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## Larry Evans On Chess

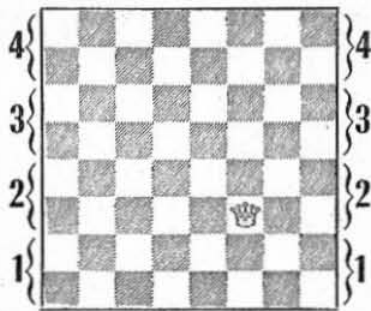


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### REFORMS IN NOTATION (Continued)

BY numbering ranks 1 to 4 in the Szold notation there results a fantastic saving over the Continental notation which numbers ranks running 1 to 8 in both directions!

Using the Continental notation, we would describe the White Queen in the diagram as being on KB3 (from White's side of the board), or on KB6 (from Black's side). This psychological confusion is eliminated by one stroke in the Szold notation: KB2. There is still a further refinement: by convention "K" may be dropped when describing the position of pieces on the King's side; thus we can now describe the position of the Queen in the diagram as simply "B2." There is, it is true, a "B2"



square on the Queen side; but it would be distinguished by indicating "QB2". Thus there is no possible ambiguity! There is only one "B2" square on the board. Were "B2" a black square, it would be written "B2".

Suppose we want to indicate the Queen moving to Q5 in the diagram. We would simply write "QQ3". We could not write "QQ" because there are three possible white squares on the Queen-file to which the Queen may move. There are, however, still further time-saving refinements which it does not pay to discuss here. But I will write further articles on the Szold Notation should public interest warrant it.

## CZAPSKI WINS PANHANDLE OPEN

Major Edmund Czapski of Roswell, N. Mex. scored 5-0 to win the Panhandle Open Championship at Borger, Tex. Bert Brice-Nash of Wichita, Kans. was second on S-B with 4-1, losing the final round game to Czapski. Third and fourth on S-B with 4-1 each were Dr. Ralph S. Underwood of Lubbock and Frank Muegler of Amarillo; both lost to Brice-Nash.

It is the plan of the sponsoring Tri-City Chess Club of Borger to make this an annual event in Borger, Amarillo, Pampa and other Panhandle towns. A previous Open held at Amarillo some years ago was won by Bert Brice-Nash. Twenty-two players competed in the event this year, representing Kansas, New Mexico and Texas.

### WORLD CANDIDATES

Switzerland  
Ten Rounds

|             |       |           |       |
|-------------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Reshevsky   | 7½-3½ | Auerbach  | 5-5   |
| Smyslov     | 7-3   | Gligoric  | 5-5   |
| Najdorf     | 6-4   | Taimanov  | 4½-5½ |
| Boleslavsky | 5½-4½ | Geller    | 4-6   |
| Keres       | 5½-4½ | Kotov     | 4-6   |
| Petrosian   | 5½-4½ | Szabo     | 4-6   |
| Bronstein   | 5½-5½ | Stahlberg | 2½-8½ |
| Euwe        | 5½-5½ |           |       |

## BURGER TAKES CENTRAL CALIF

B. E. Burger scored 3½-½ to capture the Central California Qualifying Tournament at Modesto and earn a place in the State Championship. Burger drew with runner-up M.O. Meyer who scored 3-1. Meyer also drew with J. M. David-Malig who scored 2-2 to tie for third on Solkoff points with R. E. Russell in the 8 player 4 round Swiss directed by Neil Austin.

## HERNANDEZ WINS FLORIDA TITLE

Nestor Hernandez of Tampa retained the Florida State title, being the first champion to repeat in over eight years of play, with a 5½-½ score, drawing with P. C. Knox of Deland. Second place in the 26 player Swiss at Vero Beach went to Col. F. D. Lynch of St. Petersburg with 5-1, losing only to Hernandez, while P. C. Knox placed third on S-B with 4½-1½, drawing with Hernandez and losing to Lynch. USCF Secretary Major J. B. Holt was fourth, also with 4½-1½, losing to Knox and drawing with Murray G. Cohen.

## BERLINER WINS NEW YORK TITLE

Hans Berliner of Washington, who tied for second with Larry Evans for the New York State title in 1949, this year won the New York Championship 8½-½, drawing with Karl Burger in the final round. Second place went to James T. Sherwin of New York City with 7-2, drawing with Roy T. Black and Phillip LeCornu and losing a game to Hans Berliner. Third with 6½-2½ was Dr. Ariel Mengarini who drew with Karl Burger and lost games to James T. Sherwin and Hans Berliner.

Tied at 6-3 each on games won were Karl Burger, Milton T. Hanauer, and Dr. Bruno Schmidt. Defending Champion John W. Collins ended with 5½-3½, losing a heart-breaker in time-trouble to Berliner and tossing away a final half-point in the last round by attempting to win a drawn position. Thirty-five players competed in the Championship event.

In the Experts Tourney twelve players competed with the victory again going to Fred Bartholy of Vestal with 7-1. Schuyler Broughton of West Palm Beach, Fla. was second on S-B with 6-2. Broughton dealt Bartholy his only defeat but lost to Norman Wilder, Jr. and drew with Francis R. Ferryman and William Rusch. Wilder of Buffalo was third with 6-2, drawing with Alton Cook and Rusch while losing to Bartholy. 15-year old William Busch of Buffalo was fourth with 5½-2½.

The Rapid Transit drew 21 players in the 3-section preliminaries and the 9-player finals was won by James T. Sherwin 6½-1½ with Hanauer second with 6-2, and Burger, Berliner and Mengarini tied for third with 5-3 each.

Jamaica Chess and Checker Club won the Susquehanna Cup matches with 3-6 in matches and 12-3 in games. Queen City Chess Club of Buffalo was second with 2-1 and 8½-6½, while Syracuse Chess Club was third with 1-2 and 8-7.

Dr. Bruno Schmidt of Homer, N.Y. won the possession of the Paul Morgan Memorial Trophy for best score by up-state player in the Championship event.

## YANOFSKY WINS BRITISH TITLE

Former Canadian Champion D. A. Yanofsky won the British Championship 9½-1½ in a 32 player Swiss at Hastings, losing one game to D. M. Horne and drawing with C. H. O'D. Alexander. P. S. Milner-Barry was second with 8-3, and R. G. Wade third with 7½-3½.

## HOWARD WINS AT NEW JERSEY

Franklin S. Howard of East Orange won the New Jersey State title on S-B with 5½-1½, being undefeated but drawing with John Westbrook, Ivan Romanenko and Edgar McCormick. The final round draw with McCormick was the thriller of the tournament. Second to fourth on S-B with 5½-1½ each were Saul Yarmak, Ivan Romanenko and Edgar McCormick. U.S. Junior Champion Yarmak lost a game to Howard and drew with Clinton Parmelee; Romanenko lost to Claude Hillinger and drew with Howard; while McCormick lost to former State Champion Adolph Stern and drew with Howard. Fifth to eighth on S-B with 5-2 each were Clinton Parmelee, Claude Hillinger, Irwin Sigmond, and Gustav Krauhs in the 47 player Swiss, which was unique in the fact that there were no forfeits or withdrawals. The tournament was directed by Sidney Wooldridge and conducted by the Northern Valley Chess Club at Hackensack.

## MAGEE REPEATS IN MID-WEST OPEN

Lee Magee of Omaha retained his title in the third Mid-West Open, placing first on S-B with 5-1. Also with 5-1 but second and third on S-B were John Penquite of Des Moines and A. Ludwig of Omaha. Fourth and fifth with 4½-1½ each were A. Liepnicks of Lincoln and D. Ackerman of Omaha. Magee drew with Liepnicks and Penquite; Penquite drew with L. Weeks of Milwaukee and Magee; Ludwig drew with Liepnicks and L. Weeks. The last round was the exciting moment with Magee paired with Penquite, Liepnicks with Ackerman, and Ludwig with Dr. Bela Rozsa; draws settled the first two events and Ludwig won the third, but a victory by Penquite or Liepnicks could have upset the results badly. The 32 player Swiss was held at the Hotel Capitol at Lincoln, Nebr. and six states were represented by players.

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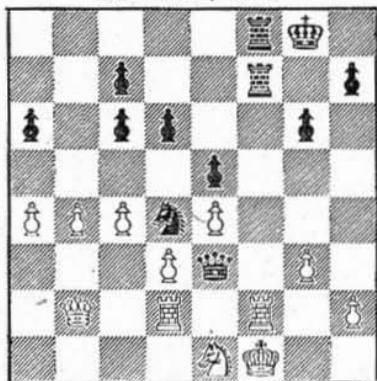
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CHAMPIONSHIP**

Milwaukee, 1953

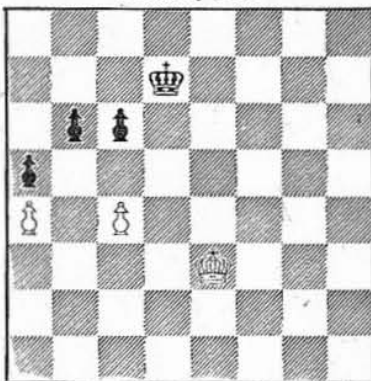
# Finish It The Clever Way! by Edmund Nash

Position No. 113  
Mason vs. Gunsberg  
New York, 1889



Black to play and win

Position No. 114  
Simagin vs. Baranov  
Moscow, 1953



White to play and draw

**A**FTER Black's unusual first move in Position No. 113, White resigned.

P. Romanovsky in the Russian chess magazine SHakhmaty (July 1953) calls Position No. 114 "A useful addition to the theory of pawn endings." The colors have been reversed for convenience. This position is similar to No. 56 in Fine's "Basic Chess Endings," but the difference in solution is fundamental. Here distant opposition does the trick.

For solutions, please turn to Page ten.

Send all contributions for this column to Edmund Nash, 1530 28th Place, S.E. Washington 20, D. C.



The long-drawn-out battle for the Correspondence Chess Championship of the World came to a conclusion when Harald Malmgren accepted a draw from C. J. S. Purdy, giving the World title to Purdy, the Australian correspondence ace and editor of CHESS WORLD. Final scores of the ranking contenders were: C. J. S. Purdy (Australia) 10½-2½; H. Malmgren (Sweden) 10-3; Dr. M. Napolitano (Italy) 10-3; O. Barda (Norway) 9½-3½. Malmgren's S-B score gave him second place. There were 78 starters in the preliminary rounds of the event, representing 22 nations, and the initial play started in July 1947 under the auspices of the ICCA (International Correspondence Chess Association).



## HAVE YOUR TOURNAMENTS OFFICIALLY RATED!

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D. A. Yanofsky, returning from England, paused at Quebec to give a 16-board simultaneous, winning 15 and drawing with Quebec Champion Jules Therien. On the following evening he played a 31-board simultaneous at Montreal where he won 26 and conceded 5 draws. The Montreal exhibition ran from 8:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. and was attended by about 125 interested spectators, most of whom stayed until the bitter end. The biennial Canadian Championship is scheduled for Winnipeg, Yanofsky's home town, beginning September 4th and it is probable that former Canadian Champion Yanofsky will compete. Povilas Vaitonis of Hamilton is the present Canadian title-holder.



In the British Major Open at Hastings, won by T. J. Beach and D. F. Griffiths with 9 each, K. R. Smith of Texas finished third with 7½ (he was winner last year), while Mrs. G. K. Gresser scored 5½ points in the event.



## RESHEVSKY LEADS IN CANDIDATES

Brooklyn's Grand Master Samuel Reshevsky at the end of seven rounds of play is tied for the lead at 5-2 with USSR Grand Master Smyslov in the World Championship Candidates' Tournament in Switzerland. Reshevsky's undefeated score represents wins against Szabo of Hungary, Dr. Euwe of Holland, and Stahlberg of Sweden, while he has drawn with Najdorf of Argentina, Petrosian, Auerbach and Boleslavsky of the Soviet Union.



## ILLINOIS TITLE TO TAUTVAISAS

Povilas Tautvaisas scored 6-1 to win the strongest and largest Illinois Championship of recent years, drawing with runner-up M. Turiansky and S. Cohen in a 60 player event in Chicago.

Miroslav Turiansky was second on S-B with 5½-1½, drawing with Tautvaisas, Cohen, and Angelo Sandrin, while third, also with 5½-1½ was J. Tums who lost to Turiansky and drew with R. Skultin. U.S. Women's Open Champion Mrs. Eva Aronson scored 4-3 as the only woman player in the event.

## BORSODI TAKES LOUISIANA MEET

Victory in the Louisiana Championship at Baton Rouge went to Edward M. Borsodi of New Orleans with 5-1 on S-B points, losing one game to runner-up Fred Cummings, Jr. of New Orleans who also scored 5-1 for second. Cummings lost a game to Otto Claitor of Baton Rouge. Third and fourth on S-B with equal 4½-1½ scores were Mrs. K. N. Vines of New Orleans and A. L. McAuley, also of New Orleans. Mrs. Vines lost to Borsodi and drew with Otto Claitor, while McAuley lost to Henry Abbott of Baton Rouge and drew with John Luneau of Alexandria in the 29 player Swiss event.

## ARCHIPOFF WINS OHIO TOURNEY

Victory in the Ohio Championship went to Tony Archipoff with 6-1, losing one game to runner-up Heising, in the 47 player Swiss at Columbus. Second to fourth on S-B with 5½-1½ each were Heising, James Schroeder, and Walter Mann. Heising lost to Schroeder and drew with Gilchrist, Schroeder lost to Archipoff and drew with Heising, and Mann lost to Archipoff and drew with Ferryman.

The Ohio Chess Association voted to affiliate with the USCF at its annual meeting, and the following were elected as officers for the ensuing year: S. Ross Owens president, Willa Owens sec'y-treasurer, Kurt Loening vice-president and editor.



Twenty-three players entered in the U.S. Candidates Tournament at Philadelphia, of which six will qualify for the final U.S. Championship event. These are:

- Herbert Avram (Arlington, Va.)
- Hans Berliner (Washington, D.C.)
- Arthur Bisguier (New York City)
- James Bolton (New Haven, Conn.)
- Sydney Bernstein (New York City)
- Paul Brandts (New York City)
- Edmund Nash (Washington, D. C.)
- V. Bromanov (Philadelphia)
- Karl Burger (Brooklyn, N. Y.)
- Attilio DiCamillo (Philadelphia)
- Joseph Hidalgo (New York City)
- Amos Kaminski (New York City)
- Reuben Klugman (Bronx, N.Y.)
- Ray Martin (Santa Monica, Calif.)
- Dr. Ariel Mengarini (New York City)
- Hugh Myers (Decatur, Ill.)
- Edgar McCormick (E. Orange, N.J.)
- Carl Pilnick (New York City)
- Sol Rubinstein (Cambridge, Mass.)
- Robert Sobel (Philadelphia)
- Koiti Tullus (Philadelphia)
- Ivan Romanenko (Plainfield, N.J.)
- Saul Wachs (Philadelphia)

## Chess Life In New York

By Eliot Hearst

NEW York chess players are often regarded by other chess fans around the country as being just a little too confident and secure in the belief that New York's level of chessplay is heads above the rest of the country's, and this anti-New York viewpoint has been reflected in several accusations of "provincialism" in chess which have been made on occasion in the past. Your reporter, however, is convinced that such a stereotype of the "N. Y. chessplayer" certainly does not hold for the majority of metropolitan chess contestants; most are appreciative of and interested in "good chess" wherever it is played throughout the U.S. Those few who may approximate the N.Y. provincial described above probably have had their beliefs strongly shaken recently when Hans Berliner of Washington, D.C. romped off with the coveted N. Y. State title at Cazenovia, his winning score of 8½-½ being the best ever achieved by any victor in the past!

Berliner won his first eight games(!) including triumphs over the last two State champions, J. Sherwin ('51) and J. Collins ('52); his resourceful play in critical (and perhaps precarious!) positions accounted for several of his important victories in this skein. In the last round he relaxed and split the point with Karl Burger, the drawing master of the tourney who in the last two N.Y.S. championships has compiled a record of 5 wins, 12 draws (!) and 1 loss (this sole defeat coming in that illustrious game with Pavey last year, where Burger thought for 45 minutes and resigned a drawn position!). To Hans Berliner, too, goes the distinction of being the first non-New Yorker to capture the N.Y.S. title!

The Marshall Chess Club Championship Preliminaries are drawing to a close in each of the four sections only three contestants remain with a chance for the top two places and inclusion in the championship finals beginning in October. In Section I Jerry Donovan leads with 6½-½, while Richard Einhorn 8-2 and Ivan Romanenko 3½-½ also have a good chance to qualify for the finals. Ted Dunst with a perfect 9-0 score has clinched qualification in Section II, with Paul Brandts 7-2 and Tony Saidy 2-0 (on Vacation this summer!) being the principal contenders for the other qualifying position. The race in Section III is still very close with J. Pamiljens 8-0, H. Fajans 6½-½, and J. Richman 7-1 all still in contention. Nick Bakos 7-0 and J. T. Westbrook 8½-1½ are almost certain to qualify from Section IV, but Charles Eastman 5½-1½ has an outside chance to enter the qualifiers' circle. Final results should be available for the next issue of CHESS LIFE plus news of those (Please turn to page 10, col. 4)



# CHESS AS WE SEE IT

Contributions from the Pens  
Of Outstanding Chess Analysts and Writers

## Women In Chess

By WILLA WHITE OWENS

Ohio State Women's Champion

THE U. S. C. F. Open in Milwaukee was a precedent-breaking, history-making tournament. In one way, however, it was traditional—the men outnumbered the women about sixty to one.

The three women playing in this tournament were: Lucile Kellner of Detroit, Michigan; Eva Aronson of Chicago, Illinois; and myself. All three of us are near neighbors in Class B section of the rating list, and each of us is Woman's Champion of her State.

Mrs. Aronson won the title of United States Woman's Open Champion, in this, her first national tournament. Miss Kellner has played for the National Woman's Championship on several occasions, and shared the title of United States Woman's Open Champion with May Karff last year.

Are there really so few women playing chess that the ratio in this tournament of 3 to 181 is representative? I have spent years cooking up various answers to the perennial question: "Why don't more women play chess?" The answers vary from a simple shrug of the shoulders to involved psychological, biological, and nonsensical dissertations. It occurred to me that at this gathering of players from all over the United States and its possessions and neighbors, a few casual inquiries might throw new light on the subject.

Several interesting facts came to light during these inquiries: 1. There are far more women interested in chess in the United States than anyone had supposed. 2. The women generally feel that they are being ignored by organized chess, whereas the contrary is true. All the officials of the U. S. C. F. with whom I talked, and all the members of various local clubs and state organizations stress the fact that they are anxious to bring women into their clubs and tournaments. Since women are the social arbiters of this country, they feel that chess would gain popularity and prestige, if women took a more active interest in the game. 3. The greater difficulty women face of salvaging two weeks time from their business, social and domestic lives in order to play chess coupled with item "2" above, keeps the majority of our players away from tournaments. Of course, the other side of this coin is that the fewer tournaments we play in the less our chances are of bringing our playing strength up to the ever rising standards of play in this country.

I can give only a partial list of the women players who would have added considerable strength to the minority side of this tournament if they had attended. In New York, there are Mary Bain, present U.S. Woman's Champion, and May Karff and Gisella Gresser, former champions. Kathryn Slater and Lena Grumette are also experienced tournament players. There are many other strong women chess players in New York, whose names I do not know. Mrs. Frank Marshall, I remember, organized the first Woman's Tournament, and Miss Edith Weart has always been actively interested in promoting chess for women.

Mrs. Gregor Piatagorsky of California was expected at this tournament and everyone was disappointed that she did not attend. Mrs. Piatagorsky has played in a number of national tournaments

and her reputation is growing. There was an interesting article about her in a recent English chess magazine giving one of her games which the commentator admired.

California has, I understand, many other strong women players, but I know the names of only two others—Miss Nancy Roos, who played in the 1950 National Woman's Championship, and Mrs. Sonia Graf Stevenson.

The women players in Wisconsin contributed a great deal of work toward the organization and running of this splendid tournament, but did not enter any players. Some of them felt that if they entered they would be the only women players! Others felt that their playing strength did not justify their entering the tournament.

I had several interesting chats with Lois Hausfeld, who held the title of Wisconsin Woman Champion for many years. The title is held this year by Luzia Schuetze, of La Crosse, and was held in 1950 by Mrs. Carl Diesen, who is now living in Tonawanda, New York. Mrs. Hausfeld gave me this imposing list of Wisconsin players: Mrs. Robert Pater-son, Mrs. Sally Radtke, Miss Barbara Zingler, Miss Irene Stout, Mrs. Robert Vail, Mrs. Al Punser, Miss Agness Markey, and Miss Ethelyn Lively. Miss Lively was co-champion with Mrs. Hausfeld in 1952. She mentioned also a former Wisconsin resident, Mrs. Robert Simpson, who is now living in Annapolis, Md.

Mrs. R. K. Salisbury, of Russellville, Ohio, was present in Milwaukee as a spectator, but I believe she might have played if given any encouragement. She has been conducting chess classes for several years in the Junior High School in which she teaches, and has an average attendance of twenty. Miss Edna Smith, of Dayton, Ohio, has played in the State Tournament for years. Before leav-

ing Ohio, I must mention my own Queen's Club of Cleveland. This is the oldest women's chess club in the country and has been in continuous existence for fifteen years. A few of the members play in local tournaments, all play in the Club League matches, and all enjoy their club chess. Mrs. Mena Schwartz, President of the Queen's Club, was Ohio Woman's Champion for several years and co-champion in 1949 with Mrs. Catherine Jones. Miss Pauline Papp, of the Queen's Club, gained a national reputation as a problemist, and has recently, returned to over-the-board chess.

From Texas, I heard of Mrs. Eddie Watson and Miss Elsie Elkins of Fort Worth. The latter is a fifteen year old girl, who plays a very strong game. Of the many other women players in Texas, I have only one other name—Mrs. J. B. Wood.

Mrs. Maxine Cutlip of Wewoka, Oklahoma, former U.S. Woman's Open Champion and Southwestern Open Champion, was also missed at this tournament.

In Pennsylvania there is Mrs. Mary Selensky, who played in the National Woman's Championship several years ago. Mrs. Selensky is very active in Philadelphia chess clubs, and some years ago she helped reorganize the Richmond, Virginia, Chess Club. The only other woman chess player of Pennsylvania I have met is Dr. Olga Catazone of Pittsburgh, but I have heard of many others. The Pittsburgh Y. W. C. A. has requested a chess teacher for this year, and I have heard that there were more women than men in the chess class conducted at the Pittsburgh Y.M.-C.A. last year.

On the backs of my scores I have random notes on players in various other states. There are Mrs. Jane Stokes, Washington, D.C., Mrs. Palmi, of Jackson, Michigan, Mrs. O'Keefe, Ann Arbor, Michigan, Mrs. Koelsche of Rochester, Minnesota, and Mrs. Somner Sorenson, Iowa City, Iowa. Some of these ladies were in Milwaukee as spectators, watching their husbands' games. Their reaction as spectators varied widely. Mrs. Sorenson is interested in the game of chess and was watching the games with a view to improving her own game. However, Mrs. Max Pavey looked up on the Tournament as a sports spectacle, as interesting as baseball or any other spectator sport. Mrs. Kevitz was an interested, but calm, spectator, but Mrs. Markson of Miami Beach, Florida, was too interested to be calm. She could not bear the excitement of watching her husband's games closely and would sit at a distance trying to interpret the course of the game by the expression on the players, faces. At times she would send messengers in to view the game and return to her with a detailed report.

This sampling inquiry of mine has whetted my appetite for more

Mrs. Owens, Ohio State Women Champion and treasurer of the Ohio Chess Association, invites correspondence on the subject of "women in chess." Address: Mrs. Willa White Owens, 124 South Point Drive, Avon Lake, Ohio.

The USA boasts four International Women Masters recognized by FIDE: U. S. Women Champion Mary Bain, former U. S. Women Champion Gisela K. Gresser and N. May Karff, and Sonia Graf-Stevenson—more than any other country except the Soviet Union. Since September 5, 1952 the names of twenty-eight women players have been recorded in CHESS LIFE as being active participants in a regional, state, or city tournament. This is a good beginning, but as Mrs. Owens indicates, it is only a beginning.—The Editor.

news about women in chess. I wish the readers of Chess Life would write me in Avon Lake, Ohio, and give me news of the women chess players in their communities—not only the tournament players but also the social players. Perhaps they will help me find the answers to the questions—why there are not more women playing chess, and why those who do play chess are staying so modestly in the background.



### TOURNAMENT HAZARDS

At the New Jersey Open, Director Sydney Wooldridge reports: "One player, who in mercy to his opponent shall not be named, wrote 'Resigned' on his score sheet and, before announcing his resignation, paused to look over the hopeless position once more. While he was thus torturing himself, his opponent offered a draw. It was accepted deadpan and without comment, a truly wonderful example of restraint and tact."

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# Major Topics

By  
**Montgomery Major**

## Popular Fallacies?

*The wise man must be wise before, not after, the event.*

EPICCHARMUS—Fabulae Incertae

CHESS has been dogged determinedly by a popular conception that  
 because it is not an expensive game to play (chess sets cost less  
 than golf clubs), the air of cheapness must pervade the realm of chess.  
 It is argued that we must keep expenses at a very minimum of minima  
 for the poor man who plays chess. Presumably, if he wasn't poor he  
 would buy a custom-built bowling ball and be off to the bowling alleys.

This rather ridiculous assumption of the poverty of chess players  
 as a class has the catted nine-lives of all false legends, and defies all  
 the actual proofs that the contrary is actually true. Poor men may  
 play chess (the writer is not a plutocrat), but money has never been  
 a barrier that has kept the chess player away from his avocation.

For example, chess clubs throughout the country cling to ridic-  
 ulously small dues for membership—dues that defy the economic con-  
 ditions of today on the plea that members could not be persuaded to  
 pay more. Yet two of the largest clubs in the USA, the Marshall and  
 Manhattan, are living proof of the fact that a chess club can charge  
 adequate dues without losing membership if it provides adequate  
 quarters with those dues. If a chess player really wants to belong to  
 a chess club, he will find the money for the annual dues—as both the  
 Marshall and Manhattan Clubs have shown for years.

Again, much of the howl of State Associations against affiliation  
 with the USCF has been that they dare not ask their members to pay  
 Federation dues in addition to local Association dues; they will lose  
 membership. Actually it is a matter of record that the Texas Chess  
 Association has increased in membership substantially since it has  
 required USCF membership of its members, and other affiliated State  
 Associations have made the same report. Members will pay greater  
 dues provided they feel that they are receiving additional benefit and  
 advantage.

It has been said again that the requirement of a 100% USCF rated  
 tournament will prevent players from coming, they will not pay that  
 additional \$1.00 rating fee. But what do the facts state? They show  
 that the Colorado Open, the Trans-Mississippi Open, and other 100%  
 USCF rated events are growing bigger every year—and that their size  
 has increased since they became 100% rated events. The recent Illinois  
 State Championship, for example, was made a 100% rated event this  
 year for the first time; it was the largest Illinois Championship event  
 in recent years.

It was said a year ago that the U.S. Chess Federation could not  
 afford to raise its dues to \$5.00 per year nor CHESS LIFE its subscrip-  
 tion price to \$3.00 per year. People wouldn't pay the increase. The  
 annual report at Milwaukee shows that the U.S. Chess Federation has  
 more members at \$5.00 per year than it had at \$3.00 per year, while  
 CHESS LIFE has more individual subscribers at \$3.00 per year than it  
 had formerly at \$2.00 per year. Naturally, the member is offered a  
 bit more for his money—but so long as the increase in benefits is  
 adequate, the increase in cost is accepted as normal and just.

The recent U.S. Open at Milwaukee had a \$15.00 entry fee and drew  
 181 chess players, although the entry fee was \$5.00 more than in pre-  
 vious years. It is true that a larger prize fund was offered, but at  
 Corpus Christi in 1947 only 86 players responded to an announced 1st  
 prize of \$1,000.00 when the entry fee was only the traditional \$10.00.

Let's stop talking "poor" about chess; chess players are not any  
 poorer than bridge players, bowling enthusiasts, golfers, or any other  
 group that seeks recreation. There is no excuse for considering that  
 chess is only suitable to people waiting for accommodations at the  
 poor-house.

## The Reader's Road To Chess

By Kester Svendsen

**THE ART OF THE CHECKMATE.** By George Renaud and Victor Kahn.  
 Translated from the French by W. J. Taylor. New York: Simon &  
 Schuster. vi, 208 pp. many diags. \$3.50.

WITH true Gallic richness and wit, this collection of picturesque  
 and typical mates includes instructive positions, brilliancies, full-  
 length illustrative games, and eighty quiz-exercises. In addition, it  
 is the first volume I have seen which attempts cataloging mates the  
 way openings are distinguished; so we have a Pillsbury's Mate (Rook  
 & Bishop double check) to go with the Pillsbury variation in the Queen's  
 Gambit. Similarly, there are mates named after Greco, Boden, Black-  
 burne, Anderssen, Damiano, and Morphy. The classifications are ar-  
 bitrary, of course, like the openings, in being identified with players  
 who popularized, not necessarily invented.

In all, Renaud and Kahn (both former champions of France) dis-  
 cover twenty-three classes of checkmate: by the two Bishops, by the  
 two Knights, on the file, on the ranks, and so on. The chapter on  
 Morphy's mate is a good example, the theme of which is the sacrifi-  
 ce of Queen for Knight, with three variants and four sub-variants.  
 Three full games with notes and three endgames illustrate the mate  
 from all angles. These examples include Riemann-Anderssen, Breslau  
 1876; Paulsen-Morphy, New York 1857; the title-game, so to speak;  
 MacDonnell-Boden, London 1869; Kirdetsoff-Kahn, Copenhagen 1918;  
 and Janowski-Marshall, Biarritz 1912. The quizzes on this chapter, as  
 on the others, are almost all from actual games. What libraries these  
 authors must have gone through, game by game, to find examples!  
 Even Reinfeld and Chernev would be hard pressed, one thinks, to  
 find a modern example of a two-knight mate; Renaud and Kahn lo-  
 cated van Essen-Duff, Long Beach 1945, reprinted below. Some of the  
 names, like Anastasia's Mate and Arabian Mate, may seem more  
 glamorous than useful; but the eighty-one full games and forty-one  
 endgames given in this strikingly produced book are solidly instruc-  
 tive as well as entertaining. Now for the van Essen-Duff game, a  
 Center Gambit.

1. P-K4, P-K4; 2. P-Q4, PXP; 3. QXP, Kt-QB3; 4. Q-K3, P-QKt3; 5. Kt-KB3, B-B4;
6. Q-Kt3, P-Kt3; 7. Kt-Q5, P-Q3; 8. B-KK15, P-B3; 9. Q-QB3, Kt-K4; 10. P-QKt4, PxB;
11. PxB, KtXP; 12. Kt-B3!, Kt-B2; 13. KtxKtP1, Kt-R3; 14. B-Kt5chl, B-Q2; 15.
- Kt-K6, Q-B1; 16. Q-B6, Kt-Kt1; 17. Q-K7chl, KtxQ; 18. Kt-B6 mate.

### WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

Copenhagen, 1953

|                                      |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------|
| 1. Oscar Panno (Argentina) .....     | x | ½ | 1 | 1 | 1 | ½ | ½ | 1 | 5½-1½ |
| 2. Claus Darga (W. Germany) .....    | ½ | x | ½ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ½ | 5½-1½ |
| 3. Borislav Ivkov (Yugoslavia) ..... | 0 | ½ | x | ½ | 0 | ½ | 1 | 1 | 3½-3½ |
| 4. Fridrik Olafsson (Iceland) .....  | 0 | 0 | ½ | x | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3½-3½ |
| 5. James T. Sherwin (USA) .....      | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | x | 1 | x | ½ | 2½-4½ |
| 6. Bent Larson (Denmark) .....       | 0 | 0 | ½ | 0 | 0 | x | 1 | 1 | 2½-4½ |
| 7. Dieter Keller (Switzerland) ..... | ½ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | x | 1 | 2½-4½ |
| 8. Jonathan Penrose (England) .....  | ½ | ½ | 0 | 1 | ½ | 0 | 0 | x | 2½-4½ |

### PANHANDLE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Borger, 1953

|                                     |                             |                              |                                    |  |                             |                            |                                |                             |                               |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Major Edmund Czapski .....       | W10                         | W17                          | W6                                 | W14                                      | W2                          | 5-0                        | 13.50                          |                             |                               |
| 2. Bert Brice-Nash .....            | W4                          | W20                          | W9                                 | W3                                       | L1                          | 4-1                        | 11.50                          |                             |                               |
| 3. Dr. R. S. Underwood .....        | W12                         | W14                          | W7                                 | L2                                       | W5                          | 4-1                        | 10.50                          |                             |                               |
| 4. Frank Muegler .....              | L2                          | W16                          | W8                                 | W6                                       | W15                         | 4-1                        | 10.00                          |                             |                               |
| 5. Dr. Anthony Welker .....         | D9                          | D7                           | W15                                | W12                                      | L3                          | 3-2                        | 7.75                           |                             |                               |
| 6. Joel Quinones .....              | W19                         | W8                           | L1                                 | L4                                       | W18                         | 3-2                        | 7.00                           |                             |                               |
| 7. Dr. Andries Voet .....           | D11                         | D5                           | L3                                 | W19                                      | W14                         | 3-2                        | 6.75                           |                             |                               |
| 8. Gordon Springbett .....          | W15                         | L6                           | L4                                 | W20                                      | W17                         | 3-2                        | 5.00                           |                             |                               |
| 9. Mason S. Wilt .....              | D5                          | W11                          | L2                                 | L10                                      | W13                         | 2½-2½                      | 6.00                           |                             |                               |
| 10. Walter E. Morgan .....          | L1                          | W19                          | L11                                | W9                                       | D12                         | 2½-2½                      | 5.75                           |                             |                               |
| 11. E. L. Miller .....              | D7                          | L9                           | W10                                | L16                                      | W10                         | 2½-2½                      | 5.00                           |                             |                               |
| 12. O. D. Thompson, Jr. ....        | L3                          | W13                          | W20                                | L5                                       | D10                         | 2½-2½                      | 4.25                           |                             |                               |
| 13. Anthony Welker, Jr. 2-3 (4.00); | 14. C. E. Loter 2-3 (4.00); | 15. C. E. Ramzel 2-3 (3.00); | 16. Dr. C. G. Brindley 2-3 (2.50); | 17. Mrs. O. D. Thompson, Jr. 2-3 (1.00); | 18. Donald Voet 2-3 (1.00); | 19. Donald Dye 2-3 (1.00); | 20. Thurman Tigert 1-4 (2.00); | 21. Louise Voet 1-4 (0.00); | 22. Kevin Yeigren 0-5 (0.00). |

### SOUTH CAROLINA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Columbia, 1953

|  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |
|--|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|--|
| 1. Rea B. Hayes (Greenville, S.C.) .....           | W7  | W2  | W6  | W5   | D3  | 4½-½  | 17.50   |  |
| 2. Douglas Kahn (Charlotte, N.C.) .....            | W14   | L1  | W15   | W8   | W6  | 4-1   | 14.50   |  |
| 3. Dr. George Smith (Columbia, S.C.) .....         | D11   | W18   | W9  | W10  | D1  | 4-1   | 12.00   |  |
| 4. Anthony Pabon (Miami, Fla.) .....               | L8  | W12   | D7  | W14  | W10   | 3½-1½   | 12.50   |  |
| 5. William Adickes (Asheville, N.C.) .....         | W18   | W16   | D10   | L1   | W13   | 3½-1½   | 10.00   |  |
| 6. Carl Bitzer (Johnson City, Tenn.) .....         | W12   | W8  | L1  | W9   | L2  | 3-2   | 16.50   |  |
| 7. Chaplain G. Bingaman (Charleston) .....         | L1  | W14   | D4  | D11  | W12   | 3-2   | 15.00   |  |
| 8. Dr. L. L. Foster (Columbia, S.C.) .....         | W4  | L6  | W13   | L2   | W17   | 3-2   | 13.50   |  |
| 9. George Small (Columbia, S.C.) .....             | W19   | W13   | L3  | L6   | W11   | 3-2   | 11.00   |  |
| 10. Alex Edelsburg (Columbia, S.C.) .....          | W17   | W11   | D5  | L3   | L4  | 2½-2½   | 14.00   |  |
| 11. Joseph Cabanis (Charleston, S.C.) 2-3 (13.50); | 12. Arthur Atkinson (Columbia, S.C.) 2-3 (12.50); | 13. T. E. Dantzer (Columbia, S.C.) 2-3 (12.50); | 14. W. de Vallinger, Jr. (Savannah, Ga.) 2-3 (11.50); | 15. Ben Stern (Columbia, S.C.) 2-3 (9.00); | 16. Alfred Rawlinson (Columbia, S.C.) 1-4 (9.50); | 17. Julian Gayden (Columbia, S.C.) 1-4 (12.50); | 18. John Berry (Johnson City, Tenn.) 0-5 (12.50); | 19. Max G. Gergel (Columbia, S.C.) 0-5 (3.00). |

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# U. S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP Milwaukee, 1953

## A Pictorial Review



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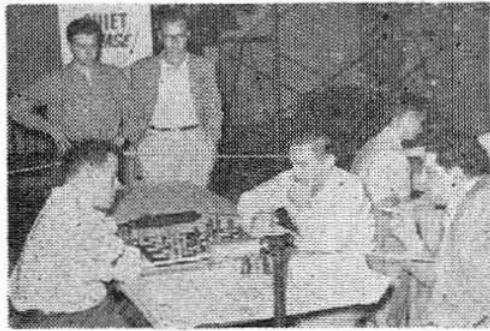
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No. 1 U.S. Women's Open Champion Eva Aronson plays decisive game against Ohio Women Champion Willa Owens (back to camera).

No. 2. Donald Byrne (left) meets Max Pavey in the final round decisive game for the U.S. Open Championship.

No. 3 U.S. Open Champion Donald Byrne with unknown friend.

No. 4 Alexander Kevitz studies his next move.

No. 5 U.S. Champion Larry Evans (right) plays former U.S. Junior Champion James Cross.

No. 6 Former U.S. Champion Herman Steiner contemplates.

No. 7 Tony Santasiere (left) battles Elmars Zemgalis while Abe Turner (foreground) kibitzes.

No. 8 French Champion Rossolimo ponders his game with Curt Brasket (back to camera).



No. 8 Photo: John Grkavac



View of the tournament in the Aerie Room of the Eagles Club at Milwaukee during an exciting round.

Photo: Courtesy Milwaukee County News



USCF Business Manager Kenneth Harkness, assisted by unnamed young lady, at the Federation Booth at Milwaukee.

Photo: Courtesy Milwaukee County News



# U. S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP Milwaukee, 1953

## A Round by Round Report

By WILLIAM ROJAM, Staff Writer

Breaking all records in size and strength, the 54th Annual U.S. Open Championship of the United States Chess Federation at the Aerie Room of the Milwaukee Eagles Club was an unforgettable event for all who participated as players or as spectators. Arrangements of the local committee, representing the Milwaukee Chess Foundation and the cooperating Milwaukee Industrial Recreation Council, Barkin-Herman & Associates, Wisconsin Chess Association, and Milwaukee Municipal Chess Association, were so complete that the unprecedented number of 181 contestants in the tournament were handled daily without confusion or delay and the whole course of the tournament ran smoothly. Only those who have handled the pairing of a Swiss tournament can fully appreciate this achievement in pairing 181 participants for each round without delays.

Advance publicity for the event was novel in that there were daily mentions in advance over the 34 radio station hook-up of the Miller Brewing Company's broadcasts of the Milwaukee Braves' baseball games. Prior and during the tournament there were eleven television shows which advertised the tournament, including one coast-to-coast broadcast.

During the tournament exceptionally fine publicity was given by the local press with the Milwaukee Journal assigning feature-writer Doyle K. Getter to a daily report on the progress of the event, while the Milwaukee Sentinel also gave complete daily coverage. Pictorial coverage of the tournament was especially fine and complete in both papers with additional week-end coverage by the Milwaukee County News. Perhaps, the fact that chess has been municipally recognized as important in Milwaukee where the municipal chess program with children is now celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary explains the completeness of the newspaper reporting of the event.

Special credit should be given to Mr. Ernest Olfe of the Milwaukee Municipal Recreation Department for devoting his vacation to directing the event so efficiently and to his capable assistant, Mr. Marshall Rohland, who also donated his vacation to chess, while equal credit is due to the committee headed by Mr. Arpad Elo for the efficient financing of the tournament. It was notable that only five players out of 181 failed to complete their schedules of play—a record for a tournament of such dimensions.

The tournament ended in a flourish when players and officials were guests of the Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co. at a buffet victory supper to celebrate the conclusion of the event.

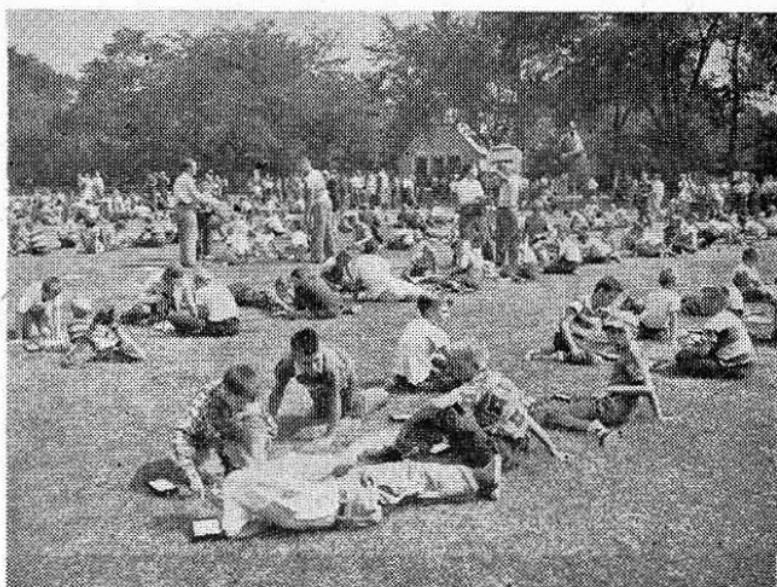
The tournament opened officially with Mayor Zeidler making the opening moves against defending Open Champion Larry Evans. Nearly 200 spectators were present for the opening ceremonies. The opening round featured a number of upsets which, it soon became apparent, were to be a normal part of this unique event.

Former U.S. Junior Champion Curt Brasket, who was one of the spectacular surprises of the tournament, ranking among the leaders from the start, began most auspiciously by defeating Arthur W. Dake. N. T. Whitaker, former Western Champion, defeated Max Pavey, the current Manhattan Chess Club Champion, for what was his only loss until the final round. John B. Grkavac, a Milwaukee player, held his own against Alex Kevitz, drawing the game, while for a long time it seemed that another Milwaukeean Nikolais Kampars would do likewise with French Champion Nicholas Rossolimo, but was outmaneuvered at the end by the Frenchman. U.S. Champion Larry Evans skillfully outplayed A. J. Fink, former California Champion, in a tricky pawn-ending. Other victories among the leaders were Elmars Zemgalis over Edgar McCormick, I. A. Horowitz over Arpad Elo, Donald Byrne

over Jose Florido of Cuba, Herman Steiner over George Eastman, Frank R. Anderson of Toronto over Dr. G. A. Koelsche, A. E. Santasiere over Richard Kujoth, James T. Sherwin over Robert Brieger, and Hans Berliner over Harry Fajans.

On Tuesday afternoon the tournament suspended while the players went to witness and assist at the four-hundred board all-city Junior Chess tournament of Milwaukee, sponsored by the Milwaukee Journal and the Milwaukee Department of Recreation, held at Hawthorne Glen. A number of players from the Open volunteered to serve as referees and Herman Steiner acted as tournament director, making it a very gratifying day for Milwaukee's chess juniors. Photographers were present from Collier's and the story of the Milwaukee Junior Chess Program will appear in the September 22nd issue of Collier's, entitled "It's A Kid's Game" by Claire Neikind.

Upsets continued to be normal as the Open went into the third round with Curt Brasket downing Elmars Zemgalis in a tense mating attack under terrific time-pressure (each player had 3½ minutes for the last 22 moves). Karl Burger of Brooklyn toppled I. A. Horowitz, while Donald Byrne (the lesser known of the Byrne brothers) mastered Herman Steiner in a vigorous king-side attack. Narrow escapes were registered by Larry



View of the open-air Milwaukee Children's Tournament at Hawthorne Glen where 400 finalists competed for the Milwaukee Junior titles—an event written up in Collier's and sponsored by the Milwaukee Journal and the Milwaukee Department of Recreation.

Photo: Courtesy Milwaukee Sentinel

Evans and Nicholas Rossolimo when oversights by their respective opponents, Sam Cohen of Chicago and John Krkavac of Milwaukee, threw away drawing chances. James Sherwin defeated A. E. Santasiere, Miroslav Turiansky downed former U.S. Junior Champion James Cross of Glendale, Hans Berliner defeated Albert Sandrin, and Max Pavey bested Eliot Hearst.

With the end of the fourth round, the leaders with 4-0 scores were U.S. Champion Larry Evans, Nicholas Rossolimo, James Sherwin, Charles Sharpe of Westboro, Henry G. Horak of Williams Bay, and Eugene Warner of Seattle. With 3½-½ were Curt Brasket, Hal White of Avon Lake, and David Arganian of Racine. Brasket continued as giant-killer by besting George Shainswit, after drawing with I. A. Horowitz in the second round and besting Zemgalis in the third. Evans defeated the Cuban champion Jose Florido, while Rossolimo downed Erich Marchand of Rochester. James Sherwin bested George Eastman.

By the end of the seventh round, the field was beginning to be clarified, for it was generally admitted that going into the ninth round a player must have at least 5½-2½ score to have any hope of final victory. Brasket continued his upsets by besting Larry Evans, for the U.S. Champion's first loss. In the meanwhile Horowitz had lost a game to the Chicago player, Walter Grombacher, and Burger had defeated Whitaker.

By the ninth round, in which Brasket downed Hans Berliner in a very rugged battle, and Rossolimo had fended off victoriously a very impetuous assault by Steiner, while Sherwin outplayed the veteran Kevitz, it was apparent

that the next U.S. Open Champion would come from a group consisting of the following: Nicholas Rossolimo, Max Pavey, and James T. Sherwin with 7½-1½; Curt Brasket, Joseph Shaffer, Donald Byrne and Eliot Hearst with 7-2; or I. A. Horowitz, Arthur Bisguier, Arthur Dake, F. R. Anderson, Herman Steiner, Alexander Kevitz, Edmar Mednis, Dr. Bela Roza, Jack O'Keefe, Miguel Colon, Elmars Zemgalis, Harlow Daly, Norman Whitaker with 6½-2½ each. Already Larry Evans with 6-3 seemed beyond hope of recovery with only four rounds of play left.

Going into the 11th round, there was a tenseness that could be felt as Curt Brasket scored a victory over James T. Sherwin and Nicholas Rossolimo met his first defeat at the hands of Max Pavey. The results of these two matches placed Brasket and Pavey in the lead with 9-2 each. Other top scorers were Dr. Bela Roza who downed Eliot Hearst, with 8½-2½; Byrne and Dake with 7½-1½ and an adjourned game to play off; and Arthur Bisguier, I. A. Horowitz, F. R. Anderson, and Alexander Kevitz with 8-2 each.

The final round presented the drama of an exciting finish with Donald Byrne matched against Max Pavey; in besting Pavey Byrne won the U.S. Open Championship and forced Pavey to be content with second place. Byrne lost only one game (to Kevitz) and conceded three draws to score 10½-2½, while Pavey (who lost to Byrne and Whitaker) tallied 10-3. Second to eighth on S-B with equal 9½-3½ scores were Nicholas Rossolimo, James T. Sherwin, I. A. Horowitz, Frank R. Anderson, Eliot Hearst and James Cross. Curt (Please turn to page 9, col. 2)





# GAMES BY USCF MEMBERS

Annotated by Chess Master JOHN W. COLLINS, New York State Champion, 1952



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## TRAP

White wins the Queen. It looks good. But the trap snaps and Black checkmates.

## QGD: IRREGULAR DEFENSE

MCO: page 176, column 15  
North Texas Open Tournament  
Dallas, 1953

White N. NIPPOLL R. BRIEGER  
1. P-Q4 P-Q4 2. P-QB4 B-B4  
Little is known about this move. It seems to be a violation of sound opening principles (an attacked center Pawn being left protected only by a major piece). But it can afford a strong initiative, if improperly met.  
3. Kt-KB3  
Considered best is 3. Kt-KB3, to prevent Kt-Q2; 5. QPxp, (5. Kt-KB3 works out in 3. ...., P-K4. If 3. Q-Kt3, P-K4!; 4. Qxp, Black's favor) R-Ikt1; 6. QxQP, B-Ikt5ch; 7. B-Q2, Kt-K2; and Black begins to regain his Pawns with the better game.  
3. .... P-K3 5. Q-K13  
4. Kt-B3 Kt-KB3  
5. B-Kt5 and 5. P-K3 are sound enough. White wishes to exploit the early development of the Black QB at once. The more haste . . .  
5. .... Kt-B3  
Baiting the trap.  
6. QxKtP? Swallowing the bait. White should play 6. B-Kt5 (development) or 6. P-QR3 (precaution).  
6. .... Kt-Kt15!  
Threatening 7. ...., Kt-B7ch; 8. K-Q1, KtXR; and wins.  
7. Kt-QKt5  
Consistent, but . . .  
7. .... Kt-Kt15!  
The reputation of 6. QxKtP?  
8. KtxPch  
This loses by force. 8. P-K4 is inadequate too (8. ...., R-QKt1!), but it is the only move that puts up any fight.  
8. .... QxKt!!  
Surprise!  
9. QxQ  
If 9. QxR ch, K-Q2; and Black is threatening mate (as in the game), the Queen (by 9. ...., Kt-B7 ch; and 10. ...., BxKt5 ch; and 11. ...., RxQ, and to win the exchange by 9. ...., Kt-B7 ch.  
9. .... Kt-B7ch 11. K-Q2 B-Kt  
10. K-Q1 KtxPch Mate



White has been checkmated!

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## BIRD'S OPENING

MCO: page 128, column 5  
Hollywood Invitational Tournament  
Los Angeles, 1953

Notes by U.S.  
Master Sidney N. Bernstein

White S. MAZNER Black I. RIVISE  
1. P-KB4 P-K4 2. P-Q3  
Avoiding the hazards attendant upon the acceptance of From's Gambit. The text does not appear in MCO. In view of what follows, White might just as well have transposed at once into the King's Gambit by 2. P-K4.  
2. .... Kt-QB3  
More energetic is 2. ...., B-B4. After 3. Kt-KB3 (or 3. Pxp, BxKt; 4. RxB, Q-R5 ch; 5. P-Kt3, Qxp; 6. R-Kt2, Q-Kt2; 7. P-Q4, Kt-QB3 followed by 8. ...., P-B3), P-Q3; 4. P-B3 (White cannot afford 4. Pxp, Pxp; 5. KtxP, Q-Q5 after which 6. Kt-B4 loses to 6. ...., Q-B7 ch; 7. K-Q2, P-QKt4; 8. Kt(4)-R3, B-K6 ch; 9. K-B3, P-Kt5 ch; 10. Kt-B3 ch, etc.); B-Kt5; 5. P-Q4, BxKt; 6. KPxB, PxpP; 7. Pxp, B-Kt3 and Black stands well.  
3. Kt-KB3 B-Q3  
Blocks his own QP and impedes his development. Why not simply 3. ...., Pxp; 4. Bxp (4. P-B4, Kt-B3 followed by 5. ...., P-Q4), P-Q4 with nothing to fear?  
4. P-K4 Pxp 6. P-KR4  
5. P-Q4 P-KKt4  
Wisely avoiding the plausible 6. P-K5, B-Kt; 7. P-Q5, P-Qt5.  
6. .... P-Kt5 7. Kt-Kt5 P-KR3  
Wins a piece—but watch what happens to him!  
8. KtxP KxKt 9. B-B4 ch K-B1  
Not 9. ...., K-K1?; 10. Qxp attacking the Kt and also menacing mate via R5 or Kt6.  
10. Bxp  
Nok 10. Qxp? is refuted by 10. ...., B-Kt5 ch; 11. P-B3, P-Q4, attacking Q and B.  
10. .... BxB 11. O-O P-Q4  
If 11. ...., Q-B3; 12. P-K5, KtxKP; 13. PxKt, QxKP; 14. QxKtP (not 14. P-KKt3?, Q-K6 ch), Kt-B3; 15. QxB, QxQ; 16. RxQ, K-Kt2; 17. Kt-B3 and wins. For example: 17. ...., P-B3; 18. QR-KB1, P-Q4 (not 18. ...., R-B1?); 19. Kt-K4, Kt-R2; 20. R-Kt4 ch, K-R1; 21. RxR ch, KtxR; 22. R-Kt8 ch, K-R2; 23. Kt-B6 mate; 19. RxKt, PxB; 20. R-B7 ch, K-Kt3 (if 20. ...., K-Kt1; 21. R-B8 ch, K-Kt2; 22. R(1)-B7 ch, K-Kt3; 23. P-R5 ch winning a R); 21. Kt-K4 (menacing mate by 22. Kt-K3 followed by 23. R(1)-B6), K-R4; 22. R-Kt7 and Black is helpless against the threat of mate by 23. Kt-B6 ch and 24. R-B4.  
12. RxB ch K-Kt2  
After this, White's attack becomes irresistible. It was essential to develop by 14. ...., Kt-B3. Then if 15. Pxp (or 15. P-K5, PxB; 16. RxKt ch, K-Kt2), Kt-Kt1 followed by 16. ...., K-Kt2.  
13. RxP ch BxR 14. QxB ch K-B1  
Not 14. ...., KR2?; 15. Pxp, Kt-Kt5 (to prevent 16. B-Q3 ch); 16. P-B3, P-Kt4; 17. B-Kt3 winning the Kt.  
15. Kt-B3



With exemplary speed, he mobilizes the remainder of his forces and maintains relentless onslaught.

15. .... Kt-B3 19. RxKt QxR  
16. R-KB1 PxB 20. KtxQ KxKt  
17. Kt-Q5 R-KKt1 21. Qxp ch  
18. Q-R5 K-Kt2  
An unfortunate error which throws away the win. In this type of ending, White must strive to hamper communication between enemy Rooks and also to keep the Kt from penetrating. Thus the Q should have remained temporarily at R5 to guard K2 against a Kt check. Correct was 21. P-Q5!, to which there was no adequate reply: 1) 21. ...., Kt-K4?; 2) 21. Kt-K2; 22. Qxp ch, R-Kt3 (best); 23. Q-Q4 ch, K-Kt2; 24. Qxp, etc.; 3) 21. ...., Kt-Kt5; 22. Qxp ch, K-B2 (22. ...., K-K4?; 23. Q-K6 ch, K-B5; 24. K-B2, QR-KB1; 25. P-Kt3 ch, RxR; 26. Q-R6 ch, etc.); 23. Q-K6 ch, K-B1 (23. ...., K-Kt2?; 24. Q-K7 ch winning the Kt; 24. Q-B6 ch, K-K1; 25. P-R5, R-Q1; 26. P-R6, R-Q3; 27. P-R7, etc.); 4) 21. ...., Kt-Q5; 22. P-B3, Kt-B7 (22. ...., Kt-K14; 23. P-R4, Kt-Q3; 24. P-K5 ch); 23. Qxp ch, and 24. Q-B1 winning the Kt; 5) 21. ...., K-Q1; 22. P-K5 ch, K-Kt2; 23. P-K6, R-QB1 (the threat was 24. Q-K5 ch); 24. Q-K5 ch, K-R2; 25. Q-B4 ch, K-Kt2; 26. P-R5 and wins.  
21. .... K-K2  
Not 21. ...., R-Kt3; 22. Q-B4 ch! (The attempt to win a R fails; 22. P-K5 ch, K-B2; 23. Q-R7 ch, R-Kt2; 24. P-K6 ch, K-B3; 25. Q-R6 ch, R-Kt3; 26. Q-B4 ch, Kxp; 27. P-Q5 ch, Kxp; 28. Q-B5 ch, Kt-K4, K-Kt2; 23. Qxp ch, K-R1; 24. P-Q5 and wins (24. ...., Kt-Q5?; 25. Q-K5 ch or 24. ...., QR-KKt1; 25. PxKt, RxP ch; 26. K-B1 and White has too many Pawns).  
22. P-Q5 Kt-Q5 24. K-R2  
23. P-B3 Kt-K7ch  
Now he throws away the draw! Necessary was 24. K-B2, Kt-B5; 25. Q-R7 ch, K-Q3; 26. K-K3, KtxKtP ch (26. ...., QR-KB1 is dangerous because of 27. P-KKt4! after which 27. ...., RxP loses a R by 28. P-K5 ch, KxQP; 29. Q-Q7 ch; 27. K-Q4, P-B4 ch; 28. Pxp e.p., Kxp; 29. Kxp with equality.  
24. .... QR-KB1 25. P-R5  
With Black fully mobilized at last, White is lost. If instead 25. Q-K6 ch, K-Q1; 26. P-Q6, RxP ch! wins immediately.  
25. .... Kt-B5 29. P-Q6 Kt-B8ch  
26. P-KKt3 KtxR 30. K-R1 Pxp  
27. Q-K6ch K-Q1 31. Pxp  
28. P-K5 KtxP  
Or 31. Qxp ch, K-B1; 32. P-K6; 33. Q-Q7 ch, K-Kt1; 34. Q-R7, R-R4 ch!; 35. QxR, Kt-K6 ch.  
31. .... R-Kt2 Resigns  
For if 32. Q-R6, Kt-Kt6 ch; 33. K-R2, Kt-B4; 34. Q-R3, R-B3; 35. Q-R8 ch, K-Q2, a fascinating struggle.  
(We are pleased to welcome Mr. Bernstein to the "Games by USCF Members" Annotating Staff and congratulate him on the job he did on this game: JWC.)

### THIRTY-SECOND SPREADING

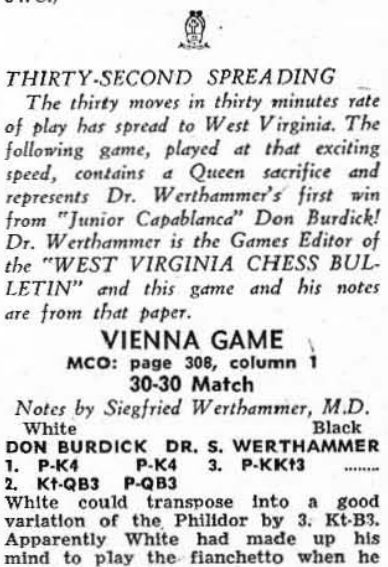
The thirty moves in thirty minutes rate of play has spread to West Virginia. The following game, played at that exciting speed, contains a Queen sacrifice and represents Dr. Werthammer's first win from "Junior Capablanca" Don Burdick!

Dr. Werthammer is the Games Editor of the "WEST VIRGINIA CHESS BULLETIN" and this game and his notes are from that paper.

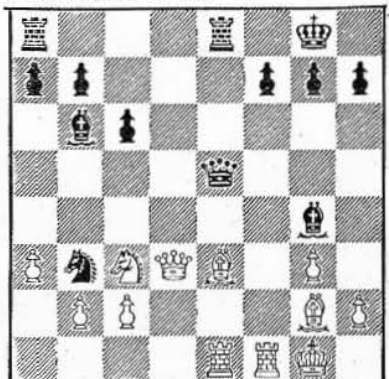
### VIENNA GAME

MCO: page 308, column 1  
30-30 Match  
Notes by Siegfried Werthammer, M.D.

White DON BURDICK Black DR. S. WERTHAMMER  
1. P-K4 P-K4 3. P-KKt3  
2. Kt-QB3 P-QB3  
White could transpose into a good variation of the Philidor by 3. Kt-B3. Apparently White had made up his mind to play the fianchetto when he moved 2. Kt-QB3.



3. .... B-B4 5. Kt-B3 P-Q3  
4. B-Kt2 Kt-B3 6. O-O O-O  
The game is even. White's KB has little scope.  
7. P-Q4 Pxp 9. Q-Q3  
8. KtxP B-KKt5  
After P-B3, B-K3 with the threat B-B5.  
9. .... Kt-R3  
Developing with threats, —Kt-Kt5. White's next is practically forced.  
10. P-QR3 Kt-Q2  
To harass White's Q by Kt-K4. The Q is hemmed in by her own and opposing pieces.  
11. P-B4 Q-B3 13. Kt-B3  
12. B-K3 B-Kt3  
This retreat allows Black to attack White's center with success. Much better is P-R3, Kt(2)-B4; 14. Q-Q2, with a tricky and uncomfortable position for both.  
13. .... Kt(3)-B4 15. P-K5  
14. Q-Q2 KR-K1  
Loses quickly. But White had to lose some material. No better is 15. P-R3, because of B-B4! If then 16. PxB, RxB! (QxR?, Kt-R5 and the White Q is lost).  
15. .... Pxp 18. QR-K1 Kt-Kt6!  
16. KtxP KtxKt 19. Q-Q3  
17. PxKt Qxp  
PxKt, BxB ch, etc., would have lost the exchange only, but after the text a whole piece is lost.



19. .... QxB ch!  
The Q sacrifice is correct.  
20. RxQ RxR 21. QxR  
White has to return the Q because of the discovered check.  
21. .... BxQ ch 23. B-K4 P-KB4  
22. K-R1 Kt-Q5 Resigns  
If 24. B-Q3, B-B6 ch wins the exchange.  
On 24. B-Kt2, simply P-KKt3.

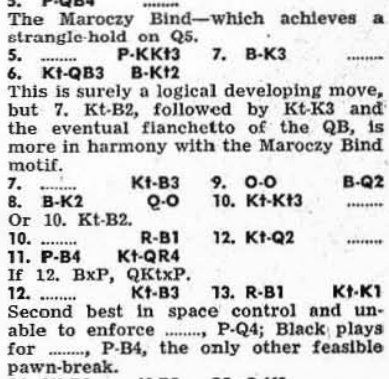
### VETERAN DEFEATED

The winner of this fast paced game writes that his opponent, Mr. Z. Stopinski, is a veteran of the Buffalo Club and has held several local titles.

### SICILIAN DEFENSE

MCO: page 280, column 79  
Buffalo City Championship  
Buffalo, 1953

White G. MAUER Black Z. STOPINSKI  
1. P-K4 P-QB4 3. P-Q4 Pxp  
2. Kt-KB3 Kt-QB3 4. KtxP P-Q3?  
Correct is 4. ...., Kt-B3.  
5. P-QB4  
The Maroczy Bind—which achieves a stranglehold on Q5.  
5. .... P-KKt3 7. B-K3  
6. Kt-QB3 B-Kt2  
This is surely a logical developing move, but 7. Kt-B2, followed by Kt-K3 and the eventual fianchetto of the QB, is more in harmony with the Maroczy Bind motif.  
7. .... Kt-B3 9. O-O B-Q2  
8. B-K2 Q-O 10. Kt-Kt3  
Or 10. Kt-B2.  
10. .... R-B1 12. Kt-Q2  
11. P-B4 Kt-QR4  
If 12. Bxp, QKtxP.  
12. .... Kt-B3 13. R-B1 Kt-K1  
Second best in space control and unable to enforce ...., P-Q4; Black plays for ...., P-B4, the only other feasible pawn-break.  
14. Kt-B3 K-R1 15. Q-K1





## GUEST ANNOTATORS

Sidney N. Bernstein  
Dr. Siegfried Werthammer

Playing for the direct king-side attack, as in the Scheveningen Sicilian.

15. .... P-B4 16. Q-R4 PXP?  
This loses control of K5 and leads to further king-side pawn weaknesses. Preferable is 16. .... P-K3; 17. Kt-KKt5, Kt-B3; followed by .... Q-K2; .... Kt-Q1; and .... Kt-B2; despite the resultant vulnerability of the QP.

17. Kt-KKt5  
The threat is mate and must be respected.

17. .... P-KR3  
If 17. .... Kt-B3; 18. QKtXP, and the KRP must move anyway.

18. QKtXP K-Kt1 19. P-KB5? .....



This does not quite work. Analytically speaking, White could win by the simple 19. Kt-KB3 and a regrouping for the final attack. Or the piece could be more promisingly sacrificed by 19. B-Q3, PxKt; 20. KtxP, Kt-B3; 21. BxKtP.

19. .... BxBP?  
Accurate is 19. .... PXP; retaining the QB and leaving both White Knights en prise.

20. RxB?  
Having said A, White says B. Else 20. Kt-KB3.

20. .... RxB?  
20. .... PXR? is the right move.

21. Kt-K6  
And White's attack is once more rolling.

21. .... Q-R4  
Better is 21. .... Q-Q2.

22. P-B5  
A good move. It opens the QR2-KKt8 diagonal and cuts off the Black Queen from the king-side.

22. .... P-R4  
Better is 22. .... Kt-K4.

23. P-KKt4 R-K4  
If 23. .... PXP; 24. BxP, is very strong.

24. KtXP!  
RxKt(K3)

Black no longer has a defense.

25. B-QB4 Kt-Q1 26. RXPX  
Or 26. QXP!

26. .... Kt-KB3 27. KtxKtch PxKt  
If 27. .... BxKt; 28. Q-R7 ch, K-B1; 29. BxR, KtxB; 30. Q-B7 mate.

28. Q-R3 P-Q4 30. P-B6!  
29. BxP Q-R3

And for the second time this Pawn prevents the Black Queen from helping out on the other wing.

30. .... RXP 32. BxRch K-B1

31. RxB PXR

Or 32. .... KtXB; 33. QxKtch, K-R1;

34. Q-K8ch, B-B1; 35. QxB mate.

33. B-B5ch Resigns

On 33. .... K-K1; 34. B-Q7 mates. White's play was always aggressive.

ROME BURNS  
White fiddles on the Queen-side while Black burns on the King-side.

NIMZOWITSCH ATTACK  
MCO: page 217, column 23 (g)  
Toronto City Championship  
Toronto, 1953

White Black  
C. FISCHER R. ORLANDO

1. Kt-KB3 Kt-KB3 2. P-QKt3

White plans to control, rather than occupy, the center, along hypermodern lines.

2. .... P-KKt3

'A fianchetto is best answered by a counter-fianchetto.' Joe Schach.

3. B-Kt2 B-Kt2 4. P-B4 P-Q3

Or 4. .... P-B4; 5. P-K3, O-O; 6. B-K2, P-Kt3; 7. P-Q4, PXP; 8. KtxP, B-Kt2; with equal chances.

5. P-Q4

White would like to prevent Black from playing P-K4. But he cannot do so for long. 5. P-Q3, leaving the QR1-KR8 diagonal open, is more in the spirit of the game.

5. .... QKt-Q2 7. P-K4

6. QKt-Q2 O-O

More hyper-modern, more according to Nimzowitsch and Reti, and more better (!) is 7. P-Kt3 and 8. B-Kt2.

7. .... P-K4!

This is tactically possible because White's QB is loose.

8. P-Q5?

If 8. PXP, Kt-Kt5 and Black regains the Pawn.

With the text, White locks the center and plans to break with P-QB5. But Black's break, P-KB4, is bound to come first. Better is 8. B-K2, or 8. P-Kt3 and 9. B-Kt2.

8. .... Kt-B4 9. Q-B2 P-QR4

10. P-QKt4 is prevented in order that the QKt may be maintained at its commanding post.

10. B-K2 Kt-R4!

With the double purpose of playing 11. .... P-B4; and of occupying KB5 with the Kt later on.

11. O-O P-B4

Black now has much the better of it.

12. P-QR3

The idea is to roll the Q-side Pawns with 13. P-QKt4 and 14. P-B5. A slow plan, but it is difficult to suggest a better one at this "late" date.

12. .... PXP 14. Kt-Q2

13. QKtXP B-B4

If 14. B-Q3, Kt-B5 wins.

14. .... Kt-B5 15. KR-K1 B-R3!

Strangely enough, this threatens the KtP!

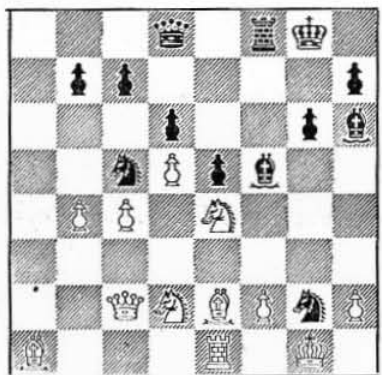
16. P-QKt4?

Imperative is 16. B-KB1.

16. .... PXP

Black now goes straight to his task and makes every move count until he has the win.

17. PXP RxB 18. BxR KtxP!!



A surprise move which wins at least a Pawn and cracks White's defenses.

19. PxKt

If 19. KxKt, KBxKt; 20. QxB (if 20. PxKt, BxR wins) KtxKt; and Black has a winning game.

19. .... KtxR 20. Q-Q1

Illusion: White will get two minor pieces for his Rook.

20. .... KBxKt!

Disillusion.

21. QxB

If 21. KtxB, Q-Kt4ch; 22. K-B1, Kt-Q6; wins.

21. .... BxKt 22. PXP

If 22. QxKt, Q-Kt4 ch; 23. K any( Q-Kt7 mate.

22. .... PXP Resigns

A typical example of how well the King's Indian Defense, which in effect Black was playing, works when White does not operate precisely.

OPEN TOURNAMENT

(Continued from 6 col. 4)

Bracket who suffered two last round defeats placed 9th and Miroslav Turiansky was 10th, both with 9-4. In the final round Ros-solino defeated Brasket.

For the women's Open title, Mrs. Eva Aronson defeated Mrs. Willa White Owens in the final round to decide the title, scoring in all six victories and two draws. All of Mrs. Aronson's other opponents were men.

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5. P-Q4

## Mate The Subtle Way!

by Vincent L. Eaton

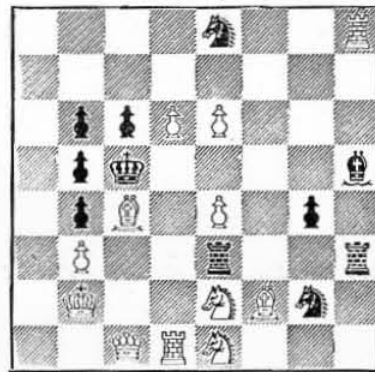
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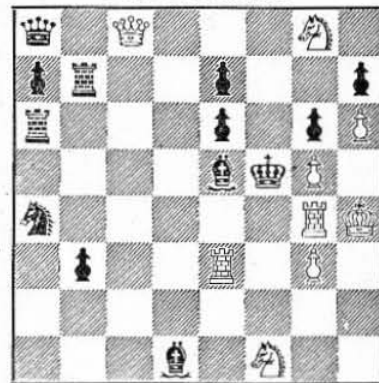
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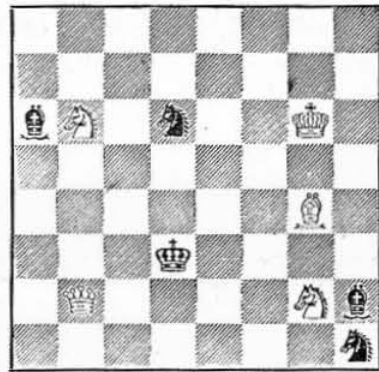
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White mates in two moves

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By A. Nemcov  
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White mates in three moves

### Solution: Mate the Subtle Way!

No. 438 (Gamage): 1. R-B3, threat: 2. R-Q3 ch. If 1. .... QxP ch; 2. KR2! If 1. .... BxP ch; 2. K-R1! Subtle second-move play in Gamage's best style. The try 1. Kt-Q3 is defeated by 1. .... QxB; 2. P-B3 ch?, K-K7 ch.

No. 439 (Keeney): 1. Q-Q5. A surprising number of solvers claimed 1. Q-K4 as a "cook"—defeated by 1. .... PXP.

No. 440 (Sanz): This is unfortunately cooked. The author intended 1. P-Q4, with several changed mates, but 1. P-Q7 is equally good.

No. 441 (Holladay): 1. P-B8(Kt), featuring pretty unpins of the White Bishop.

No. 422 (Eaton): Initially White cannot play 1. either Kt-Kt5, because Black can then reply 1. .... Kt-K6 ch. The key is 1. Q-K3, and if the Queen is captured, double check by 2. .... Kt-K6 is blocked. The threat is 2. Kt-Q2 ch. If 1. .... PXP; 2. Kt(R7)-Kt5 (not 2. Kt(K4)-Kt5, R-B5 ch). If 1. .... BxQ; 2. Kt(K4)-Kt5. If 1. .... P-Q4; 2. B-B7 ch. This heavy position brought forth many claims of extra solutions. 1. B-B7 is defeated by QxR; 1. B-R4 by B-R7; 1. Kt-B5 by P-Q4; 1. Kt(K4)-Kt5 by Kt-K6 ch; and 1. Kt-Q2 by P-Q4.

### SOLVERS' LADDER

(Two points for two-movers; four points for three-movers; extra credit for correct claims of "cooks," i.e., solutions not intended by the composers. The following tally covers solutions received up to the time we went to press, on September 10. Solutions sent after that date will be credited on the next Ladder.)

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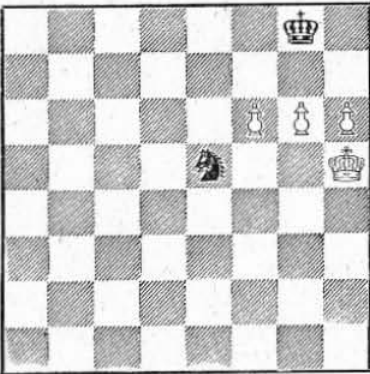
A hearty welcome to new solvers Philip George, of Verona, N. J.; Edward A. Lerner, of Red Bank, N. J.; and Walerjan Czarnecki, of Schenectady, N. Y.

Asheville (N. C.) Chess Club: Carolinas Champion Kit Crittenden scored 6-1 in a simultaneous exhibition, conceding the lone loss to Peter P. Tarasov.

# What's The Best Move?

By Guilherme Groesser

Position No. 125



White to play

Send solutions to Position No. 125 to the Editor, CHESS LIFE, 123 No. Humphrey Ave., Oak Park, Ill., by October 20, 1953.

### Solution to Position No. 122

Almost all of our solvers found the correct solution to this position in the game Kupper-Morel, Geneva 1951 where White played 1. Kt-B5! and the continuation was 1. .... Q-B4 ch; 2. B-K3!, Q-B2; 3. Kt-R6 ch, K-Kt2; 4. RxBP mate. Obviously the White Kt cannot be captured after 1. Kt-B5 and equally obviously the Black Queen must defend the KP against capture.

The suggested 1. Kt-K6 is not absolutely decisive, for 1. .... BxKt; 2. QxQ, BxQ; 3. QR-Q1, P-K4; 4. P-QB4, Kt-QB3 leaves a lot of play in the position. Nor does 1. RxBP, QxKt ch; 2. QxQ, BxQ ch; 3. K-R1, KxR give White an immediate victory.

Correct solutions are acknowledged received from: J. Abramson (Milford) J. Barry (Ann Arbor), K. Blumberg (Chicago), G. F. Chase (Buffalo), J. E. Comstock (Duluth), J. D. Define (Florissant), F. S. Dietrich (Memphis), E. K. Dille (Norfolk), E. Gault (New Brighton), E. Godbold (St. Louis), P. J. Goldstone (Chicago), W. James (Fox Lake), D. Hamburger (Pittsburgh), J. Kaufman (Los Angeles), E. J. Korpany (Woodside), J. Melnick (Portland), R. A. Menuet (Kansas City), E. Nash (Washington), G. Nute (Boston), Y. V. Oganosov (Monte-rey Park), G. Payne (Webster Groves), N. Raymond (Hartford), W. L. Reddy (?), E. Roman (New Britain), M. Schlosser (Decatur), I. Schwartz (Durand), B. A. Shaeffer (San Bernardino), I. Sigmund (Colwick), W. E. Stevens (Laramie), H. C. Underwood (Washington), W. B. Wilson (Amherstburg), N. P. Witting (Salem), N. Zemke (Detroit).

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| W. B. Wilson   | 32 1/2 | R. Wittmann     | 3     |
| J. E. Comstock | 25     | H. Dittmann     | 2     |
| H. Kurruk      | 22     | F. S. Diedrick  | 2     |
| J. Kaufman     | 21 1/2 | R. J. Gagnon    | 2     |
| I. Schwartz    | 21     | P. J. Goldstone | 2     |
| Y. Oganosov    | 19 1/2 | E. F. Lawrence  | 2     |
| D. Walsdorf    | 16 1/2 | G. Nute         | 2     |
| R. Chauvenet   | 14     | E. Roethler     | 2     |
| D. Hamburger   | 15 1/2 | D. Silver       | 2     |
| W. H. James    | 13 1/2 | I. Sigmund      | 2     |
| W. Stevens     | 14 1/2 | H. Flaherty     | 1 1/2 |
| F. Cabott III  | 11     | J. Abramson     | 1     |
| G. Payne       | 10     | R. A. Baker     | 1     |
| E. Godbold     | 10     | M. Cohen        | 1     |
| E. K. Dille    | 9      | F. Foote        | 1     |
| E. J. Korpany  | 8      | R. A. Menuet    | 1     |
| E. Roman       | 8      | E. Nash         | 1     |
| C. Yyon        | 7 1/2  | N. Raymond      | 1     |
| R. Grande      | 7      | W. L. Reddy     | 1     |
| N. Zemke       | 7      | P. Stephens     | 1     |
| K. Blumberg    | 6      |                 |       |

# Tournament Life

October 10-11

## Lake Erie Open Championship Buffalo, N.Y.

Open, sponsored by Queen City Chess Club; 5 round Swiss (50 moves, 2 hrs.); entry fee \$4.00 (50c refund to USCF members); cash prize for 1st place, trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, name of winner engraved on Richard E. Boyer Trophy; for location and details write: Robert Mekus, 100 Norwood, Buffalo, N.Y.

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October 30-November 1

## North Carolina Open Championship Wilmington, No. Car.

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November 28

## Ashville 30-30 Tournament Asheville, N. C.

Open to all; at Langren Hotel starting 1:30 p.m. Saturday; 6 or 7 rd Swiss, entry fee \$2.00; cash prizes; played at 30-30 rate; please bring clocks; write: Bill Adickes, 66 Linden Ave., Asheville, N. C.

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November 12-14

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November 27-29

## East Tennessee Open Championship Bristol, Tenn.

Open; at YMCA in Bristol; entry fee \$3.00 (non-USCF members pay \$1.00 rating fee in addition); 5 rd Swiss; trophy and cash prizes; registration at 10:00 a.m. at YMCA, 1st rd at 1:00 p.m.; for details and hotel reservations write: Bill Rucker, Bristol Chess Club, 128 Holborn St., Bristol, Tenn.

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December 26-28

## 3rd Illinois Open Championship Decatur, Illinois

At YMCA "All Purpose" room, 151 W. Prairie St.; entry fee \$5.00 (plus \$1.00 rating fee for USCF non-members), all entry fees used for prizes, 1st prize guaranteed \$75.00; entries close Sat., Dec. 26 at 7:45 p.m.; for details write: Mrs. C. Turner Nearing, 1400 W. Macon St., Decatur, Ill.

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seeded players who also intend to compete in the finals.

**IN BRIEF:** Final standings in the All-Masters 30-30 tournament were Bisguier, Pavey, and Seidman 6-2, Hearst and Mengarini 4-4, Sussman 3 1/2-4 1/2, Sherwin 3-5, Levy 2-6 and Pilnick 1 1/2-7 1/2.

### Solutions:

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Position No. 113: 1. .... Kt-QKt6! White resigned, for if 2. R-K2, RxR ch; 3. RxR, Kt-Q7 ch.

Position No. 114: K-Q3!, K-Q1; 2. K-Q2!, K-K1; 3. K-K2! and White drew by maintaining the opposition.

## KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE U. S. Open Championship Milwaukee, 1953

| White      | Black          |             |         |
|------------|----------------|-------------|---------|
| K. BURGER  | I. A. HOROWITZ |             |         |
| 1. P-Q4    | 24. PxP        | RPxP        |         |
| 2. P-QB4   | P-KKt3         | 25. K1xQP   | B-R3    |
| 3. Kt-QB3  | B-Kt2          | 26. R-B6    | P-K16   |
| 4. P-K4    | P-Q3           | 27. Kt-B5   | Q-B5ch  |
| 5. P-B3    | Kt-B3          | 28. QxQ     | PxQch   |
| 6. B-K3    | P-K4           | 29. KxP     | B-Q6    |
| 7. Kt-K2   | P-Q3           | 30. Kt-K7ch | K-Kt2   |
| 8. Q-Q2    | O-O            | 31. R-B8    | RxR     |
| 9. P-Q5    | Kt-QR4         | 32. K1xR    | K-B3    |
| 10. Kt-Kt3 | P-QKt3         | 33. P-K5ch  | K-Kt2   |
| 11. B-R6   | P-QKt4         | 34. K-K3    | B-B8    |
| 12. PxP    | PxP            | 35. P-Kt3   | B-R3    |
| 13. R-B1   | BxB            | 36. Kt-Kt6  | K-B1    |
| 14. QxB    | P-Kt5          | 37. K-Q4    | K-K2    |
| 15. Kt-Kt5 | Kt-Kt2         | 38. K-B5    | P-B4    |
| 16. RxBP   | RxP            | 39. P-Q6ch  | K-Q1    |
| 17. P-KR4  | R-R8ch         | 40. P-K6    | B-Kt2   |
| 18. K-B2   | Kt-B4          | 41. K-Q4    | P-Kt4   |
| 19. P-R5   |                | 42. K-K5    | P-B5    |
|            | KH(4)xKPch     | 43. P-K7ch  | K-K1    |
| 20. Kt-Kt  | Kt-Ktch        | 44. K-K6    | B-B3    |
| 21. PxKt   | Q-B3ch         | 45. Kt-R8   | B-Q2ch  |
| 22. K-Kt3  | RxB            | 46. K-B6    | Resigns |
| 23. RxR    | QxR            |             |         |

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