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## Why Missouri Affiliated With USCF

## Told by State Association President

By MCA President CHARLES W. GRAHAM

Officials of the Missouri Association this year are undertaking extensive promotion of interest in chess over the state in the hope and expectation that they will have one of the best state groups in the country within a few years, with one of the outstanding tournaments.

They are beginning a systematic campaign among chess players to engage their interest in the promotion of chess in their own communities as well as in the state and nation. This campaign also includes efforts to promote interest in the annual Missouri Open Tournament which will be held November $26-28$ in St. Louis, to be automatically $100 \%$ USCF rated under the rules of affiliation. It is planned to offer at least $\$ 100$ for first prize, and probably more. The 1953 tourney-one of the best in the history of chess in Missouri-was held at Kansas City over the New Year week-end last January.
The Association's plans for expansion provide that as interest increases and clubs are formed in other Missouri cities, this tournament may be held in Springfield, St. Joseph, Joplin, Columbia, Hannibal, Jefferson City, and any other city or town where a club can provide for it. It is to be by no means an exclusive St. Louis-Kansas City affair.

There were several factors which influenced the Missouri State Chess officials in deciding to affiliate with the USCF as a State Chapter. On the immediate practical side

## FRANKENSTEIN AT KANSAS CITY

Leonard Frankenstein, 17-year old high school youth, swept both the Kansas City Championship and the speed championship at the Kansas City YMCA Chess Club. His score was $61 / 2-1 / 2$, the draw being with Philip W. Morrell who placed second with $51 / 2-1 \frac{1}{2}$. Having learned chess only two and onehalf years ago, Frankenstein has progressed rapidly, placing third in the Heart of American event this January and tenth in the U. S. Junior Championship last August.

Morrell's lone loss to L. E. Graham who placed third with 5-2. Fourth was Riev. Morton W. Luebbert, Jr., also with 5-2, while E. H. Owens with $5-2$ also was fifth on S-B points.

In the speed event Frankenstein tied for first with his chess teacher, J. R. Beitling, but won the play-off game. Beitling was second, Morrell third, and Arthur H. Leonard fourth.

The Kansas City Club has an, nounced a Kansas City Area High School Individual Championship to stimulate interest in chess among youngsters and to develop a junior division of the club. Frankenstein, although eligible to play, will instead act as tournament director for the event to be held on April 24, May 1, and May 8.
was the fact that the Association's nominal receipts from dues would be increased by $\$ 1$ per member, that amount being deducted by the organization treasurer from the USCF's share of the joint membership dues, and kept by the Association for its expenses. The USCF receives the balance, or $\$ 4$, out of each joint membership, without adding a penny to the combined dues before affiliation. That extra dollar helps when the State Association's dues are quite nominal, as our's are.

In the problem of maintaining interest in chess and in staging the state tournaments, we believe we are following a strong national trend which has been greatly stimulated by the Federation's excellent rating lists. In sports, the players and teams have their standings. In chess, the Federation ratings are the "batting averages." We are finding that more and more chess players are interested in improving these, standings and that for that reason are paying more and
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## U. S. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP <br> 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 accomodations, write: John P. Looney, Secretary, Lincoln Park Chess \& Checker Club, Lincoln Park, Long Beach 2, Calif.
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Finish If The Clever. Way! by Edmund Nash

$T^{\text {HE }}$ Botvinnik-Smyslov match for the World Championship has progressed amazingly. After the first four games the score was 3 wins for Botvinnik and one draw; however, after 11 games of play, Smyslov took the lead, 6 to 5 . After 14 games, it was 7 to 7 . In the first position above, from the 9th game (after Black had played R(QB5)-K5 ch), White won the exchange in four moves, and Black resigned three moves later, perhaps operating under time pressure, in view of the hopelessness of his position.

Position No. 128 is an original composition involving some interesting pawn play.

For solutions, please turn to Page three.
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## SETTLE DETAILS USSR-USA MATCH

The USCF International Affairs Committee has announced the following plans for the USSR-USA Team Match in New York, June 16-21, 1954. 1st round will be played Wednesday evening, June 16th; 2nd round Thursday evening, June 17th; 3rd round Saturday evening, June 19th; and 4 th round Monday evening, June 21st with unfinished games to be played off on the 17th and 18th. The match will be held at the Hotel Roosevelt and Hans Kmoch will serve as tournament director, while Alexander Bisno is expected to act as Team Captain and Treasurer for the match.
The U. S. Team will consist of Reshevsky, Denker, Pavey, D. Byrne, Horowitz, R. Byrne, Bisguier and Evans, with Kramer and Dake as the alternates. The final lineup will be decided at a meeting of the players held prior to the first round of the match.

Geza Fuster by winning his final game against Peter Avery became Toronto City Champion with $71 / 2$ $11 / 2$ score, losing to E . Rose and drawing with R. K. Orlando. E. Rose and I. Suk tied for second with 7-2 each, while Ross Siemms placed fourth with 6-3. Other scores were: P. Avery, L. Fabricius, K. Kerns, $\dot{Z}$. Leskowsky, and R. E. Orlando 5-4 each; E. T. Jewitt, P. Slavin, and F. W. Watson $41 / 2-41 / 2$ each; D. Kulyk and D. Vagasi 4-5 each; P. Hyttinen $31 / 2-5 \frac{1}{2}$; S. Mallinson and A. Pekala 2 $1 / 2-61 / 2$ each; S. Rauch $2-7$; A. York $11 / 2-71 / 2$. Rauch retired after four rounds.
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## MATCH SEESAWS

 BOTVINNIK LEADSUndaunted, Botvinnik has now regained a two point lead in the World Championship Match with 8 games to go, winning the 16th game for a 9-7 lead over Smyslov. Botvinnik has now won 7 and has drawn four, losing five.

| SICILIAN DEFENSE <br> MCO: page 290, column 129 |  |  |  |
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| 15th Wor | Ch Mosco | mpionship $1954$ | Game |
| White |  |  | Black |
| V. SMYSL | OV | M. BO | VINNIK |
| 1. P-K4 | P-QB4 | 20. KtxP | KtxRP |
| 2. Kt-QB3 | Kt-QB3 | 21. B-K3 | Kt-B4 |
| 3. P-KK†3 | P-KK+3 | 22. BxKt | Q×B |
| 4. B-K $\ddagger 2$ | B-Kł2 | 23. Q-K+2 | K-Kł5 |
| 5. P-Q3 | P-Q3 | 24. Q-K2 | QxQ ch |
| 6. KKt-K2 | P-K4 | 25. $R \times Q$ | R-K4 |
| 7. Kt-Q5 | KK¢-K2 | 26. QR-K1 | KR-K1 |
| 8. P-QB3 | KtxKt | 27. B-B2 | P-R5 |
| 9. P×Kt | Kt-K2 | 28. $\mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{R}$ | R×R |
| 10. 0.0 | 0.0 | 29. P-Q4 | PxPch |
| 11. P-KB4 | B-Q2 | 30. $\mathrm{K} \times \mathrm{P}$ | R-K+4ch |
| 12. P-KR3 | Q-B2 | 31. K-R2 | R-B4 |
| 13. B-K3 | QR-K1 | 32. B-K3 | PxP |
| 14. Q-Q2 | Kt-B4 | 33. PXP | K-Kı2 |
| 15. B-B2 | P-KR4 | 34. R-B2 | P-KKi4 |
| 16. QR-K1 | Q-Q1 | 35. $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 2$ | R×R ch |
| 17. K-R2 | B-R3 | 36. BXR | P-B4 |
| 18. P-KR4 | Q-83 | Resigns |  |
| 19. B-K4 | $\mathbf{P \times P}$ |  |  |

O. C. Dupree with $18-4$ won the Shreveport (La.) City Championship. James Noel placed second with $161 / 2-51 / 2$, while A. Wyatt Jones and Woodrow Crew each scored 166 in the 12 player event at Shreveport, which was a double round robin.
D. A. Yanofsky has succeeded Mr. Gregory as chess editor of Winnipeg Free Press. Gregory, who conducted the chess column for 36 years, retired through ill-health recently.

## DiCAMILLO WINS AT PHILDELPHIA

Attilio DiCamillo, former Penn State Champion, won the 34 player Metropolitan Philadelphia Championship $51 / 2-1 / 2$, drawing with Donald Sibbett. Eugene Dreher placed second with $5-1$, losing to Samuel Sklaroff, and Charles Kalme, a youthful newcomer, was third with $41 / 2-11 / 2$, losing to DiCamillo and drawing with Adolph Regen. Fourth to eleventh on S-B with $4-2$ scores were Samuel Sklaroff, S. Nowakiwsky, Adolph Regen, Thomas Benham, Anthony Koppany, Irwin Sigmond, Gordon Blizard, and Jerry Kurtzberg.

The tournament was an innovation for Philadelphia as a 6 round Swiss, replacing to everyone's satisfaction the traditional scheme of several preliminary round robin sections and a final round robin championship.

## BRASKET WINS ST PAUL OPEN

Curt Brasket descended from Collegeville to capture the St. Pau] Open Championship $51 / 2-1 / 2$, drawing with Minnesota State Champion K. N. Pederson. John Penquite of Des Moines and the University of Michigan placed second with 5-1, losing a game to Lewis George. K. N. Pederson was third in the 26 player Swiss with $41 / 2-11 / 2$, losing to Penquite and drawing with Brasket.
Fourth to eighth with 4-2 scores were Victor Contoski, Lewis George, Fred Galvin, Sheldon Rein, and Dane Smith.

## LIEPNIEKS TOPS LINCOLN CITY

Alexander Liepnieks, defying the tradition that tournament directors lose in events they direct while playing, scored $81 / 2-1 / 2$ to win the Lincoln City Championship, drawing with Dr. H. N. V. Temperly, an exchange professor from Cambridge, England. Anton Sildmets was second with $61 / 2-21 / 2$, losing to Liepnieks and William Sabin and drawing with John Danenfelds. Third place went to Robert Kalnins with $51 / 2-31 / 2$.
In the Class A event, Werner Teuer and Andris Staklis tied at $71 / 2-11 / 2$, while Rev. Max DeWitt and Walter Ross tied for third with 7-2 each. In a Class B event victory went to Barton Lewis with 7-2, while James Ellington and Dr. Guajardo Davis tied for second with $61 / 2-21 / 2$ each.

## 蹲

The first South Florida Interscholastic Team Championship ended in a victory for the South Dade school with 3-0 in match score and $10-5$ in games. Miami Beach was second with 2-1 and 11-4, while Coral Gables placed third with 2-1 and $71 / 2-71 / 2$ in the six team event.

In the $\mathbf{B}$ Division of five teams, Homestead Jr. placed first with $4-0$ and $15-5$, while Miami Beach B was second with $2-2$ and $121 / 2-71 / 2$. Both victorious teams were coached by USCF Life Member Robert Eastwood of Homestead who was largely responsible for organizing the tourney.

## Chess Life In $\eta_{\text {ew }} Y_{\text {ork }}$ <br> By Karl Burger

SAMUEL Reshevsky recently demotnstrated once again his great skill at blindfold-rapid-transit play. Meeting ten Manhattan Chess Club experts singly, Sammy won nine and drew one (with Walter Shipman). Chief among his vic tims were Arthur B. Bisguier, former U. S. Open Champion, and William Lombardy, talented (though young) high school chess star. Not to be outdone in chessic histrionics, Olaf Ulvestad contested two blind fold games with Ivan Frank. Frank was the first to score, Ulvestad captured the other end of the twin bill. All Manhattan Club members mourn the passing of their most excellent friend-stanley Frank.
Gimbels Department store is cur rently giving a display of the "new look" in chess. Mr. Yun Gee, internationally famous artist and inventor, has patented a four-dimensional game!! This game uses the traditional rules of chess but has the advantage that 2,3 , or 4 people can play. Mr. Gee gives credit where credit is due-he claims that frequent visitations by Confucius (in dreams-Yun Gee often faints) plus the intersecting New York streets inspired him to "conquer the problem of 45 centuries." Yun Gee solved many a problem when he heard Confucius laughing and saying 'for me it is a triangle, although the point seems forced, call it a diamond, call it a diamond? Gee! I'd give the world to see that old game of mine. Then I played a game with this sage and his henchmen. I lost quickly but through no fault of mine. Mr. Gee quickly explained that even the greatest player would inevitably lose at the four-handed game if the three people he was playing against were inclined to dispose of him. Under a barrage of questions all his cohorts admitted that the 4-D game introduced to a large extent the luck factor into chess and thereby robs the traditional game of much of its aesthetic quality. I left Yun Gee's stand to the strains of "But we're really pushing the 4-D checker game!!"
IN BRIEF: Myron Fleischer and T. Lorie lead in the Marshall "Amateur" $61 / 2-1 / 2$... Columbia College crushed a visiting Brown University team at Columbia by an 8-1 score . . . Amos Kaminsky, Willie Lombardy, James T. Sherwin, and W. Shipman were the winners of the weekly rapids at the metropolitan clubs ... The Manhattan C. C. "A" team continued its winning march in the Met. League by trouncing a Sunset Park aggregation $61 / 2-1^{1 / 2}$. . . Feuerstein of City College gave heavily favoured E. Schwartz a chessic hotfoot. Guala despaired after having Herbie Seidman all but mated. Later in the game he was seen holding his head in shame and going through weird contortions (in over-theboard play-already!) . . . The U. S. "Closed" tournament has been designated as the Zonal Tournament by the International Federa-
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# YOUNG MASTERS' FORUM 

## America's Leading Young Masters Annotate

 Outstanding Games from Recent Chess Events
## Annotation as Criticism of a Work of Art

By U. S. Master KARL BURGER
NNOTATED games of chess should contain two basic elements: 1) the work of art, which is the game itself, and 2) a criticism of this work of art. The annotator, therefore, has two primary func-tions-the function of selectivity and the obligation of having a clear and philisophically integrated critical method. It is only the insincere who approach the latter function in a haphazard, unreflective manner. It is only the boastful, the ego-centric among us who would permit the status drive to cloud out our scientific objectivity.

This is the reason I have chosen the BotvinnikBronstein first match game rather than one of my own endeavors. I do not believe that any chess master should annotate his own games (for singular publication) since by the introduction of his own personal bias he only tends to destroy any glimmering hopes that we all have of realizing an empirical criterion of valuation in chess.

## DUTCH DEFENSE

World Championship Match Mossow, 1951
White

1. P-Q4
2. P-QB4 The Dutch Defense has been revived and is now increasingly becoming a feared opening weapon largely through the efforts of Bronstein, Rossolimo, and Simagin. The reason for its popularity is, largely due to new insights based on the analytical work of Simagin and the practical successes of Bronstei nand Rossolimo. These insights are contained in the realization of some subtle resources that Black has at his disposal in the line 5. ....... or 6. ........ P-Q3 followed eventually b
Here are some examples:
1a. The old misconception
3. P-Q4, P-K3; 2. P-QB4, P-KB4; 3.

P-KN3, N-KB3; 4. B-N2, B-K2; 5. $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{KB} 3, \mathrm{O} \mathrm{O} ; 6$. N -QB3, P-Q3; 7. O-O, Q-K1; 8. P-N3, Q-R4? 9. B-QR3, QNQ2 $210 . ~ Q-B 2, ~ N-N 5 ; ~ 11 . ~ Q R-Q 1 . ~ P . ~$
QR3; 12. KR-K1, R-N1; 13. P-K4, PxP; 14. NxP, P-QN3; 15. P-R3 with a
14. NXP, P-QN3; 15. P-R3 with a
big advantage to White: Alexanderbigg advantage to White: Alexan
Tartakower: Nottingham 1936.
1b. The new insight:
As above to 8. P-QN3, P-QR4!; 9. B-N2, N-R3; 10. P-QR3, P-B3; 11. RQB1, B-Q2; 12. P-K3, B-Q1; 13. R-K1, P-K4: Furman-Simagin: Leningrad, 1946. Black has an excellent posi-
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took the sting out of a plausible took the sting out of a plausible
9. B-QR3 due to the reply N-QR3 9. B-QR3
to QN5.
test is 8. R-K1. White can then obtain an advantage against the various freeing attempts at Black's disposal e.g. $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { 8. R-K1, } & \text { Q-R4; } & \text { 9. P-K4, PxP; } & \text { 10. N×P, } \\ \mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{N} ; 11, ~ R \times N, & \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{B} 3 & 12, \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 4, & \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 3 ; & 13,\end{array}$ NxN; 11. RxN, N-B3 12. B-B4, B-B3; 13.
P-KR4! (less artificial and just as good is 13 . Q-Q2!, K-RI; 14. QR-QK, B-Q2; 15 . P-B5! and White is in full command of the play-Keres-Simagin USSR Championship 1951) 13. ........ P-KR3; 14. R-B1, P-R3; 15. P-B5! with a positional advantage for White: Winter-Mikeneas:
Lodz 1935 . Black may attempt to hinder Whites intended P-K4 by playing 8. ........Q.N3. The game Euwe-Bronstein Candidates Tournament 1953 shows that even under these circumstances Black can obtain good counter-chances. e.g. 8. R-K1,
N3; 9. P-K4, NxP; 10. NxN,
PxN;
N. N3; 9. P-K4, NxP; 10. NxN, PxN; 11.
RxP,
P-K4! (of course not QxR?; 12. N-R4 winning the queen for $\mathrm{R}, \mathrm{N}$, and P which under these circumstances is not adequate compensation) 12. Q-K2? (Best is 12. R-K1! N-B3; 13. PxP, B-N5 Euwe-which according to him is promising to White) B-B4; 13 N-R4, BxN; 14. RxB, N-B3; 15. PxP; 16. B-K3, QR-Q1 reaching a Dynamic equilibrium,
It is quite understandable in the light of the above-mentioned variations why Bronstein resurrected the much abused and discredited Dutch.

following by R-KN1 and the pawn sacrifice P-B5! where Black has a slight pull on the mutual affairs of the two kingdoms.
10. P-K4

Q-R4?
This incursion of the Black queen is premature and should have led to a swift deterioration in position. Better would have been 10 . .....
pleting the development.

> 11. P×P 12. $\mathrm{P} \cdot \mathrm{B} 3$

Botvinnik hastily attempts to bolster the weak white squares on the king side and challenge Black's control of the pivotal square K4. This, however, is a plan which can lead at best to an equal position. Far stronger was the move 12. P-B5! whereupon White could have achieved a winning position in the following manner.

1. 12. ........, BPxP; 13. NxP is clearly won for White
Ha 12. ........, QPxP; 13. Q-N3, PxP; 14. NxP, NxN; 15. BxNeh, K-R1; 16. Bx NXP is bad for black.
Ib. 12. ......., QPxP; 13. Q-N3, P-B5; 14.
QxNP, B-QB4; 15. QxR, N-N5; 16. P
KR4 and Black does not have com
pensation for the material lost.
finally 12. P-P-B5, N-R3; 13. QPxP, NxP 14. P-QN4 is grossly in White's favour

## 12. 13. 14. $\mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{Q} 3$ 15. PxP ?



A serious positional error after which Botvinnik falls into an untenable posi tion. It was necessary to exchange one knight by playing 15. NxP, NxN; 16. PxN (better than QxN ch, B-K3) after which White has nothing to worry about for 2 reasons: 1) He can scek chances on the $Q$ side since he need no longer fear the cramping effect of a Black $B$ fear the cramping effect of a Black B
at QR4 and 2) he can now try PxB4 at QR4 and 2) he can now try PxB4
which after is PxP? can not be played which after is
due to P-KP!
An extremely powerful move! The bishop will manoeuver to QR4 and there shall have the effect of enhancing Black's attack on the White QP in the narrower sense an don the White central squares in the more comprehensive sense. The manoeuver relieves Black of his "bad" bishop and is justifiable in that White would only lose precious time by the "attacking" move 16. N-N5 there would follow B-Q6 are indirectly protected e.g. 17. NXRP?, $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{B} 4$ and wins and 17. NxQP, NxQP and White wins material because of the double threat of QxN and NxB followed by B-N3.

If instead 16. P-QR3 (in order to drive the bishop away from QR4 if it should choose to go there) then follows B-N3 and White will have only weakened White should however try then side. White should, however, try the attack-
ing variation 16. P-KN4, B-Q6; 17. KRing variation
Q1,
$\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{B} 5:$
$18 . \mathrm{N} . \mathrm{N} 3$ followed by Q -B5 16. P-KN4 B-R4
B-Q6
Bronstein doesn't like blockaded positions which would arise after 9 . ........,
P-QB4. Nevertheless this move is to be prefered since after the text situations should have arizen, the consequences of which would have been most unsavoury to Black. After 9. ........, P-QB4 there might follow 10. P-B3, Q-K1; 11. P-QR3, N-QR3; 12. R-QN1, Q-R4; 13. P-QN4,

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In the case of 19. P-N3, NxQP; 20. B$\mathrm{B} 2, \mathrm{NxN}$; 21. NxN followed by QxQP where White has already eased the onerous pressure on his position. However after 19. P-N3 Black would inevitably reply with the counter-thrust 19. ......., N-N3! 20, B-B2, BxKN 21, QxB, BxN ; 22. BxN, PxB with a positional advantage.
On 19. ......., Q-B2 White with the move N-K4 would obtain equality.
20. R×Q N-N3

Now it is difficult for White to hold the Queen pawn.


Unprofitable for Black would be the NxR; 23. RxN, BxR; 24. NxB and White $\mathrm{NxR} ; 23 . \mathrm{RxN}, \mathrm{BxR;}$ 24. NxB and White
has three pieces for two rooks. In the has three pieces for two rooks. In the
diagrammed position Bronstein has two wagrammed position Bronstein

After the simple move 21. ........, QRQB1 Black could have strengthened the pressure on the White game. Indeed White can do little constructive in reply. If 22. P--KN5 then already KNx QP is possible since Black would have obtained an important tempo over the preceding variation.
Black could also retain the initiative by playing 21. $\ldots \ldots, \mathrm{BxN}(\mathrm{K} 2)$; 22. RxB, BxN; 23. $\mathbf{B x N}$ (otherwise NxQP) PxB; 24. P×B, R-R4 and R-QB1 and White connot adequately defend all his weak pawns.
Black could also have obtained the advantage at this moment by playing 22. $\ldots . .$. BxN(K2). But Black has even stronger in the move 22. ........, P-K5! with the threat of P-K6 and N-B5. After the threat of P-K6 and N-B5. After
22. ....... P-K5! 23. P-KN5, PxP; 24. BxP, $22 ., \ldots$, P-K5! 23. P-KN5, PxP; 24. BxP,
$\mathrm{KN}-\mathrm{Q} 2 ;$ followed by N-K4 and White's KN-Q2; followed by N-K4 and White's position is restricted to passivity. By
playing the text move Bronstein replaying the text move Bronstein re-
leases the whole of his positional advantage.
Black has nothing. On 23 . ......, R-B1 White plays P-KN5 followed by 25 . NK4 and 26. B-R3.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { 24. BxB } \\
& 25 . \text { R-K1 }
\end{aligned}
$$

Botvinnik now prepares to play 26. N. N3 and 27. N-K4. Bronstein prudently resigns himself to a draw by repetition of moves.

| 25. |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 26. R-Q2 | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{K} 6$ |
| 27. R-B2 | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{BS}$ |
| 28. R-Q2 | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{K} 6$ |
|  | DRAWN |
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## Solution:

Finish It the Clever Way Position No. 127: 1. QxR!, QPxP; 2.

 Position No. 128: 1 . P.QKit4, P-QKt4 (if P-QKt3; 2. P-Kt5! wins); 2. K-K3, K-K3; 3. K-Q4, K-Q3; 4. P-K5 ch, K-K3; 5. K-K4, P-B4; 6. PxP, P-Kt5; 7. Kt-Q4, P-Kt6; 8. K-B3, K-Q4; 9. P-K6, P-Kt7; 10. $\mathrm{KxP}, \mathrm{KxKP} ; 11 . \mathrm{K}-\mathrm{B} 3, \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Q} 4$; 12. K-Kt4 wins.

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## Let Us Be Patient

All men commend patience, although fey be willing to practice it. THOMAS A. KEMPIS-Imitation of Christ

$I^{T}$T is a rare man who can accept unjust criticism without at least a faint murmur in rebuttal. We must confess that we have not as yet attained that rarety, at least where the motives and intentions of the U. S. Chess Federation are maliciously and falsely impugned.

We have mentioned in the past that the Washington State Chess Federation publishes an excellent state bulletin in the Washington Chess Letter. We would be loath to withdraw our recommendation of this publication, but our enthusiasm for this bulletin has been somewhat dimmed by a very sloppy bit of reporting in the March issue.

Under the heading "From Chess Life" appears the following paragraph

The Hollywood Chess Group will be hosts to a group of graded tournaments July 10 through July 24. Six separate events are planned from Master to " D " class. Prizes totaling $\$ 3,700.00$ are announced for the Master event. For further details players may wrife the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 No. Formosa Ave., Los Angeles 36, Calif. This event was originally planned to include the U. S. Open, but USCF, huffy towards Western recognition, are making an effort to hold that event in the East."
As a matter of fact for the record, the USCF made two attempts to find another sponsor on the West Coast or at least in the far West before accepting the generous offer of New Orleans as the site for the 1954 U. S. Open Championship.

We have thought that the Washington Chess Letter was doing a good job; we hope it will continue to do a good job. But the job cannot be done by malice, misrepresentation or ignorance. These must be avoided, and we hope that in the future the Washington Chess Letter will regain its integrity and thereby continue to retain the respect of those who read it.

## The Keader's Road Jo Chess

## By Kester Svendsen

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT 1953. Annotations by D. Hooper and W. Winter. 96 pp., mimeographed. \$2. Order from publisher K. Whyld, 125 Trowell Road, Wollaton, Nottingham, England.

THIS must set a record for tournament books, for it appeared about a month after the last of the 210 games was played. Selections from the games have been published in the journals, and so many readers are already familiar with such landmarks as Euwe's great wins over Najdorf and Geller, Reshevsky's incredible luck against Szabo in their second game, and Smyslov's relentless accumulation of points. But this is the first complete collection of what will stand as one of the greatest tournaments ever played. The participants are the best players in the world today and need no identification for most readers; those who came in late should be told perhaps that the tournament included fifteen grandmasters: Smyslov, Reshevsky, Bronstein, Auerbach, Ewe, Geller, Petrosian, Najdorf, Stahlberg, Keres, Gligoric, Kotov, Taimanov, Boleslavsky, and Szabo. There were plenty of draws, of course, but 92 of
the games reached a decision-a pretty high number, considering the quality of the competition and the importance of the event. Smyslov won, as everyone knows, by two points.

The annotations by Winter and Hooper are necessarily light; yet something is done with nearly every game, even the draws, that offered scope. The mimeographing is clear, the indexes are useful, and the spiral-ring-and-cardboard binding makes playing over the games very easy. There will be plenty of books of this event later; those who wish to have one now have been accommodated most promptly by Hooper, Winter, and Whyld in a most commendable production.

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

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OUTSTANDING DEBT: The Telegraph-Herald

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## WHY MISSOURI AFFILIATED WITH USCF

(Continued from Page 1, column 3)
more attention to tournaments which are $100 \%$ USCF rated. In fact, only a few years ago it was easy to attract fine players to tournaments, regardless of ratings. But not any more. This interest in the ratings is, I believe, primarily responsible for this trend toward the full rated tournaments, which are steadily increasing in numbers everywhere.

The point I am trying to make is that in Missouri we want to be in nosition to guide this increasing public interest toward organized chess. so as to provide better events for Missourians. We believe affiliation with the USCF is the best way to do this.
If you will look around you in
the chess world, you will find that whenever a chess tournament becomes fully rated by the Federation, its entry lists jumps, and the better the players you can attract, the greater is the public interest in the event. The natural byproduct is greater interest in the State Association, and in chess.

Another by-product is a state rating list for our own chess players, because any player who plays in the state tournament is rated by the Federation, and in order to have our own state rating list, all we need really is to pull the names of Missourians out of the rating lists in CHESS LIFE, and we have it. In a few years this can become quite an effective state rating list for distribution to our members.

TENNESSEE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

## Knoxville, 1954

100\% USCF Rated Event

| 1. J. G. Sullivan. Jr. (Knoxville) | W5 | D2 | W8 | W3 | D4 | 4-1 | 12.7 |
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| 2. Martin Southern (Knoxville) | W14 | D1 | W7 | D4 | W8 | $4-1$ | 8.7 |
| 3. L. C. Noderer (Oak Ridge) | W9 | D4 | W6 | L1 | W7 | $3!-13$ | 9.25 |
| 4. R. R. Coveyou (Oak Rdige) | W12 | D3 | W5 | D2 | D1 | $3 \mathrm{y}-13$ | 8.7 |
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10. A. H. Bond, Jr. $0-5(0.00)$; 13. A. J. Bruner $0-5(0.00(;$ 14. Charles Mills $0-5(0.00)$ $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{B}$ not used to break ties; Bruner and Mills withdrew after 1st round.

# LARRY EVANS ON THE OPENINGS 

By International Master LARRY EV ANS

## U. S. Chess Champion

## The Nimzo Indian Defense

(Pt. 2) "Zurich Variation"

For the sake of convenience, I will repeat diagram 5. Diagram 5


Black now has two major possibilities: (a) $9 \quad \mathbf{N} \times K P$; or (b) 9 N-K5!
(a) From Flohr-Milner Barry, London, 1932. $9 \mathrm{~N} \times \mathrm{KP} ; 10 \mathrm{~N} \times \mathrm{N}$, $\mathrm{P} \times \mathrm{N}$; $11 \mathrm{Q} \times \mathrm{P}$

White accepts the challenge. There is no reason for him not to!
11 R-K1; 12 Q-N2
The only good retreat.
12 N-K5
White moves now - note this position well! In Euwe's "improyement" after the Winter-Alexander game we reach this position with Black to move! This has been the whole point of the long creative search on the part of MilnerBarry, Alexander, and Van den Bosch - a search whose fruit they themselves never realized.

## 13 B-B4, B-B4; 14 P-B3

After 14 P-K3, Flohr no doubt feared ....... P-KN4; 15 B-N3 (Not 15 B-K5?, RxB!), P-KR4!

## 14 . . P-KN4?

Simply 14 ........ N-B3 was in order; for if 15 P-K4?, NxP. After 15 B-N5, however, White retains the advantage.
15 B-B1, N-Q3; 16 Q-B3, P-KB3; 17 B-N2, K-N2; 18 O-O-O, Q-K2; 19 P-K4, B-N3; 20 P-B5, N-B2; 21 RQ7!!, QxR; 22 QxPch, K-R3;
If 22 K-N1; 23 Q-N7ch, K-K2; B-B6ch, K-K3; 25 B-B4ch wins.
23 Q-N7ch, K-R4; 24 P-N4ch, K. R5; 25 B-Q4!! Black Resigns.
The beautiful point! 25 Q-Q4, QxQ; 26 BxQ works equally well.
This game, however, started some of the masters thinking, notably Van den Bosch and Alexander: The former improved the variation against Fine, at Amsferdam, 1936. Van den Bosch continued with 12 Q-Q6 (instead of.. N-K5), Fine defended cooly with 13 B-N5, although- correct was 13 P-K3!, Q-N3; 14 P-B3, B-B4; $15 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B} 2-\mathrm{as}$, Fine later pointed out himself. Even this, however, is not too convincing.

13 . . . N-N5; 14 P-K4, Q-B4; 15

B-R4, Q-K5!; 16 0.O-O!
The only defense. If $16 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{N} 3$, NxKP; 17 PxN, QxPch; 18 B-K2, B-N5, wins handily.
$16 \ldots$ P-QB4!
Not 16 .... NxKP?; 17 R-Q4! winning a piece.

17 B-N3, PxP; 18 QxP, B-K3;
Weak. Correct is $18 \ldots$. B-B4!; 19 B-Q3, Q-K3; 20 KR-K1, BxB; 21 $\mathrm{RxB}, \mathrm{QR}-\mathrm{B} 1$ and Black stands better, despite his material inferiority. MCO7 gives equality after Black's 16th move - a shallow judgment.
19 R-Q4, Q-B4; 20 B-K2, N-K4; 21 Q-N5I, B-Q2; 22 Q-N1, Q-B3??
Correct is simply $22 \quad$ QR-B1.
$23 \mathrm{~B} \times \mathrm{N}$, winning a piece and the game. All of which goes to prove that it helps to be the better player, not that the variation is bad! (b) Return to diagram 5. WinterAlexander, Hastings 1935/6, finally begins to, lead to the right path! 9 ....N-K5!; 10 Q-K3.

Euwe recommends "Q-N2!" in his Theory of The Chess Openings. This we will analyze exhaustively later.

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\text { 10. ........P-B4!; } 11 \text { B-N2 }
$$

This is an interesting position. After 11 PxPep, QxP; 12 R-R2 (If 12 R-N1, B-B4), B-B4; 13 B-N̦2, QB2 I believe Black has more than Pawn. After 11 PxP, he must choose between QxP, Q-B3, and NxQP, in that order.
$\mathrm{BxP}^{11}$ (?...... N×P; $12 \mathrm{NxN}, \mathrm{PxN} ; 13$ BxP (?)
For 13 P-N3 see the next game: Denker-Evans.

## 13 ........ Q-K2; 14 P-B4

Seems like best play. If 13 B-N2?, P-B5! and White's Queen is embarrassed. Or 13 B-N3?, PB5!; $14 \mathrm{BxP}, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{B} 3$ winning a piece.

$$
13 \text { B-K3; } 14 \text { P-N3 }
$$

An attempt to save the Pawn by 14 P-B5 is refuted by .....P-QR4! And if 14 Q-QN3?, P-QN4 wins. ( 15 P-K3?, Q-R5ch.)

14 ….... BxP; 16 B-N2, B-Q4; 17 O-O, P-B3; 18 KR-Q1, KR-Q1; 19 P. N4, Q-R5; 20 PxP, Q-N5; 21 K-R1, QxP(4) and Black has all the winning chances - which is all I am trying to prove. Here, for some reason, White embarked on a speculative sacrifice to keep the two Bs with 22 RxB? after which Black won his first game with this variation.
Denker-Evans, NY Met League, 1951, continued 13 P-N3 (instead of 13 BxP ?), R-K1!;
Not, for heaven's sake, 13 B-K3; 14 P-B3!, N-Q3; 12 QxKP, Q-K2; 16 P-K3, with a winning game, as in Fine Alexander, Margate, 1937.

## 14 B-N2, N-B3

14 ...N-Q3 may be even better.
servative $13 \ldots$ B-B4, which surely should leave Black at no disadvantage as in any event he is a move ahead of Milner-Barry in the Flohr game. The question confronting us - and Alekhine is whether the Pawn sacrifice is sound. The answer lies in diagram 7. It is more than sound. Black has free play for his pieces, open files, and a ready-made attack. White has difficulty developing. Here are a few possibilities: I. 14 P-K3? Q.Q8 mate.
II. ${ }^{14} \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{B} 33$, Q -R5ch; $15 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{N} 3, \mathrm{NxP}$; $16 \mathrm{P} \times \mathrm{N}, \mathrm{QxPch} ; 17 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Q1}, \mathrm{BxPl}$;
$18 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{R} 3, \mathrm{QR}-\mathrm{Qlch} ; 19$ 18 R-R3, QR-Q1ch; 19 B-Q2
Not 19 K-B2, B-B4 mate.
19 .... BxPch. Need we analyze
any further? any further?
III. $14 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B4}, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{K2}$ with more than enough compensation for the Pawn. (15 P-B3 is still not threatened because of ... BxP followed by ... Q-R5ch.)
IV. 14 B-K3-probably best. It takes an antipositional move to meet an antipositional move! There is one tournament game here that I know of: Cruz vs. Sorenson, I know of: Cruz vs. Sorenson,
Buenos Aires Team Tourney, Buenos Aires Team Tourney,
1939. It continued: 14 . . N-Q3; 1939. It
15 R-Q1 15 R-Q1
Or $150-0-0$ Or $150-0-0, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{K} 2$; and if $16 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 5$, then either Q-N4ch.
 R×QR, R×R; $18 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B1}, \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{B} 5$; Correct is 18 . . N-R5! e.g., 19 P-B3, B-K3; $20^{\circ}$ P-K4, P-QR4! The text permits White opposite colored Bishops.
19 P-B3, B-K3; 20 P-K4, P-QR4, $21 \mathrm{BXN} ; 22 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Q} 2, \mathrm{PxP} ; 23 \mathrm{PXP}$, and drawn in 29 moves.
CONCLUSION: The entire Zurich Variation yields Black complete equality. The loss of the two Bishops is negligible because White has no time to consolidate and exploit them.
The gambit, beginning with 9
N-K5! (from diagram 5), gives Black all the winning chances. Euwe's move ( 10 Q-N2) is inferior to $10 \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{K} 3$. Hence, if he is playing for a win, White must abandon 4 Q-B2. (Or adopf 8 P-KN3 instead of P-QN4, at any rate he can do no more than draw.) It is now easy to see why, among other reasons, this move has lost favor with the modern masters.
(In my next article $I$ will consider the popular 4 P-K3.)

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## GAMES BY USCF MEMBERS

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

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## DENKER'S BEST?

Arnold S. Denker, U. S. Champion, 1944-1946, and author of "If You Must Play Chess," has won the Manhattan Chess Club Championship for the sixth time! This club record is approached only by that of U.S. Master Emeritus Abraham Kupchik Denker's winning totals of $\$ 1 / 2-21 / 2$ were made up of seven wins, three draws, and one loss. His nearest rivals were Bisguier, Pavey (ex-champion) and Turner, each 8.3, Shainswit, $71 / 2 \cdot 31 / 2$, and Kevitz, $61 / 2-41 / 2$. The following game against Allan Kaufman (who established himself as a young giant-killer by defeating Bisguier and Pavey) is believed by some to be Denker's best in the tournament.

## DUTCH DEFENSE

MCO: page 26, column 11 (a) Manhattan Chess Club Championship, New York, 1954
A. S. DENKER
A. KAUFM Black 1. P-Q4 P-K3 2. P-KK 4 P P-KB4 Kaufman is fond of playing the Dutch and Denker is fond of breaking it (often with the Staunton Gambit).
3. B-Kt2 Kt-KB3 4. Kt -Q2

A closed, uncommon treatment of the opening. The new champion likes to go his own way-to secure a dynamic position and then to capitalize on it with a sharp combination.
4. ....... Kt -B3

Black is working for ........, P-K4; but the Knight is misplaced at QB3. Better is 4. ......., P-Q4; swinging into the Stonewall Variation. Or perhaps 4. ......., P-B4?!

## 5. P-K3 P-Q3

5. at once 5. ....., P-K4; White can play 6. BxKt, QPxB; 7. PxP, Q-Q4; 8. with advantage in both cases.
6. P-K+3

Fianchettos are trumps.
This very natural looking move is really a mistake because Black cannot maintain the Pawn at K4 and he will lose control of vital squares if he continues with either ......., KPxQP; or .......
P-K5. Two sounder schemes are 1) P-K5. Two sounder sehemes are 1)
6. ......, B-K2; and 7. ......, O-O; and 2) 6. ......., B-Q2; 7. ....... Q-K2; 8. ........, B Kta.
Threatening to win a Pawn with 8. Bx Kt ch, PxB ; 9. PxP, PxP; 10. BxP, Q-Q4; 11. QKt-B3.

And KB5 is seriously weakened. But if 7. ........, Q-K2; White can eventually force ......., P-K5; by Kt-QB4 and Kt -KB3. And if 7. ........ PxP; 8. PxP, Q-K2 ch; 9. $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 2$, and White has the better position.
8. Kt-R3! B-K2

Black might do better to try to castle on the queen-side with 8. ........, B-K3; and 9. ......., Q-Q2.
White wants to play P-QB4 without allowing Kants to Q +5 , Pnd Q 4 without 10. ............... Q-K1 I1. P-QB4 $\quad$ Q-K+3 A lost tempo. Black should develop

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with 11. ........, B-Q2; or prepare 13. ........, Q-Kt3; with
12. Kt-B4

White's QBP and QP phalanx, available P-B3 break, dominating KKt, and two Bishops that are soon bound to expand, constitute a distinct positional advantage.
More
More consistent is 12 ........., Q-R3.
13. P-B3!

 If 13. with P-KKt4; , White can win a
Pawn with 14 . Kt-R3, or play for the attack with 14. Kt-Q5, KtxKt; 15. PxKt, $\mathrm{QxP} ;$ 16. PxP, P×P; 17. KtxP, threatening to win the Queen with $18 . \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{B} 6 \mathrm{ch}$. $\begin{array}{llll}\text { 14. KtxP } & \text { B-Q1 } & \text { 15. P-Q5 } & \text { Kt-Kt1 } \\ \text { Different, }\end{array}$ Different, though hardly better, is 16.
 $\begin{array}{cc}\text { 17. } \mathbf{K}+(5) \text { - } \mathrm{K} 6 & \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B2} \\ \text { A. one-horse attack }\end{array}$
A one-horse attack
19. $Q: K 2 \quad K t-K B 3$
The text loses a Pawn. Comparatively better is 19. ......., P-B3.
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { 20. KtxB } & \text { QxKt } & \text { 21. Kt-K6 } & \text { Q-K2 }\end{array}$ If 21. ......., BxKt; 22. PxB, R-B1; 23. ${ }_{22}$ BPP, wins.
22. R×P $\qquad$ K-R1
If 22. ......, BxKt; 23. PxB, QxP; 24. RxKt, ${ }_{\text {PxR; }}{ }^{23}$ 25.KB1 BxP Wins


White's considerable positional plus explodes a combination. The "sacrifice" of the exchange multiplies the power of the QB and tears apart Black's defenses.
24.
On 24. ........, KxRE; 25. RxKt wins; and On 24. ......., KxKt;
on 24. RxKt wins;
25. K+×B Threatening 27 . Kt-R6.
Or 26. ........., P-R3
R-K1; 27. Kt-R6, R1-K2; 28. KtxR ch, RxKt; 29. Q-Kt5, and White wins.
27. Kt $\times$ RP K-R2 28. $Q \times R$ ch!

Not 28. KtxR ch? KtxQ.
28. ....... Resigns

For if 28. ......., QxQ; (if $28 . . . . . . ., ~ K x K t ; ~$
29. RxKt ch wins; and if 28. R1; 29. BxKt ch, Q-Kt2; 30. QxQ mate) 29. KtxQ, and White wins with his overwhelming material advantage.

Dr. Herzberger and Dr. Marchand, perennial friendly rivals, discuss an interesting line in the Closed Variation of the Sicilian Defense.
SICILIAN DEFENSE
MCO: page 291, column 131
Rochester City Championship
Rochester, 1954
Notes by U. S. Expert Dr. Max
White Herzberger Black
E.

| W. W. MAR | CHAND | Black |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. P-K4 | P-QB4 | 10. Kt-Q1 | KtxKtch |
| 2. Kt -QB3 | Kt-QB3 | 11. QxKt | P-QK14 |
| 3. P-KKı3 | P-KK13 | 12. P-QB3 | P-K+5 |
| 4. B-Kt2 | B-K+2 | 13. PxP | Rxp |
| 5. KKt-K2 | P.Q3 | 14. R-K+1 | B-QR3 |
| 5. P-Q3 | P-K3! | 15. Kt -B3 | Kt-B3 |
| \%. B-K3 | Kt-Q5 | 16. KR-Q1 | Kt-Q5 |
| 3. Q-Q2 | Kt-K2 | 17. Q-Q2 | P-KR4 |
| 3. 0.0 | R-QK+1 |  |  |

R-R1 ch, K-Kt4; 41. Q-Q5! and wins. If 35. ........, R-QKt1; 36. R-R7 ch, KxR; 37. QxP ch, K-R3; 38. R-R1 ch, K-Kt4; 39. Q-K7 ch and mate. Of course, the obvious threat Kt -K6 ch cannot be overlooked. Black finds the only move which, since it forces the exchange of Queens, breaks off the K-side attack. | 35. | 37..... | $Q-K+1$ | 37. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 36. $R-R 2$ | $Q-R 1$ | 38. $K-B 3$ | $R \times Q$ | An important maneuver to take the square KKt4 away from the Bishop. The rest is easy.

| 38, | R-R6 | 42. K-R1 | R-R1 |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 39. | R +5 | P-K+4 | 43. P-K+7 | R-QK+1 |
| 40. P-K+6 | P-K+5ch | 44. R-R2 | Resigns |  |
| 41. $\mathbf{K}$ K-K+2 | R-R7ch |  |  |  |

## PHILOSOPHY EXHIBITED

This game, and the penetrating notes of the winner, offers revealing insight into the accurate positional style and chess philosophy of one of our soundest players.

## RETI OPENING (CATALAN) <br> MCO: page 217, col. 23

Manhattan C. C. Championship New York, 1954
Notes by U.S. Master George Shainswit
White Black G. SHAINSWIT $\quad$ A. TURNER 1. $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{KB} 3 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{KB} 3 \quad$ 3. $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{QK}+3$ 2. P-B4 P-K3 Catalan Opening in unumerable tournament games. I played this game with the idea of obtaining the objectives of the Catalan without permitting the variation where Black plays PxP , and White then continues with

The devious maneuver needing a flanking attack with a breakthrough in the center. The pawn sacrifice is well worth the expense.
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { 21. } \\ \text { 22. } \mathrm{Kt} \text {-K4 } & \underset{\mathrm{PXPP}}{\mathrm{PxP}} & \text { 23. BXP }\end{array} \quad \mathbf{P - K 4}$ To illustrate the possibilities of the position: 23. ........, Q-Kt3 misses by a hair, and compare 24. B-Q6!, Kt-K6!; 25. P-Q4!, BxP ch; 26. RxB, KtxR; 27 . Q-B6, and wins: 27.
BxBP 24. K+xP
24. He QB-B1

Here Black has his last chance to equalize by an interesting maneuver: 24 . .......,
PxB; 26. KtxB, Q-Kt3; 26. R-K1 ch, KtPxB; 26. KtxB, Q-Kt3;
K3; 27. Qx. R-K1 ch, Kt-
RxQ; 28.
Kt -B7 ch, K-Q2.
 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Better 26. } & \text { 2...... R-Kt3. } \\ \text { 27. P-QK } 44 & \text { P-R4 } & 32 . \\ \text { 27. }\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lcc}\text { 27. P.QKt4 } & \text { P-R4 } & \text { 32. BXR } \\ \text { 28. } \mathbf{B x K t} & \text { P×B } & 33 .\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lrl}\text { 28. BxKt } & \text { PXB } & \text { 33. PXP } \\ \text { 29. B-B6 } & \text { B-KR3 } & \text { 34. R-KRI } \\ \text { 30. Q-B3 } & \text { B-K6ch } & \text { 35. Q-Q5! } \\ \text { 31. } \mathrm{K}-\mathrm{K}+2 & \text { PXP } & \end{array}$
31. K-K+2

A forceful move. threatening Queen and | Q-K5 ch, P-B3; 37. |
| :--- |
| Q-K7 ch, R-B2; |
| 38 | R-R7 ch, KxR; 39. QxR ch, K-R3; 40.

## U. S. CHAMPIONSHIP <br> May 29-June 13, 1954

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ternational Affairs Committee has declared this the U. S. Zonal Tournament, so two top winners will be qualified to represent USA in the 1955 Interzonal Tournament. Three top players will be qualified for participation in next U. S. Championship.

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Suddenly Black's game is positionally lost! My theory of the objecitves of the Catalan Opening is as follows: A simplification of the position wherein White will remain with a strong Bishop at KKt2 opposed to a weak defensive
Bishop at QB1. The play will therefore Bishop at QB1. The play will therefore be a game wherein White will attempt to secure overpowering pressure on the Q-side. Black's KB is the key picce to a successful defense of the position because of the control of black squares. The exchange of this $B$ will facilitate White's exploitation of these squares Pressure on black squares plus the strong B on KKt2 should be a theoretical win.
However, theoretical positional adunder the press not simply constructed Inexact moves by White may lead to full equality by Black.
To return to the present position: Forces are equal but White has accomplished his first objectives. Black's In 5 , 6 , and QB2 are the weak squares play Q-B3, then QxO KtxQ 14 Kt R3 play Q-B3, then QxQ, KtxQ, 14. Kt-R3 threatening $K t-K t 5$ and Q 6 , followed by kooks to the Q-fle and QB-IIe. Any position where Black plays QR-Kt1 and which can be utilized by White's $R$ on QB1.
13. ....... B-Q2 14. R-Q1!

## GUEST ANNOTATORS

## Dr. Max Herzberger

George Kramer
George Shainswit

##  <br> Net result: one pawn up, with a diffi-

 cult ending of $Q$ and Rs.
## 20. QR-Q1HI

Ensuring domination of the vital Q-flle. If now QxKP , then 21. $\mathrm{QxQ}, \mathrm{RxQ} ; 22$. R-Q8 ch, KR-K1; 23. RxR ch, RxR; 24. R-Q7, R-Kt1; 25. P-Kt5! and wins because White will eentralize his K and play P-QR4 and R5 and stifle Black com pletely. After 20. QR-Q1, RxP allows a quick finish by P-Kt5!, Q-K3, R-Q8 ch, etc.
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { 20. } & & \text { P-KR3 } & \text { 23. R-Q8ch } \\ \text { 21. P-K3 } & \text { QR-B1 } & \text { R-K1 } \\ \text { 24. R(8)-Q7 } & \text { R-K3 }\end{array}$ 22. R-Q7 R-K3 25. Q-K +3 ! The Q will go to Q5, completing the pressure on Black's QKt2.
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { 25. ...... } R(B)-K 1 & \text { 30. } R \times Q C h \quad K-R 2\end{array}$
 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { 27. Q-Q5 } & \mathrm{R}(3)-\mathrm{K2} & \text { 32. } \mathrm{K}-\mathrm{K}+2 & \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{K}+3 \\ \text { 28. } \mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{R} & \mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{R} & \text { 33. } \mathrm{K}-\mathrm{B3} & \mathrm{~K} \cdot \mathrm{B4}\end{array}$ 29. Q-Q8ch Q×Q $\quad$ 34. P-K4ch! R×P Else, White will play K-K3 and the advance of the K-side pawns should be decisive.
35. R×P R-QK+5, 36. P-QR4!

Not RxP ch, K-Kt3 and Black can draw although a pawn down because the Qside will be liquidated. White's winning plan is to play R-R6, then play the K over to QB3. If Black's R goes after the K-side, White will capture the QKtP and win with the two united passed pawns.

Desperation.
39. K-Q3

A finesse. So that after K-Q4, the Black ${ }_{39}$ will not control his KB3.
$\begin{array}{lrrr}\text { 39. } & \text { K-Q4 } & \text { 42. K-K2 } & \text { K-K4 } \\ \text { 40. } \mathbf{R \times P} & \text { R×P } & \text { 43. P-K+6 } & \text { R-Ki6 } \\ \text { 41. } \mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{P} & \text { R-R6ch } & \text { 44. R-QB61 } & \end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { 41. R×P } & \text { R-R6ch 44. R-QB6! } \\ \text { Else P-B3 } & \text { and the QKtP goes. }\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llcrr}\text { Else P-B3 and the QKtP goes. } & \\ \text { 44. } \ldots \text { K-K5 } \\ \text { 45. R-B6 } & \text { K-Q4 } & \text { 49. K-Kt2 } & \text { K-K4 } & \text { 50. R-B5 }\end{array}$ R-QR6
$\begin{array}{lrl}\text { 46. R×P } & \text { R×P } & \text { 51. P-B3ch } \\ \text { 47.K-B3 K-K6 }\end{array}$
48. P-K+4 R-K+6ch

I consider this game one of my best games employing the Catalan Opening.

An old-fashioned slug-feist, with White getting there first.

## KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

MCO: page 89 (a)
U. S. Open Championship Milwaukee, 1953
Notes by U.S. Senior Master
White
L. EVANS

1. P-Q4 Ki. KAMINSKY


Up to now the game has followed the pattern of games in the ReshevskyNajdorf match. Reshevsky played 8. B-K3 to maintain the central tension and did very well. Improvements have been made for Black, the game Taim-anov-Boleslavsky in the 1953 Challengers' Tournament being indicative of the present status of the opening. 8. P-Q5 gives Black the opportunity of initiating a K-side attack.
Preparing for P-B3 which will maintain Preparing central pawns. 10. B-K3 P-KB4

An aggressive looking move and the foundation for his following pawn push, but it is questionable. While restricting White's freedom, it also restricts his own and it denies Black the possibility of opening the KB-file. Kt-KB3 and
possibly Kt-KR4 to wor kon KB5 might possibly Kt-KR4 to
be a logical plan.
be a logical plan.
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { 12. B-B2 } & \text { Kt-KB3 } & \text { 14. P-B5 } & \text { P-KR4 } \\ \text { 13. } \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{QK}+4 & \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{KK}+4 & \text { 15. R-B1 } & \text { R-Q2 }\end{array}$ 13. P-QK+4 P-KKt4 15. R-B1 B-Q2 Arter running his course, Black has run out of gas and decides to await developments. 15. ......., P-Kt5 is unsatisfactory after 16. QBPxP, QPxP; 17. Kt-Kt5, P$\mathrm{Kt3}$; 18. Kt-B7, R-Kt1; 19. B-R4 with strong threats.
16. Q-K+3

Threatening 17. P-B6.


PxP; 22. B-K3 (22. BxP, Q-Kt3 ch), KtKt3 with
20. K-R1
Parrying P-Kt6 and threatening B-KR4. 20......... $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K}+3 \quad$ 21. B-K2 $\quad$ P-R5 Continuing his forceful play but 21 . ........, Q-Q2 is safer and may have turned out better. 22. PxP

Kł×KP


Threatening $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{Q} 7$ and obtaining an important pawn center but Evans bursts Black's bubble with .
23. B-Q3

Very sharp. Black can't retreat the Kt because of BxKRP and becomes so rattled that he blunders.
23. ... $\qquad$ $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{Q} 7$ ?
the en....., KtxB ch is necessary although pawns ing is in White's favor as Black's 24. BxKtch be readily blockaded.

If $\mathrm{KxB}, 24, \mathrm{~K}$-R3
25. Q-KR3. $2 \cdot 23 \mathrm{ch}$.
25. Q-KR3
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { 25. } & \text { 26..... BXKRP KXB }\end{array}$
 $\begin{array}{lrrr}\text { 27. } \mathrm{B} \times \mathrm{Q} & \text { Kt-K+6ch } & \text { 31. } \mathrm{Q} \times \mathrm{R} & \text { R-R1 } \\ \text { 28. } \mathrm{P} \times \mathrm{K} t & \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{R1} & \text { 32. } \mathrm{Q} \times \mathrm{R} & \text { B×Q } \\ \text { 29. } \mathrm{B}-\mathrm{R4} & \text { P×P } & \text { 33. } \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B7} & \text { Resigns } \\ \text { 30. } \mathrm{Q} \times \mathrm{P} & \mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{Bch} & & \end{array}$

# Mate Jhe Suble Way! 

by Vincent L. Eaton

## Address all communications to thls column to Vincent L. Eaton, $\mathbf{6 1 2} \mathbf{M c N e l l l}$

WITH this issue we reach our five hundredth published problem, and we are fortunate to have an original three-mover from our good friend, Gerald Frank Anderson, especially contributed to celebrate the occasion. Rated by many as the greatest living English composer, Mr . Anderson has been making problems for some forty years and his skill and fertility of imagination seem to increase with each new composition. A member of the British diplomatic corps, he has been serving with the British Embassy in Washington for the past year and a half. For the dedication of this problem we tender him our deepest thanks.

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Problem No, 502
By Burney M. Marshall
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## Solutions: Mate the Subtle Way!

No. 483 (Burger): 1. P-B5, with unusual self-block and battery play. The try 1. Kt-B4 ch is defeated by 1. ........, P-K3.

No. 484 (Barry): 1. B-B4, a variation on Sam Loyd's "American Indian" theme, which is illustrated in No. 493.

No. 485 (Gam̧age): 1. B-Kt2, a classic unpinning problem.
No. 486 (Bull): 1. R-R4, K-Kt4; 2. Q-B7. If 1. ......., K-Kt3; 2. Q-Kt8 ch. If 1. ........, K else; 2. Q-B4 ch. If 1. ........, KKt moves; 2. Q-K5 ch. If 1. ........, QKt moves; 2. Q-B7 ch.

No. 487 (Mott-Smith): 1. R-K6. The try 1. R-B3 is defeated by 1. ........, R-K7.
No. 488 (Anderson-Nascimento): 1. Q-R5. Most other tries by the WQ are defeated by 1. ........, R-QKt5.

No. 489 (Bata): 1. B-B2.
No. 490 (Eaton): The author's intention was 1. K-R7, threat: 2. KR-K7 ch or K-Kt6. If 1. ......, KKt.Q6; 2. QKt-Kt3. If 1. ......., QKt-Q6; 2. KKt-Kt3. Solvers discovered cooks by 1. Kt-Q3 and 1. KtxB. Our apologies!

No. 491 (Ellerman): 1. B-B8.
No. 492 (Haring): 1. B-Kt5. The try 1. RxQ is defeated by 1. ........, R-Q3.
No. 493 (Loyd): 1. R-R6, a famous piece of puzzlement. The try 1. P-B8 (Kt) fails when 1. ........, P-K7.

No. 494 (Burger): The author's beautiful intention was 1. P-R7, threat; 2. Kt-R6 ch. If 1. ........ R-K3; 2. B-B2 ch. If 1. ........, B-Kt7; 2. R-Q5 ch. If 1. ........, RxP; 2 KtxR ch. It is calamitous that there is no solution after 1. ......., Kt-B35-and the position is of course impossible because Black has 10 men and White has made 7 Pawn captures. The near try 1. BxKt is defeated by 1. ........, R-K5; 2. BxQ, RxKt!

Binghampton (N. Y.) Chess Club: Earl Rickerson was elected president and Alva Darling, 5 Baltimore Ave., Bing hamton, secretary.
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## Solution Jo

What's The Bat Moue?

## Position No. 137

Nimzowitch, always a master of tactical strategy, in his game with Alapin at Wilna, 1912, played 1. B-KB6!, threatening 2. Q-QB ch, KtXQ; R-Q8 mate. There followed 1........, $\mathbf{Q \times B} ; 2, \mathrm{KR}-\mathrm{K} 1 \mathrm{ch}$, $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{K} 2$; 3. BxKt ch, K-B1 (if 3. ......., BQ2; 4. QxB ch, $1 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B} 1$; 5. Q-Q8 ch, etc.) 4. Q-Q8 ch, BxQ; 5. R-K8 mate.

Strangely enough, reversing the sequence, as a number of solvers did, does not present a clear-cut win for White, already a piece down. If 1 . BxKt ch, QxB; 2. BxKtP, B-Q2! and now 39. KR-K1 ch, B-K2; 4. ExR, O-O-O and Black has many fighting chances. Or 1. BxKt ch, QxB; 2. B-KB6, B-K2!; 3 . KR-K1, O-O! and Black's position is far from hopeless.

On 1. BxKtP, B-K3 (Black is a piece ahead, remember) and the position is very complicated and unclear. White cannot play 2. ExR because of 2. ......., B-R3!

Correct solutions (1. B-B6) are acknowledge received from: J. E. Barry (Ann Arbor), M. D. Blumenthal (Bellaire), A. Bomberault (Pittsburgh), K. Blumburg (San Francisco), G. F. Chase (Buffalo), J. E. Comstock (Duluth), W. Baum (New York), J. D. Define (St. Louis), E. Godbold (St. Louis), L. Hyder Louis), E. Godbold (St. Louis), L. Heder (Rockdale), W. James (Fox Lake), E. Fr LaCroix (Cambridge), V. Pupols (Tacoma), E. Roman land), V. Pupols (Tacoma), E. Roman (New Britain), I. Sigmond (Colwick), D.
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herstburg), N. P. Witting (Salem), N. Zemke (Detroit).

Congratulations to the successful solvers; more than thirty solvers went astray on this one, and many did not even attempt to file a solution. They will not all be as difficult as this one.

## COLLEGE CHESS

(Continued from page 7, col. 2) matches with other nearby clubs, colleges or otherwise. Prospective opponents should write to John Penquite, 101 Mi ., West Quad., University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

James E. Warren, tournament director for the University of Illinois chess team, writes that his team recently visited Decatur Chess Club and defeated them $71 / 2-11 / 2$. Paul Poschel, formerly of Roosevelt College, and Sol Gartenhaus, formerly of the University of Pennsylvania, are the first two boards for the Illini. In the Decatur match Poschel was held to a draw by Hugh Myers, while Gartehaus defated Dr. Max Schlosser.

The annual match between the Naval Academy and the Military Academy was played at the Marshall Chess Club on April 10, and resulted in a victory for the Navy by $61 / 2-1^{1 / 2}$. Midshipman Ken Montgomery drew with W. Palmer on first board. Army's only win was turned in by R. Gray.

A team from Brown University, an institution which has not previously been very active in intercollegiate chess, visited New York over the Easter holidays. They lost to Columbia $71 / 2 \cdot 1 \frac{1}{2}$, but showed their strength by beating Fordhams $51 / 2-2^{1 / 2}$.

The name of Texas University's player A1 Makrides was curiously rendered in the April 5 CHESS LIFE as Ma Krides-perhaps a reminiscence of Texas' governor Ma Ferguson?

Also playing for Texas is Norman Abeles, who used to be on N.Y.U.'s team

## Tournament Life

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## May 15-16 <br> Indiana State Championship

Logansport, Indiana
At Barnes Hotel; open to Indiana residents; begins at 7:00 p.m. Saturday; 5 rd Swiss; business meeting of Ass'n at 7:00 pm. will consider USCF State Affiliation; entry fee to be determined at meeting; for details, write E. E. Read, 2715 Green St., Gary, Ind.
$100 \%$ USCF rated event.

## May 28-31

## Log Cabin

Eastern States Open

## West Orange, New Jersey

At Log Cabin Chess Club, 30 Collamore Terrace; open to all; 7 rd event; Hans Koch referee; pairings based on USCF ratings and score; prizes; $\$ 150.00$ 1st, $\$ 125.00$ nd, $\$ 100.00$ 3 rd; $\$ 50.004$ th etc.; entry fee $\$ 10.00$ with $\$ 7.00$ for juniors, $\$ 5.00$ returnable; USCF dues S5.00 from non-USCF members; for details write Log Catena Chess Club, 30 Collamore Terr., West Orange, N. J.
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## May 29-31

Texas State Championship Corpus Christi, Tex.
At Nueces Hotel; 6 rd Swiss; open to residents of Texas and military perresidents of Texas and military per$\$ 5.00$ plus membership in the USCF and $\$ 5.00$ plus membership in the USCF and the Texas Chess Assn (dues $\$ 5.00$ ad-
ditional for non-members); $\$ 100$ list prize
guaranteed, additional prizes and guaranteed, additional prizes and trophies; for details. write: Harley D. Wilbur, 4217 Cambridge Drive, Corpus Christi, Tex.
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## Great Lakes Open Championship

 Chicago, IllinoisOpen; held at Columbus Park Refactory, 5800 West Jackson Blvd.; 7 rd Swiss; 45 moves per 1 hour and 50 min ; 1st Prize $\$ 175.00$ with special awards for Class A and B players; entry fee $\$ 7.00$ plus $\$ 1.00$ rating fee for non-members USCF; entry deadline 12:15 p.m. Satur day, May 29; two rds Sat., 3 rds Sun. 2 rds Mon.; advance registration accepted; bring chess clocks and sets; for information, write: Austin Chess \& Checker Club, Austin Town Hall, 5610 W. Lake St., Chicago, 44.
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## Chess <br> $S_{q}$ <br> fares

By Maurice A. Druet


Shreveport (La.) Chess Club trounced Natchitoches 10-2 in a double round event with W. Crew, A. Wyatt Jones, Lt. F. Allen and Mike Adkins scoring double victories for Shreveport while James Noel and O. C. Dupree split even with C. Fernbaugh and L. Britain of Natchitoches.


