Certainly the innovation is of great interest to all fans of the Royal Game, and yours truly will make it his business to visit some make it his business to visit some of the classes and report to you the strange movements of the se strange pieces, if he proves to have the "three dimensional mentality" necessary for understanding the game according to Dr. Kogbetliantz. At least I have had some exper-ience with three-dimensional tictictac-toe, if that is of any help!

IN BRIEF: Mrs. Mary Bain, U. S. Women's champion, is planning an exhibition tour, which will take her to California and back to New York in April. This is the first tour of such kind by a woman player and perhaps may do much to dispel the idea that women are the "weaker sex," chessically at least. Interested clubs can contact Mrs. Bain at the Marshall Chess Club . . . Larry Evans, U. S. Champ, returned to New York recently after the completion of his very successful Eastern tour . . . Leading scorers in Manhattan Chess Club championship are D. Byrne (9½-2½), Kramer (6-0), and Pavey (6-1), while at the Marshall Chess Club F. Hoarst (10 2). Cultor, 0: 4 Days E. Hearst (10-2), Collins (8-4), Don-ovan (8-5), Sherwin (6½-4½) are the pacesetters.

## For The Journament-Minded

February 9-?

Chicago Championship Tourney Chicago, III.

Chicago Chess & Checker Club will sponsor a Chicago City tourney, beginning February 9 in the club rooms, 116 S. Michigan Ave., Room 1208; round robin; \$10 entry fee with \$5 refund on completion of schedule; for entry see Mr. Charbonnier at the club.

Are You A Member? Is Your Friend A Member?



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TWO interesting positions are the subject of this week's study. Posi-tion No. 85 by the noted German composer Bernhardt demon-strates the win by an inferior force by a peculiar use of the restricted position of the Black King. The first two moves are rather obvious, but thereafter White's strategy is not so self-evident. Position No. 86 by Herbstman is a very instructive study in the power of two Rooks to thwart the greater power of the Queen. The eventual positon is a stalemate, but the means of creating such an end is not too apparent. Dr. Julius Weingart of Des Moines writes regarding the Edmund Nash position (No. 84) that in the author's solution, no win is clear after Black plays 3....., K-R6 in answer to White's 2. Q-K2. Dr. Weingart suggests that a more clear-cut solution would be 1. Q-K6. R-Kt8 (as in original solution), and then 2. Q-K2ch', K-Kt3 (2....., K-R5 loses the R at once); 3. Q-B2ch! and whether Black plays K-B2, K-B3 or K-K12, the White Q by Q-R2ch, Q-B6ch, or Q-B7ch respectively forces the win of the Black Rook. For solutions, please turn to Column five. For solutions, please turn to Column five.

Downtown YMCA Chess Club (Pittsburgh) elected John Hobbs president, E. A. Coons and A. B. Casilio vice-presidents, J. Glenn Waltz secretary and W. R. Hamil-ton treasurer. W. M. Byland be-came editor of the club publica-tion. En Baseaut tion, En Passant.

Y-Chess Club of York (Pa.) has inaugurated a program of promo-tion of junior chess with member

Tri-City Chess Club (Davenport) Fri-City Chess Club (Davenport) began preliminary plans for the 28th annual Trans-Mississippi Tournament, June 7-8 at 322<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Har-rison St., Davenport by election of officers. Henry Jeffrey of Rock Island was named president, while John Warren of Rock Island was named vice-president in charge of chess and Orville Bryan of Rock Island vice-president in charge of checkers. Wesley Peterson of Davenport was chosen secretary and Gust Lindburg treasurer.

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# Ed. Cannon in charge. A round dozen of junior players have been enrolled in the program. W19 W11 W17 W10 W13 W15 W12 W6 W14 W21 L10 D3 Bye .W22 L9 .W8 .W23 .W20 .L4 .L3 .L5 .W16 ..L15 L4 W9 W16 L7 L2 L1 W14 W17 L12 L3 L8 W21 D5 W18 L13 W19 L12 W11 W9 W17 D20 Bye D7 D6 W15 W21 W4 W22 W13 L12 D16 L8 D14

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obituary in "Shakhmaty v SSSR, 1951 no. 2, p. 58).
(\*) Except for the two "new" Alekhine games, Pavlov-Pianov's report on Moscow chess from 1916 to 1919 seems to be based mainly on llyin-Zhenevsky's chess cloumn in "K Novol Armil." His only new contribution consists in his opening statement that Moscow chess life was not interrupted "even in the hard years of the civil war" and that from the end of 1916 all through the virongest a courament between the bitrongest of the most network of the most of the most of the most network of the most of the m

knowledge on Moscow chess life of that period. (\*\*) In 1945, Zubarev wrote an article v25 Years' for "Shakhmaty v SSSR" (1945 no. 3, p. 73), in which he surveys the achievements of the Soviet chess movement from its dark beginnings "before the advent of Aleksandr Feder-ovich liyin-Zhenovsky in Moscow".-which he, sirangely, also places "1919-1920," contrary to Ilyin's own state-ments--when the Moscow "chess play-ers gathered in private apartments and mentions that "in these conditions there was even played the first post-revolutionary championship of Moscow, in which N. L. Grekov conquered the Champion title"--without a word about Alekhnie's participation, even if only "hors de concours."

#### Solutions:

White to Play and Win Position No. 85: 1. P.R7, B-B3; 2. B-R4/, B-R1; 3. B-K8 chl, Kt-Kt3; 4. P.Kt3 and wins by the White King going to KB5.

KES. Position No. 96: 1. R.K16 ch, K-R14: 2. RAP ch, K-B5: 3. R-R4 cht, K-Q5 (if 3. R-R2 ch, K-B5: 5. R-R4 ch, K-K3; 5: R-R5 ch, K-R2; 6. R-R7 ch draws); 4. R-K15 ch, K-K7; 5. R-R2 ch, K-B6: 6. R-R4, Q-(12) ch (on 6. ...., Q-XR; 7. R-K11 ch wins); 7. R-R2, Q-XR; 10. R-B2 ch and draws,

#### MANNEY TOPS WASH SPEED

eacrifice.

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V. ZABERN Manchester, 1880

Q-K7 mate. Another line clearance

R-KIS Chi; 2. BXR,

Winning his first Washington title, since moving from Arizona, O. W. Manney of Seattle took the O. W. Manney of Seattle took the Washington State Speed Champion-ship 12-1, losing only to George Stearns. Second place was a tie between Glenn Muller and Ames Anders with 11-2 each. Both lost to Manney, and Muller lost also to Anders while Anders dropped a game to Dennis Chipman. Four-teen players participated in the round robin event.

#### HARTLEB LEADS IN MAIL EVENT

USCF Membership Secretary Glenn E. Hartleb holds a precarious lead in the special invitational correspondence tournament conducted by Morton Luebbert, Jr. with 71/2-41/2. Muir with 7-1 (a loss to Dr. Sturm) represents the most dangerous contender in points scored, but a number of other as yet undefeated players have opportunity of closing the gap.

Chicago Chess & Checker Club began its City League season auspiciously by downing Hyde Park Chess Club 4-2. At the same time in the club rooms the Chicago Junior Chess Team defeated Northwestern 5-0 in the collegiate section.

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#### CHESS LOSES TWO VETERANS

60. 1. Kt-R6 ch, K-B1; 2. KtxP 59. 1, mate. Nice work by the Knights. Q-K7 ma

JANOWSKI New York, 1899

Chess has lost the services of two of its veteran supporters in the passing of II. M. Gorham of Ojai, California and E. Graham of Los Angeles. Mr. Gorham was the oldest active member of the USCF at 94, while Mr. Graham was slightly younger. Both were loyal supporters of the USCF and con-sistent sofvers of the problems in CHESS LIFE.

## **DIVAN AWARDS** SPECIAL PRIZE

Overshadowing the prize awards to the winners in the annual Washington Chess Divan Championship was the special award given to Miss Made A. Sewall-a retired music teacher of about 80 pounds and 80 years who has been com-always been a threat which could not be ignored or minimized.

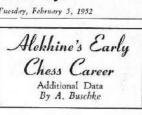
Martin C. Stark won the Champ-ionship event 4½-1½, losing to Oscar Shapiro and drawing with CHESS LIFE columnist Edmund Nash. Nash was second with 4-2, losing to Richard Cantwell, and drawing with Stark and Michael Tilles. Third place went to Oscar Shapiro with a loss to Nash and draws with Tilles and Cantwell. The Class II event was won by Errett A. Bishop 6-0, with Morton Saidelman placing econd with 5.1

Seidelman placing second with 5-1. Class III was won by F. M. Dubois 7-0, with Mrs. Jane Stokes second with 5-2.

Wilmington (Del.) Chess Club now meets twice a week, on Thurs-day evenings and Saturday after-noons, at the YMCA in response to the growing interest in chess in Wilmington. Delaware State Champion Melvin Hope secored 5-3 Champion Meivin Hope secred 5-3 in a simultaneous exhibiton, win-ning four, drawing two and losing two. Lee Morris and A. E. Knight scored the wins, while W. M. Berg-man II and R. D. Donaldson secur-od the drawn ed the draws. Germantown (Philadelphia) Y. M.

C. A Chess Club was host to Sam-uel Reshevsky on New Year's Day in a 40 board simultaneous. The grandmaster won 36 games, draw-ing with L. Arkless, U. S. Junior Champion Saul Wachs, Joseph Cot-ter (who defeated Reshevsky two years ago), and Mr. Woods.

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#### V. ALEKHINE IN SOVIET-LAND

THE following is the fourth and L last game of the Moscow Championship Tournament, Winter 1919-20, which we have been able to locate. It is to be regretted that to locate. It is to be regretted that Pavlov-Planov, who now, after Zub-arev's recent death, seems to be the only surviving participant of that tournament did not at least publish his tournament game with Alekhine when he wrote his article "From the Past" for the July 1951 issue of "Shakhmaty v SSSR"(\*)

The manuscript (in German) of the following game in our personal collection, the notes by Alekhine himself, are translated from this manuscript, and where the publi-cation in "Schachleben in Sowjet-Russland"—where it is published, with considerably shortened notes —is different, this is noted "SL".

Alekhine's opponent in this game, Nikolai Mikhailovich Zub-arev (\*\*), born 1894, is internationarev (\*\*), born 1894, is internation-ally better known as team captain of the Russian teams in the matches against foreign masters after World War II than for his achievements as a practical player; he finished last (21st, with 4½ points only) in the Moscow 1925 International Tournament; his score then included draws against Tartakower, Reti and Gruenfeld, and a win against Verlinsky who had beaten Capablanca in the same tournament. His practical successes had belten Capabianca in the same tournament. His practical successes in Soviet Russia were not partica-larly outstanding either, although he became Champion of Moscow in 1007 and 1000 became 1927 and 1930; his importance in building up the chess "movement" in Soviet Russia, however, cannot be underestimated. His death (Jan. 1, 1951) was a real loss for the Russian Chess organization (see obituary in "Shakhmaty v SSSR, 1951 no. 2, p. 58).



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