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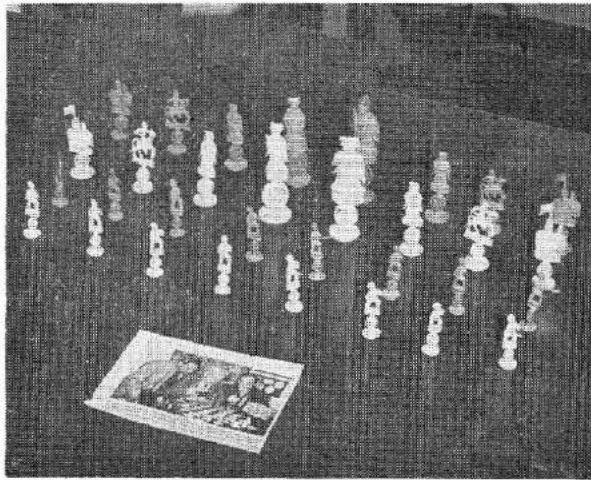


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ALL ROADS LEAD TO TAMPA



ODD AND VALUABLE CHESS SET

When Vincent Southwick of Amarillo bought the set in England (where they were brought by a retired British Naval Surgeon from Harlow, about 1700), he had no idea that it might be valuable. A similar set has recently been valued at \$3,000.00.

—Photo: Courtesy Amarillo Times



U. S. WOMEN'S CHAMPION AT SALT LAKE CITY

Here Mrs. Mary Bain in her simultaneous exhibition in the Deseret News Auditorium faces five of the "Small Fry Chess League" players in (left to right) Nick Lundstrom, Mark Lundstrom, Marcellus Snow, Barry Snow, and Raymond Thompson.

—Photo: Boyd B. Bullough

BORSODI WINS AT NEW ORLEANS

Victory in the New Orleans Championship went to Ed Borsodi with 16-2, while Pelton finished second with 15½-2½ and Cooper-Smith third with 14½-3½. McAuley was elected president of the New Orleans Chess Club with Murrhee vice-president, Wills secretary and Walsdorf treasurer. Plans are already being laid for the Louisiana State Tournament which will be held in New Orleans August 30-September 1.

U. S. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Omaha, Nebraska

August 18-23, 1952

Place:—Rome Hotel, Omaha.

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Omaha, Nebraska

U. S. OPEN BECKONS PLAYERS TO VACATIONLAND AT TAMPA

Chess and Fun Is Eternal Theme Of All U. S. Open Tournaments

So well known are the charms of Tampa as a city of relaxation and fun for the vacationist, that there is no need to dwell upon the attractions of swimming, deepsea fishing, and all the other sports so well advertised about this famous city of Florida.

But it was with these side-attractions in mind that the U. S. Chess Federation accepted the bid of Tampa and the Florida Chess League and made Tampa the site of the annual U. S. Open Championship. Here was a vacation spot for the chess widow to enjoy while hubby played his chess—a place for the whole family together.

For the chess-player himself, the Open Championship promises to be one of the most interesting ever held by the Federation. More than usual effort has been expended to gain the presence of players from Latin America to make a colorful and varied event. It is anticipated that our Latin neighbors will contribute more contestants to this event than came even to the Corpus Christi Open which had representatives from several Latin American lands. It is even anticipated that several players from Spain will participate. Even at this early date it is known that Dr. Juan Gonzales, champion of Cuba, and Rafael Cintron of Puerto Rico will be among those playing. Other Cuban and Puerto Rican players are also expected.

Women Not Neglected

Nor are the women chess players neglected in these plans, for a full scale Women's Open is also being planned. It is hoped that U. S. Women's Champion Mary Bain, who was for many years a resident of Florida, will compete in this and that many other women chess players will make it the biggest Women's Open in the history of the tournament.

TURNER TAKES LAKE CO. EVENT

Philip Turner of Emerson High won the annual Lake County (Ind.) Interscholastic Championship sponsored by the Gary Chess Club. Turner scored 4½-½, drawing with Robert Spence (Emerson) in the 8 player 5 round Swiss. Second place with 3½-1½ went to Don Miller (Horace Mann) who lost to Turner and drew with Richard Floyd (Hammond). Third and fourth with equal 3-2 scores on S-B points were Alex Raluckyj (Hammond) and Gus Sacopulos (Emerson).

JUREVICS TOPS DALLAS OPEN

Gustav Jurevics, a rather recent arrival from Europe, showed his old-world skill in winning the Dallas Open Championship 7½-1½, drawing with F. H. McKee and conceding one loss to last year's champion, R. B. Potter. C. Frederick Tears was runner-up with 6½-2½, losing games to Jurevics and W. T. Strange while drawing with J. W. Stapp. Third and fourth on S-B points with equal 6-3 scores were R. B. Potter and J. W. Stapp. Potter lost games to Tears, F. H. McKee and Russell Smith; Stapp was defeated by Jurevics, Potter and drew with Tears and McKee in the 10-player round robin event.

RESHEVSKY WINS MATCH 11-7

By drawing the 17th game and winning the 18th and final game Najdorf bettered his score but lost the match 11-7 in the final games at San Salvador.

U. S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Tampa, Florida

July 14-25, 1952

Place: Hotel Floridan, Tampa.

Finance: James B. Gibson Jr. Chairman, 501½ Franklin St., Tampa 2, Fla.

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U OF WASH TOPS PUGET LEAGUE

The University of Washington surged forward to triumph in the Puget Sound League by 5 game points, winning 60½-19½ with 7-1 matches. Second was Seattle Chess Club with 55½-22½ and 7-1, while Tacoma YMCA Chess Club placed third with 6-2 and 45-35. Victorious Washington lost early in the season to Tacoma, but thereafter was unbeatable. The victory deprived Seattle Chess Club of the chance of gaining permanent possession of the Puget Sound Trophy, which must be won three times. Seattle has won it twice.

NEW IDEA SPARKS DALLAS TOURNEY

The Dallas Chess Club has inaugurated a novel idea in its Dallas Invitational Tournament, which is invitational only in the sense that the entry list is restricted to "A" Class players or better. The average Swiss event has the disadvantage frequently in the fact that the inclusion of players of all classes tends to lower the average rating of the event, so that the winners frequently are handicapped in acquiring top performance ratings. It is the idea of the Dallas Club that a tournament restricted to "A" Class or better players will permit the winners to gain performance ratings on a par with those gained by players of equal strength who have benefited, particularly in California and New York, from the opportunity of competing in strong round-robins events.

According to Fred C. Tears of the Dallas Club, all players are invited to the Dallas Invitational Tourney whose published USCF Rating in the last rating list is Class A or better. Players who are not members of the Federation and have desire to enter the Dallas event may this one time check with the Editor of CHESS LIFE to discover if their unpublished ratings qualify them for the event. The idea of the Dallas Club on holding an "A Class" event based on USCF ratings is one that may well spread elsewhere.

BERSBACH WINS INDIANA STATE

Scoring 5-0 in a 38 player 5 round Swiss Emil Bersbach, formerly of California, won the Indiana State title at Logansport. Second to fifth on S-B points with equal 4-1 scores were Boyd Collins, George O. Dunkel, George Martinson, and Alfred D. Gruen. Collins lost to Bersbach; Dunkel drew with Glen C. Donley and Roger Oren; Martinson lost to Wallace Kosiba; and Gruen lost to Bersbach. Floyd Bolton directed the tournament.

At the annual meeting Glen C. Donley of Logansport was elected president of the Indiana Chess Ass'n, Fred C. Flauding of Portland treasurer, Dale E. Rhead of East Gary secretary, and Floyd B. Bolton of Hammond tournament director.

NORTH CITY TOPS PHILA LEAGUE

North City Chess Club triumphed in the A Division of the Philadelphia Chess League, scoring 22½-7½ in games and 5-1 in matches. Franklin Chess Club was second by 2½ points, scoring 20-10 in games and 5-1 in matches. Germantown YMCA Chess was third with 17-13 and 3½-2½.

In the B Division Haverford College swept to victory with 31½-8½ in games and a match score of 7-1. Germantown YMCA was second with 27-13 and 6-2, while University of Pennsylvania's Blue team placed third with 26½-14½ and 5-3.

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THE VANISHED U.S. CHAMPIONSHIP

THESE will be hard words; but no other are appropriate to the occasion. For the mulish obstructionism of a few individuals threatens to make the United States Chess Federation and several of its officials liars.

On April 5, 1950, USCF President Paul G. Giers (now retired) pledged in an article in CHESS LIFE that the next U.S. Championship event (after the proposed 1950 tournament, which was actually held in 1951) would be planned upon a comprehensive system of qualification through State, Regional, and finally a Candidates' Tournament.

Some lingering scepticism, particularly in the Mid-West, greeted this announcement from various groups of players who were suspicious of the fact that the 1950 U.S. Championship was scheduled as an invitational affair. They feared that this one invitational event would be used as a precedent for others; and it must now be admitted that their fears have apparently been justified.

To quell this scepticism at the time, we wrote in good faith our own pledge (based upon the stated resolutions of the USCF Board of Directors) that the Federation would adhere to the Three-Year Cycle Plan as it had been adopted and approved by several successive Boards of Directors. We did not then anticipate that any official of the Federation would deliberately direct his energies and the authority of his office to preventing the operation of this Three-Year Cycle. Nor did we anticipate that the U.S. Championship Tournament Committee (charged with the arrangement of the details by Board of Directors resolution) would follow the simple expedient of ignoring this important duty under the encouragement of the two USCF officials most directly charged with the responsibility of implementing the plan.

What Mr. Giers may think concerning the deliberate effort to make him seem a liar to the USCF membership by thwarting those plans which he solemnly pledged for the Federation on behalf of the membership, we do not know. We do know what we think. We think that any organization, which deliberately breaks its pledged word to its membership, automatically ceases to deserve support from that membership. We know that we cannot serve an organization which permits us to pledge in its name certain commitments, and then fails to abide by that pledge.

Since no effort has been made to implement the first (and in some respects the most important) phase of the Three-Year Cycle Plan for the Championship (which should have been implemented early in 1951!), it now becomes the painful duty of the USCF Board of Directors at the annual meeting at Tampa this July not only to reprimand USCF President Harold M. Phillips for his deliberate sabotage of the plan, but to place its operation into other and more reliable hands, since President Phillips cannot be trusted to fulfill the frequently stated will of the Board in regard to the Three-Year Cycle.

Our editorial of March 20th, 1952 on the U.S. Championship provoked sufficient protest from the membership for USCF President Harold M. Phillips to rouse from lethargy long enough to direct USCF Secretary Phil J. Mary to contact the "Regional Directors" in regard to establishing regional tournaments. This ineffective gesture of evasion produced, of course, no action except the deceptive illusion of action, for there are no "regional directors" for the USCF, and the Three-Year Cycle Plan very definitely does not envision Regional (or Areal) Tournaments such as were staged for the preliminaries of the 1948 U.S. Championship.

The Plan says (we repeat again): "In accordance with rules to be formulated later this year, there will be state or regional competition, and every state or regional champion emerging from such tournaments will qualify for participation in the 1952 Candidates' Tournament."

It is quite obvious from the context that no formal Area Tournaments in the sense of the 1948 Championship Area Preliminaries were envisioned; the use of the title "state or regional champions" indicates this fact clearly. What was determined in setting up the Three-Year Cycle Plan, was that certain standards would be set for tournaments, whether state or regional, and that all the tournaments which fulfilled these stipulated standards would qualify their winners for the Candidates' Tournament. "Regional" was used, not in the sense of an Area Preliminary (for the word "Area" was sedulously avoided), but to cover such events as the New England Championship, the Southern Association Open, the Southwestern Open, the Trans-Mississippi, etc., if these events fulfilled the standards which the U.S. Championship Tournament Committee was directed to establish.

Encouraged by USCF President Harold M. Phillips and abetted by U.S. Tournament Committee Secretary Hans Kmoch (who has fortunately since resigned his office), the U.S. Tournament Committee has consistently failed upon one plea or another to set these standards, although it is not a matter which would require overmuch deliberation with the USCF Rating System at hand as a ready-made yardstick.

In an article (not yet published), USCF Rating Statistician Kenneth Harkness states: "As a rough guide, a Swiss System must average close to 1900 and a Round Robin over 1900 to make it possible for the winner or leading scorers to earn ratings of 2300 points." It seems obvious that it would therefore be easy to set the standard of performance for any tournament on the sole basis of rating points for qualification of its winner as an entrant in the Candidates' Tournament. If the tournament averages a rating of 1900 points or better, or if a winner earns 2500 performance points or more, he could be said to be eligible for the Candidates' Tournament; and a list of such eligibles could be compiled by the Rating Statistician and published in CHESS LIFE months in advance of the scheduled date for the Candidates' Tournament. Or the U.S. Championship Tournament Committee could set the standard of performance higher, if it thought such action advisable.

But this solution proved to be much too simple for the U.S. Championship Tournament Committee when we suggested it to them almost a year ago. Under the guidance of USCF President Harold M. Phillips they preferred to do nothing at all. Did they labor under the eager hope that when time grew too short for any qualifying events, they could then proclaim that another invitational tournament must be accepted as an emergency measure?

Since any Candidates' Tournament in 1953 must draw from entries who were qualified in 1952, it will be a very unsatisfactory solution for the Board of Directors now to set the standards to cover tournaments played in 1952. Many of these events have already been completed. But obviously no other expedient except this makeshift one remains, if the pledge of USCF President Paul G. Giers in 1950 and the subsequent pledges of CHESS LIFE Editor Montgomery Major are to be kept. And these pledges were made officially upon behalf of the Federation under the authority of stated resolutions of various USCF Boards of Directors.

We look to the Board of Directors at Tampa to act, since it is now obvious that nothing except obstructive tactics can be expected from Presidential headquarters in New York City. Of course, it is to be recognized that the USCF Board of Directors, when meeting in Tampa, has the inherent authority to reverse the decisions of all previous Boards and break the pledge made to the membership in 1950. We do not, however, believe that they will do so, if they consult the wishes of the membership.

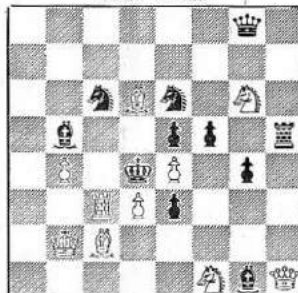
Montgomery Major

Mate The Subtle Way!

by Vincent L. Eaton

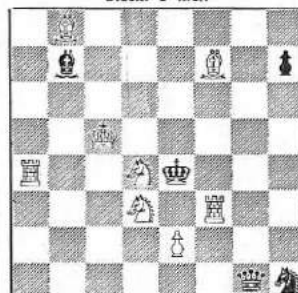
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 By F. Bennett
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 Black: 11 men



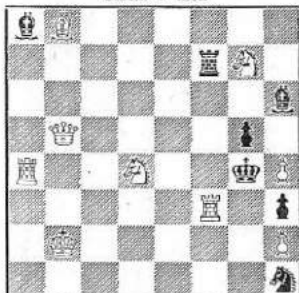
White: 10 men
 6g1, 8, 2sBxS1, 1b2oP1r, 1P1kP1p1,
 2RPp3, 1KB5, 45bQ
 White mates in two moves

Problem No. 337
 By Edgar Holladay
 Third Prize "British Chess Magazine," 1951
 Black: 5 men



White: 8 men
 1b6, 1b3B1p, 3K5, R2Sk3, 3S1R2,
 4P3, 6q5
 White mates in two moves

Problem No. 336
 By E. J. Eddy
 Third Prize "West Sussex Gazette" 1930
 Black: 7 men



White: 9 men
 bb6, 5rS1, 7b, 1Q4p1, R2S2kP, 5R1p,
 1K3P, 7s
 White mates in two moves

Problem No. 338
 By A. Gulyaev
 First Prize, "Shakhmati" 1946
 Black: 5 men



White: 5 men
 8, r5p1, 1S6, 4B1K1, 2R5, 8, 3Bx3, 3b4
 White mates in three moves

For solutions to previously published problems, please turn to page four.

Chess Life In New York

By Eliot Hearst

S VETOZAR GLIGORICH, victor at the recent Los Angeles International Tourney, has returned to New York, and, as the first exhibition in the series he plans, he took on all comers at the renovated quarters of the Marshall Chess Club. This simultaneous was additionally unique in that Gligorich, four-time winner of the powerful Yugoslav championship, is the first player from that country ever to give such a display at the Marshall. Edward Lasker, club president, related in his introductory words that Gligorich made quite a hit with the Cuban sponsors of the Havana tourney in which he finished behind only Najdorf and Reshevsky; so much so that the popular Slav was actually the fans' favorite to win after just a few days in the Cuban capital!

In his exhibition Gligorich did not lean toward the bizarre or unusual, at least in his choice of openings—he played P-K4 or P-Q4 on every board without even a single English, Reti or Bird's as most performers are wont to experiment with often. He, too, was playing under a serious handicap (?)—just before the evening's festivities began, Gligorich had cut his left thumb badly in some minor accident; the twenty five opponents soon found, however, that moves with his right hand were potent enough! The Yugoslav, whose popularity may in part be due to his ability to converse in many languages and thus with almost anyone (although not as fluently as the smooth O'Kelly of Belgium!), scored twenty wins, two losses, and three draws with the reversals coming at the hands of Willy Burck and Madame Von Haebler who, it may be remembered, obtained a draw with Arturo Pomar in an "unusual" exhibition game mentioned several issues back—1½ points out of 2 against such competition is not to be sneezed at! Arthur Feuerstein, one of the Marshall's most talented junior players, was the exchange up in an easily won ending when he unknowingly repeated the position three times—Gligorich (the exhibitor!) was quick to point it out and claimed the half-point; the other draws were achieved by J. Repecka and G. Jacobson. All in all, the young Slav champion has made quite a hit with New York chess fans, too, just as it appears he does everywhere!

IN BRIEF: The octagonal brick building donated by an anonymous contributor to house the Central Park chess players in bad weather is now under construction and should be "open for business" in the near future. . . . Louis Levy leads Phil Le Cornu in their four-game match, 1½-½. . . . The Brooklyn, Marshall and Sunset Park Chess Clubs are tied for first in the "B" division of New York's Met League with one round to go.

CLEVELAND TOPS COLUMBUS TEAM

In an intercity match Cleveland overwhelmed Columbus by 15½-1½ in a double round team encounter of ten boards. All Columbus could salvage from the wreckage were three draws by Walter Mann, Kurt Loening and Ryan.

DALLAS LEADING TEXAS INTERCITY

The Texas Intercity Chess League finds Dallas leading 2-0 with a 9-1 victory over Fort Worth and an 8½-1½ triumph over Waco. Fort Worth is second with 1-1, scoring an 8½-1½ victory over Waco.

Thursday, June 5, 1952

KING'S INDIAN

Hollywood International Tournament, Los Angeles, 1952

Notes by Erich W. Marchand

White hopes to recover the P without giving up the two Bs.
7. B-K12 B-Q2 10. R-K1 P-KR3
8. B-K12 B-Q3 11. B-QB1 O-O
9. O-O Kt(1)-Q2 12. P-K13

White
1. KASHDAN S. GLIGORIC
1. P-Q4 K1-KB3 3. K1-KB3 B-K12
2. P-Q4 P-KK3 4. P-KK3 P-B4

GLIGORIC



KASHDAN

Overlooking the strength of the ensuing sacrificial combination. Best was to admit his previous error and play 17. B-B1.
19. Kt-Q1 20. Q-B1
19. Kt-R4 would permit White's Bs to protect each other but has other defects.

FRENCH DEFENSE

Buffalo vs. Rochester Team Match, 1952

Notes by Max Herzberger

White
C. FELL M. HERZBERGER
1. P-Q4 P-K3 3. K1-QB3 K1-KB1
2. P-Q4 P-K3 4. B-K15 B-Q15

Solutions: Mate the Subtle Way!

No. 327 (Major): 1. Q-R1. "Very nice"—Rev. Chidley. "Enjoyable symmetry"—M. A. Michaels.
No. 328 (Eston): 1. B-R5.
No. 329 (ten C's): 1. P-B7. "Complicated and not easy to solve"—Rev. Chidley. "I liked this best of the two"—M. A. Michaels.

SOLVERS' LADDER

- Ronald O'Neil 272 Y. V. Oganefov 150 G. M. Banker 82 W. H. James 272
Richard Yochel 256 J. Kaufman 144 Dr. J. M. Erman 78 Rev. Chidley 200
Nicholas Voe 254 George Smith 144 Dr. W. Arey, Jr. 74 Steve Myzel 200

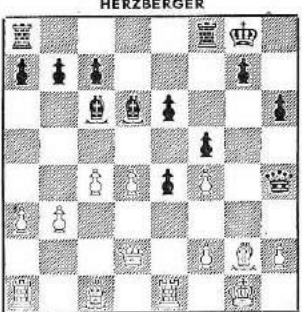
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Conducted by Erich W. Marchand

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After 22... KR-B1



FELL

20. P-KK4 The quickest way to win. If 20... R-B3 then 21. P-B3.
21. PXP QXP ch 22. K-K1 QxB ch
Not 22. P-K; 23. PXP and the White Q protects the B-(K12).

QUEEN'S GAMBIT ACCEPTED

Metropolitan League Match New York, 1952

Notes by Max Herzberger

White
J. SHERWIN G. SHAINSWIT
1. P-Q4 P-Q4 3. P-K3 PXP
2. P-Q4 PXP 4. P-K3 P-K12
3. P-K3 Kt-KB3 5. P-K3 B-K2
4. P-K3 P-K3 6. P-K3 P-K3

After 24... B-K4



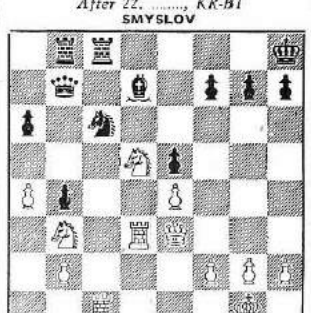
Solutions: White to Play and Win

Position No. 93: 1. B-Q5, Q-B; 2. KxB, B-K5; 3. R-R1, BXP; 4. KtXB mate.
Position No. 94: 1. P-K5 ch, K-K1; 2. B-B5, B-K17; 3. P-B6, BxB; 4. K-Q8, (KxB draws), P-R7; 5. P-K5, K-Q1; 6. P-L, Kt-Qch, K-B2; 7. Q-B7 ch, K-K1; 8. QxB wins. If 1. ... B-K1; 2. B-B6, B-K7; 3. P-R6, BxB; 4. KxB, P-R7; 5. P-R7 ch, K-R1; 6. P-K7 ch, KXP; 7. K-B7 and wins.

FOR SALE

ANCIENT HAND-CARVED IVORY CHESS SET
Exact duplicate of ancient Chinese Chess Set owned by Mr. George Franklyn Willey of New Rochelle which was featured in the New York Sunday News Rotogravure Section on January 7, 1951 and there valued at \$5,000.00. Authentic history of set available tracing it's ownership back to Hankow, China, about 1700 A.D.

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KERES

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4. P-K3 P-K3 6. P-K3 P-K3

After 24... B-K4



SHERWIN

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28. P-KR4 QxB

The ending is, of course, won. But both

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New England Championship

Open to all New England residents, including students attending New England schools; begins 7:30 p.m. Friday August 29; 6 round Swiss; First prize \$100.; a rated tournament; held at Newburyport YMCA, 13 Market St.; for details write: O. A. Lester, Jr., 63 High St., Newburyport, Mass.

Louisiana State Championship

Open to Louisiana players; details not yet settled but will be reported later.

AUSTIN REPEATS IN GREATER CHGO

Austin Chess and Checker Club again won the Greater Chicago Chess League title with 6-0 in matches and 24 1/2-9 1/2 in games. Second was the new Latvian Chess Club with 3 1/2-2 1/2 and 22-14. Leading scorers in the matches were Mrs. Eva Aronson (Austin) with 5-0, N. Aronson (Austin) with 4 1/2- 1/2, and John and Valdis Tums (Latvian) with 4-1 each.

The Kibitzer

From the Editor's Mail Bag

Dear Mr. Major:

I wonder if your readers could answer three questions:
(1) Can anyone produce a game (not a problem) in which a pawn was under-promoted to a Bishop?
(2) Did Marshall ever defeat Alekhine in a match or tournament game? If so, when and where?
(3) Could anyone dig up the games that Banks won from Marshall and Kashtan at the Chicago Masters Tournament in 1926?

That idea of beating another man at his own game is always dramatic. Johnny Kling, famous Chicago Cub catcher, won the world's pocket billiard Championship from Charlie Weston in 1909.

My chess friend, Mr. Robert W. Bruner of Ames, Iowa, tells of a man who boasted of having beaten Capablanca and Willie Hoppe: "I beat Capablanca at billiards and Hoppe at chess."

C. M. BURTON

St. Louis, Missouri

Colorado Open Championship

Open to all; two champions, open and state; \$100.00 cash first prize; entry fee \$6.00; for details, write: Merl W. Reese, tournament director, 1740 Glenmar, Denver 2, Colo.

Southwestern Open Championship

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