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Larry Evans On Chess



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his limitations and probe his weaknesses.

Are you impatient? Erratic?

If so, slow down. Force yourself to take a minute, even on the most obvious recaptures.

Do you get in time-pressure? Regiment yourself.

Are you weak in a particular Rook and Pawn ending? Can you defend the weaker side of theoretical draws such as Rook and Bishop vs. Rook?

Study!

Can you visualize continuations, combinations?

Play blindfold chess. Replay games in your mind. Analyze without moving the pieces.

To improve, you must be unflinching in your self-criticism. The above questions are only an outline of the most common shortcomings. Each player should make his own list and answer with honesty. Self-deception is a tumor for which there is no room. Ask me how to improve? I tell you: 1) introspection; 2) study of master games; 3) practice with better players; 4) self confidence.

INTROSPECTION

The first thing every player who is seriously interested in tournament chess must do is to analyze

SCHMITT TAKES WASHINGTON OPEN

James Schmitt of Portland won the Washington State Open at Seattle with 7-0. Don Turner, also of Portland, was second with 5-2 on S-B points, losing games to Schmitt and O. W. Manney. Third to fifth with 5-2 each on S-B were O. W. Manney of Seattle, Duane Meador of Portland and Dan Wade of Seattle. Manney lost games to Schmitt and Meador; Meador lost a game to Vellias and drew with Mack Patterson and John DeWitt; while Wade lost to Meador and Max Bader.

Although Portland rather swept the event, its triumph may be something of a swan-song as Schmitt is moving to San Francisco while Turner is facing a call to the Armed Forces, reducing Portland's strength materially. Elmars Zengalis directed the event.

PHILLIPS VICTOR IN NEW MEXICO

Scoring 6½-½ in a 28-player Swiss, James Phillips won the New Mexico State Championship at Albuquerque, drawing with John Holladay in the final round of play. Jack Shaw was second with 5½-1½, losing a game to Phillips and drawing with Holladay. Third to fifth with 5-2 each on Solkoff points were John Holladay, Dr. R. S. Underwood, and A. B. Innis.

Holladay lost to F. T. Coleman and drew with Phillips and Shaw; Underwood lost to Shaw and Holladay; and Innis lost to Underwood and Fred Rawlins.

Tied at 4½-2½ but sixth and seventh on Solkoff were F. T. Coleman and Albert Harle.

ALBUQUERQUE TOP IN WIRE MATCH

The Albuquerque Chess Club won 12-5 a telegraphic match with the Encanto Chess Club of Phoenix in an eight hour struggle from 8:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. where the wire lease terminated leaving three games undecided.

This will be the first match between USCF affiliated clubs to be rated without charge under the new regulations covering the chess activities of affiliated clubs.

Both clubs are USCF chapters. The match was contested on twenty boards.

Smyslov Wins Candidates Event; Reshevsky Ties Keres, Bronstein

The right to play a match for the World Championship against Mikhail Botvinnik was won by Vasily Smyslov who scored 18-10 in the World Candidates Tournament in Switzerland for first place. The 32-year old Russian Grandmaster practically clinched the title in the twenty-fifth round by besting Samuel Reshevsky.

Pivotal games in preventing Grandmaster Reshevsky from making a successful challenge were his thirteenth round loss to Bronstein which knocked him out of a first place tie for the lead and the twenty-third round loss to Alexander Kotov in a Knight ending which might easily have been drawn if the American master had not been so grimly determined to play for a win. The final blow to Reshevsky's hopes, of course, was the twenty-fifth round loss to Smyslov.

Tied with Reshevsky for second place with 16-12 scores were Paul Keres and David Bronstein. The followed Tigran Petrosian with 15-13, fully fulfilling the expectations of many that he would show well in this event. In seventh were Ewim Geller and Mendel Najdorf with 14½-13½ apiece.

Alexander Kotov, who bested both Reshevsky and Smyslov, shared ninth place with Mark Taimanov at 14-14 each.

NIMZO-INDIAN DEFENSE World Championship Candidates Switzerland, 1953

White	Black	White	Black
V. SMYSLOV	S. RESHEVSKY		
1. P-QB4 Kt-KB3	29. B-B1 Q-B2		
2. Kt-QB3 P-K3	30. R-Q1 K-R2		
3. Kt-B3 B-K15	31. Q-B2 Kt-B3		
4. P-KKt3 P-QKt3	32. B-K3 Kt-R4		
5. B-K12 B-K12	33. R-B2 P-B4		
6. O-O	34. PXP PXP		
7. Q-K13 BxKt	35. P-KKt4 Kt-B5		
8. QxB Q-Q3	36. BxKt PxB		
9. P-K13 Q-K2	37. Q-R4ch K-K11		
10. B-K12 P-B4	38. PXP P-Q4		
11. P-Q4 QKt-Q2	39. PXP Q-K4		
12. QR-Q1 B-K5	40. R(2)-Q2 R-Q3		
13. PXP KtXP	41. R-Q4 Q-K6ch		
14. Q-K3 P-K4	42. K-R1 R-K4		
15. B-KR3 P-QR4	43. QXP QxQ		
16. Kt-R4 KR-K1	44. RXP R-K7		
17. P-B3 B-K13	45. R-KKt4 K-B1		
18. R-Q2 QR-Q1	46. R-Kt6 Kt-K12		
19. KR-Q1 Q-B2	47. R-K6 RXP		
20. KtXB RPxKt	48. P-B4 R-K17		
21. B-K12 Kt-R4	49. QR-K1 RXR		
22. Q-B3 Kt-B3	50. QPXR Kt-Q3		
23. P-K4 Kt-R4	51. P-K7ch K-B2		
24. Q-K3 Kt-B3	52. B-Q5ch K-K1		
25. B-KR3 Kt-R2	53. B-B6ch K-B2		
26. R-K2 Kt-B3	54. P-K8(Q) KtXQ		
27. R-KB1 Kt-R4	55. BxKtch K-B3		
28. K-K12 Q-K2	56. B-K16 Resigns		

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE World Championship Candidates Switzerland, 1953

White	Black	White	Black
A. KOTOV	V. SMYSLOV		
1. P-QB4 P-QB3	21. RxKt RXR		
2. Kt-KB3 P-Q4	22. BxB B-Q4		
3. P-K3 Kt-B3	23. Kt-B5 R-Q3		
4. P-QKt3 P-KKt3	24. B-K12 P-B3		
5. B-K12 B-K12	25. B-Q4 Q-KB2		
6. O-O	26. P-R3 R-K1		
7. B-Q3 P-B4	27. R-QB1 P-KR4		
8. O-O BXP	28. P-QR4 P-B4		
9. KtXP P-K4	29. B-K12 K-R2		
10. Kt-K15 P-QR3	30. Q-B3 B-B5		
11. Kt-B3 PXP	31. BxB PxB		
12. BxBP P-QKt4	32. QXP R-Q6ch		
13. B-K2 B-K12	33. K-R2 QxQ		
14. Kt-Q2 P-K5	34. RXP R-Q7		
15. P-QKt4 Q-K2	35. B-B6 RXP		
16. P-QR3 R-Q1	36. R-Q4 P-B5		
17. Q-B2 QKt-Q2	37. R-Q7ch K-R3		
18. Kt-K13 QR-B1	38. P-R4 P-K14		
19. KR-Q1 Kt-Q4	39. BXPch K-K13		
20. RxBt BxBt	40. BXP Resigns		

FINAL STANDINGS

Smyslov	18-10	Taimanov	14-14
Bronstein	16-12	Auerbach	13½-14½
Keres	16-12	Bo'lvasky	13½-14½
Reshevsky	16-12	Szabo	13-15
Petrosian	15-13	Gligoric	12½-15½
Geller	14½-13½	Euwe	11½-16½
Najdorf	14½-13½	Stahlberg	8-20
Kotov	14-14		

QUEEN'S INDIAN DEFENSE World Championship Candidates Switzerland, 1953

White	Black	White	Black
A. KOTOV	S. RESHEVSKY		
1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3	35. P-B4 Kt-K15		
2. P-QB4 P-K3	36. Kt-B3 RXR		
3. Kt-KB3 P-QKt3	37. KtXR R-Q1		
4. P-K3 B-K12	38. R-Q3 RXR		
5. B-Q3 B-K2	39. QXR Q-K12		
6. O-O	40. Q-K4 Q-Q2		
7. Kt-B3 P-Q4	41. Kt-B3 B-B4		
8. Q-K2 QKt-Q2	42. B-Q4 BxB		
9. P-QKt3 P-QR3	43. KtXB K-B2		
10. B-K12 B-Q3	44. P-R3 P-B4		
11. P-K4 PXP	45. Q-Q3 Kt-B3		
12. KtXP KtXKt	46. Kt-B3 QxQ		
13. BxKt BxB	47. Kt-K5ch K-K2		
14. QxB Q-K2	48. KtXQ Kt-K5		
15. QR-K1 KR-K1	49. P-QKt4 K-Q3		
16. R-K2 P-QR4	50. Kt-K5 P-R5		
17. KR-K1 B-K15	51. K-B3 P-KKt4		
18. R-Q1 QR-Q1	52. K-K3 P-K15		
19. R-K3 P-KB3	53. PXP RPXP		
20. R-K2 Q-B2	54. KtXP Kt-B6		
21. P-K13 B-Q3	55. Kt-K5 Kt-B6		
22. Q-B6 Kt-K11	56. K-Q3 KtXP		
23. Q-K15 Kt-Q2	57. P-K15 KtXKt		
24. K-K12 B-B1	58. PxKt K-B4		
25. P-QR3 R-B1	59. Kt-B3 KXP		
26. Q-B6 Kt-K11	60. Kt-Q4ch K-K15		
27. Q-K17 Q-Q2	61. K-B2 P-K4		
28. Q-K4 Q-B2	62. PXP K-B4		
29. Q-K14 P-R4	63. P-K6 K-Q3		
30. Q-K2 P-QB4	64. K-B3 P-K44		
31. R-Q3 Kt-B3	65. K-K14 K-K2		
32. R(2)-Q2 PXP	66. K-B5 P-R6		
33. KtXP Kt-K4	67. K-Q5 Resigns		
34. R-QB3 QR-Q1			

KORN ON ENDINGS

Beginning with the November 20th issue, Walter Korn, noted editor of Modern Chess Openings, will discuss endgame technique and modern endgame compositions in CHESS LIFE.

U. S. Intercollegiate Individual Championship New York

December 26-30, 1953

Site to be announced later

U. S. WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP New York

December 5-19, 1953

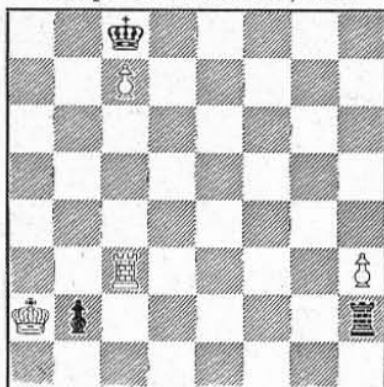
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White To Play And Win!

by William Rojiam

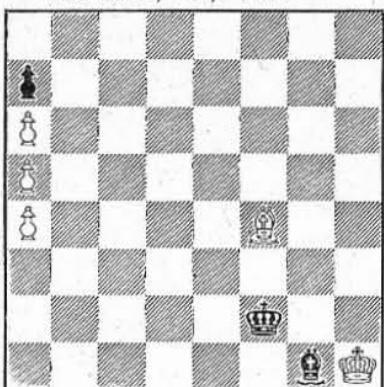
PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP York, 1953

Position No. 225
By J. Moravec
Casopis Cesk. Sachistu, 1908



White to play and win

Position No. 226
By M. Liburkine
2nd Prize, "64," 1933



White to play and win

OUR selection this time is drawn from a collection in L'Echiquier de Paris entitled "A Dozen Humorous Studies." While essentially humorous in the nature of their tactical approach, both studies illustrate principles that may become useful in modified form in actual play.

For solutions, please turn to Page seven.

Send all contributions for this column to William Rojiam, % CHESS LIFE, 123 No. Humphrey Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois.

Puget Sound League probably chalks up a first in U. S. chess league history by including the McNeil Island Prison chess team in its league schedule. For obvious reasons, all the McNeil Island matches will be played at home. Teams in the Puget Sound League are: West Seattle, Seattle YMCA, University of Washington, Seattle Chess Club, Olympia, Kitsap County, Tacoma, and McNeil Island Prison.

STALICK TAKES WYOMING TITLE

Victory in the Wyoming State event went to Vic Stalick of Douglas with 5-1 in a 24-player Swiss at Douglas. Defending Champion Chester Ingle of Thermopolis was second with 4½-1½.

The four-man team championship was won by the University of Wyoming foursome.

Chess stamps as a topical collection for philatelists again gains notice in the Stamp World as "Topical Time" for Sept-Oct. features an article by Mrs. Turner Nearing on "Chess Stamps" reminding readers that the first Postmaster General of the USA, Benjamin Franklin, was also a chess enthusiast, writing a treatise on "The Moral of Chess." In addition "Mekeel's Weekly" for August 28th features on its front page an article by Theodora Kock on "Chess On Stamps" with illustrations of a number of examples and a catalogue of available issues similar to the listing in Mrs. Nearing's article.

Chess continues to thrive at Massachusetts State Prison at Charleston despite the departure of William J. Couture according to Paul H. Smith, Couture's successor as guardian of chess at Charleston. Boards are plentiful, but there is a scarcity of sets and many players have to be content with home-made makeshifts. The prison library also is very limited in its selection of chess literature. So any reader with a spare set gathering dust or a few discarded chess books could put them to excellent use by sending them to Charleston where they would be most welcome. Interested readers should contact Paul H. Smith, Box 100, Charleston, Mass.

New Zealand's R. G. Wade scored a victory at the Paignton Congress of the Devon County Chess Ass'n with 5-2, drawing four games. T. H. Taylor was second with 4½-2½, while P. S. Milner-Barry placed third with 4-3 in the eight player event.

Lansing (Mich.) Chess Club inaugurated the Central Michigan League season successfully with a 5½-4½ victory over Kalamazoo Valley—first Lansing victory over Kalamazoo since the League was organized.

1. R. D. Sobel (Philadelphia)	.....	W19	W26	W31	W25	D4	D3	W2	6-1	24.25																																								
2. A. DiCamillo (Philadelphia)	.....	W43	W13	W5	D3	W10	W4	L1	5½-1½	25.75																																								
3. V. Bomanov (Philadelphia)	.....	W59	W27	W12	D2	D8	D1	W11	5½-1½	23.50																																								
4. S. Wachs (Philadelphia)	.....	W57	W37	W20	W11	D1	L2	W12	5½-1½	22.50																																								
5. W. Byland (Pittsburgh)	.....	W46	W35	L2	W33	D20	W23	W13	5½-1½	20.75																																								
6. D. Schrader (Philadelphia)	.....	W51	L18	W22	W28	D23	W20	D8	5-2	22.00																																								
7. W. Young (Allentown)	.....	W40	D22	W24	L10	D9	W36	W21	5-2	19.00																																								
8. N. Coleburn (Washington, D.C.)	.....	W66	W39	D11	W9	D3	D10	D6	5-2	18.75																																								
9. E. N. Spector (Philadelphia)	.....	D21	W58	W18	L8	D7	W35	D16	4½-2½	19.50																																								
10. P. Sherr (Allentown)	.....	W42	W36	D21	W7	L2	D8	D14	4½-2½	18.50																																								
11. P. Roth (Pittsburgh)	.....	W38	W23	D8	L4	W27	W25	L3	4½-2½	18.00																																								
12. Dr. A. L. Bolden (Philadelphia)	.....	W49	W17	L3	D15	W30	W37	L4	4½-2½	16.75																																								
13. E. Dreher (Willow Grove)	.....	W61	L2	W40	W16	D25	W24	L5	4½-2½	16.00																																								
14. H. H. Chu (Philadelphia)	.....	W65	L34	W44	D35	W15	D21	D10	4½-2½	15.00																																								
15. T. B. Eckenrode (Lancaster)	.....	L60	W54	W47	D12	L14	W22	W31	4½-2½	14.75																																								
16. J. L. Costello (Harrisburg)	.....	D58	D31	W62	L13	W44	W39	D9	4½-2½	13.75																																								
17. S. Sklaroff (Philadelphia)	.....	W62	L12	W38	L21	D39	W43	W30	4½-2½	13.75																																								
18. Dr. J. D. Garhart (Johnstown)	.....	W44	W6	L9	L20	W45	D34	W32	4½-2½	13.50																																								
19. M. F. Cleaver (Allentown)	.....	L1	W61	L29	W60	W43	W27	D25	4½-2½	13.00																																								
20. E. R. Glover (Wynnewood)	.....	W33	W28	L4	W18	D5	L6	W36	4½-2½	12.50																																								
21. N. Hurltlen (Union, N. J.)	.....	D9	W60	D10	W17	D36	D14	L7	4-3	15.00																																								
22. Horst Bottstein (York)	.....	W48	D7	L6	D26	W42	L15	W46	4-3	14.00																																								
23. Charles Kalme (Philadelphia)	.....	W45	L11	W48	W34	D6	L5	D24	4-3	13.00																																								
24. L. Brickman (Philadelphia)	.....	D52	W47	L7	W58	W29	L13	D23	4-3	12.25																																								
25. T. C. Gutekunst (Allentown)	.....	W55	W30	W34	L1	D13	L11	D19	4-3	12.25																																								
26. R. P. Kemble (Lancaster)	.....	W50	L1	L33	D22	W54	D29	W42	4-3	10.75																																								
27. P. B. Driver (Ridley Park)	.....	W36	L3	W42	W31	L11	L19	W44	4-3	10.50																																								
28. W. L. Arkless (Lansdowne)	.....	W56	L20	W49	L6	W52	L30	W45	4-3	10.00																																								
29. D. Spiro (Pittsburgh)	.....	L31	W43	W19	D30	L24	D26	D39	3½-3½	13.00																																								
30. C. Sovel (Philadelphia)	.....	W41	L25	W46	D29	L12	W28	L17	3½-3½	12.25																																								
31. D. Schatanoff (New Freedom)	.....	W29	D16	L1	L27	W58	W33	L15	3½-3½	11.75																																								
32. J. C. Bortner (York)	.....	L36	W41	D35	L39	W49	W52	L18	3½-3½	10.75																																								
33. D. Burg (Philadelphia)	.....	L20	W57	W26	L5	W62	L31	D35	3½-3½	10.25																																								
34. M. Bender (Mechanicsburg)	.....	D54	W14	L25	L23	W40	D18	D38	3½-3½	10.25																																								
35. B. Berger (Pittsburgh)	.....	W64	L5	D32	D14	W47	L9	D33	3½-3½	9.75																																								
36. E. A. Coons (Sewickley)	.....	W32	L10	W51	W37	D21	L7	L20	3½-3½	9.75																																								
37. J. G. Waltz (Pittsburgh)	.....	W53	L4	W60	L36	W38	L12	D40	3½-3½	9.50																																								
38. D. Sherman (Philadelphia)	.....	L11	W63	L17	W49	L37	W60	D34	3½-3½	7.75																																								
39. W. Hall (Philadelphia)	.....	W67	L8	D54	W32	D17	L16	D29	3½-3½	6.75																																								
40. Leroy Guthridge (York)	.....	L7	W56	L13	D55	L34	W63	D37	3½-3½	6.50																																								
41. Wm. B. Yeagley (York)	.....	L30	L32	W66	L42	D65	W58	W56	3½-3½	5.50																																								
42. Leonard Divac (Philadelphia)	3-4 (8.50);	43. E. F. Laucks (West Orange, N.J.)	3-4 (7.50);	44. Dimitro Grenda (York)	3-4 (6.50);	45. S. S. Bird (Allentown)	3-4 (5.50);	46. Janis Sube (Lancaster)	3-4 (5.50);	47. Hudson Cattell (Lancaster)	3-4 (5.50);	48. Dave Waight (Carlisle)	3-4 (5.00);	49. Rae Stiening (Pittsburgh)	3-4 (4.00);	50. C. A. Miller (Yoe)	3-4 (2.00);	51. J. Schatanoff (New Freedom)	2½-4½ (7.50);	52. E. Moskowitz (Mt. Carmel)	2½-4½ (7.00);	53. P. Freedman (Harrisburg)	2½-4½ (5.75);	54. J. Miltenberger (Johnstown)	2½-4½ (5.75);	55. Wm. J. Kiraly (Harrisburg)	2½-4½ (4.25);	56. Herman Bottstein (York)	2½-4½ (4.00);	57. H. W. Shields (Mt. Joy)	2½-4½ (4.00);	58. H. E. Ericson (Fullerton)	2½-4½ (3.75);	59. Ed. J. Kish (Bradford)	2½-4½ (1.75);	60. F. R. Dearborff (York)	2-5 (5.50);	61. N. L. Stuver (Johnstown)	2-5 (5.00);	62. M. Sauder (Manheim)	2-5 (3.50);	63. R. Mumma (Mechanicsburg)	2-5 (2.00);	64. Mrs. Naomi Culbertson (York)	2-5 (0.00);	65. A. Logan (Harrisburg)	1½-5½ (1.75);	66. R. Houghton (Reading)	1-6 (0.00);	67. D. W. Waight, Jr. (Carlisle)	1-6 (0.00).

Shields forfeited to Bird, and Deardorff to Laucks.

7th SWENSON MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

1. A. C. Ludwig	.....	D2	W4	W3	D5	W6	4-1	11.00
2. R. Vincent	.....	D1	W6	W7	L3	W5	3½-1½	8.00
3. J. Spence	.....	W6	W5	L1	W2	L4	3-2	8.00
4. D. Sheffer	.....	W8	L1	L5	W7	W3	3-2	5.00
5. E. Ireland	.....	W7	L3	W4	D1	L2	2½-2½	6.50
6. B. Laison	2-3;	7. E. Bishop	1½-3½;	8. T. Shea	3½-4½.			

CITY OF MIAMI CHAMPIONSHIP

1. August Swarz (Miami)	.....	W12	D3	W10	W2	W4	4½-1	.....		
2. Charles Wisch (Miami)	.....	W6	W4	W7	L1	W5	4-1	.....		
3. August C. Otten (Miami)	.....	W9	D1	L4	W10	W8	3½-1½	.....		
4. Aaron Goldman (Miami Beach)	.....	W8	L2	W3	W7	L1	3-2	16.00		
5. Murray G. Cohen (Miami)	.....	L7	W12	W9	W8	L2	3-2	10.00		
6. Charles Shaw (Miami)	.....	L2	L8	W12	W9	W11	3-2	9.00		
7. N. B. Church (Miami)	2-3 (14.00);	8. Carlton Hurst (Coral Gables)	2-3 (13.50);	9. R. L. Washburn (Miami)	2-3 (12.50);	10. A. Chinn (Miami)	2-3 (11.00);	11. Wm. Rathbone (Miami)	1-4;	12. Anthony Pabon, Jr. (Miami)	0-5.

Pabon forfeited to Rathbone and Chinn.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT

1. H. Steiner	.....	W16	W22	W9	W17	W6	W20	W13	W15	W2	W3	10-0	65.00															
2. H. Gordon	.....	W23	W3	L6	W5	L20	W21	W17	W4	L1	W13	7-3	45.50															
3. J. Wolfe	.....	W21	L2	L5	W31	W11	W16	W20	W6	W13	L1	7-3	39.50															
4. L. Remlinger	.....	L20	W24	W21	W8	D13	W7	D6	L2	W15	D9	6½-3½	40.50															
5. R. Gross	.....	W24	L17	W3	L2	L16	W29	W10	D12	W11	W6	6½-3½	40.25															
6. S. Mazner	.....	W15	W33	W2	W13	L1	W17	D4	L3	W9	L5	6½-3½	39.25															
7. G. Steven	.....	L30	W18	D14	W27	W10	L4	L9	D17	W12	W15	6-4	35.75															
8. S. Geller	.....	W28	D11	W33	L4	L15	W22	L21	W14	D17	W16	6-4	29.25															
9. M. Gordon	.....	D14	W23	L1	W33	W30	L13	W7	W20	L6	D4	6-4	26.00															
10. H. Rogosin	.....	L29	Bye	W31	W22	L7	L15	L5	W24	W19	W17	6-4	25.50															
11. R. Banner	.....	W26	D8	L12	D14	L3	W25	W16	D19	L5	W21	5½-4½	30.00															
12. G. Hunnex	.....	L13	W19	W11	W30	L17	W14	L15	D5	L7	W26	5½-4½	29.75															
13. R. Martin	.....	W12	W32	W20	L6	D4	W9	L1	W21	L3	L2	5½-4½	29.25															
14. W. Wheeler	.....	D9	D26	D7	D11	W29	L12	D22	L8	W21	W28	5½-4½	26.50															
15. F. S. Hazard	.....	L6	W25	W29	L20	W8	W10	W12	L1	L4	F7	5-5	28.50															
16. L. Woronzoff	.....	L1	L21	W18	W23	W5	L3	L11	W29	W25	L8	5-5	26.50															
17. J. Gibbs	.....	Bye	W5	W30	L1	W12	L6	L2	D7	D8	L10	5-5	25.00															
18. T. Wyman	.....	L22	L7	L16	L25	Bye	D28	W26	D23	W31	W27	5-5	16.75															
19. T. Zelig	4½-5½ (17.75);	20. W. Granger	3-6 (25.50);	21. R. Jacobs	4-6 (22.50);	22. Mrs. Grumette	4-6 (20.25);	23. M. Blumenfeld	4-6 (18.50);	24. K. Forrest	4-6 (17.75);	25. D. Maron	4-6 (17.25);	26. Dr. Burns	3½-6½ (14.75);	27. P. McKenna	3-7 (12.50);	28. D. Young	2½-7½ (12.00);	29. J. Freed	2-8 (12.00);	30. R. Solano	2-8 (10.00);	31. M. Lebow	2-8 (8.50);	32. A. Spiller	1-9 (5.50);	33. M. Altschiller	1-9 (5.00).

Spiller withdrew after 2nd round, Altschiller after 4th round, Solano after 5th round, Granger and Freed after 8th round.

Due to the transfer of Jim Schmitt of Portland, Ore. to San Francisco, the proposed Oregon Chess Bulletin never got beyond the planning stage.

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Smyslov Holds Lead Once Again In Seesaw World Candidates Event

By Staff Writer WILLIAM ROJAM

AS we view the first twenty-two rounds of the thirty round World Championship Candidates Tournament which will produce a challenger to play a match in 1954 with World Champion Mikhail Botvinnik for the world title, it has been an event of ups and downs with first Reshevsky and then Smyslov holding the lead by a narrow margin always.

Smyslov, who outpointed Reshevsky by one-half point in the World Championship Tournament of 1948, was considered by many to be slipping and his more recent performances indicated to critics that the hope of the USSR might lie elsewhere. Now it becomes apparent that the Soviet Grandmaster might have been resting on his laurels for a time but in no way was suffering from any impairment of his skill.

Bronstein continues as a lurking menace, very much in the contention as was expected, and in a surprise recovery that began last year Keres is also among the contenders, playing with some of the old verve that distinguished him in the past. As prophesied by many, Kotov, Najdorf, Gligoric, Petrosian and Boleslavsky are also among the upper ranks of contenders (in which surprisingly Auerbach is also to be found), while among the more lagging scorers are found Taimanov and Geller and Szabo for whom some predicted great things.

In the present standings, the primary factors were the loss suffered by Reshevsky in attempting to win a difficult Knight ending from Kotov while Smyslov was fattening his score with a victory over Geller. In this tournament Kotov seems the giant-killer, as he also served Smyslov with his only defeat.

STANDINGS

Twenty-Two Rounds

Smyslov	14½-7½	Auerbach	10½-11½
Reshevsky	13½-8½	Boleslavsky	10½-11½
Bronstein	13½-9½	Taimanov	10-11
Keres	13-10	Euwe	9½-12½
Kotov	12-10	Szabo	9½-12½
Najdorf	11-10	Geller	9-12
Gligoric	11-11	Stahlberg	6-16
Petrosian	10½-10½		

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE World Championship Candidates Switzerland, 1953

White		Black	
S. RESHEVSKY	A. KOTOV		
1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3	22. KtXP Q-R4		
2. P-QB4 P-Q3	23. Kt-K13 QxB		
3. Kt-QB3 QKt-Q2	24. RxB Kt-K2		
4. Kt-B3 P-KKt3	25. RXP QXR		
5. P-K4 P-K4	26. B-Kt5 KR-Q1		
6. B-K2 B-Kt2	27. Q-B3 B-B1		
7. O-O O-O	28. B-B4 Q-Kt7		
8. R-K1 P-B3	29. QXPch K-R1		
9. B-B1 Kt-K1	30. P-K5 Q-B6		
10. R-Kt1 Kt-B2	31. K-B1 QR-Kt1		
11. P-QKt4 P-QB4	32. P-B6 QR-B1		
12. QPxBP PXP	33. B-K6 Q-Q6ch		
13. B-R3 Kt-K3	34. K-Kt1 Q-K7		
14. PXP R-K1	35. QxBch RXP		
15. Kt-QKt5 QKtXP	36. RXP RXPBP		
16. Q-Q5 Kt-R5	37. RXPt P-QR4		
17. R-Kt3 Kt-Kt3	38. P-R4 P-R5		
18. Q-Q1 B-Q2	39. Kt-Q4 R-B8ch		
19. P-B5 Kt-B1	40. K-R2 R-Q8		
20. R-Q3 Kt-Q5	41. Kt-Kt5 R-QKt8		
21. Kt(5)XKt PXPt	42. Kt-Q6 Resigns		

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE World Championship Candidates Switzerland, 1953

White		Black	
DR. EUWE	M. NAJDORF		
1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3	20. KtXP B-B6ch		
2. P-QB4 P-KKt3	21. K-B1 QXP		
3. P-KKt3 B-Kt2	22. Kt-B4 K-R1		
4. B-K2 O-O	23. KtXB QR-K1		
5. Kt-QB3 P-B4	24. Kt(3)-K2		
6. P-Q5 P-K4		KR-Rt1	
7. B-Kt5 P-KR3	25. P-R5 R-Kt4		
8. BxKt QxB	26. Kt-Kt3 RXPt		
9. P-Q6 Kt-B3	27. P-R1 RXP		
10. P-K3 P-Kt3	28. K-B2 R-K1		
11. B-Q5 K-R1	29. R-K1 RXR		
12. Kt-K4 Q-Q1	30. QXR K-Kt2		
13. P-KR4 P-B4	31. Q-K8 Q-B7ch		
14. Kt-Kt5 B-Kt2	32. K-Kt1 Q-Q8ch		
15. P-KKt4 P-K5	33. K-R2 Q-B7ch		
16. Kt-K2 BXP	34. Kt-Kt2 Q-B4		
17. Kt-B4 Q-B3	35. Q-Kt8ch K-B3		
18. PXP BXR	36. Q-R8ch K-Kt4		
19. KtXPch K-Kt2	37. Q-Kt7ch		

Resigns

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE World Championship Candidates Switzerland, 1953

White		Black	
S. RESHEVSKY	D. BRONSTEIN		
1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3	34. P-K6 PXP		
2. P-QB4 P-KKt3	35. RXP R-KB1		
3. P-KKt3 B-Kt2	36. R-K7 B-Q5		
4. B-K2 O-O	37. R(3)-K6 Q-B4		
5. Kt-QB3 P-Q3	38. R-K8 Kt-B4		
6. Kt-B3 QKt-Q2	39. RXPQR KtXR		
7. O-O P-K4	40. RXPch KXR		
8. P-K4 R-K1	41. B-Kt3 QXP		
9. B-KR3 PXP	42. QXKt QXB		
10. KtXP Kt-B4	43. Q-B8ch K-K2		
11. R-K1 P-QR4	44. Q-Kt4 Q-B6		
12. Q-B2 P-B3	45. K-Kt2 Q-Kt7ch		
13. B-K3 Kt-Q2	46. Q-K2ch K-Q3		
14. QR-Q1 P-R5	47. K-B3 B-B4		
15. Kt-K2 Q-R4	48. K-K4 Q-Q5ch		
16. B-KB1 Kt-K4	49. K-B3 Q-B3ch		
17. Kt-Q4 P-R6	50. K-Kt2 K-B2		
18. P-B4 Kt-Q2	51. Q-B3 Q-Kt7ch		
19. P-Kt3 Kt-R3	52. Q-K2 Q-Q5		
20. B-B2 Kt(2)-B4	53. K-B3 P-R4		
21. R-K3 Kt-Kt5	54. K-Kt2 P-KKt4		
22. Q-K2 B-Q2	55. K-Kt3 Q-B5ch		
23. P-K5 PXP	56. K-Kt2 P-Kt5		
24. PXP QR-Q1	57. PXP PXP		
25. P-Kt4 Kt-K3	58. K-R1 K-K13		
26. B-R4 KtXKt	59. K-Kt2 K-B2		
27. RXPt Q-B4	60. K-R1 B-Q3		
28. QR-K4 B-R3	61. K-Kt1 K-Kt3		
29. K-R1 B-K3	62. Q-KKt2 B-B4ch		
30. P-Kt5 B-Kt2	63. K-R1 Q-R3ch		
31. R-B4 B-B4	64. Q-R2 Q-K6		
32. Kt-K4 BxKt	65. P-Kt4 B-Q5		
33. R(4)XB Kt-R3	Resigns		

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World Championship Candidates Switzerland, 1953

White		Black	
M. NAJDORF	A. KOTOV		
1. P-K4 P-QB3	22. Q-K3 QxQ		
2. P-Q4 P-Q4	23. RXP QR-QB1		
3. Kt-QB3 PXP	24. KR-B3 KR-Q1		
4. KtXP B-B4	25. K-B1 K-B1		
5. Kt-Kt3 B-Kt3	26. K-K2 K-K2		
6. Kt-B3 Kt-Q2	27. P-QR3 R-B2		
7. B-Q3 Kt-B3	28. R(3)-B2		
8. O-O P-K3		R(1)-QB1	
9. R-K1 B-K2	29. K-Q3 Kt-Q2		
10. P-B4 O-O	30. Kt-B1 P-B4		
11. BxB RXPch	31. Kt-K3 P-K4		
12. B-B4 R-K1	32. Kt-Q2 P-K5ch		
13. Q-B2 P-B4	33. K-K2 Kt-K4		
14. QR-Q1 PXP	34. P-B5 Kt-Q6		
15. KtXP B-Kt5	35. R-Q1 Kt-B5ch		
16. Q-B2 BxB	36. K-B1 K-K3		
17. B-Q P-R3	37. KtXP Kt-Q2		
18. P-Kt4 Q-B2	38. P-Kt3 Kt-R6		
19. QR-B1 QR-Q1	39. Kt-Q6 R-KR1		
20. Q-B3 Kt-Kt3	40. Kt-Q5 R-B3		
21. Kt-B3 Q-B5	41. R-K2ch Resigns		

GRUENFELD DEFENSE

World Championship Candidates Switzerland, 1953

White		Black	
S. RESHEVSKY	L. SZABO		
1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3	17. B-K2 B-K3		
2. P-QB4 P-KKt3	18. QXP Kt-Q4		
3. Kt-QB3 P-Q4	19. KtXPt P-QR3		
4. B-B4 B-Kt2	20. Q-B5 QR-B1		
5. P-K3 O-O	21. Q-R3 BxKt		
6. Q-Kt3 P-B4	22. O-O RXP		
7. BXP BXP	23. KR-Q1 B-Kt2		
8. PXP P-K3	24. BXP Q-K5		
9. PXP Kt-B3	25. BxB RxB		
10. PXPch K-R1	26. QR-B1 R-K1		
11. Kt-B3 KtXP	27. R-Q2 B-K4		
12. KtXPt QKt	28. QR-Q1 K-Kt1		
13. B-K3 Q-K4	29. P-QKt3 B-B2		
14. B-K2 B-K3	30. Q-R6 Q-Kt5		
15. B-QB4 B-Q2	31. Q-Q3 Q-K4		
16. P-KR3 P-QKt4	32. Q-Q5ch Resigns		

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Major Topics

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Concerning Forfeits

Pardon our offence and you encourage the commission of many.

PUBLILIUS SYRUS—Maxims

THE report in the Washington Chess Letter on the Washington State
Open Championship laments the large portion of forfeited games
in this 24-player event—for there were no less 18 forfeits. And in par-
ticular the report comments upon the discourtesy attendant on most
of the forfeits by the player simply failing to show up without notice or
communication, leaving the tournament director unable to discern if
the forfeit was from an unavoidable mischance or merely poor sports-
manship, and equally unable to make next round pairings with accuracy
for lack of knowledge as to whether the missing player, like a bad
penny, will turn up for the next round.

While the U. S. Open Championship this year was remarkably
clean in the matter of forfeits and the only player to withdraw from
the U. S. Candidates had a very legitimate excuse of serious illness,
other tournaments on state and regional level have been badly plagued
with such forfeitures. It is time that tournament promoters take serious
thought on how to quell the nuisance.

There are apparently only two methods of dealing with the for-
feiture. Both methods recognize that deliberate forfeiture without
serious reason is a crime against the other players in the tournament
in upsetting the tournament schedule, causing unnecessary byes, and
sometimes making a hard-working player lose out on a tie-breaking
because he did not win the point by force but gained it by gift.

We suggest that tournament promoters seriously consider both
methods of punishment for deliberate forfeiture which we will outline,
and go beyond consideration to the point of enforcing one of the two
penalties suggested, unless they can create some ingenious method of
their own for maintaining discipline.

First, there is the method of fining the delinquent player—in other
words, hitting his pocket since he is deficient in sportsmanship (other-
wise he would not withdraw because he got off to a bad start) and cannot
be touched by appealing to his honor. This is effected by adding a
\$5.00 returnable pledge to the entry fee of the tournament. Those players
who complete their schedules without forfeiture gain a refund of
their \$5.00 pledge; those who forfeit games, forfeit the \$5.00 pledge to
the tournament fund, swelling the prize awards of those players who
have suffered in one form or another by their delinquency. This is
an effective method, for it is notable that forfeitures are infrequent in
tournaments like the U. S. Open which have a rather large entry fee.
The tournaments with the modest entry fees are the ones most plagued
by forfeitures.

Second, there is the method of ostracism for the delinquent player
—in other words, accepting his own valuation of himself as being un-
worthy of competing in an association of chess players. When a player
has deliberately forfeited games without warning or for insufficient
cause, his entry could be refused the next time he proposed to play
in an event. And wary tournament promoters will not confine this
form of ostracism to players who have been delinquent in their own
events of the past, but will be wise to keep tab on other tournaments
of a similar nature and refuse to accept entries from those players
who have failed in their obligation to play through the event elsewhere.
But care must be taken in enforcing such penalties (which, of
course, should be announced well in advance of the tournament) that

no player is penalized who has a legitimate reason for withdrawing,
provided the tournament management is promptly informed of the
withdrawal and the reason for it. Sickness of the player or a member
of his family, unexpected and unforeseen business demands which cannot
be ignored are among those reasons to be labelled legitimate excuses.

However, all reasons for withdrawal from an event in progress should
be scrutinized carefully, for not only do forfeitures and withdrawals
upset the tournament schedule, cause wearisome byes for other players,
and work injustices in tie-breaking, such delinquencies also may serve
to deprive players of some part of the credit due to them in their USCF
Ratings, if they are unfortunate enough to be the recipient of forfeits
or byes created by withdrawals, for the USCF Rating System cannot
credit the unearned points due to byes and forfeits.

It is indeed time that we recognized that the player who deserts
a tournament after a round or two because his score is below the point
his egotism demands, is not only devoid of sportsmanship but is also
to be considered a chess criminal—a character to be penalized rather than
pampered and condoned.

ALFRED L. LUDWIG

IT is with a profound sense of shock that we report the passing of
USCF Vice-President Alfred L. Ludwig from a cerebral hemorrhage
on October 6, 1953. For those who in August enjoyed his buoyant com-
panionship at the U. S. Open at Milwaukee this news may seem un-
believable. On October 19th, Al Ludwig would have been 41 years old,
and seemed the picture of good health; that he was a victim of a diabetic
condition was a fact he never knew nor suspected.

Many-sided in his interests, Al Ludwig was a golfer of repute whose
dream of a hole-in-one was fulfilled only last September on the 100 yard
9th hole at Spring Lake Park; and while he never made the "Hit
Parade" he was author of a number of popular songs which achieved
considerable measure of success. For fifteen years he was a golf pro-
fessional at the Omaha Field Club before becoming a salesman for a
machinery company and many years ago he was for a time a professional
boxer.

More recently he has been "Mr. Chess" in the Mid-West, playing in
more tournaments a year than any other player, yet finding time in
addition to act as tournament director and organizer of other chess
events. In correspondence chess he was equally well known, winning
the CCLA Grand National Championship in 1945. In September of this
year he won the Swenson Memorial Tournament in Omaha for the fourth
successive time. He was associate editor of the Nebraska Chess Bulletin,
and had served for many years as USCF Director from Nebraska before
being elevated to a Vice-Presidency at Milwaukee this year.

Al Ludwig is survived by his widow, Josephine, and two fine young-
sters, Alfred Jr. and Fred, whose interests in football, golf and wrestling
he actively encouraged. To these, his parents, brothers and sister the
most sincere sympathy of all chess players who knew Al Ludwig is
extended, for he was uniquely without enemies, and filled a place in the
affection of many which will hereafter always remain empty.

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THE ELEMENTS OF CHESS

By International Master HERMAN STEINER

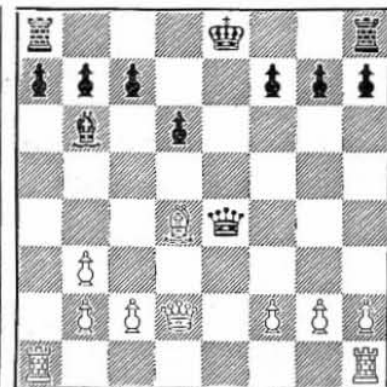
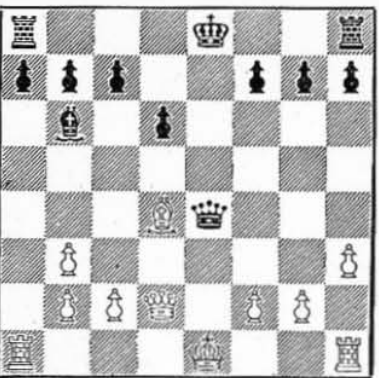
Hypothetical Game

Illustrating Principles, Rules, and Objectives
(Continued from issue of October 20)



After Black plays: 11., Q-K2
Nullifies threat of Third Objective
Threat of Third Objective

Continuing with the game: White is on the move and must find out what his opponent threatens. Again he considers the possible blunders, and realizes that Black does threaten to win the King-Pawn with a series of captures, beginning with BxB(Kt6). This threat is only a threat because the White King is opposing the Black Queen after the captures are completed. Suppose White makes an irrelevant move such as: 12. P-KR3, Black immediately answers with BxB; 13.



er. He has overlooked that White can win his Queen by playing one of his Rooks to K1, thus pinning the Queen and thereby winning it for a Rook, and eventually winning the game. This final picture gives the student an idea as to what White's move should be.



After White plays: 12. O-O-O
Nullifies threat of Third Objective
Developing move

Of course, it is Castling; but which side should be castled since he can castle on either side? Referring to the position, White must decide which move will give more Time or Space. For example, in the case of this particular position, we know that the Rooks are best posted on their King and Queen squares, therefore we want to accomplish this position with the least number of moves (Time). Castling on the Queen-side, followed by KR-K1 takes two moves; castling on the King-side takes three moves to arrive at the same position.—1) Castling, 2) QR-Q1, 3) KR-K1.

Another important principle applies here. Say that all major Forces have been exchanged; according to the rules for the endgame, the King should march toward the center of the board. The following is a hypothetical position and the student must understand the above rules clearly in order that later he may use them automatically. The mastery of these principles is what will win the game, and ignoring any one of them may cause blunders. The aim is to get the White King to K3. Castling on the Queen-

side will take two moves: 1) K-Q2, 2) K-K3. Castling on the King-side will take three moves: 1) K-B1, 2) K-B2, 3) K-K3. By castling on the King-side another move has been lost for the endgame, where control of Space and the advantage in Time are especially important. Of course, there are exceptions to all rules. You would not deliberately castle to a side where the opponent has an open file nor where the opponent has advanced his Pawns for attack. You should castle on the side where your opponent castles, for in that way the chances of being attacked are fewer. You should castle to the opposite side only if his development is superior (ahead in Time and Space). You should not castle on the side where you have a weakness, for it may be attacked by your opponent even if he is ahead in Space, for the Time element (counter-attack) will give your opponent the advantage. I believe you have now been given enough musts and must-nots, and enough dos and do-nots to understand why one way of castling is better than another. Once you have mastered the principles and make a decision you must follow it strictly unless the situation calls for sudden changes in plans.

Now that the student knows why the King-Pawn cannot be captured, Black will have to make a move which will be a developing one and one which will continue the threat of BxB(Kt6), followed by KtxP. This developing move is 12., O-O-O, castling on the Queen-side.



After Black plays: 12., O-O-O
Threat of Third Objective (BxB at Kt6,
followed by KtxP)

Developing move
This develops the Queen-Rook and still retains the initial threat of BxB (Kt6) and KtxP.

(To be continued)

Cleveland Chess Ass'n at its annual meeting reelected the complete slate of 1952-53 officers, with Ernest Mehwald as president, Herbert Weise first vice-president, Juan L. Pujol second vice-president, Norda Troy secretary, and Harald Miller treasurer. Guest speaker at the annual meeting was Elliott E. Stearns, one of the founders of the Ass'n, who traced the origins of chess and gave reminiscences of John G. White, whose famous chess collection now reposes in the Cleveland Public Library.

Chess Life In New York

By Eliot Hearst

OUT to avenge a close 7-5 defeat at the hands of the Marshall Chess Club in New York last spring, the Franklin C. C. of Philadelphia played host to its friendly rivals in a return match recently. Sad to relate, however, the Marshallites appeared most unappreciative guests on this occasion, for they romped off with a decisive 9½-2½ triumph, dropping only a single game in the process. With all due respect to the Marshall victors it must be admitted that the Franklin Club was playing without the services of several of its most powerful experts—Wachs, Di-Camillo, Morris, and Ruth, to name but four—and such an initial disadvantage was much too much to overcome.

The top game of the match resulted from the pairing of Arthur Bisguier, who was playing his first match game for the Marshall C. C. (he's a regular Manhattan C.C. contestant), and Dr. Paul Schmidt, recent immigrant from Estonia who had years ago been Paul Keres' chief rival in his native country and who still retains an international reputation. Outside of a sparkling victory over Jack Collins in the previous Marshall match, Dr. Schmidt had played little serious chess since his arrival in the U. S.; even so, Franklin members were predicting another win for him against the victor in the recent U. S. Candidates Tourney. Their enthusiasm was soon dimmed, however, for Bisguier quickly wrested an opening advantage for his formidable opponent and was the first to score for the visitors. Santasiere, Sherwin, Hearst, Mednis, Saidy, Donovan, and Fajans eventually followed suit for the Marshallites, while Gutekunst scored the sole victory for the home forces. After the match had been completed, the Franklin Club led by its president, Bill Ruth, treated the Marshall team to a fine meal at a leading Philadelphia restaurant; all agreed the contest had been a great success and plans are already being made for a rematch in New York this coming spring!

IN BRIEF: Finalists in this year's Marshall C. C. Championship include present co-champion Tony Santasiere, Jack Collins, Edmar Mednis, and Jim Sherwin as the (Please turn to page 7, col 2)

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International Master Herman Steiner continues in this installment with an exposition of the hypothetical game which illustrates the basic principles of his teaching theory—The Editor.

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

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YARMAK DEFEATS BURGER

Saul N. Yarmak of Passaic, New Jersey, the new U. S. Junior Champion, defeated Karl Burger of Brooklyn, New York, in a scrappy, slippery game in the Junior event. And defeating "Drawing Master" Karl (shades of the original Drawing Master, Karl Schlechter) is news these days. He did not lose a game in the New York State Championship at Cazenovia nor in the U. S. Candidates Tournament at Philadelphia. All the more credit to the new Champion!

SICILIAN DEFENSE

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U. S. Junior Championship
Kansas City, 1953

White	Black
5. YARMAK	K. BURGER
1. P-K4	P-QB4
2. Kt-KB3	P-Q3
3. P-Q4	PxP
4. KtXP	Kt-KB3
5. Kt-QB3	P-QR3

This is currently more popular than the old standby, the Dragon Variation (5., P-KKt3).

6. B-K3
A deviation. 6. P-B4, 6. P-KKt3, 6. B-KKt5, 6. B-QB4, 6. B-K2, and 6. B-Q3! are in line with what is being played most often.

6. P-K4
Black plays the Najdorf Defense anyway. The question is; what does White do about his QB on 6., Kt-Kt5?

7. Kt-K2 B-K3
Again, why not 7., Kt-Kt5?

8. P-B4
Now the QB can retreat to Kt1 on 8., Kt-Kt5. The text heralds a general king-side pawn advance and threatens 9. PxP, PxP; 10. QxQ ch, preventing Black from castling.

8. Q-B2 9. P-KR3 P-QKt4
Black starts exploiting his Sicilian birthright, a queen-side initiative.

10. P-R3 QKt-Q2 11. P-KKt4
Whether or not theory supports it, this typical pawn-roller is seldom easy to meet in over-the-board practice.

11. Kt-Kt3 13. P-Kt5 Kt-Kt2
12. P-B5 B-B5 14. P-Kt3
This wins the minor exchange and, for the time-being, prevents a Black Knight from landing on QB4, but leaves the QB backward and the square QB3 weakened. Plus and minus.

14. BxKt 16. P-B3
15. KtXB R-B1
Or 16. R-B1.

16. Kt-B4
Black should develop his Bishop.

17. B-Kt2 P-QR4
A move designed to obtain control of QKt6 and QB5. But Black should develop his Bishop!

18. O-O P-R5 19. BxKt
Unhindered by the minor exchange complex, and unwilling to go on the defensive with 19. Kt-B1, or allow 19. P-Kt4, Kt-Kt6; White does the practical thing.

19. QxBch 20. K-R1 PxP
With 20., B-K2; Black bumps into 21. P-B6, KtXP; 22. PxBP.

21. QxKtP
Threatening to win the QKtP with 22. QR-Kt1.

21. Kt-B5
The fruit of his 17th move. It threatens 22., Kt-Q7; winning the exchange.

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22. Q-Kt4
Believing he has the superior Pawn structure, White seeks an exchange of Queens, and the end-game which would result from it. 23. KR-QKt1, R-QKt1; 24. P-QR4, winning the QKtP, is part of the text too.

22. Kt-K6 23. QxQ RxQ
Favorable to White is 23., PxQ; 24. KR-QKt1, R-QKt1; 25. P-QR4, P-Kt5; 26. PxP, PxP; 27. R-Kt3.

24. R-B3 KtXB
Now an ending results in which the White Knight is superior to the Black Bishop. Black might try 24., Kt-B5; and if 25. P-QR4, PxP; 26. RxP, B-K2; 27. R-R8 ch, B-Q1; followed by, O-O.

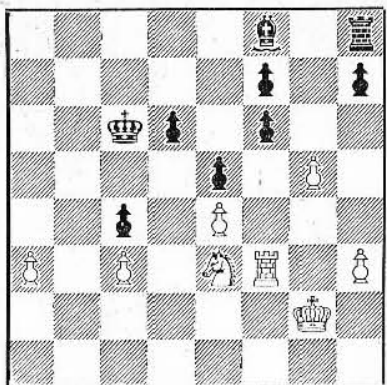
25. KxKt R-B5 26. Kt-Kt3 K-Q2
Other possibilities are 26., P-B3; 27. PxP, PxP; 28. R-QKt1, R-B4; 29. P-QR4! PxP; 30. R-Kt8 ch, K-B2. Or 26., B-K2; 27. P-B6, PxP; 28. PxP, B-Q1.

27. R-QKt1 K-B3 28. R-Kt4
In order to exchange a pair of Rooks and accentuate the superiority of the Knight over the Bishop in this ending.

28. B-K2
At last!
29. P-B6 PxP 30. Kt-B5
An in-between move. 30. RxR ch, would negate the possibility of 30., RxR.

30. B-B1
A case when home is not so sweet. Black apparently figures he must keep control of the KB1-QR6 diagonal. And that he can get the Bishop back in the game via KR3 later on. But 30., RxR; 31. RPxR (or 31. KtXB ch, K-Q2; 32. RPxR, KxKt; 33. RxP, R-R1; 34. R-R6, RxP; 35. RxRP, K-B1; with a probable draw) K-Q2; 32. PxP, R-Kt1 ch; 33. K-B1, B-Q1; 34. R-Q3, B-B2; and Black is still in business. Or 30., B-Q1; 31. R-Q3, B-B2; 32. Kt-K7 ch, K-Q2; 33. PxP, R-R1; and again Black has counter-chances.

31. RxRch PxR 32. Kt-K3!



Attacking two BPs and much stronger than 32. PxP. The two White pieces and the newborn passed-QRP now begin to coordinate very effectively.

32. R-Kt1 33. RxP B-K2
If 33., RxPch; 34. K-B2, R-Kt2; 35. Kt-B5, wins.

34. RxP BxP 35. Kt-Q5!
With the threats of 36. P-QR4 and 37. R-B7 mate, and 36. RxP.

35. B-R3ch
Perhaps thinking to protect the RP with 36., R-Kt2.

36. K-B3 R-QR1
Black now sees that after 36., R-Kt2; 37. RxR, BxR; 38. P-QR4, P-R4; (else 39. K-Kt4, 40. K-B5, and 41. K-K6, wins) 39. K-Kt3, White wins the RP and the game.

37. R-B7ch K-Kt4 38. RxRP
Double threat: 38. Kt-B7 ch and 39. KtXR, and 38. RxB.

38. R-B1ch 40. R-R7 Resigns
39. K-Kt4. B-B8
White threatens 41. P-R4 ch, K-B3; 42. R-B7 mate. (King-safety is important in the end-game too!). If 40., R-B1; 41. P-R4 ch, K-B4; (41., K-B3; 42. Kt-K7 ch, K-Kt3; 43. KtXR ch, wins) 42. R-R4 ch, K-B3; 43. Kt-K7 ch, K-Kt3; 44.

R-Kt5 ch, K-B2; 45. KtXR, KxKt; 46. P-R5, and White wins by queening one of his RPs.
A difficult game for the players and annotator!



3. P-KB3 TO DISAPPEAR!
It could be that the powerful new Bracket-Berliner twelfth move will make 3. P-KB3 extinct.

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

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U. S. Candidates Tournament
Philadelphia, 1953

Notes by U. S. Master Hans Berliner
White Black

H. AVRAM	H. BERINER
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-KKt3
3. P-KB3	.....

A seldom played variation which may as a result of this game completely disappear from master play. The object of the text is to avoid the Gruenfeld Defense.

3. P-Q4 6. Kt-B3 B-Kt2
4. PxP KtXP 7. B-K3 O-O
5. P-K4 Kt-Kt3 8. P-B4

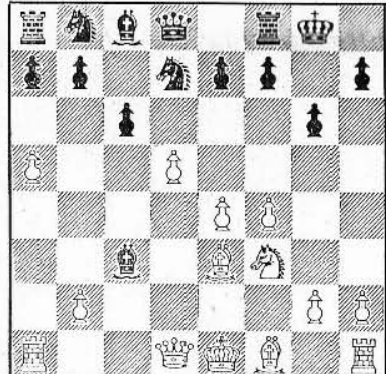
This move which is given an exclamation mark by PCO is best and gives White a strong center which Black must hurriedly attack.

8. Kt-B3! 9. P-Q5 Kt-QKt1
Black has spent two moves in order to provoke a target at Q5.

10. P-QR4 P-QB3 12. Kt-B3
11. P-R5 Kt-Q2

At this point PCO leaves off with a slight plus for White. Neither my opponent nor myself was aware of this. In stark actuality White is as good as lost.

12. BxKtch



A bomb-shell. Black exchanges his good defensive B, one of two developed pieces, and then moves the other one, which has already been moved four times, again.

This maneuver was played for the first time, I believe, against me in a very similar position by Curt Bracket at Milwaukee. He proceeded to beat me handily but as is seen here the point was not completely lost.

13. PxB Kt-B3!
White must now either give up a pawn or take an inferior endgame.

14. PxP
To be preferred was 14. B-Q3, PxP; 15. P-K5 with some attacking chances for the pawn, but since Black can develop easily it is doubtful if White can work up anything.

14. QxQch 15. RxQ?
Gives up a pawn without a struggle.

15. KxQ, KtXP; 16. PxP, BxP; 17. P-R6, B-Q4 and White has good practical chances of saving the game.

15. KtXP 17. R-R1
16. P-K5 Kt-K5
If instead 17. B-Q4, then KtXP; 18. B-Q3, P-B4; 19. O-O, P-Kt3; 20. BxKt, PxP; 21. Kt-Kt5, B-Kt2 and Black should win.

17. KtXP 19. Kt-Kt5
18. B-B4 R-Q1
A time wasting excursion. Better was O-O.

19. Kt-Q4 21. Kt-B3
20. B-Q2 P-KR3
On Kt-K4, B-B4 wins.

21. B-K3 22. R-QB1
Black was threatening KtXP.

22. P-R3!
Fixes the White QRP as a target and prepares Kt-B2 which could not have been played immediately because of 23. BxB, KtXB; 24. P-R6!

23. O-O Kt-B2 24. B-K3
B-K2 to avoid the exchange of Bs was better, but after 24. B-K2, B-Q4 and Kt-K3 Black would eventually win anyhow.

24. BxB 26. B-B1 QR-Q1
25. RxB R-Q6 27. P-B5
A desperate counter action.

27. PxP 29. P-Kt4!
28. BxP R-Q8
An ingenious move which must be met very carefully.

29. RxRch 30. KxR R-Q6!
But not 30., PxP; 31. RxP ch, K-R2; 32. Kt-Kt5 ch, KxB; 33. KtXP ch, K-R2; 34. KtXR, KtKt; 35. R-Q4 and R-Q7 with a probable draw.

31. Kt-R4
The Kt must move as K-K2 is met by RxKt and KtXP ch.

31. PxP 33. B-B4
32. RxPch K-R2
There is no effective continuation for White.

33. Kt-K3 35. RxR Kt(K3)xR
34. B-Kt3 R-Q5
A second pawn must now be lost and the rest is technique.

36. K-B2 KtXR 44. P-R3 P-Kt3
37. K-K3 Kt(4)-B3 45. B-R2 Kt-K6ch
38. K-K4 P-K3 46. K-Q3 Kt-Q4
39. B-B2 Kt-Kt4 47. P-R4 K-Kt5
40. Kt-B3 Kt-B6ch 48. Kt-Kt5 KxP
41. K-Q3 Kt-Q4 49. KtXP K-Kt5
42. K-B4 K-Kt3 50. K-K4 Kt-B6ch

The last few moves were made in time pressure. Here P-Kt4 is better.

51. K-Q3 Kt-Q4 52. K-B4 P-K7ch!
The quickest way to win.

53. K-B5 P-Kt5!
If now KxKt, the KtP cannot be stopped.

54. Kt-Q6 Kt-R4
Now both the K and Kt are stalemated.

55. B-Kt1 K-B5 57. Kt-B5ch K-Q6
56. B-R2ch K-K6 58. Kt-Kt7
Or resigns.

58. Kt-Kt2ch 62. KxKt P-Kt7
59. K-B6 Kt-Q1ch 63. KxKt P-Kt8(Q)
60. K-B5 P-Kt6 64. K-Q7 Q-R7
61. KtXP KtXKtch Resigns

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59. K-B6 Kt-Q1ch 63. KxKt P-Kt8(Q)
60. K-B5 P-Kt6 64. K-Q7 Q-R7
61. KtXP KtXKtch Resigns

Martin Harrow of Jamaica, N. Y., scored 7-3 to finish second (with Solkoff tie breaking tabulations helping) in the Junior Championship. He sacrifices a Bishop for a mating attack in the following game.

GRUNFELD DEFENSE

MCO: page 81, column 6

U. S. Junior Championship
Kansas City, 1953

White	Black
M. HARROW	L. FRANKENSTEIN
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-KKt3
3. Kt-QB3	P-Q4
4. Kt-B3	.....

Here there is a move for everyone's taste—4. PxP, 4. B-B4, 4. B-Kt5, 4. Q-Kt3, and 4. P-K3. And something can be said for all of them. The text is our preference.

4. B-Kt2 5. Q-Kt3 PxP
Too passive is 5., P-B3. And, moreover, Black wants to get in, P-QB4 at the right moment.

6. QxBP O-O 7. P-K4 B-Kt5
This is the Smyslov Variation, the idea being to put pressure on White's QP. Szabo favors 7., P-B3; Prins 7., Kt-R3!

8. B-K3!
More precise than 8. B-K2, because it allows R-Q1 a move sooner.

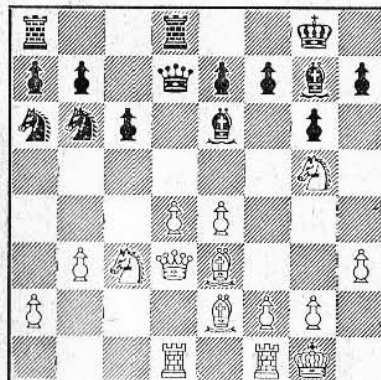
8. Kt-K2
Black transfers the Kt to the queen-side, clears the vital KR1-QR8 diagonal for the KB, and plays for, P-K4; all measures to pressure the QP.

9. R-Q1 Kt-Kt3 10. Q-Q3
Not quite logical. One reason for 8. B-K3 and 9. R-Q1 is that the QP will have enough protection to permit 10. Q-Kt3.

GUEST ANNOTATORS

Hans Berliner

A standard variation continues: 10. Q-Kt3, Kt-B3; 11. P-Q5, Kt-K4; 12. B-K2, KtxKt ch; 13. PxB. 10. P-QB3
Too quiet, although the idea of restraining the QP is a natural one. With 10. Kt-B3; looking to 11. P-K4; Black achieves the tactical chances which are characteristic of the Grunfeld. 11. B-K2 Kt-R3 12. O-O Q-Q2
A mistake, as it crowds the QB. Better is 12. Q-B2; for if then 13. P-KR3, B-K3; 14. P-QKt3, QR-Q1; 15. Kt-KKt5, B-B1; and the QB is preserved. 13. P-KR3 B-K3 14. P-QKt3 KR-Q1
Black should play for control of K4 and KKt4 with 14. P-B3. 15. Kt-KKt5!



KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

U. S. Open Championship
Milwaukee, 1953

White	Black
A. DAKE	K. BURGER
1. P-QB4	Kt-KB3
2. P-Q4	P-KKt3
3. Kt-KB3	B-Kt2
4. P-KKt3	O-O
5. B-Kt2	P-Q3
6. O-O	P-QB4
7. Kt-B3	Kt-B3
8. P-KR3	B-Q2
9. B-K3	PxP
10. KtxP	Q-B1
11. KtxKt	PxKt
12. K-R2	Q-R3
13. R-B1	QR-Kt1
14. P-Kt3	R-K1
15. Q-Q2	Q-R4
16. B-Kt5	Q-B2
17. P-K4	B-K3
18. B-R6	Kt-Q2
19. BxB	KxB
20. P-B4	P-B3
21. Kt-Q5	Q-Q1
22. Kt-K3	B-B2
23. P-KR4	P-QR4
24. P-K5	PxP
25. BxP	PxP
26. PxP	Kt-B4
27. Q-KKt2	R-KKt1
28. Kt-B5ch	K-B1
29. Kt-R6	R-Kt2
30. QR-Q1	Q-B2
31. KtxB	KxB
32. Q-Q5ch	K-B1
33. QxKt	R-B1
34. R-Q5	P-R5
35. P-Kt4	QxB
36. R-Q8ch	Resigns

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U. S. Open Championship
Milwaukee, 1953

White	Black
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1. P-Q4	P-K3
2. P-QB4	Kt-KB3
3. Kt-QB3	P-Q4
4. B-Kt5	B-K2
5. P-K3	O-O
6. PxP	KtxP
7. BxB	QxB
8. B-Q3	Kt-KB3
9. Kt-B3	QKt-Q2
10. Q-B2	P-B4
11. O-O	PxP
12. PxP	P-QKt3
13. KR-K1	B-Kt2
14. P-Q5	KtxP
15. BxPch	K-R1
16. B-K4	QKt-B3
17. KtxKt	BxKt
18. BxB	KtxB
19. QR-Q1	QR-B1
20. Q-K2	R-B4
21. Kt-K5	KR-B1
22. Kt-Q3	R(4)-B2
23. P-KKt3	Kt-B3
24. P-QR3	R-B5
25. Kt-K5	R-K5
26. Q-Q3	RxRch
27. RxR	K-Kt1
28. R-Q1	Q-B2
29. Kt-B3	Q-B7
30. P-QKt4	Kt-K5
31. QxQ	RxQ
32. R-Q8ch	K-R2
33. R-Q7	K-Kt3
34. RxRP	RxP
35. Kt-K5ch	K-B4
36. RxPch	KxKt
37. RxR	KtxR
38. KxKt	K-Q5
39. P-QR4	K-B5
40. P-R5	PxP
41. PxP	K-Kt4
42. K-K3	Resigns

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seeded players, with J. Donovan, R. Einhorn, T. Dunst, A. Saily, P. Brandts, N. Bakos, G. Eastman, J. Pamiljens, and H. Fajans as the qualifiers for preliminary sections. Carl Pilnick, co-champion with Santasiere, is unable to compete this year, while Art Bisguier, who was expected to play, chose to remain loyal to the Manhattan C. C. and play in its championship tourney. . . Columbia University's national champion chess team, which graduated 6 of its top 7 men last June, dropped its first match in over FOUR years when it succumbed to a powerful NYU aggregation 3½-1½. The Lions still have a year left for rebuilding purposes before their title must be defended in December 1954. . . One of Chessbook dealer A. Buschke's lesser known sidelights is the sale of chess pictures and prints. An appreciable amount of his time is spent searching for unusual chess pictures or supplying chess clubs with decorative paintings relevant to the Royal Game. Barren chess clubs take notice!

Solutions:

White to Play and Win

Position No. 225: 1. K-Kt1, R moves on 2nd rank; 2. R-B4!, R-KR7; 3. P-R4, R moves on 2nd rank; 4. R-B5, R-KR2; 5. P-R5, R moves on 2nd rank; 6. R-B6, R-KR2; 7. P-R6, R moves on 2nd rank; 8. P-R7, R-KR2; 9. R-QR6!, KxP; 10. R-R8, RxP; 11. R-R7 ch and wins.
Position No. 226: 1. B-B7, K-B8; 2. B-Kt6, B-B7; 3. K-R2, K-K7; 4. K-Kt2, B-K6; 5. K-Kt3, K-Q6; 6. K-B3, B-Q4; 7. K-B4, K-B4; 8. K-K4, B-B4; 9. K-K5, K-Kt5; 10. K-Q5, B-Kt8; 11. K-B6 and wins. Note that 11. BxB, KxP(R4) only draws, while throughout the ending if Black plays PxP or BxB, White wins.

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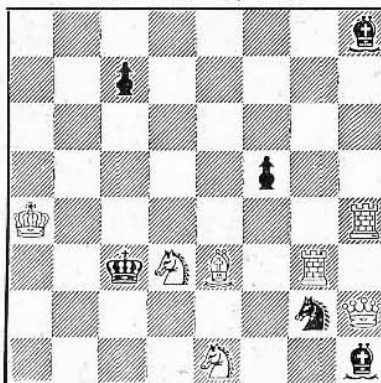
Mate The Subtle Way!

by Vincent L. Eaton

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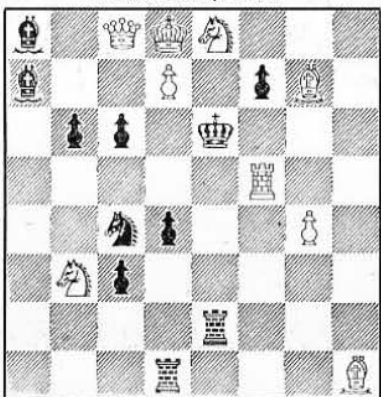
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White mates in two moves

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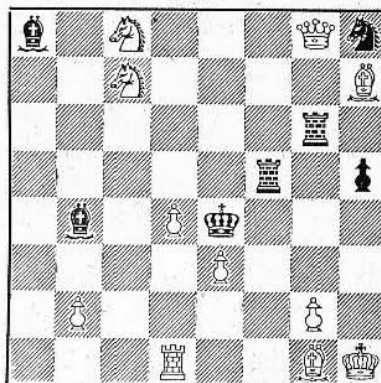
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White mates in two moves

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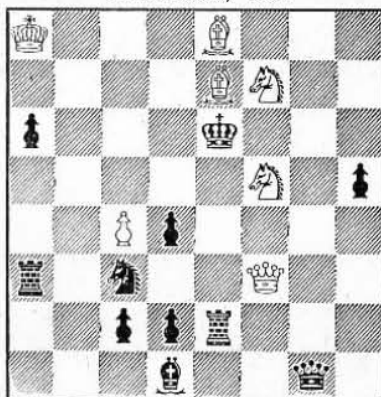
By Lorine Bata
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White mates in two moves

Problem No. 462

By Walter Jacobs
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Federation, 1953



White mates in three moves

Solutions: Mate the Subtle Way!

No. 443 (Challenger): 1. Kt-K3. In this artistic setting the Black Queen has 15 moves, none of which produces a dual mate.
No. 444 (Anderson): 1. B-Kt4, a remarkable key which pins a White Knight and gives the Black King a flight square.
No. 445 (Schiffmann): 1. Q-Q2, changing all the set mates.
No. 446 (Traxler): 1. B-R6!, threat; 2. BxP or 2. QxB ch. If 1. PxKt; 2. BxB ch. If 1. BxKt; 2. BxP. The try 1. K-R5 is defeated by 1. B-K8, and if 2. BxB, PxKt or 2. Q-R3 ch, K-Q5 ch.
No. 447 (Beale): 1. Q-R8, with echoing self-blocks by the Black Knights.
No. 448 (Beale): 1. R-K2, featuring interferences by the Black Bishop at K4.
No. 449 (Anderson): 1. B-Kt3!, another amazing key and puzzling setting by the master English composer.
No. 450 (Nemcov): The author's intention is 1. Kt-Q7. If 1. K-B5; 2. B-K6ch. If 1. K-K5; 2. Kt-B6 ch. If 1. B-K4; 2. KtxB ch. If 1. Kt-B7; 2. B-K2 ch. Solvers found a cook by 1. B-K2 ch, K-K5; 2. Q-Q2.

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 October 18. Solutions received after that date will be credited on the next Ladder.)

G. Murtaugh	358	Nicholas Yoe	156	W. A. Greenfield	40	A. F. Distefano	16
Kenneth Lay	340	Robert Grande	124	B. Shaeffer, Jr.	38	E. F. Lawrence	16
Rev. Chidley	336	N. Reider	124	David Silver	34	H. A. Trenchard	16
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Heino Kurrak	246	H. R. Meifert	52	L. Frankenstein	22	Philip George	4
C. J. Koch	234	Tom Heermann	50	K. A. Forssmark	20	R. O. Mauldin	4
W. I. Lourie	234	Paul J. Smith	50	E. Weatherford	20	Robert Bonwell	2
Dr. I. Schwartz	214	J. Haliburton	48	R. Wethermann	20	A. G. Lubowe	2
Y. V. Oganosov	174	E. T. Dana	42	W. Czarnecki	18		

A hearty welcome to the following new solvers: Robert Bonwell, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Dr. J. W. Britain, Binghamton, N. Y.; John M. Lally, Utica, N. Y.; and G. W. Payne, of Webster Groves, Mo.

Palmetto Chess Club (Columbia, S.C.):

A. Edelsburg won the club title 6-0 in a combination Swiss prelim and round robin final. Dr. G. Smith was second with 5½-1½, Prof. L. L. Foster was third with 4-3, and M. Gergel was fourth with 3½-3½.

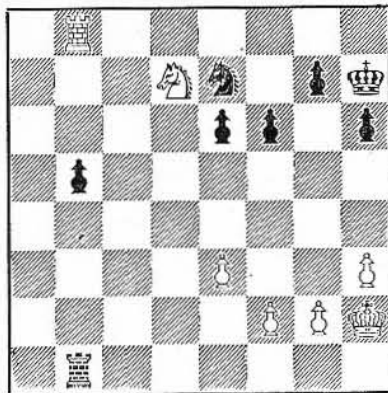
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What's The Best Move?

By *Guilherme Groesser*

Position No. 128



White to play

Send solutions to Position No. 128 to the Editor, CHESS LIFE, 123 No. Humphrey Ave., Oak Park, Ill., by December 5, 1953.

Solution to Position No. 125

Our solvers were divided into three groups this time, each group favoring one of the three possible lines of play open to White. Unfortunately for many of our solvers, only one line brings victory while the other two merely draw. For those who selected as solution the line 1. P-R7 ch, K-R1; 2. P-B7, Kt-KtP! and draws, for 3. KxKt is stalemate, there is the consolation that in the game Riley-Russ, Felixstowe 1949 this was the actual continuation. Note that 1. P-R7 ch, K-R1; 2. K-Kt5, Kt-KtP still draws, for if 3. K-R6, Kt-B1 gobbles eventual the White RP while preventing the White BP from queening. Of course 3. KxKt results in stalemate.

The proper procedure is 1. P-B7 ch! Kt-KtP (if 1., K-B1; 2. P-R7, K-Kt2; 3. P-R8(Q) ch and wins); 2. P-R7 ch!, K-Kt2; 3. P-Kt, KxRP!; 4. P-B8(R) and wins (if 4. P-B8(Q) stalemate)!

Our hearty congratulations to successful solvers: F. E. Armstrong (Dearborn), D. Arganian (Racine), R. A. Baker (State College), J. E. Barry (Ann Arbor), R. Chauvenet (Silver Spring), W. J. Couture (Norfolk), G. S. Cunningham (New Rochelle), J. D. Define (Florissant), R. Grande (Lowry AFB), D. Hamburger (Pittsburgh), W. James (Fox Lake), E. Nash (Washington), J. Petriceks (Palo Alto), E. Roman (New Britain), I. Sigmond (Colwick), W. E. Stevens (Laramie), R. Sliening (Pittsburgh), D. A. Walsdorf (New Orleans), F. Trask (Plymouth), H. C. Underwood (Washington), R. W. Wittmann (Brooklyn), and one solver who unfortunately did not give his name and cannot be credited.

Solvers with the 1. K-Kt5, Kt-B6; 2. K-Kt4! solution (also accepted): A. Bombarault (Pittsburgh), G. F. Chase (Buffalo), E. Gault (New Brighton), J. Kaufman (Los Angeles), J. Melnick (Portland), N. Zemke (Detroit), W. B. Wilson (Amherstburg), N. P. Witting (Salem), I. Schwartz (Durand), J. E. Comstock (Duluth), C. Diesen (Tonawanda).

The more persuasive 1. K-Kt5 is answered by 1., Kt-B6 ch; 2. K-B5 (or B4), Kt-R5 ch! and White never gets away from defending the KtP. But there is a winning loophole which a few solvers found and which is accepted as correct, namely: 1. K-Kt5, Kt-B6 ch; 2. K-Kt4! and whatever Black does, he is eventually cornered and must concede defeat.

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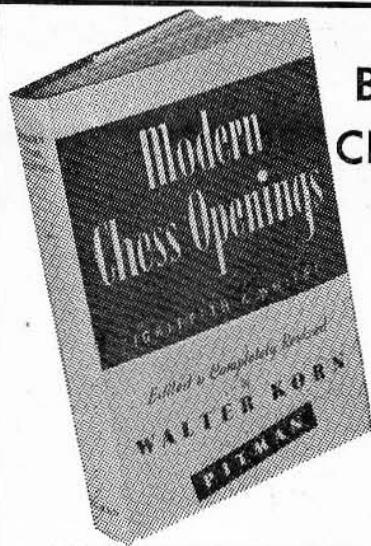
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