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## What's The Best Move?

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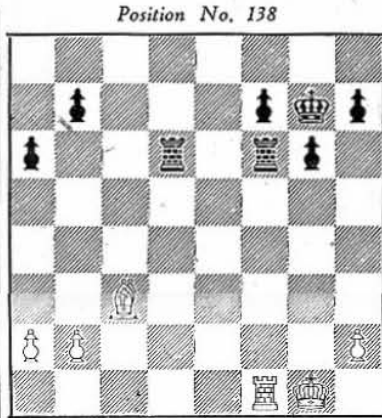
Send solutions to Position No. 138 to the Editor, CHESS LIFE, 123 No. Humphrey Ave., Oak Park, Ill., by May 5, 1954.

(The first two moves in correct sequence are necessary for credit.)

Position No. 138

This position occurred in a game, Kinnmark-Strom, Goteburg, 1927. For solution to Position No. 135 please turn to page eight of this issue.

Position No. 137 should have read: White to play.



White to move

## Denker Takes Manhattan Club Title As Pavey, Bisguier Lose Upsets

In the hard-fought Manhattan Chess Club Championship former U. S. Champion Arnold S. Denker profited by the tenth round stumbling of his most dangerous rivals and slid into first place, which he maintained to win the title 8½-2½ with one loss and three draws.

1953 Manhattan Club titlest Max Pavey led most of the way but suffered what proved to be a disastrous defeat in the tenth round from collegian Allen Kaufman. Former Manhattan titlest Arthur Bisguier was also in the running all the way until Abe Turner in the fateful tenth staunchly defended against an Evans and won the ending. By this victory Turner drew level with Bisguier and Pavey; and all three shared second place with 8-3 each.

The other plus scores in the event were George Shainswit fifth with 7½-3½, and Alexander Kevits sixth with 6½-4½. There follows the critical Bisguier-Turner game:

### EVANS GAMBIT

Manhattan C.C. Championship  
New York, 1954

White		Black	
A. BISGUIER	A. TURNER	A. TURNER	BISGUIER
1. P-K4	P-K4	28. RxP	BxP
2. Kt-KB3	Kt-QB3	29. RxP	B-K3
3. B-B4	B-B4	30. B-Q5	R-Q7
4. P-QKt4	BxP	31. BxB	PxB
5. P-B3	B-K2	32. B-B3	R-QB7
6. P-Q4	Kt-R4	33. B-K1	K-B2
7. B-K2	P-Q3	34. P-R3	P-R4
8. Q-R4 ch	P-QB3	35. K-B1	P-Kt4
9. PxP	PxP	36. B-B2	B-K4
10. KtxP	Kt-KB3	37. P-Kt4	PxP
11. 0-0	0-0	38. PxP	B-B5
12. R-Q1	Q-Kt3	39. B-Q4	P-K4
13. Kt-R3	R-Q1	40. B-Kt6	K-K2
14. B-K3	Q-B2	41. K-K1	K-Q2
15. RxR ch	BxR	42. R-B7 ch	K-Q3
16. P-KB4	P-QKt4	43. R-B8	K-Q4
17. Q-B2	B-K2	44. K-Q1	R-B8 ch
18. Q-Kt2	KtxP	45. K-K2	K-K5
19. B-B3	Kt-Q3	46. B-R5	R-B7 ch
20. P-B4	Kt(4)xP	47. K-Q1	R-QR7
21. Kt(3)xKt	KtxKt	48. B-Kt4	K-G6
22. KtxKt	PxKt	49. R-Q8 ch	K-K6
23. B-Q4	P-Kt3	50. R-QB8	K-B6
24. R-Kt1	B-Q3	51. RxP	R-R8 ch
25. B-R8	Q-Kt3 ch	52. K-B2	R-B8 ch
26. QxQ	PxQ	53. K-Kt3	RxR
27. B-Q4	RxP	54. KxR	KxP

Resigns

(See Page 7 for Kaufman-Pavey game)

### FINAL STANDINGS

Player	W	L	D	Score
1. A. S. Denker	7	1	3	8½-2½
2. A. Bisguier	7	2	2	8-3
3. M. Pavey	7	2	2	8-3
4. A. Turner	7	2	2	8-3
5. G. Shainswit	4	0	7	7½-3½
6. A. Kevitz	5	3	3	6½-4½
7. W. J. Bryan	3	4	4	5-6
8. A. Kaufman	3	5	3	4½-6½
9. E. T. McCormick	3	8	0	3-3
10. E. T. Vano	2	7	2	3-3
11. A. S. Pinkus	1	7	3	2½-8½
12. J. Williams	0	8	3	1½-9½

## U.S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

August 2-14, 1954  
New Orleans, La.

Place: Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, La.

Dates: Monday, August 2 through Saturday, August 14.

Direction: Under the auspices of the Louisiana Chess Association with the New Orleans Chapter as hosts; tournament director Newton Grant;

Tournament: Swiss system, according to regulations established by USCF Tournament Plans Committee.

For Details, write: A. L. McAuley, 4225 So. Liberty St., New Orleans, La.

## ALSO WOMAN'S OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP AND ZONAL

Two top ranking women contestants declared U. S. Representatives to the Women's World Championship Candidates Tournament in 1955.

## Argentina Agog For Chess Match, Eagerly Awaits Arrival of Russians

SPECIAL: From floating chess club, MS KUNGSHOLM, by airmail comes the news that Buenos Aires is excitedly awaiting the arrival of the team from the USSR. Unfortunately the arrival date is one day after the MS Kungsholm leaves Buenos Aires, heading north. But our special correspondent reports that the forthcoming match is getting big front-page publicity in advance and that the Teatro Vincentes has engaged for the playing hall to accommodate the spectators, for Argentina is a country where chess ranks as a major sport.

In the illustrated "Mundo Deportivo" (a South American version of Life or Look magazines), the issue of March 11 features pictures of Oscar Panno and Paul Keres on the front cover with six pages including an inside spread devoted to an article on the match with pictures of the players as well as pictures of the Argentina crowds outside the Argentina Chess Club during the Najdorf-Reshevsky match.

According to Argentina sources their team will be comprised of the following eight players:

OSCAR PANNO: 18 World Junior Champion and Champion of Argentina. Student of Engineering.

MIGUEL NAJDORF: 44. Born in Poland, resident of Argentina since 1939. Premier Grandmaster of Argentina and ex-champion.

HERMAN PILNIK: 42. Born in Germany. Grandmaster and ex-champion of Argentina.

CARLOS E. GUIMARD: 40. Ex-champion of Argentina.

HECTOR ROSETTO: 32. International Master and ex-champion of Argentina.

JULIO BOLBOCHAN: 33. International Master and ex-champion of Argentina.

ERICH ELISKASES: 43. Born in Europe and lived in Brazil for a number of years. An International Master and now a resident of Argentina.

CARLOS H. MADERNA: 44. Ex-champion of Argentina.

The same Argentina sources list the visiting Russian team as follows:

ALEXANDER KOTOV: 41. Grandmaster.

JURI AVERBACH: 32. Champion of the USSR.

ISAAC BOLES LAVSKY: 35. Grandmaster.

PAUL KERES: 38. USSR Champion in 1950 and 1951.

MARK TAIMANOV: 28. Grandmaster.

DAVID BRONSTEIN: 30. Grandmaster.

ALEXANDER TOLUSH: Grandmaster.

TIGRAN PETROSIAN: 24. Youngest of Soviet Grandmasters.

## USSR TRIUMPHS OVER ARGENTINA

Winning all four rounds of play, with Yuri Averbach, Mark Taimanov, and Alexander Kotov each contributing 3-1 scores to pace the USSR team, the Soviet group tallied 20½-11½ against its Argentine opposition.

### COMPOSITE SCORE

USSR	Argentina
1. Bronstein	2½
2. Keres	2
3. Averbach	3
4. Taimanov	3
5. Kotov	3
6. Petrosian	2½
7. Geller	2½
8. Boleslavsky	2
USSR	20½
Najdorf	1½
Bolbochan	2
Panno	1
Elliskases	1
Rossetto	1
Pilnik	1½
Maderna	1½
Guimard	2
Argentina	11½

USCF President Harold M. Phillips has announced receipt of a cablegram from Moscow, dated March 11, confirming the fact that the USSR chess team would arrive in New York for the postponed match with the U.S.A. on or around June 5th.

## GHEZTLER TAKES SO-WEST COLLEGE

The first Southwestern Intercollegiate Championship, held at University of Texas, Austin, Tex., resulted in a 3½-½ victory for Leslie Ghetzler with D. J. Bedford second with 3-1. Third to sixth with 2½-1½ were Erwin Kohn, Ma Krides, D. B. Martin and John Campbell. All of these were Texas University students except Martin who represented the Southwestern Teachers' College. Twelve players contested in what is planned as an annual event. Ghetzler conceded one draw to D. B. Martin in winning the event, while Bedford in second place lost one game to Erwin Kohn.

## U. S. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

June 29-July 9, 1954  
Long Beach, Calif.

Place: Lincoln Park Chess Club, Long Beach, Calif.

Dates: Tuesday, June 29 through Friday, July 9.

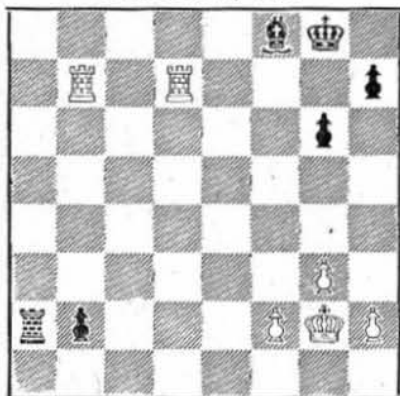
Tournament: Swiss system, according to regulations established by USCF Tournament Plans Committee.

Housing: For free housing accommodations, write: John P. Looney, Secretary, Lincoln Park Chess & Checker Club, Lincoln Park, Long Beach 2, Calif.

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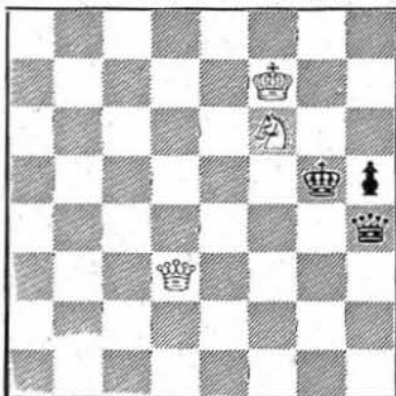
# Finish It The Clever Way! by Edmund Nash

Position No. 125  
Reshevsky vs. Boleslavsky  
Switzerland, 1953



Black to play and draw

Position No. 126  
From Tattersall's  
"A Thousand End-Games"



White to play and win

IN Position No. 125, from the World Championship Candidates' Tournament, Black missed a draw which one forceful move would have easily assured him. Instead, he resigned after 1. ...., B-B4; 2. R-Q8 ch, B-B1; 3. R(Q)-QK18.

Many years ago in my student days I had very briefly become acquainted at the University of Wisconsin library with a copy of one of the classics of beautiful and fascinating chess—C. E. C. Tattersall's compilation, "A Thousand End-Games" (first published in 1911). Several months ago a friend lent me a first edition of this book, and I have been perusing it with delight and edification. Position No. 126 above, listed in the book as occurring in actual play, is one of my favorites. I suggest the reader play over the solution first and later (a day or so) try to solve it by himself.

For solutions, please turn to Page eight.

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



The Marshall Chess Club Amateur Open Championship for the Calderon Trophy has drawn a large attendance and forty contestants. An unusual feature of this event for amateurs is that, through the generosity of sponsor Jose M. Calderon, a prize is being offered each round for the best played game in that round—a decided novelty in prize ideas, for few tournaments have had more than two best game prizes for the whole event.

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## NO CAROLINA U TOPS COLLEGIATE

The fourth annual Southern Intercollegiate Team Championship at Chapel Hill saw the host team, University of North Carolina, score 18½-1½ to sweep the event. The University of Virginia was second with 13-7, while William and Mary placed third with 9½-10½. There followed: University of Richmond 7-13; North Carolina State College 6½-13½; and Davidson 5½-14½. This was the third successive victory in the event for the North Carolina University team. The 1954 victors with individual scores were: Kit Crittenden, 4-0; Douglas A. Kahn, 3-1; S. W. Henderson, 4-0; Jack Godfrey, 4-0; and Robert H. Hubbard 2½-½; and the team scored 3½ against William and Mary, 3½-½ against Davidson, and 4-0 against both the University of Virginia and University of Richmond.

Crittenden received a special prize for best score on board one and title of Southern Intercollegiate championship, while teammates Henderson, Godfrey and Hubbard compiled the best scores for their respective boards. The Carolina monopoly was only fractured on board two where Leigh Ribble of University of Virginia tallied the best score. A best game prize will be awarded later. The 1955 tournament is tentatively scheduled for the University of Richmond. Dr. John Wilson of the Bio-Chemistry Dept. directed the tournament and the student newspaper "Daily Tar Hell" gave excellent coverage on the event.



A PRIVATE SCHOOL OF CHESS

Where the youngsters learn chess at Scotts Bluff, Nebraska in the private chess school of P. Cooper Ellis. The gentleman in the picture is the father of Mr. Ellis, still an enthusiastic chess player at the age of 83. See story on this page.

## PEDERSEN WINS MINNESOTA TITLE

Victory in the 31 player Minnesota State Championship held at the Minneapolis Chess & Checker Club went to a veteran Minnesota player, K. N. Pedersen, with 5½-½, drawing with former Minnesota Champion George S. Barnes. Second place went to the young collegian master Curt Brasket with 5-1, losing his final round game to Pedersen. W. Bland, George S. Barnes and Sheldon Rein were third to fifth on S-B with 4½-1½ scores, while sixth to eighth with 4-2 each were 1953 Minn. State Champ W. E. Kaiser, W. R. Jones and L. P. Narveson.

In winning the title, Pedersen scored victories over former champ Kaiser and a former Wisconsin tittlet, Dr. L. C. Young of Madison, in addition to his outmaneuvering Brasket's Sicilian in the last round. Pedersen is a former champion of the Minneapolis Chess and Checker Club. The 6 round Swiss was directed by Lewis George and was a 100% USCF rated event.

At the annual meeting of the Minnesota State Chess Association, Curt Brasket of Collegeville was elected president, W. E. Kaiser of St. Paul first vice-president, Sheldon Rein of Minneapolis second vice-president, and Roman Filipovich of Minneapolis secretary-treasurer. George S. Barnes, L. P. Narveson, Robert Ott, Melvin Semb and S. Sorenson were chosen Directors.

## JONES CAPTURES RENO OPEN MEET

Former Chicagonan Kenneth R. Jones scored 7-0 to win the Reno Open Championship and a hand-carved Herman Dittman trophy, donated by Raymond A. Smith. Second place went to USCF Director William F. Taber who scored 6-1, dropping only his game to Jones. Dr. N. B. Joseph was third with 4-3, losing games to Jones, Taber and W. Chapman.

Ten players contested in a B Class event at the same time, with the prize a handsome trophy donated by Dr. N. B. Joseph. The events were staged by the Reno Chess Club and directed by Kenneth R. Jones, who shattered tradition by winning an event he directed, as playing tournament directors are usually too harried to show their top skill as players.

## PUPOLS TRIUMPHS IN PUGET SOUND

Drawing his first round game with James H. McCormick, Viktor Pupols thereafter was unbeatable as he scored 5½-½ to win the 16 player Puget Sound Open Championship at Seattle. Second place went to Charles R. Rosburg who tallied 4½-1½, losing to Pupols in the semi-final round and drawing with Charles Joachim. Third to sixth on S-B with 4-2 each were Dr. Charles Joachim, James H. McCormick, Ivars Dalbergs, and Robert Edburg. This was the first 100% USCF rated tournament in Washington, directed by O. W. Manney.



Development of chess players depends upon the enthusiasm of those who teach and their willingness to share their own enjoyment with others. Those who look to the future of chess might well read these excerpts from a letter by Mr. P. Cooper Ellis of Scotts Bluff, Neb., who did not know he was writing for publication when he penned these lines:

I have been playing chess for almost fifty years and I know the fascination of the game. Chess is the greatest game in the world but the reason so few play the game is that they have never had the opportunity to learn. I believe in the promotion of chess among the young people. I believe in it to the extent that I have set aside a separate room adjacent to my office and have equipped it with tables, chess sets, and about 30 modern chess books.

I have several boys around thirteen years of age who are interested and they have just finished a junior chess tournament. They have access to the room all hours of the day and every day of the week and it does not cost them a cent. Everything is free. All that is required is that they desire to learn the game.

I believe that a large percent of the enjoyment we get in life is in doing things for others. I know that all the boys who learn to play chess through my efforts will remember me all the rest of their lives. That means a lot of enjoyment and satisfaction to me and it is certainly a big return on such a small investment.

University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill): North Carolina University team defeated Durham Chess Club 4½-3½ to gain the No. Carolina team title held by Durham since 1951. During spring holidays the University team plans to head north to face northern college teams.

# YOUNG MASTERS' FORUM

America's Leading Young Masters Annotate  
Outstanding Games from Recent Chess Events

## A "Quiet" Move Against The Najdorf

By U. S. Master JAMES T. SHERWIN



BLOOD and thunder refutations of the Sicilian are discovered almost every month, nowadays. And almost as regularly the refutations are found to be inconclusive—they are thrown by the tournament players in the scrap-heap of old opening books that we all have dumped in some closet—perhaps some day they'll be good for a surprise point. The positional variations are more flexible and enduring. Perhaps they may give White a slight advantage which he can hoard until a favorable ending (as here), or they may serve as a springboard for a quick and decisive attack.

In the following game Geller finds a new "quiet" move against Najdorf's pet variation and gains a good opening advantage which he steers through middle-game complications into a certain endgame win.

### SICILIAN DEFENSE

World Championship Candidates  
Zurich, 1953

White <b>E. GELLER</b>	Black <b>M. NAJDORF</b>
1. P-K4	P-QB4
2. Kt-KB3	P-Q3
3. P-Q4	PxP
4. KtxP	Kt-KB3
5. Kt-QB3	P-QR3
6. B-K2	P-K4

The Najdorf Variation.

7. Kt-Kt3 B-K3

Larry Evans delays the development of the QB until he can determine whether it is best placed at QKt2 or K3. Thus he plays 7. .... B-K2; 8. 0-0, 0-0; and then P-QKt4 or B-K3 according to what White plays.

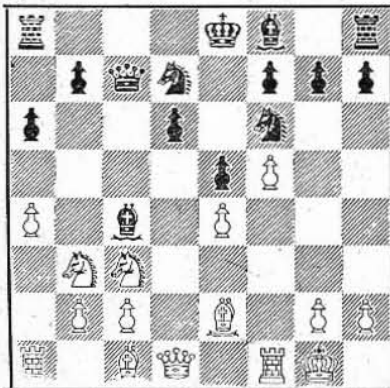
8. 0-0 QKt-Q2

Again B-K2 is more elastic. Black may need the QKt on B3.

9. P-B4 Q-B2  
10. P-B5

Usually very bad in this variation. Here, however, White is able to deny Black counterplay with either P-Q4 or P-QKt4.

10. .... B-B5  
11. P-QR4!

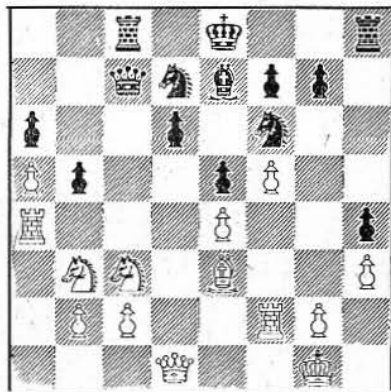


A crucial point in the variation. It seems that White is able to justify 11. P-QR4 in all variations. For example, 11. .... BxKt; 12. PxB, Q-Kt3 ch; 13. K-R1, Kt-B4; 14. B-QB4! either KtxKP; 15. KtxKt, KtxKt; 16. Q-Q5, Kt-B7 ch; 17. RxKt, QxR; 18. QxP ch, K-Q1; 19. B-Kt5 ch and wins. Or 1. .... BxKt; 12. PxB, Kt-B4; 13. Kt-Q5, Q-B3? (Also unsatisfactory is 13. .... KtxKt; 14. QxKt1, Q-Kt3; 15. B-QB4! and after Black discovers, White will win with QxP and B-Kt5 ch); 14. B-QKt5!

11. .... R-B1  
12. B-K3 B-K2  
13. P-R5! P-KR4

13. .... 0-0; 14. P-KKt4, BxB; 15. QxB, Q-B5; 16. Q-Kt2 gives White a strong attack.

14. BxB QxB  
15. R-R4 Q-B2  
16. P-KR3 P-R5  
17. R-B2 P-QKt4!?



Black takes violent measures rather than waiting to be squigged. White's command of Q5 and QKt6 assures him a lasting advantage.

18. PxP e.p. KtxP  
19. BxKt!

Much better than 19. RxP, Kt-B5; 20. B-B1, Q-Kt2 winning the KP or 20. Q-B1, B-Q1 with counterplay.

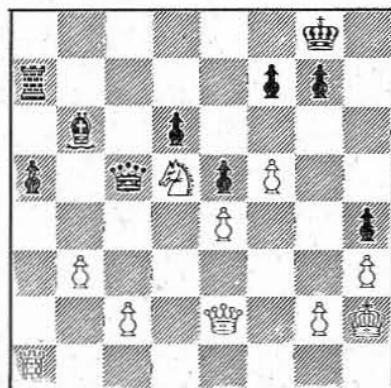
19. .... QxB  
20. Q-K2 R-R1  
21. K-R2 0-0  
22. R-B1 R-R2  
23. KR-QR1 KR-R1  
24. R(1)-R2

Freeing the Kt from the protection of the QKtP.

24. .... B-Q1  
25. Kt-R5 R-B1  
26. Kt-B4 Q-B3  
27. Kt-K3 P-QR4  
28. R-B4 Q-R3  
29. P-QKt3 B-Kt3  
30. RxR ch QxR  
31. Kt-(K3)-Q5

Of course Black must not be permitted to trade off his bad Bishop.

31. .... KtxKt  
32. KtxKt Q-B4  
33. R-R1



Saw it. 33. .... Q-B7

The ending is lost but the middle game was equally bad. White was holding Q-Kt4 with a ferocious attack in reserve. If now 34. Q-Kt4, B-Q1 holds.

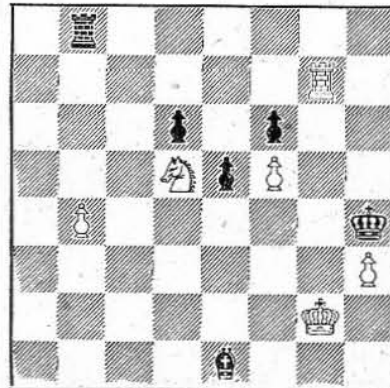
34. QxQ BxQ  
35. R-KB1 B-Q5  
36. P-B3 B-B4  
37. P-KKt4

Gives the King some light.

37. .... Pxp e.p. ch  
38. KxP R-Kt2  
39. R-QKt1 P-B3  
40. K-B3 K-B2  
41. K-K2 R-Kt1  
42. P-QKt4 P-Kt3  
43. K-Q3 KtPxP  
44. KPxP Pxp  
45. Pxp B-Q5  
46. R-QB1 K-Kt2  
47. R-B7 ch K-R3  
48. K-K4

White is working on a mating net.

48. .... K-Kt4  
49. R-KR7 B-B7  
50. R-Kt7 ch K-R5  
51. K-B3 B-K8  
52. K-Kt2



Threat of R-Kt4 ch, KtxP ch, and R-Kt6 mate.

52. .... R-KB1  
53. P-Kt5 B-R4  
54. P-Kt6

White threatens to play P-Kt7-Kt8(Q) and then mates as in the previous note.

54. .... BxP  
55. KtxB R-QKt1  
56. R-Kt4 ch K-R4  
57. Kt-Q5 Resigns

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Chess Life  
In New York  
By Karl Burger

**S**TARTLING upsets in the ninth and semi-final round of the Manhattan Chess Club Championship have thrown the race wide open again. Underdog Abe Turner was the first to win his game, setting back Arthur B. Bisguier, former U.S. Open Champion. "Bisquits" displayed a willingness to part with his pawn early — he played the Evans Gambit. Abe consumed two of these "animals" without ensuing gastric distress. Pacemaker Pavey was the next to fall. Playing Black in a Sicilian Defense against Allen Kaufman, talented N.Y.U. giant-killer, Max established a winning position quick like a bunny. Listless play, gusts of wind on the open King's Rook file (two rooks doubled there is quite breezy, eh wot?!), plus a self-immolating theme near the end all contributed to Pavey's undoing. Denker's star, however, rose in this round. In a completely level position A. S. Pinkus overstepped the time limit with but one more move left to play. Denker also benefited from the errors of E. T. McCormick, who took unnecessary risks in a level adjourned endgame. Other interesting results: Kevit's 0, Turner 1; Pinkus 0, Shainswit 1; Kaufman 0, Kevitz 1. Thus going into the final round we find Denker with 7-2, ahead of Turner, Shainswit and Pavey at 6½-2½. Bisguier trails at 6-3. Spotlited in the final round will be the games Denker vs. Shainswit, Pavey vs. Kevitz, and Turner vs. Bryan.

**IN BRIEF:** A. Purmalis with 11½-1½ won the Brooklyn Chess Club Championship, losing only to Wasserman who tied for second and third with H. Spinnerat 11-2. . . . M. Schroeder won the Manhattan C.C. "B" Tournament. A spring "B" Tournament is now getting under way. . . . Recently formed club: All Hallows Chess Club on 164th St., Manhattan. . . . Dr. H. Sussman, U.S. Master, has formed a chess club for 8-10 year olds at the Bnai Israel Synagogue in Brooklyn. His two sons were the first to sign up. . . . Jack Soudakoff, N.Y. chess expert, was recently married. . . . Lorie, Fleischer, Hennessy and Volk lead the Marshall C.C. Amateur Championship with scores of 3-0. I. A. Horowitz has been elected to judge this tournament's Brilliancy Prize game. . . . Howard Harrison color- (Please turn to page 7, col. 4)

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By Kester Svendsen

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 reports are also included.

### MINNESOTA OPEN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Minneapolis, 1954

	100%	USCF	Rated	Event																
1. K. N. Pedersen (Minneapolis) .....	W12	W25	D4	W6	W9	W2	5½-½	20.25												
2. Curt Brasket (Collegeville) .....	W28	W20	W9	W7	W4	L1	5-1	16.50												
3. W. Bland (Minneapolis) .....	W11	W5	L7	W8	W12	D6	4½-1½	17.50												
4. George S. Barnes (Minneapolis) .....	W27	W21	D1	W19	L2	W7	4½-1½	13.75												
5. Sheldon Rein (Minneapolis) .....	W14	L3	W23	D20	W19	W18	4½-1½	12.75												
6. W. E. Kaiser (St. Paul) .....	D10	W13	W15	L1	W20	D3	4-2	13.00												
7. W. R. Jones (Minneapolis) .....	W22	W29	W3	L2	W10	L4	4-2	11.50												
8. L. P. Narveson (Minneapolis) .....	W31	L9	W29	L3	W22	W16	4-2	7.50												
9. S. Sorenson (Iowa City, Ia.) .....	W30	W8	L2	W13	L1	D12	3½-2½	10.25												
10. George V. D. Tiers (St. Paul) .....	D6	W17	D19	W25	L7	D14	3½-2½	10.00												
11. R. Gleason (Minneapolis) .....	L3	W14	D17	L15	W21	W20	3½-2½	10.00												
12. L. C. Young (Madison, Wis.) .....	L1	W24	W26	W18	L3	D9	3½-2½	9.25												
13. Victor Contoski (Minneapolis) .....	D17	L6	W31	L9	W23	W19	3½-2½	7.50												
14. Roman Filipovich (Minneapolis) .....	L5	L11	W28	W29	W24	D10	3½-2½	7.25												
15. Miles La Rose (St. Paul) .....	L21	W31	L6	W11	L16	W27	3-3	6.50												
16. Robert Gove (Wayzata) .....	Bye	L19	L18	W17	W15	L8	3-3	6.00												
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(Edina) 2-4 (1.00); 29. Robert Ott (St. Paul) 1-5 (2.50);	30. James Seifert																			
(Minneapolis) 1-5 (0.00); 31. W. Knivel (Minneapolis) 1-5 (0.00).																				

Ott forfeited to Semb, Knivel forfeited to Motylewski, Werth forfeited to  
 Kolesar; and Ott and Knivel both forfeited their final game in which they were  
 paired.

### SOUTHWESTERN INTERCOLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Austin, 1954

	100%	USCF	Rated	Event																
1. Leslie Ghetzler (Texas Univ.) .....	D5	W10	W3	W6	3½-½	8.50														
2. D. J. Bedford (Texas Univ.) .....	W11	L3	W10	W7	3-1	5.50														
3. Erwin Kohn (Texas Univ.) .....	W7	W2	L1	W4	2½-1½	11.00														
4. Ma Krides (Texas Univ.) .....	L7	W5	W8	D3	2½-1½	9.00														
5. Demas B. Martin (SoWest Teachers) .....	D1	L4	W11	W9	2½-1½	7.50														
6. John Campbell (Texas Univ.) .....	D8	W12	W9	L1	2½-1½	7.00														
7. Arzy Cable (San Marcos) .....	W4	L3	W12	L2	2-2	8.00														
8. Dale McLemore (Texas Univ.) .....	D6	D9	L4	W10	2-2	7.00														
9. Norman Ables (Texas Univ.) 1½-2½ (7.00);	10. Mark Kennedy (Texas Univ.) 1-3																			
(8.50); 11. Wendell Daniel (Texas Univ.) 0-4 (6.50);	12. John Huber (Texas Univ.)																			
0-4 (6.00).																				

Daniel and Huber forfeited final rounds; due to classes the first two rounds  
 were scrambled in play and some players seem out of order; Solkoff points used.

### FUGET SOUND OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Seattle, 1954

	100%	USCF	Rated	Event																
1. Viktors Pupols (Tacoma) .....	D4	W8	W5	W13	W2	W3	5½-½	.....												
2. Charles R. Rosburg (Seattle) .....	W14	W11	W9	D3	L1	W4	4½-1½	.....												
3. Charles K. Joachim (Seattle) .....	W13	W5	W6	D2	D4	L1	4-2	24.00												
4. James H. McCormick (Seattle) .....	D1	W7	W10	W6	D3	L2	4-2	24.00												
5. Ivars Dalbergs (Portland, Ore.) .....	W10	L3	L1	W12	W9	W8	4-2	19.00												
6. Robert E. Edberg (Seattle) .....	W12	W16	L3	L4	W8	W7	4-2	17.00												
7. Joe P. Cerretelli (Olympia) .....	D8	L4	W15	W16	W13	L6	3½-2½	.....												
8. Daniel E. Wade (Seattle) 2½-3½ (22.00);	9. John S. DeWitt (Seattle) 2½-3½ (17.00);																			
10. Russell G. Vellias (Seattle) 2½-3½ (15.50);	11. Horace C. Wiser (Seattle) 2½-3½																			
(15.50); 12. Ted Davidson (Seattle) 2-4 (17.00);	13. Vince G. Bricher (Cottage Grove,																			
Ore. 2-4 (15.00); 14. Donald R. Kendall (Tacoma) 1½-4½;	15. Joe E. Bricher (Cottage																			
Grove, Ore.) 1-5 (10.50); 16. Chester DeZeih (Seattle) 1-5 (7.00).																				

Both Brichers forfeited the final round, with Vellias credited with win by  
 forfeit; DeZeih forfeited to Cerretelli and Kendall.

### MANHATTAN CHESS CLUB CLASS B FINALS

New York, 1954

	100%	USCF	Rated	Event																
1. Mario Schroeder (New York City) .....	x	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7½-1½
2. Victor A. Guala (New York City) .....	0	x	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6½-2½
3. Brian E. Owens (Great Neck, N. Y.) .....	1	x	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6½-2½
4. Arthur W. Feverson (New York) .....	0	0	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5½-3½
5. Patterson Smith (New York City) .....	0	0	0	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5-4
6. Isaac Spector (New York City) .....	0	0	1	0	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4½-4½
7. Aben Rudy (New York City) 3½-5½;	8. Nicolas J. Cafarelli (Bogota, N. J.) 3-6;																			
9. Samuel J. Lawrence (Rego Park, N. Y.) 2½-6½;	10. Armand Katz (New York																			
City) 3-8½.																				

### GREATER PROVIDENCE YMCA CHESS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Providence, 1953-54

	100%	USCF	Rated	Event																
1. Walter B. Suesman (Providence) .....	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7-0
2. Albert C. Martin (Providence) .....	0	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6-1
3. Howard Westfield (Rehoboth, Mass.) .....	0	0	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4-3
4. N. Cary Hayward (E. Greenwich) 3-4;	5. F. T. Wor																			



# LARRY EVANS ON THE OPENINGS

By International Master LARRY EVANS

U. S. Chess Champion, 1952

## The Nimzo Indian Defense

(Pt. 1) "Zurich Variation"

The characteristic moves are 1 P-Q4, N-KB3; 2 P-QB4, P-K3; 3 N-QB3, B-N5; 4 Q-B2, N-B3.

Diagram 3



Position after 4... N-B3

Black's last move was popularized at the Zurich Tournament in 1934 and has since become known as the "Zurich Variation," although it is also known as the "Milner-Barry Variation" after the English master who introduced and championed it. It violates a classical taboo — never develop the QN before the QBP in the Queen's Gambit. It is even "antipositional." The traditional reactions 4... P-Q4 or 0-0 are too "slow" to suit the modern master's taste. The active 4... P-B4 was played invariably in the Reshevsky-Najdorf match, 1952.

The purpose of the move is to take advantage of 4 Q-B2, which removed the guard from the QP. Black accordingly attempts to capitalize on this by immediately provoking the center (as in Alekhine's Defense). The threat is not only 5... NxP, but also... P-K4 with liberation.

The normal continuation is: 5 N-B3.

If 5 P-K3, P-K4 = Bronstein against Tolush (at Hastings 1953/4 tried after 5 P-K3) P-Q4; 6 P-QR3, BxNch; 7 QxB, P-K4?; 8 PxP, P-Q5!; 9 Q-Q3 (If 9 PxP, N-K5; 10 Q-Q3, QxP!; or 10 Q-K3, NxQP!;

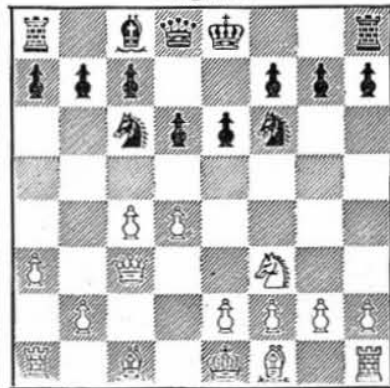
11 QxKN, B-B4 wins), N-KN5; 10 N-B3, PxP; and Black stands better.

5 P-Q3, 6 P-QR3.

6 B-Q2, P-K4; 7 P-QR3, BxN; 8 BxB Q-K2 = Eliskases-Spielmann, match, 1936.

6... BxNch; 7 QxB, and we arrive at Diagram 4.

Diagram 4



Position after 7 QxB

White seems to have a minimal advantage because of the two Bs, but he is behind in development—a fact which Black can immediately exploit. The majority of master games are drawn (as we shall see) because of the later drawish Pawn-formation: 3 Ps against 3 on the Q-side; 4 against 4 on the K-side.

Black now has three major possibilities: (a) 7... P-QR4; (b) 7... Q-K2; (c) 7... O-O. I am really interested in "c," but I will briefly give the state of present theory on "a" and "b."

(a) From Lasker-Alekhine, Nottingham, 1936. 7... P-QR4.

"The necessity for this move depends upon the right solution of the question whether Black can sacrifice a Pawn by 7... 0-0; 8 P-QN4, P-K4?" Alekhine. I maintain that the gambit is sound, but we will go into that much more fully later on.

What is more, Black need not fear P-QN4. 8 P-KN3 is now white's best move, although Black can equalize as follows: ... N-K5; 9 Q-B2, P-B4; 10 B-N2, Q-B3.

8 B-N5, P-R3; 9 BxN, QxB; 10 P-K3, 0-0; 11 B-K2, P-K4; and "Black has obviously not the slightest difficulties": Alekhine. The game was drawn in 7 more moves. (b) Return to diagram 4. From Flohr-Nimzovitch, Bled, 1931. 7... Q-K2;

Inferior. Milner-Barry felt that this square should be left vacant for the QN.

8 P-QN4, O-O; 9 B-N2, R-Q1; 10 P-K3.

Or 10 P-N5, N-N1; 11 P-N3, P-QN3; 12 B-N2, B-N2; 13 O-O, QN-Q2; 14 P-QR4, P-QR3; 15 B-QR3, threatening N-K5. Fine-Becker, Zandvoort, 1936. 15... P-K4! now gives

Black the better game.

10 P-K4; 11 PxP, NxP; 12 NxN, PxN; 13 B-Q3 and White stands slightly better, though a draw is in the offing. Note once more the Pawn-information: 3-3 Q-side; 4-4 K-side. This is the root of the trouble—for one player (Black) must introduce an imbalance into the position in order to create winning chances.

(c) Return to diagram 4. 7 O-O; Best. Who could imagine (so subtle a game is chess) that a slight transposition at this stage completely alters the nature of the succeeding positions?

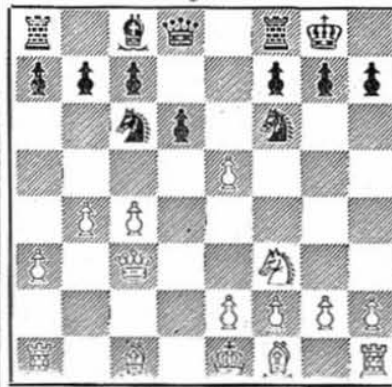
8 P-QN4, R-K1; 9 B-N2.

If 9 P-N5, N-K2 followed by N-N3 and P-K4. Black has no more worries: see Soudakoff-Evans, NY State Chmp., 1948 (Chess Life, Nov. 5, 1948).

9... P-K4; 10 PxP, NxP; 11 NxN PxN; 12 P-K3, and White has an edge because of the 2 Bs, but as we have seen before the Pawn-formation prevents either side from winning.

Now let us return to investigate the Pawn sacrifice which obsessed Alekhine in his note to "a." The crucial position of which he speaks arises after 7... O-O; 8 P-QN4, P-K4?; 9 PxP. Let us give this a diagram.

Diagram 5



Position after 9 PxP

Up to now every variation we have examined has resulted in a lifeless draw or an infinitesimal edge for White. At this point we are in the rare, and enviable, position of tracing the evolution of an idea: the gambit of Black's center Pawn.

The parent game was Flohr-Milner Barry (London, 1932), which has been omitted from MCOB. Next came Fine-Van den Bosch (Amsterdam, 1936), when Black improved on Milner-Barry's play, getting a good game (which he should not have!) and then blundering it away. At the same time (Hastings 1935/6) the idea evolved still farther, this time almost beyond the point of recognition, in the Winter-Alexander game. Then Euwe suggested a so-called improvement for White to meet this new theoretical upstart. Then came an insane move to "refute"

Euwe's analysis in the game Cruz vs. Sorenson, Buenos Aires Team Tourn., 1939! (This I examined in a 1949 issue of The Chess Correspondent. While I have more knowledge to bring to it now, it still has received no further practical test.) Finally came the important game, Denker-Evans, NY Met. League, 1951, in which (Denker ducked the prepared variation) Black justified the Pawn sacrifice.

The whole affair, as you can see, is quite complicated. Just to keep you in suspenders (assuming you have followed me this far), I will carry the whole thing over and conclude in my next article.

### College Chess Life

Conducted by  
 Rhys W. Hays

All college clubs are urged to send match and tournament news to: Rhys W. Hays, 430 West 116th St., New York 27, N. Y.

THIS is the first column of a series to be devoted to chess in colleges. All college clubs, especially those at a distance from New York, are urged to send match and tournament results and other items of interest to Rhys W. Hays, 430 W. 116th St., New York 27, N.Y., and they will be played up as far as space permits.

Most important among recent college chess events was the Southwestern Intercollegiate. D. B. Martin of Southwest Texas State Teachers writes that, although in view of the excellent prizes and general conditions, the tournament was an undoubted success, nevertheless it brought out the disappointing fact that the University of Texas has the only really active college chess club in the state. I'm sure, however, that the work of Mr. Martin and his associates will soon change this state of affairs. Leslie Ghetzler, the U. of Texas freshman who won the tournament, was the youngest player competing. He is now growing a beard like the one Larry Evans used to have. Al Makrides, who placed fourth, is a native of Cyprus studying at Texas for his Ph.D. It is hoped that this tournament will become a regular yearly event, and plans are already being made to hold it at Austin again in March 1955.

The Intercollegiate Chess League of America is trying to arrange a schedule of competition during the regular school year. Interested colleges should write to League President Eliot Hearst, 200 West 20th St., New York 11, N.Y., or to William J. Howard, Univ. of Pa. Chess Club, Houston Hall, Philadelphia 4, Pa., whichever is nearer. The strong Penn team has recently been playing both home and away against New York teams, but, except for a 5-1 defeat of Fordham, has not been doing as well as might have been expected (see Chess Life in New York).

The University of North Dakota is interested in arranging matches (Please turn to page 8, col. 4)

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# GAMES BY USCF MEMBERS

Annotated by Chess Master JOHN W. COLLINS, Marshall Chess Club Champion, 1954

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## VICE-PRESIDENT BEATS FORMER CHAMPION

Dr. Bela Rozsa, USCF Vice-President, won the following hard fought game from Former U. S. Champion Herman Steiner at the Open last summer.

### NIMZOINDIAN DEFENSE

MCO: page 112, column 59 (i) B  
U.S. Open Championship  
Milwaukee, 1953

Notes by U. S. Master Sidney Bernstein

White - Black  
H. STEINER DR. B. ROZSA

1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3 3. Kt-QB3 B-Kt5  
2. P-QB4 P-K3 4. B-Kt5 P-KR3

The latest wrinkle is 4. .... P-B4; 5. P-Q5, P-K4 followed by 6. .... P-Q3, 5. B-R4 P-B4 6. P-Q5 PXP Establishing a Q-side Pawn majority but yielding White the preponderance in the center. In practice, this type of transaction generally results in White's favor, since he too often is able to neutralize the enemy majority whilst maintaining central pressure. (See note to White's 20th).

7. PXP P-Q3 9. B-QKt5 0-0  
8. P-K3 QKt-Q2 10. Kkt-K2 P-R3

Varying from the famous Spassky-Smyslov encounter (Bucharest 1953) which continued 10. .... Kt-K4; 11. 0-0, Kt-Kt3; 12. B-Kt3, Kt-R4; 13. B-Q3, KtXB; 14. KtXKt, Kt-K4; 15. B-K2, BxKt; 16. PxB and White got a strong attack by advancing his KP and KBP.

11. B-Q3 Kt-K4 13. 0-0 P-KKt4  
12. B-B2 B-K15

Weakens his K-side to win a pawn.  
14. B-KKt3 BxQKt 15. PxB Kt-R4

Changing his mind. After 15. .... BxKt; 16. QxB, KtXP; 17. P-KB4 Black is "busted." If 17. .... Kt-KKt3?; 18. BxKt and 19. Q-B4 If 17. .... Kt-Q2; 18. QR-Q1, Kt(2)-B3; 19. RxKt, KtXR; 20. Q-Q3, Kt-B3; 21. PXP, PXP; 22. RxKt, etc. Or 17. .... Kt-QB3; 18. QR-Q1 winning either the KKtP or the QP. Finally, if 17. .... PXP; 18. PXP, Kt-Q2; 19. Q-Kt4 ch, K-R1; 20. Q-B5, Kt(4)-B3 (not 20. .... Kt(2)-B3?; 21. B-KR4, R-KKt1; 22. P-B4, RXP ch 23. K-R1, RxB; 24. PxKt etc.); 21. B-KR4, and Black is tied up fatally (21. .... R-KKt2; 22. QR-Q1, P-Q4; 23. RXP or 21. .... R-K1; 22. QR-K1 or 21. .... P-Q4; 22. P-Kt4 followed by 3. K-R1 and 24. P-Kt5 etc.).

16. P-B3 B-Q2 17. P-KB4

After this plausible "attacking" move White is in trouble. Better 17. BxKt, PxB; 18. P-Kt4, Kt-Kt2; 19. Kt-Kt3. Then White can choose between two plans. He can prepare a break with P-KB4; or, by a threat along the diagonal QKt1-KR7, he can force the advance of Black's KBP two squares, after which he can exchange it and gain control of his K4. Black would retain the Q-side Pawn majority as compensation for his weak KP and the enemy passed QP.

17. .... Kt-Kt3 18. P-B4

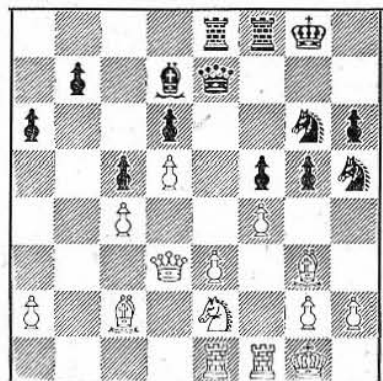
If 18. BxKt, PxKt, PxB; 19. Q-Kt1, B-B4; 20. QxP (if 20. P-K4, B-Q2; 21. PXP or 21. QxP, B-Kt4 etc.), B-Q6; 21. Q-Kt2 (the threat was 21. .... B-Kt4), Q-K2; 22. Q-Q2, BxKt; 23. QxB, PXP etc.

18. .... Q-K2 20. QR-K1

19. Q-Q3 P-B4

If 20. Kt-B3 (to "stop" the Q-side advance) then 20. .... P-Kt4; 21. PxQKtP, RXP; 22. KtXP?, P-B5; 23. QxQBP,

KR-B1; and 24. .... RxB winning. On the other hand, 20. P-QR4 is also unappetizing because of 20. .... QR-K1; 21. R-R3, PXP; 22. BxP, Kt(4)xB; 23. KtXKt, Kt-K4. But this last line is White's best bet, as his Kt is strong at KB4 and Black's Q-side pawns are held back. 20. .... QR-K1



Best is 20. .... P-Kt4, obtaining a passed pawn and isolating White's QP.

21. Kt-B3 Q-Kt2 22. Kt-K2

Unavailing is 22. B-Q1 on account of the occupation of K5 by an enemy

22. .... PXP. White can then prevent Kt only by the loss of a P: 23. BxKt, PxB; 24. BxKt, PXP ch etc.

22. .... P-K14 25. Q-Q1 QxP

23. PxKtP KtXB 26. PXP PXP

24. KtXKt Kt-K4 27. Q-B1

Better 27. P-K4, P-B5; 28. Kt-B5 though Black would still have the edge.

27. .... Kt-K15 29. Kt-B1 P-KB5

28. R-B3 Q-R5 30. P-K4

Not 30. P-Kt3?, PxKtP; 31. RxR ch, RxR; 32. PXP, RxKt ch; 33. KxR, Q-R7; 34. R-R2, Q-R8 mate.

30. .... Kt-K4 32. Kt-Q2

31. R-B2 R-K2

Loses material, but the alternative 32. P-Kt3, PXP; 33. RxR ch, KxR; 34. PXP, Kt-B6 ch; 35. K-B2, Q-R4 leaves White in sorry straits (36. B-Q1?, KtXR).

32. .... Kt-K15 35. KtXP RxKt

33. P-Kt3 Q-R6 36. B-Q1 R-B3

34. R-Kt2 P-B6 37. BxKt BxB

Needlessly allowing some counterplay. The simple 37. .... QxB would have left White entirely without resource (38. P-K5?, Q-Q5 ch followed by 39. .... RXP).

38. P-K5 PXP 41. R-Q2 P-K5

39. QxRP R(2)-KB2 42. P-K6 B-Kt5

40. QxP B-B6 43. R-KKt2 B-Q2

There was a win by 43. .... P-K6; 44. RXP, B-Q2; 45. Q-B4, B-B3!!

44. Q-Kt4

Or 44. Q-B4, P-K6 as above.

44. .... P-K6 47. Q-Kt1 ch B-B4

45. Q-Kt8 ch K-Kt2 48. Q-Kt4 B-Q6

46. Q-Kt2 K-R2 Resigns

A fine game by Black.

### BOOMERANG

Putting a player on his own resources by adopting an obscure opening seems like good strategy, but when your opponent is Hans Berliner (N. Y. State Champion) the result may prove to be a boomerang.

### FRENCH DEFENSE

(By Transposition)

U.S. Intercollegiate Championship  
New York, 1953

Notes by J. Norman Cotter

White - Black  
H. BERLINER D. MILES

(Geo. Washington) (Ohio Wesleyan)

1. P-Q4 P-K3 3. Kt-Q2  
2. P-K4 P-Q4

The favorite continuation of World Champion Botvinnik. It has the merit of avoiding the pin 3. Kt-QB3, B-Kt5 and permits White to establish a center supported by P-QB3.

3. .... P-KB4? This is it! The usual move here is .... P-QB4 with the idea of submitting to an isolated QP in return for a reasonably free game. The text was apparently first adopted in tournament play in Schweinberger vs. Haberditz, Vienna, 1939.

4. PxB In a match between Kemerli and Riga in 1939, Mikenas tried 4. P-K5 and the game continued .... P-B4; 5. P-QB3; 6. QKt-B3, Q-Kt3; 7. B-Q3, PXP; 8. PXP, B-Q2; 9. Kt-K2, Kt-Kt5; 10. B-Kt1, Q-R3; 11. 0-0, B-Kt4; 12. R-K1, BxKt; 13. RxB, R-QB1; 14. B-Q2, Kt-R3; 15. BxQKt, BxB and Black has at least equality.

4. .... PXP 5. B-Q3 Berliner has the right idea. When in doubt, develop. In 1944 at La Plata, Bolbochan tried to get fancy with 5. Q-R5 ch, P-Kt3; 6. Q-K2 ch, B-K2; 7. P-KR4, Kt-KB3, but this over-pretentious variation soon led to nothing.

5. .... Kt-KB3 7. Kt-KB3 Kt-K5 6. Kt-K2 B-Q3 Straying from the straight and narrow. .... 0-0 is in order.

8. B-KB4 B-K3 The B is poorly posted here as after the exchange of black Bishops a White Kt can land on KB4. More serious is the weakening of QKt2.

9. P-B3 Q-K2 10. Q-Kt3! Exposing the fatal defect in the Black scheme of development.

10. .... P-QKt3 11. 0-0 Kt-Q?? Missing his last chance. .... 0-0 was still possible and .... P-QB3 would also have offered better chances although White would still retain the better game.

12. B-QKt5! Berliner now hammers home the victory in a series of impressive moves which leave his opponent little choice. Already 13. B-B6 winning the QP is threatened.

12. .... P-B4 As good as any unless Black reconciles himself to the loss of the pawn.

13. B-B6 P-B5 15. BxB QxB

14. Q-R4 R-QB1 16. Kt-K5 The triple attack on the Kt keeps the King effectively in the middle of the board.

16. .... R-B2 Instead .... P-KKt4 (to prevent the White Kt from landing at KB4) would eliminate the brilliant conclusion, but would hardly save the game as Berliner could simply mop up the Q-side with 17. QxRP and then: a) .... RxB?; 18. Q-R8 ch, Kt-Kt1 (or .... Q-Kt1; 19. QxR etc.); 19. KtXR winning; b) .... R-B2?; 18. Q-R8 ch etc.; c) .... Kt-B3; 18. Q-R4 with an easy game. In this last variation 18. QxKtP? would be a bit risky because of 18. .... 0-0!

17. Kt-B4 As White now threatens 18. KtXB and 19. BxKt ch, Miles' next is forced.

17. .... Kt-KB3 18. KR-K1 The threat is now 19. KtXB, QxKt; 20. KtXKt winning. Again there is but one move.

18. .... K-Q1

White to move and win!

19. Q-R3!! QxQ Alternatives lose more quickly. .... K-K2?; 20. Kt(5)-Kt6 ch, PxKt; 21. KtXKtP ch, K moves; 22. QxQ or .... RxB; 20. KxR ch, QxKt; 21. RxB winning easily.

20. KtXB K-K2

White to move and win!

20. KtXB KxKt

If .... K-B1; 21. BxKt ch and 22. PxB with a piece ahead.

21. KtXR! The killer! All three escape squares .... QxKtP, .... Q-R4, and .... Q-Q3 are subject to the same discovered check.

21. .... Q-Q3 23. KtXP ch 22. KtXB ch Resigns

Kt-K5 After .... K-K3; 24. KtXQ, KxKt; 25. BxKt White remains a whole Rook ahead. A scintillating performance by Hans Berliner.

YOUNGEST MEMBER

Charles Kalme is the youngest member of the Franklin Chess Club of Philadelphia. Charles, only thirteen, has recently been promoted from the Reserve Team to the Championship Team. The following game furnishes good reason.

### FRENCH DEFENSE

MCO: page 55  
Philadelphia City League  
Philadelphia, 1953

White - Black  
NEDORA C. KALME

(Ukrainian C. C.) (Philadelphia C. C.)

1. P-K4 P-K3 3. Kt-QB3 B-Kt5

2. P-Q4 P-Q4 4. P-K5 W. Adams suggests 4. B-Q3.

4. .... P-QB4 5. P-QR3 The sharpest.

5. .... BxKtch 6. PxB Kt-K2

Or 6. .... Q-B2.

7. B-Q3 This is not precise. Stronger are 7. Q-Kt4, 7. P-QR4, and 7. P-KR4.

7. .... P-B5 Right!

8. B-K2 Q-R4 9. B-Q2 Q-R5

A blockading move (usually performed by the Bishop) which exerts pressure on the QRP and the QBP (QB2).

10. Kt-R3 B-Q2 12. P-B4 0-0-0

11. 0-0 QKt-B3 Black signals his intentions of attacking on the king-side.

13. Kt-Kt5 QR-B1 15. Kt-B3 Kt-B4

14. Q-Kt1 P-B3 16. Q-Kt2 P-KR4

In order to prevent 17. P-Kt4 and to use the KRP as a battering-ram.

17. QR-Kt1 P-QKt3 20. Q-Kt4 R-R3

18. Kt-K1 P-R5 21. BxKt QxQ

19. B-Kt4 Kt(3)-K2 Black weakens his Pawns with 21. .... PxB; and loses his QR with 21. .... KtXB?

22. RxB White does better to straighten out his Pawns with 22. BPxQ, KtXB; 23. P-B3.

22. .... KtXB 24. Kt-B3 Kt-Kt6!

23. P-R4 R(1)-R1 A clever way of getting to K5 with the Knight. If 25. PxKt? RXP; followed by 26. .... R-R8 mate.

25. R(1)-Kt1 Kt-K5 26. B-K1 P-KKt4? This is a gamble. Safer, and sufficient to maintain the advantage, are 26. .... R-R4; and 26. .... R-Kt3 (27. KtXP, R-Kt5!).

27. PxB! P-Kt5 If 27. .... PXP; 28. Kt-K5! RXP; 29. KtXB, KxKt; 30. P-R5, PXP; 31. R-Kt7ch, K-B3; 32. RXP, (threatening to draw with 33. R-R6ch, K-B2; 34. R-R7ch, etc.) Kt-Q3; 33. R-R6ch, K-Q2; 34. R-R7ch, K-Q1; 35. R-R8ch, Kt-B1; 36. R/1-Kt8, K-Q2; 37. BxP! and White has at least equal chances. Or 27. .... PXP; 28. Kt-K5! RXP; 29. KtXB, KxKt; 30. P-R5, P-B6; 31. RXP! RXP! (if 31. .... P-B7ch? 32. BxP, KtXB; 33. PXP and White wins) 32. RxBKtP, Kt-Q3; (if 32. .... P-B7ch? 33. BxP, KtXB; 34. R-Kt7ch, wins) 33. R-Kt8, and again White has at least equal chances.

28. Kt-K5? Right piece, wrong square. Correct is 28. Kt-Kt5! with the threats of 29. Kt-B7 and 29. KtXKt. Then if 28. .... KtXKt; 29. PxKt, R-Kt3; 30. B-Q2, and White is in business with an extra Pawn. Or if 28. .... RXP; 29. KtXKt, PxKt; 30. B-Q2, and White will win the QBP and have the better chances.

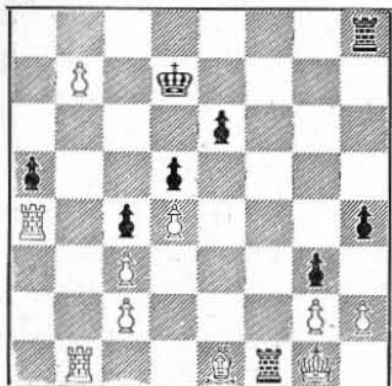
28. .... RXP 30. P-R5

29. KtXB KxKt

### GUEST ANNOTATORS

Sidney Bernstein  
J. Norman Cotter  
Povilas Tautvaisas

If 30. P-K13, PxP; 31. Pxp, R/3-R3; wins for Black.  
30. RxP 31. Pxp P-R4!  
If at once 31. P-K16; 32. KtPxP, R-B8ch; 33. KxR, Pxr; 34. R-K17ch, K-K1; 35. P-R8-Q mate. And if 31. Pxp; 32. RxK1P, and the White Rooks get in quicker and more effectively than in the game.  
32. R-R4 P-K16! 33. P-K17  
If 33. Pxp, Pxp; 34. Bxp, KtxB; and Black mates at KR8.  
33. R-B8ch!



A nice little combo that puts an end to the argument!  
34. KxR Pxp 35. K-K2  
There is no way to prevent Black from Queening. If 35. P-K18-Q, RxQ; 36. RxR, P-R8-Qch; wins.  
35. P-R8-Q 37. RxR QxPch  
36. P-K18-Q RxQ 38. K-Q1  
Or 38. K-K3, Q-R6ch; 39. K-K2, Q-R7ch; 40. K-K3, QxR; wins.  
38. Q-B6ch 40. K-Q1 QxR  
39. K-B1 Q-B5ch Resigns  
The Franklin Chess Club, a good U.S.C.F. booster, can be proud it has produced such a promising player as young Kalme.



### GRUENFELD DEFENSE

MCO: page 80

National Candidates Tournament  
Philadelphia, 1953

Notes by U. S. Expert Povilas Tautvaisas

White Black  
A. KAMINSKY K. BURGER  
1. P-Q4 P-Q4 3. K1-KB3 K1-KB3  
2. P-QB4 Pxp 4. P-K3 P-KK13  
Thereby landing into some kind of a Gruenfeld Defense with an early Pxp. The last move plays into White's hands — usually Black does not give up his center in the Gruenfeld Defense unless under pressure.  
5. BxP B-K12 7. O-O KKt-Q2  
6. K1-B3 O-O  
Black handles the opening originally. A counter-stroke against White's center by means of P-QB4 or P-K4 is prepared.  
8. P-QK13  
Choosing the wrong place for his QB. Better is 8. P-K4, keeping an advantage in all lines: 1) 8. P-K4; 9. B-KK15; 2) 8. P-QB4; 9. P-Q5 followed by B-KK15 again; 3) 8. K1-K13; 9. B-K13! (a little weaker is 9. B-K2, P-QB3 followed by B-K3), and now 9. P-Q3 will be answered with 10. P-KR3 and 9. B-K15; 10. P-Q5, P-QB3; 11. P-KR3, BxKK1; 12. QxB leads to complications favorable for White.

8. P-QB4! 11. R-B1 K1-K13  
9. B-K12 Pxp 12. B-K2 P-K4  
10. KtxP P-QR3 13. K1-B2 Q-R5  
A very doubtful maneuver. After 13. K1-B3; 14. P-K4, B-R3!; 15. QxQ, RxQ; 16. QR-Q1, B-K3 Black has a fair game and if in this line 15. K1-K3 then 15. K1-Q5 and Black has a small edge because 16. K1(B3)-Q5 is impossible here: 16. K1(B3)-Q57, KtxK1; 17. PxK1; 17. P-K1, BxK1; 18. PxB, KtxB ch; 19. QxK1, QxP. After the text White resigns the initiative.

14. P-K13  
So far White's plan includes P-K4 and later on K1(B3)-Q5. This move hardly can be avoided — the KP will be hanging in the Black Q stays on R5. Besides, it excludes R-Q1 temporarily.  
14. Q-R6  
Black is trying to prevent White's

B-K14 in some side lines.  
15. P-K4 P-KR4 KtxKt  
16. K1-K3 K1-B3 18. KtxKt  
17. K1(B3)-Q5

And here White fails. The right recapture is 18. P-K1. Then 18. R-Q1 would be met by 19. B-B3 and there is no time for 19. P-B4? since 20. B-K12 traps the Q. The same after 18. K1-K2. There follows 19. B-B3 again and Black has a hard time to bring his QB into play: 19. B-Q2?; 20. B-K12 or 19. K1-B4; \*20. K1-B4. In the main line after 18. K1-Q5; 19. R-B7! White is threatening to continue with 20. BxK1, Pxp; 21. K1-B4, but 19. KtxB ch; 20. QxK1, P-QK14; 21. R-Q1 leads to White's advantage too.

18. B-K3 19. P-B4?  
White overestimates his position. It was the right time to think about safety while continuing with 19. B-B3 with the intention of forcing the exchange of the Qs after 20. B-K12.  
19. QR-Q1 21. BxQRP  
20. B-R3 KR-K1

This tactical stroke meets a brilliant refutation. The position was hardly tenable anyway, still 21. B-B3 should have been played.  
21. Pxp! 23. PxB PxB!  
22. RxP BxK1



Black's handling of the complicated situation is very impressive.

24. RxK1  
Or 24. R-QR4, Q-Q2.

24. RxP 26. R-B1 R-Q7!  
25. Q-KB1 Q-Q2

Much stronger than the prosaic 26. B-R3 winning the exchange.

27. B-K14 B-Q5 ch 30. Q-Q5 Q-K2  
28. K-R1 Q-K12 ch 31. Q-B4 Q-K12 ch  
29. Q-B3 QxB Resigns



### SICILIAN DEFENSE

Manhattan C.C. Championship  
New York, 1954

White Black  
A. KEVITZ J. WILLIAMS  
1. K1-KB3 P-QB4 15. B-K15 ch K-K2  
2. P-K4 K1-QB3 16. BxB ch K-Q1  
3. P-Q4 Pxp 17. QR-B1 KtxR  
4. K1xP K1-B3 18. RxP P-QR3  
5. K1-QB3 P-Q3 19. B-B7 ch K-B1  
6. B-KK15 P-K3 20. B-QB4 R-K1  
7. Q-Q2 B-Q2 21. B-K16 P-K4  
8. K1(4)-K15 22. B-Q5 QR-K11  
23. R-B7 ch K-Q1  
24. RxKK1P ch  
9. O-O-O BxK1  
10. K1xB KtxKP K-B1  
11. BxQ KtxQ 25. R-B7 ch K-Q1  
12. B-R5 K1-K5 26. R-B7 ch K-B1  
13. BxK1 KtxP 27. B-K4 R-QR1  
14. KtxP ch BxK1 28. B-B7 Resigns

### SICILIAN DEFENSE

Manhattan C.C. Championship  
New York, 1954

White Black  
A. KAUFMAN M. PAVEY  
1. P-K4 P-QB4 21. B-R3 K1-B5  
2. P-Q4 Pxp 22. B-K14 P-QR4  
3. QxP K1-KB3 23. P-R4 P-K15  
4. K1-QB3 K1-B3 24. K1-K15 B-B1  
5. Q-Q3 P-KK13 25. Q-K13 B-K3  
6. B-K3 B-K12 26. BxB KtxB  
7. P-B3 Q-R4 27. P-R5 Q-B4  
8. O-O P-QR3 28. R-Q5 Q-B7  
9. P-KK14 29. Pxp RPxP  
30. R-Q2 Q-K16  
10. Q-B4 P-QK14 31. R(2)-R2 KtxP  
11. Q-K13 P-Q3 32. K1-B7 R-R2  
12. P-QR3 K1-B3 33. K1-Q5 P-K4  
13. P-K15 K1-Q2 34. Q-K3 R-K12  
14. KK12-K2 0-0 35. K-K11 P-B3  
15. K1-Q4 K1-B4 36. R-R6 K-K12  
16. Q-R2 KtxK1 37. Q-K2 QR-KB2  
17. BxK1 BxB 38. P-KB4 R-KR1  
18. RxB K1-K3 39. RxR Pxp  
19. R-Q1 B-K12 40. Q-K15 P-B6  
20. P-KR4 Q-K13 41. Q-K8 Resigns

### CLEVELAND TOPS COLUMBUS TEAM

By the one-sided score of 11½-3½ the Cleveland team downed a visiting Columbus team in a 15-board intercity match. Lack of strength on the lower boards was the main cause of the Columbus downfall, for the team held Cleveland to a 3½-3½ draw on the top seven boards. R. Owens, president of the Ohio Chess Ass'n, served as director, while E. Mehwald, president of the Cleveland Chess Ass'n, was team captain for Cleveland and Kurt Loening team captain for Columbus. W. Van Sickle, Director of the Cleveland Industrial League, acted as scorekeeper, while Thomas Kelly was in charge of facilities at the Cleveland Twist Drill Chess Club where the match was held. A total of 76 chess players were in attendance at the match, which itself set a record by being the first intercity team match to be 100% USCF rated under the new USCF Rating Regulations.

### CLEVELAND-COLUMBUS INTERCITY MATCH

Cleveland, 1954

100% USCF Rated Event

Cleveland	Columbus	
1. R. Pitschak .. 1	W. Mann .....	0
2. L. Lipking .. 0	J. Schroeder .....	1
3. Z. Pauer .....	T. Anderson .....	0
4. T. Ellison .....	Voskrescensky .....	0
5. G. Miller .....	K. Loening .....	1
6. E. Somlo .....	C. Neugebauer .....	1
7. D. Stauvers ..½	J. Seucker .....	½
8. E. Roethler .. 1	K. Howes .....	0
9. R. McCready .. 1	W. Rebold .....	0
10. R. Rosen .....	C. McCracken .....	0
11. J. Urrutia .....	M. Allison .....	0
12. F. Haban .....	S. Trumbull .....	0
13. C. Apthorp .. 1	G. Platau .....	0
14. A. Zachlin .. 1	R. Messler .....	0
15. R. Kaue .....	P. Rothman .....	0

Cleveland ..... 11½ Columbus ..... 3½

### BENITEZ TOPS IN PUERTO RICO

With 11-2 score Francisco Benitez won the 14 player Puerto Rican Championship, losing a game to Miguel Colon and drawing with Ruben Cintron and Vissepo. Arturo Colon and Miguel Colon tied for second with 10½-2½ each. Arturo Colon lost a game to Benitez and drew with Cintron, Saler, and Miguel Colon. Miguel Colon lost to Cintron and Orlando Pla, and drew with Arturo Colon. Ruben V. Cintron placed fourth with 10-3, and Orlando Pla was fifth with 7½-5½.

The outstanding performance in the event was that of 18-year-old Ruben Cintron who was the only unbeaten player in the tournament, besting Miguel Colon and holding Benitez and Arturo Colon to draws. He gained inclusion in the championship finals by winning a preliminary event with only one loss. Ruben is the son of 1953 Puerto Rican Champion Rafael Cintron, who did not defend the title this year.



The 10-game match between U.S. Champion Larry Evans and former U.S. Champion Arnold S. Denker has been scheduled with six games to be played at the Manhattan Chess Club on the dates of April 3, 4, 17, 18, and May 1, 2, and four games at the Marshall Chess Club on the dates of April 10, 11, 24, 25.

### Chess Squares

By Maurice A. Druet

Square No. 6	1 2 3 4 5				
	1	C			
2	H				
3	E				
4	S				
5	S				

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|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>ACROSS</b>                   | <b>DOWN</b>                             |
| 1. A stump                      | 1. A minute groove                      |
| 2. Scot class of free servants. | 2. CHESS                                |
| 3. Ascribe                      | 3. Collection of logs fastened together |
| 4. Fiber from tropical plants   | 4. To anoint                            |
| 5. Resource                     | 5. A round, flat cap                    |

All words used in these squares may be found in Webster's International Dictionary (Unabridged). Solution to Square No. 6 in April 20 issue.

Solution to Square No. 5  
C R A P E  
H O L L A  
E M B A R  
S P I T E  
S Y N O D

### N. Y. CHESS LIFE

(Continued from page 3, col. 4)

ful N.Y. chess devotee, recently won one of the nation-wide Hebrew National Salami Recipe contests. His recipe entitled "Hot Cube" shared honors with such others as "Roll-a-Kosher," etc. . . A. Bisguier won the last 3 rapid with clean sweeps . . . Word has it that the U.S. Closed Championship will start here on June 19 and end July 3 . . . Mid-town Manhattan is being swamped with cards advertising the Mid-town Chess Center. Practically all telephone booths, billboards, subway cars, and automobile windshield wipers in this area bear witness to this extended campaign to make the public chess conscious . . . Finally — the New York Metropolitan Chess League is making arrangements to start its yearly team tournament. Olaf Ulvestad has already promised to play for the Marshall "Seniors." I'll play for the Junior team again.

### FLORIDA STARTS INTERSCHOLASTIC

Interscholastic team and individual championship events will be held for the first time this April in Florida, pioneered by seven South Florida schools under the instigation of USCF Life Member Robert Eastwood.

An individual championship will be held as a six round Swiss on April 24-25 at the Homestead Youth Center, 30 miles south of Miami, with South Dade High School as the host. There will be no entry fee and a trophy for the winner. Free swimming in the city pool is offered as an addition inducement to attend.

# Tournament Life

Send to CHESS LIFE, 123 No. Humphrey Ave., Oak Park, Ill. for application form for announcing tournament in this column.

## COLLEGE CHESS

(Continued from page 5, col. 4) with other colleges. Their location makes over-the-board play difficult, but they are also prepared to play by short-wave radio.

The 1950 Columbia national championship team — Eliot Hearst, James T. Sherwin, Francis Mechner, Karl Burger — is trying to arrange to go to Norway for the university students, tournament there, April 11-18 (the first three are now graduate students). It would be a great thing if the U.S. could again enter the field of international college chess.

N.Y.U. player Al Kaufman has a 4-5 score in the Manhattan Club championship, and has beaten Pavey and Bisguier. Fordham's Tom Hennessy has 3-0 in the Marshall Club's Sunday tournament, and one of his games won a prize for best-in-round.

An instructive position from the 1953 Intercollegiate: White (Jack Kagetsu of Toronto): K on Q6, R on KR7, P on QB6. Black (George Hardman of John Hopkins): K on Q1, R on KKt4. Hardman, threatened with mate, played 1. ...., K-K1, allowing 2. K-B7 and the setting up of Lucena's position. Instead 1. ...., R-Kt1 draws; e.g., 2. R-R7, R-Kt3 ch; 3. K-B5, K-B1; 4. K-K16, K-Kt1, and no headway can be made. Or 2. P-B7 ch, K-B1; 3. K-B6, R-Kt3 ch; 4. K-Kt5, R-QB3; 5. R-R8 ch, K-Kt2. Send interesting games or positions from college matches to me; the best will be published.

## Solution To What's The Best Move?

### Solution to Position No. 135

In the game Kinnmark-Strom, Göteborg 1927, White played simply 1. B-B6! and there followed 1. ...., Q-B4 ch; 2. K-R1, QxR; 3. Q-R6! and Black resigned, for if 3. ...., PxQ; 4. B-B6 and 5. Kt-R6 mate cannot be prevented.

On 1. ...., QxB; 2. Kt-R6 ch PxKt; 3. RxQ Black's position is equally hopeless.

The suggested 1. Kt-R6 ch is not as effective as it looks, for our solvers left the variation too soon. There follows: 1. ...., K-R1; 2. KtxBP ch, KxKt; 3. BxR (if 3. RxR, Q-B4 ch; 4. K-R1, QxB), Kt-K4! (defending the Kt on Kt3), and if now 5. Q-R6 (with the idea of 5. ...., PxQ; 6. B-B6 mate), Black plays 5. ...., Kt-Kt5 (threatening Philidor's Legacy). On 5. R-B5 instead, there comes 5. ...., BxKP; 6. BxKt, BxP ch; 7. KxB, Q-B3 ch; 8. K moves, QxB and Black still has fight left, although probably losing the game. Or Black can answer 5. R-B5 with 5. ...., QxBP with much play left in the position.

In the same way, 1. KtxKtP, Q-B4 ch; 2. K-R1, QxB; 3. Q-R6, Kt-B1; 4. Kt-R5, Kt-K3 leaves much play in the position, although probably producing an eventual win.

Therefore we accept for fully credit only 1. B-B6 and grant ½ point to those who submitted either 1. KtxKtP or 1. Kt-R6 ch

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Please note that only solution to one position should be submitted on one card. Where solutions to two or more positions are submitted on same card, we cannot be responsible for the second solution receiving credit — it may be overlooked, although we endeavor to avoid this mishap.

### Solutions:

Finish It the Clever Way!

Position No. 125: 1. ...., R-R2!  
Position No. 126: 1. Q-Kt6 ch, K-B5; 2. Q-K4 ch, K-Kt6; 3. Q-K1 ch, K-R6; 4. Q-R1 ch, K-Kt6; 5. KtxP ch, K-Kt5; 6. Q-K4 ch, K-R6; 7. Kt-B4 ch, K-Kt6; 8. Kt-K2 ch, K-R6; 9. Q-R1 ch, K-Kt5; 10. Q-Kt2 ch, K-B4; 11. Q-Kt6 ch, K-K4; 12. Q-K6 mate.

Dr. Edward Lasker won the Mexico City International Tournament 6-1, conceding only two draws. Capt. J. J. Ariza was second with 4-3, while Gen. M. Soto-Larrea, J. Medina, and A. Prieto scored 3½-3½ each to share third place. There followed A. Ferriz and I. Ventosa with 3-4 each, and J. Fuentes 1½-5½.

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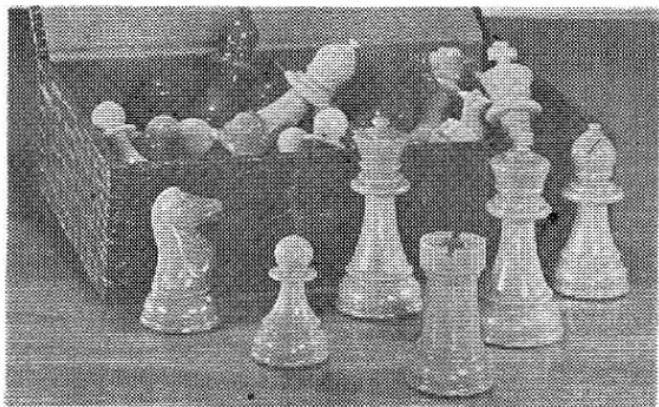
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