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What's The Best Move?

Conducted by

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SEND solutions to Position No. 141 to the Editor, CHESS LIFE, 123 No. Humphrey Ave., Oak Park, Ill., by June 20, 1954.

Position No. 141

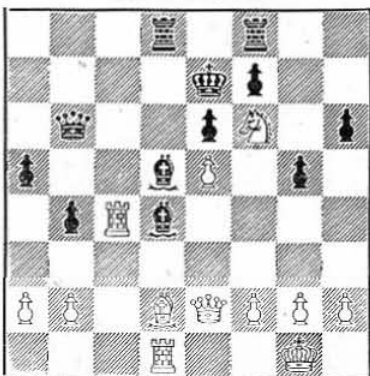
Solutions to this position must indicate in proper sequence White's first two moves to receive credit.

Position No. 138

This position comes from the excellent newspaper chess column in "La Nation Belge" edited by Edmond Lancel, who does not indicate the players or the event. White, down two pawns and the exchange, wins forcefully, however, due to the cramped position of Black's helpless King; but only if he plays the first two moves in the correct sequence.

For solution, please turn to page eight.

Position No. 141



White to play

NOTE: Do not place solutions to two positions on one card; do not include extraneous comments about other matters on the same card with the solution; be sure to indicate correct number of position being solved.

USCF SPRING RATING LIST

See the June 5 issue of CHESS LIFE for latest ratings of U. S. Players.

POMAR

Arturo Pomar, young Spanish master, will compete in Great Lakes Open Championship event in Chicago May 29-31.

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.

GREENWALD WINS NEVADA STATE

Ben Greenwald, a 28-year old Brigham Young University student who had to be coaxed to enter the event, won the Nevada State Championship at Carson City from a field of 32 players by the score of 6½-½, drawing with runner-up Maurice Gedance in the final round. Second was Gedance, who retained the Nevada title, with 5-2, losing no games but drawing with William Adams, Michael Hailparn, Leroy Johnson and Greenwald. Also with 5-2 scores, but third to fifth on S-B were William Taber, Leroy Johnson, and Louis N. Page. Sixth and seventh with 4½-2½ each were Michael Hailparn and Philip Neff.

The tournament directed by G. Kispert of Carson City was in the usual lavish Nevada style with banquet and many prizes, drawing competitors from Nevada, Utah, Idaho, and California. This year it was the largest chess event yet to be held in the Intermountain States.

Greenwald, who is majoring in Semetic languages, is a former Brooklynite and former member of Manhattan and Brooklyn Chess Clubs. This was his first appearance in the Western chess field where his performance so impressed chess patrons Fred Soly of Las Vegas and Ray Smith of Reno that they have offered to donate \$300.00 toward the expenses of having Greenwald compete in the U.S. Open at New Orleans this year. The victor, who learned the game in the army, has seen service in both Europe and Korea.

An Open Letter to Members of the United States Chess Federation

BE it known to all that the members of the USCF Ways and Means Committee, the USCF Business Manager, and the USCF Editor of CHESS LIFE, have tolerated, without condoning or approving, the excessively dictatorial actions of USCF President Harold M. Phillips in his arrangements for the USSR—USA team match in New York City in June.

In making arrangements for this match, President Phillips has deliberately violated the wishes of the Board of Directors, as explicitly expressed at Milwaukee in 1953, by wilfully refusing to submit decisions regarding arrangements for the match to the USCF International Committee, which was specifically authorized by the Board of Directors to be the final authority on all international chess events in which the USCF participated.

We realize that it is the desire of the American chess public that this team match take place, and it is only for this reason that action has not been taken to forbid the consummation of the illogical and inept arrangements made by Mr. Phillips—arrangements which, in some instances, are not only contrary to stated USCF policy, but are also decidedly injurious to the reputation and program of the Federation.

In deference to the popular interest expressed in a match with the Soviet team we are reluctantly accepting the inept results of President Phillips's wilful usurpation of authority, and will permit his arrangements to be made effective. We believe, however, that the membership should be advised of our disapproval of certain commitments made by Mr. Phillips which are contrary to the best interests of the Federation.

(Signed)

A. WYATT JONES
FRANK R. GRAVES
WILLIAM M. BYLAND
KENNETH HARKNESS
MONTGOMERY MAJOR

LUDWIG MEMORIAL DEADLOCKED

Beginning as if it would end in a rout with David Ackerman winning five straight victories over Scheffer, Ohman, Spence, Ireland and Vincent, the Ludwig Memorial Tournament for the Omaha City Championship ended in a three-way tie at 5-2 between R. McLellan, D. Ackerman, and H. Ohman. Lee Magee was fourth with 3½-3½. In the 8-rd event McLellan lost to L. Magee and E. Ireland; Ackerman lost to McLellan and Magee; Ohman lost to McLellan and Ackerman. Custody of the Ludwig Memorial Trophy will be decided by a three-way match between the three victors.

KRAUSS TAKES NO. CAR. TITLE

George Krauss of New York, who is a Carolinian by virtue of serving at Pope AFB, won the North Carolina title 4½-½, drawing with Kit Crittenden. Dr. A. M. Jenkins of Raleigh was second with 4-1, losing to Krauss in the final round. Third to sixth with 3½-1½ each on S-B were Kit Crittenden, Pete Henderson, Ivars Strals of Ft. Bragg, and Dr. Geo. Harwell, while John S. Townsend and Ronald Simpson were seventh and eighth with 3-2 each in the 24 player event, limited to residents of the state. It was one of the best turn-outs for a state title event in recent years.

BOTVINNIK TIED WITH SMYSLOV

With one game left to play in the World Championship Title Match, Botvinnik and Smyslov are tied at 11½-11½, as Smyslov won the 23rd game to pull up even. Smyslov won the 20th, Botvinnik the 21st and the 22nd game was the ninth draw in the match. If Botvinnik draws the final game, he retains the title.

LATE FLASH

Botvinnik drew final game to retain world title.

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.

Note: First 15 applicants from the East who are 16 years old or over will receive free room and board as guests of Lincoln Park Club members.

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

Mastering the End Game

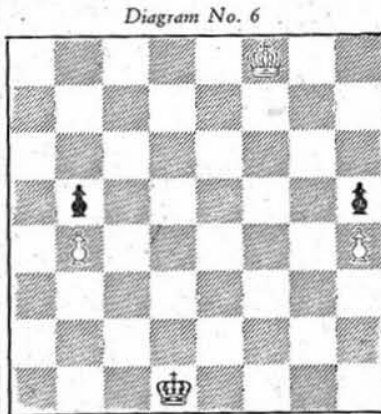
By **WALTER KORN**, Editor of MCO

A CASE OF MERE "CRITICISM"

MOVING on to page 38 of BCE, we find there an "unusual application of the distant opposition" in No. 53 (c), a problem attributed to Grigorieff. The position is shown in our diagram No. 6.

BCE says that it is clear that White can only capture the RP at the expense of his QKtP and therefore tries to make his opponent dizzy by 1. K-K7! If now 1....., K-K7?; 2. K-K6! and Black must make up his mind as to which side to go. White then follows suit and, having the opposition, wins a Pawn first. Black draws by 1....., K-K8!!; 2. K-K6, K-K7!; 3. K-K5, K-K6!

As L'Echiquier de Paris points out sarcastically, the position has a bad flaw, as 1....., K-B7; 2. K-B7, K-Kt6 also draws comfortably (and 2. K-Q6, K-Kt6; 3. K-B5, K-R5 even wins for Black). The critic is, however, a little malicious, as the confusion lies in a mere misprint or oversight that crept into the BCE position. The White K is not on KB8 but, in the original Grigorieff



White to move, only draws

study, on Q8, and L'Echiquier's cook is then not possible. The draw is there the same as above.



The first Canadian Rating List makes its appearance in a special section of the CANADIAN CHESS CHAT for March, 1954. It is a very impressive list, well presented, showing four Canadian masters and 24 Canadian experts. The four masters are F. R. Anderson of Toronto, D. A. Yanofsky of Winnipeg, Dr. F. F. Bohatirchuk of Ottawa, and P. Vaitonis of Hamilton. The Canadian Rating System is based on the formula developed for the USCF by Kenneth Harkness, but its presentation differs in that players are grouped in each class at 50 point intervals rather than showing the actual percentage points. For example, in the Experts seven players are listed at 2200, six players at 2150, and the remainder at 2100 points. In all 377 names are represented on this initial list of Canadian players.



R. E. Resler won the 1954 Winter City Tournament, conducted by the Sarasota (Fla.) Chess Club. Second in the 18-player event was G. N. Spoffard, while the only woman contestant, Mrs. Kama Martin, placed third. The Sarasota Chess Club meets in the Sunshine Kitchen on Saturday nights and is planning a summer "30-30" tournament, which will be directed by USCF Secretary Major J. B. Holt, who is founder of the club.



Among the newest publications is the Florida Chess News, published by Robert Eastwood, 304 So. Krome Ave., Homestead, Fla., representing the South Florida Chess Ass'n and the Florida Chess League.



Jeremy Jordan, 15-year old South Dade High School sophomore, won the first South Florida Interscholastic Championship at Homestead Youth Center in a six round Swiss, scoring 5-1 and losing a semi-final round game to Jimmy Gray. Second, also with 5-1, on E-B points was 17-year old South Broward senior Otto Raabe, Jr. who lost only to Jordan. Third and fourth with 4-2 each in the 11 player event were Jimmy Gray of South Dade and James Meyer of Coral Gables; Gray lost to Jordan and Meyer, while Meyer lost to Jordan and Raabe. Fifth to eighth with 3-3 scores were Butch Ferrar of Homestead Junior, Maury Tepper of Miami Jackson, Larry Gray of Homestead Junior, and David Williams of South Broward. USCF Life Member Bob Eastwood directed the event, while R. E. Burry, chess editor of Ft. Lauderdale News, acted as referee. John Chaltas, Homestead Recreation Director, served as host and awarded the trophies.



The Southern Chess Association, oldest of the regional chess organizations, will hold its annual championship event—the 33rd—at the Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Ga. on July 3-5 as a 7 rd Swiss. Those interested in competing may obtain details from Major J. B. Holt, Long Beach via Sarasota, Fla.



Among eminent chess players is the noted French violinist Zino Francescatti, who is reported by the N.Y. World-Telegram and Sun as playing correspondence chess during his travels by letter, telegram and cable with opponents in four or five continents. Some of his opponents are also on tour, which makes the timing of moves an intricate puzzle in itineraries.

ALMGREN TOPS L. A. COUNTY

On S-B points Sven Almgren won the 44-player Los Angeles County Chess League Championship 10-2, losing one game to Harry Borochow, and drawing with Hyman Ragosin and Louis Spinner. Second, also with 10-2, was Harry Borochow, who lost games to Louis Spinner and Ronald Gross. Third in the 12-rd Swiss with 9-3 was Louis Spinner, who drew with Almgren and R. W. Banner, while losing to Steven Mazner and James Lazos. Fourth and fifth on S-B with 8-4 scores were Irving Rivise and Bernhard Madrid, while sixth to ninth with 7½-4½ each were James Lazos, Steven Mazner and Ronald Gross. Young Larry Remlinger in this adult company placed 16th with 6½-5½ score. Charles E. Kodil was tournament director.

ADELE BELCHER TOPS IN VERMONT

After a silence of some years Adele R. Belcher (Mrs. Donald Belcher), who will be better remembered by some as former U. S. Women's Champion Adele Rivero, returned to chess competition by winning the Vermont Chess Association State Championship at the Hotel Vermont in Burlington ahead of a field of 12 male players which included three past State champions. At the annual meeting, Mrs. Belcher was elected vice-president of the Vermont Chess Association.

MAJOR RESIGNS AS CHAIRMAN

Montgomery Major, chairman of the USCF Tournament Plans Committee and USCF Tournament Rules Committee, has resigned the chairmanship and membership in both committees. While Mr. Major declined to comment, it is understood that his resignation constitutes a protest against the mismanagement of the USA-USSR team match and comes from a conviction that it will remain impossible to perform constructive tournament planning under the present USCF President. Suggestions on planning or rules should be addressed to USCF Business Manager Kenneth Harkness in the interim until the USCF Ways and Means Committee nominates new chairmen for the two committees.



Harry Yanofsky, brother of the International Master and British Champion D. A. Yanofsky, won the Manitoba Championship at Winnipeg 7-0. Second place went to J. E. Dreman 6-1. Other scores were: S. Blinder 4½-2½; S. Pedlar 3½-3½; W. Krawitz 3-4; R. Bedard and E. Budnitzky 1-6 each.



At the annual election of the Washington State Chess Federation Kenneth W. Mulford was chosen president, Leslie Coulbrough vice-president, Peter Husby secretary, W. H. Raleigh treasurer, John DeWitt tournament director, Oliver LaFreniere publicity director. John DeWitt became editor-in-chief of the Washington Chess Letter.

Chess Life In New York

By Karl Burger

MYRON Fleisher and Theodore Lorie entered the final round of the Marshall Chess Club Amateur (Calderon) Tournament tied for the lead at 6½-1½. Both players lost their individual last round encounters! When the Solkoff system was applied, it was seen that Fleisher had emerged the victor. Tournament Director E. Hearst deserves great credit for his admirable handling of the pairings, etc. According to M. Calderon the tournament was a huge success—everyone, it seems, had a good time and improved his playing strength.

The Metropolitan Chess League is progressing at its normal speed. The Manhattan C.C. and the Marshall "Seniors" are undefeated. They will meet in the final round. Some interesting results of individual encounters are: Treystman ½ — Pavey ½ (who would have thought it possible — this is truly a notable achievement for Tresytmán), Baker O-Bisguier 1 (opening Budapest Defense; Bisguier won in a measly 16 moves!!), Feldheim ½-J. W. Collins ½, and Feldheim ½-A. S. Pinkus ½ (This young, though experienced, Hecht is really showing bursts of incredible talent—of late), and last but not least—Feurstein 1-E. Schwartz 0.

Nicholas Rossolimo has consented to play in the U. S. Championship starting May 29 at the Marshall Chess Club. S. Reshevsky and A. DiCamillo will not play and the alternates A. Mengarini and H. Seidman will take their places.

Karl Burger won two of the three Metropolitan rapid during the last two weeks, James T. Sherwin copped the other. This reporter also gave a marathon simultaneous exhibition at Columbia University. I won forty-two games, drew four, and lost none in a simultaneous that lasted seven hours and one which was marked by a particularly fine performance on my part against the members of the College Chess Team (100%).



The Pan-American Tournament (misnamed "Open") will be held at the Hollywood Athletic Club, 6525 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. July 10-24, 1954. It will be held in six sections with players graded according to their USCF ratings as Masters, Master Candidates, Classes A, B, C, and D. There will also be a Ladies' event. Prizes for the Master Tournament total \$3700.00 with \$1,000.00 first prize; for the Master Candidates \$400.00 with \$150.00 first prize. The four Class A to D events will have cups and merchandise prizes totalling \$300.00 and the Ladies two cups at value of \$50.00. Entry fee is \$15.00 to be enclosed with registration which must be received not later than Friday, July 9. For entry or information, write to Hollywood Chess Group, 108 No. Formosa Ave., Los Angeles 36, Calif.

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Major Topics

By
Montgomery Major

President Phillips And the U. S. Championship

There's small choice in rotten apples.
SHAKESPEARE—Taming of the Shrew

IN a letter addressed to the USCF Executive Committee and Board of
 Directors, and also released to the press, USCF President Harold M.
 Phillips comments upon the U.S. Championship as follows:

I am somewhat perturbed over the subject of the United States Cham-
 pionship Tournament scheduled to begin at the Marshall Chess Club in
 this City on May 29th and to continue through July 14th. I would like
 you all to know that at no time was I consulted on the subject of the hold-
 ing of this Tournament and I was not even notified of the decision to hold
 it at the place and time above stated. There were rumors that such was
 going to be the case but I knew nothing more until those rumors were
 confirmed when the issue of **CHESS LIFE**, dated April 20th, came to me
 one day last week. I was hoping that this Tournament would be the re-
 sponsibility of the next President of the Federation. My concern arises
 from the fact that I have been asked why we should be playing in the
 hands of the Soviets by tiring out our players in the gruelling Tournament
 ending within 48 hours of the beginning of the Match. Frankly, I never
 thought of that phase of the question. As President of the Federation,
 I cannot hurt the Championship Tournament by requesting some of our top
 players not to play. On the other hand I want the strongest opposition
 against the Soviets and that the opposition should not be weakened in any
 way. Is it not the simplest solution to schedule the Championship Tourna-
 ment some time after the Match with the U.S.S.R.? I leave such a move-
 ment to be initiated by someone of you gentlemen who agrees with this
 thought.

Above all I want to make it clear to the public that if the Chess Cham-
 pionship Tournament goes on as scheduled it will not be my responsibility.
 Furthermore, I regret that because of the activity in the USA-USSR Match,
 my time is so fully occupied that I am unable to aid in any way the pro-
 jected Championship Tournament. No doubt the public, not knowing the
 facts, will blame the President for not assisting in the Championship
 Tournament; and, if the USA Team should really be weakened by the ex-
 haustion of some of our players who will have engaged in the Cham-
 pionship Tournament, the public may indeed wonder why it is that we seem
 to play in the hands of the Soviets.

My appeal to you, gentlemen, is to take the initiative to remove the
 dilemma.

It is appropriate to annotate the comments and pleas of USCF Presi-
 dent Harold M. Phillips with a few footnotes on history. Mr. Phillips
 has created the dilemma of which he now complains by his inept handling
 of the negotiations with the USSR.—negotiations in which he usurped
 authority which actually reposed in the hands of the USCF International
 Affairs Committee by vote of the Board of Directors at Milwaukee in
 1953.

Early in the year Mr. Phillips assured Mr. William M. Byland, chair-
 man of the International Affairs Committee, that the Soviet group had
 agreed to a date early in June (around the 5th), and that if they asked
 for a postponement, he would then defer the match until the fall. On
 the basis of this understanding the USCF Tournament Committee sched-
 uled the U.S. Championship for the latter part of June, planning it to
 follow the match with the USSR. But when Mr. Phillips was informed
 of the dates set for the U. S. Championship, he immediately discovered
 that he could only arrange hotel accommodations for the Russian match
 during June 16-21 and in direct violation of his word to Mr. Byland re-
 quested the USSR to postpone the match until June 16 so that it would
 be in direct conflict with the dates of the U. S. Championship.

The USCF Tournament Plans Committee, of which the writer was
 then chairman, accepted this deliberate rebuff from Mr. Phillips with

as good grace as possible and scheduled the U. S. Championship for its
 present dates as the next best solution to the problem.

The U. S. Championship cannot be held in July or August because
 it would conflict in these months with the U. S. Junior Championship,
 the Pan-American Tournament and the U. S. Open Championship. It
 cannot be held in September because it would conflict with the Inter-
 national Team Tournaments in Buenos Aires. A number of the eligible
 players in the U. S. Championship are college students or post-graduate
 students. They have almost unanimously requested that the tournament
 be played when college was not in session, and the USCF Tournament
 Plans Committee has endeavored to satisfy their desire despite the handi-
 cap of Mr. Phillips' muddling over the USA-USSR match. For that rea-
 son, the U. S. Championship cannot be scheduled in October or Novem-
 ber. If a little intelligence had been demonstrated in regard to the
 scheduling of the dates for the match with the USSR, this dilemma could
 have been avoided. Now, there remains nothing to be done except to
 disagree with Mr. Phillips on the concept that the Russian Match is more
 important than the U. S. Championship. There are a few of us left in
 the world who consider the national title to be a little more important
 than a frivolous adventure in team playing. The time when it will be
 important to defeat the USSR team will be at Buenos Aires in September
 when the World Team Championship is at stake.

The Kibitzer Has His Day

THE WORLD IS FULL OF DUPES

Herewith we publish a typical reaction to any editorial which suggests that
 the Communists are a little less than perfect. The naive author of this silly statement is
 probably not a communist; he is much more dangerous individual, a dupe of
 communistic propaganda about peace—an individual whose country is again following
 Chamberlain's tottering footsteps down the road to a new Munich, undeterred by all
 the warnings of history.

There is little one can say to those stupid ones in this world who will not read
 what communistic chess publications say to communists about the purpose of chess
 as a weapon in communistic propaganda, and yet will not believe the reports of
 those who do read these articles; for who can bring even partial vision to the wilfully
 blind!

Mr. Flasherton is, of course, wrong in all his assumptions. This writer knew
 too much about Soviet ideology and practice to praise the USSR even when it was
 an unwilling ally, doubled-crossed by a Hitler with which it had attempted to con-
 spire against the World. Also, perhaps Mr. Flasherton should be informed that this
 editor has twice endeavored to resign but no one else has been found willing to accept
 the burden—not the least of which are the silly and uninformed hecklings of the
 Flashertons of this world—The Editor.

Dear Monte-bank:

I have read many stupid and asinine
 editorials, but your squib in the April
 issue of the **CHESS LIFE** wins first
 prize easily. It is entitled "For Those
 who Prefer Groucho to Karl Marx".
 You should have labelled it **NON
 COMPOS MENTIS** as I am sure it was
 in that mental state that your fevered
 brain concocted the diatribe.

I am not a communist. Instead I am
 a freedom and sport loving English-
 man who believes in doing the right
 thing in its proper place. When I read
 the **CHESS LIFE**, I do so, because I
 love chess and all its ramifications.
 I want chess news and not your opin-
 ion as to how damn bad the Russians
 are/will be/could be/or even should be
 in this turbulent world. That is an-
 other subject entirely, Mr. Major, you
 are doing the royal game of chess a
 disservice to which it is not entitled.
 It is my suggestion that you quit as

editor and leave it to some one who
 will stick to his "knitting". You would
 then have plenty of time, if you could
 find space, to blast the hell out of the
 commies. In that, I am with you.

When I play chess, I am not con-
 cerned with the religion of my oppo-
 nent or his political beliefs. If I was
 I would quit the game and then start
 spraying the air with the odor which
 would even put a skunk to shame.

I suggest that you read a recent is-
 sue of Canadian Chess Chat in which
 it describes Bronstein and Tollush.
 Being there I know it is true.

May I suggest that your dogma of
 hate and misrepresentation is as bad
 as that of Marx's. In short Mr. Major
 stick to chess because it was only a
 few years ago you were praising the
 Russians as wonderful allies.

C. E. FLASHERTON
 Winnipeg, Manitoba

NEVADA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Carson City, 1954

100% USCF Rated Event

1. B. Greenwald (Provo, Utah)	W13	W26	W17	W14	W22	W6	D2	6½-½	24.00																										
2. M. Gedance (Las Vegas, Nev.)	D8	D6	W29	D4	W21	W7	D1	5-2	19.75																										
3. W. Taber (Reno, Nev.)	D11	W28	W16	D6	W4	L5	W9	5-2	19.50																										
4. L. Johnson (Los Angeles, Calif.)	W20	W11	D22	D2	L3	W16	W10	5-2	19.00																										
5. L. N. Page (Salt Lake City)	D26	L7	W20	W32	W13	W3	D6	5-2	17.25																										
6. M. Hallparn (Fresno, Calif.)	W7	D2	W8	D3	W14	L1	D5	4½-2½	20.00																										
7. P. Neff (Las Vegas, Nev.)	L6	W5	D24	W8	W25	L2	W13	4½-2½	16.75																										
8. W. Adams (San Jose, Calif.)	D2	W10	L6	L7	W17	W22	D14	4-3	15.00																										
9. G. Buckendorf (Buhl, Idaho)	L23	L16	W15	W19	W18	W11	L3	4-3	15.00																										
10. I. Taylor (Salt Lake City)	W15	L8	W18	L16	W24	W23	L4	4-2	13.00																										
11. G. Chappuis (Salt Lake City)	D3	L4	W26	D24	W27	L9	W23	4-3	11.75																										
12. W. Chapman (Reno, Nev.)	L25	W21	D30	W26	W20	D24	W22	4-3	11.00																										
13. F. Soly (Las Vegas, Nev.)	L1	W30	W28	L21	L5	W25	L7	4-3	9.50																										
14. E. H. Mueller (Campbell, Calif.)	W31	W24	W25	L1	L6	D21	D8	4-3	9.50																										
15. K. R. Jones (Reno, Nev.)	L10	L18	L9	W31	W26	W27	W24	4-3	8.50																										
16. T. Fries (Fresno, Calif.)	D22	W9	L3	W10	D23	L4	D21	3½-3½	12.50																										
17. D. Benge (Salt Lake City)	W21	W27	L1	L22	L8	D18	W25	3½-3½	9.75																										
18. G. Chase (Los Angeles, Calif.)	L24	W15	L10	W28	L9	D17	W30	3½-3½	9.75																										
19. H. A. Dittman (Salt Lake City)	L29	W31	L21	L9	W28	W30	D20	3½-3½	6.75																										
20. K. Kunze (Red House, Nev.)	L4	W31	L5	L30	L12	W29	D19	3½-3½	6.25																										
21. Sieverdt Poulsen (Berkeley, Calif.)	3-4	(11.25);	22. E. A. Schroer, Jr. (Las Vegas, Nev.)	3-4	(10.75);	23. Farrell L. Clark (Salt Lake City, U.)	3-4	(9.50);	24. Lloyd Kimpton (Twin Falls, Ida.)	2½-4½	(9.75);	25. Charles Metbelaar (Salt Lake City, U.)	2½-4½	(7.50);	26. Raymond Smith (Reno, Nev.)	2½-4½	(4.50);	27. Dr. D. N. McInturf (Sunnyvale, Calif.)	2½-4½	(4.25);	28. Anthon H. Kiviah (Redwood City, Calif.)	2½-4½	(3.75);	29. John Culnan (Carson City, Nev.)	2-5	(4.50);	30. Charles Donaldson (Carson City, Nev.)	1½-5½	(3.00);	31. Ralph Day (Carson City)	1-6	(2.00);	32. Raymond Wheeler (Sparks, Nev.)	1-6	(1.00).

Schroer forfeited to Chapman in the final round.

With The Chess Clubs

Columbus Y (Ohio) Chess Club scored a 7-3 victory over the Toledo Y Chess Club with J. Schroeder, W. Pratt, J. Pusecker, V. Voskrossensky, M. Nelson, and G. Hudson tallying for Columbus while G. Robinson and M. Pence salvaged points for Toledo. For Columbus W. Rebold and G. Plautau drew respectively with W. Maxwell and R. Cousino.

Racine (Wis.) Chess Club: In recent matches the Racine group scored 10½-3½ over Waukegan, 5-0 over Sheboygan, and 8-0 over Madison, while dropping one match 3-8 to Madison.

Canterbury (Conn.) School Chess Club: This new USCF affiliate is a member of the Gambit League, consisting of neighboring preparatory schools such as Millbrook, South Kent, Wooster, and View Point. It boasts during school term an active membership of 25, meeting every Friday night. The team also indulges in non-league matches with Kent, Deerfield and other neighboring chess groups.

Austin Chess and Checker Club (Chicago): Grandmaster Samuel Reshevsky came, saw, and conquered at a 37-board simultaneous held by the club, winning 34 and drawing 3, against Illinois Open Champion Angelo Sandrin, Austin Club Team Captain Dan Roszkowski, and Ed Laube. Coffee and doughnuts were served to the contestants and the large group of spectators. Mrs. Reshevsky graced the event with her presence, but spent more time talking to U. S. Women's Open Champion Mrs. Eva Aronson and Chess Life Editor Montgomery Major than in watching her husband's triumphs.

Lincoln (Neb.) Chess Club: Meets at YMCA every Thursday and Friday, B. Frank Watson, president. Among star players are Alexander Liepnicks and Robert Kainins—the latter one of the organizers of the Riga (Latvia) Chess Club. Boasts 37 members, 11 chess clocks and much enthusiasm for promotion of chess locally in Lincoln.

Cosmo (Los Angeles) Chess Club: Robert Graves won the "Newcomers" club tournament 5-0 with Rodriguez second with 4-1, losing one game to Graves. Hess, Gray and Fein scored 3-2 each in the 12 player event.

Robert Byrne Chess Club (Sugar Land, Tex.): Results of the first club championship of this new chess group showed Leon Anhaizer the victor with 8-0. Leonard Anhaizer was second with 6-2, and third, also with 6-2, was Allen Denehl, while David Armstrong was fourth with 5-3.

Cosmo (Los Angeles) Chess Club: Launching the 1954 season, the Cosmo team scored a 4½-1½ victory over Santa Monica, and followed this with a 5-1 win from Water and Power. But jubilation was slightly dampened by a 1½-4½ loss to Inglewood.

Decatur Chess Club (Ill.): Dr. Max Schlosser won the double round Decatur Club championship 12-2, losing one game to Gerald Garver, and drawing with Garver and Robert R. Curtis. Gerald Garver was second with 11½-2½, losing a game apiece to Raymond L. Fletcher and Willard S. Jones, while drawing a game with Dr. Schlosser. Fletcher was third with 10-4, and Jones fourth with 8½-5½.

Greater Providence YMCA Chess Club (R. I.): In the recent simultaneous exhibition at the Providence YMCA by Samuel Reshevsky 41 players faced the grandmaster. Karl Gustafson of Attleboro won, while Frank Gustafson, Sven Brask, both of Attleboro, and Peter Dembowski of Brown Univ. drew. An estimated 200 spectators were present during the exhibition.

University of Illinois Chess Club (Urbana) defeated Decatur (Ill.) Chess Club 7½-1½ with Sol Gartenhaus, C. H. Liu, James Warren, Eugene Radzimosky, Harold Hughart, Marvin Cohen, and Ralph Chernoff scoring the college victories while L. Reif salvaged the point for Decatur. Paul Poschel and Hugh Myers (Decatur) split the point on board one.

Pasco (Wash.) Chess Club: Meets at Franklin County PUD Auditorium Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. Recently defeated the Milton-Freewater (Ore.) Chess Club 16½-5½ in a double round event and scored a 16-8 victory in a single-round match with Washington State Pen. at Walla Walla.

Spokane (Wash.) Chess Club: Meets at Spokane Hotel on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

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The third International Students Team Tournament at Oslo, Norway was won by Czechoslovakia with 29½, followed by USSR 28½, Bulgaria 26, England 23, etc. Ten teams contested in the event, sponsored by the International Union of Students, Prague.

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WITH final examinations approaching, little activity is taking place in college chess at the moment, and so I take the occasion to salute one of the most active college clubs in New York, or, for that matter, in the country—Fordham University in the Bronx. Before 1947, as far as I know, Fordham did not have a chess club at all; at least, there had been none there for a number of years. In that year, a club was organized by Jack Cummings, and immediately became a flourishing activity. A team, headed by Don Define, who had drawn with George Kramer in a dual match against Queens College, competed in the 1948 Intercollegiate Team Championship; and George Kenny represented the Rams at the individual tournament at New Brunswick in 1949. Unable to compete in 1950-51, they reappeared with a good team headed by Richard Geruson in 1952. For the last few years, Fordham has conducted a team tournament for Jesuit colleges, usually at the Marshall Chess Club in New York, and has been the strongest team competing. That the tournament was not held this year, was not the fault of the Fordham players, but of a lack of response on the part of other teams.

In the 1953 Intercollegiate Championship, Fordham's captain, Tom Hennessy, who is also secretary of the Intercollegiate Chess League, finished tenth in a strong field, defeating Bill Howard of Penn in the final round. The Rams' other representative, Collin McKinnon, came within a toucher of winning the best-played game prize for his victory over Charles Morgan of Marshall College (soon to appear in Games by USCF Members). Only at the last moment was it decided that the fact that McKinnon had been for a time at a disadvantage in his game turned the scale in favor of Al Weissman's game, which McKinnon received an honorable mention, although it had not been planned to give out any such honor. It is evident that Fordham may well prove a strong threat in 1954.

Here is Hennessy's win at first board in the recent match against Brown University. It is a remarkable game; and if the reader thinks he would never have got himself into such a bad position in the opening, let him ask himself whether, once in, he would ever have got out again. Notes are by the winner.

White
C. GROSSGUTH (Brown)
Black
T. HENNESSY (Fordham)

1. P-K4 P-QB4 3. P-Q4 PxP
2. Kt-KB3 P-K3 4. KtxP B-B4
(Please turn to page 8, col. 4)

With The Chess Leagues

Cleveland Industrial League: Play-off between Eastern and Western Division leaders for Industrial League title begins with Cleveland Twist Drill and Strong-Cobb of Eastern and Cleveland Twist Drill and N.A.C.A. of Western the four contenders. Regular Division standings were:

Eastern Division	Match	Games
1. Cleveland Twist Drill	6 1 0	21 4 4
2. Strong-Cobb	4 2 1	16 2 10
3. Reliance Electric	4 1 2	23 2 18
4. Lubrizol	3 1 3	19 4 15
5. Cleve Pneumatic Tool	2 2 3	16 4 17
6. Tapco	3 0 4	13 5 21
7. Cleveite Brush Dev.	2 0 5	6 4 17
8. Jack & Heintz	0 1 6	7 3 19

Western Division	Match	Games
1. Cleveland Twist Drill	5 1 1	20 1 11
2. N. A. C. A.	4 2 1	21 1 12
3. Atlantic Tool & Die	5 0 1	22 2 12
4. U. S. Post Office	4 1 2	17 0 13
5. Brush Electronics	3 1 2	16 0 13
6. Winslow Mfg.	1 1 4	9 0 18
7. A. W. Hecker	0 0 4	5 0 15
8. Allied Tool & Die	0 0 6	3 0 21

District of Columbia Chess League: With 9 wins and one loss, the Library scored top billing in the league, tightly pressed by Navcom A with 8½-1½, while Divan A and Federal tallied 8-2 each. Top individual scorers were N. T. Whitaker 7½-½, Russell Chauvenet 6½-½, K. Vilnis 6½-½, Vincent L. Eaton 8-1, H. Avram 7½-1½, and T. R. Hollerof 7½-1½. Final standing of teams:

1. Library	9 0 1	9-1
2. Navcom A	8 1 1	8½-1½
3. Divan A	7 2 1	8-2
4. Federal	8 0 2	8-2
5. Maryland	4 1 5	4½-5½
6. A. P. L.	3 2 5	4-6
7. Navcom B	3 1 6	3½-6½
8. Divan B	3 1 6	3½-6½
9. Paragon	2 2 6	3-7
10. Agriculture	1 8 1	1½-8½
11. Georgetown U.	1 1 8	1½-8½

Puget Sound League: Seattle YMCA, Kitsap, and Tacoma YMCA ended in a three-way tie for first place with 5½-1½ match points each. Ranking individual players were Charles Rosburg 13-1, Elmars Zemgalis 10½-1½, Danial Wade 10-4, and Viktor Pupols 9½-4½. Final standing of teams:

1-3. Seattle YMCA	4 0 3	5½-1½
1-3. Kitsap	5 1 1	5½-1½
1-3. Tacoma YMCA	5 1 1	5½-1½
4. Univ. of Mich.	3 1 3	4½-2½
5. Olympia	3 4 0	3-4
6. Seattle Club	2 5 0	2-5
7. McNeill Island	0 4 3	1½-5½
8. West Seattle	0 6 1	1-6½

Central California Chess League: San Jose outpointed Sacramento on games won percentage to win the title as both teams scored 5-1 in matches. Fresno finished third with 4-2 and Modesto with 3-3 was fourth. Final standings of the teams:

	Matches	Games
1. San Jose	5-1	35½-15½
2. Sacramento	5-1	40½-19½
3. Fresno	4-2	35-24
4. Modesto	3-3	25½-30½
5. Stockton	2-4	24½-28½
6. Pittsburgh	2-4	23½-27½
7. Oakdale	0-6	11½-50½

Cleveland Club League: Cleveland Chess Club leads with 7-0 in matches and 31-7 in games, closely pursued by Gambiters with 7-0 and 28½-6½. Atlantic Internationals with 6-0 and 28½-3½ is third, while Cleveland Junior Chess Club is fourth with 6-2 and 22-16 in the 12 team league.

Chess editor Malcolm Sim reports in the Toronto Telegram that the spectacular American evangelist W. Graham and his wife are keen chess players.

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

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ONCE IN A LIFETIME

The thrill of drawing with a Grandmaster in a Simultaneous Exhibition is one that comes once in a lifetime. Here is how Jim Schroeder and H. C. Zierke held Samuel Reshevsky at bay in two of his performances on his recent tour of Canada and the United States.

NEO-CATALAN OPENING

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Simultaneous Exhibition
Columbus, 1954

White Black
S. RESHEVSKY J. SCHROEDER
1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3 3. P-KKt3 P-Q4
2. P-QB4 P-K3 4. B-Kt2 P-B3
The most usual is 4., Pxp.
5. Q-B2 QKt-Q2 7. O-O P-K4
6. Kt-KB3 B-Q3
A bit on the premature side. Black should play 7., Pxp; first, and then 8., P-K4; or simply 7., O-O.
8. PxpP KtXP 10. KtXPt BxKt
9. Pxp KtXP 11. R-Q1
Threatening to win a piece with 12. P-K4.

11. O-O 12. Kt-B3
Now 12. P-K4 is answered with 12., Kt-Kt5; 13. Q-Kt3, Q-K2.

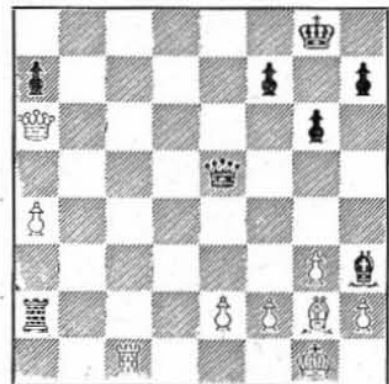
12. Q-B3
Black does not get quite enough for the Pawn hereby sacrificed. Correct is 12., Kt-Kt5.

13. KtXPt PxpKt 16. B-K4 BxQKtP
14. BxP B-K3 17. R-Kt1
15. BxP QR-Kt1
Not 17. BxP ch? K-R1; 18. R-Kt1, BxB; 19. KRxB, P-Kt3; and White loses his Bishop.

17. BxB 19. RxR
18. KRxB P-Kt3
This dissipates White's advantage. Better are 19. Q-B7 and 19. B-Q3.
19. RxR 20. P-QR4
It is preferable to control QKt2 with 20. R-Kt1.

20. R-Kt7 22. B-B3 R-R7
21. Q-Q3 Q-K4 23. Q-R6
Trying to win the QRP, White puts his Queen out of play and almost loses. Although passive, 23. Q-Q1 might be tried.

23. B-R6! 24. B-Kt2



If 24. QxP?, R-R8!; 25. Q-R8 ch, K-Kt2; 26. Q-B6, Q-Kt7!; and Black wins.

24. BxB
Black could play for a superior Queen and Pawn ending with 24., R-R8; 25. R-B1, RxR ch; 26. BxB, Q-R8; 27. P-

K3, BxB; 28. QxB, QxP. Now the game should be drawn.
25. KxB Q-K5ch 27. Q-B8ch K-Kt2
26. K-Kt1 RxRP 28. Q-B3ch Q-Q5
Too risky are 28., K-R3; and 28., P-B3.

29. QxQch RxQ 33. P-K4 K-Q1
30. R-R1 R-Q2 34. P-B4 K-B1
31. R-R6! K-B1 35. K-B3 K-Kt2
32. K-Kt2 K-K1 36. R-R2

The play is accurate on both sides.
36. P-KR4 38. K-K4 K-B4
37. P-K5 K-Kt3 39. P-R3 R-Q5ch
Or 39., K-Kt5; threatening 40., P-R4.

40. K-K3 R-Q2 44. Pxp P-R4
41. P-Kt4 Pxp 45. K-K4 P-R5
42. Pxp K-Kt5 46. P-K6 Pxp
43. P-B5 Pxp 47. Pxp

The passed-pawns cancel out each other.
47. R-K2 51. RxP RxPch
48. K-K5 K-Kt6 52. KxR KxR
49. R-R1 P-R6 Draw
50. K-Q6 K-Kt7

NIMZO-INDIAN DEFENSE

MCO: page 110, column 46
Simultaneous Exhibition
Racine, 1954

White Black
S. RESHEVSKY H. C. ZIERKE

1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3 3. Kt-QB3 B-Kt5
2. P-QB4 P-K3 4. P-K3 P-QKt3
Preferable treatment of the Rubinstein Variation of the Nimzo-Indian Defense is 4., P-B4.

5. Kt-K2 B-R3
Probably 5., B-Kt2; 6. P-QR3, Bx Kt ch; 7. KtXB, O-O; is better.

6. Kt-Kt3
Botvinnik-Smyslov, World Championship Match, Moscow, 1954, continued: 6. P-QR3, B-K2; (if 6., BxKt ch; 7. KtXB, favors White) 7. Kt-B4, P-Q4; 8. Pxp! BxB; 9. KxB!, Pxp; 10. P-KKt4! and White obtained a strong king-side initiative.

6. O-O 8. BPXP BxB
7. P-K4 P-Q4 9. KxB QKt-Q2
Black sacrifices two Pawns. In return, he gets good play for his men and complicates matters for the hurrying exhibitor.

10. Pxp Pxp 13. B-R3 P-B4!
11. Q-Kt3 BxKt 14. QxKP
12. PxB K-R1
On 14. Pxp, QKtXP; 15. BxKt, PxB; 16. QxP, Q-Q6 ch; hurts White.

14. R-K1 16. Pxp
15. Q-B5 Pxp



White has two beautiful connected, passed, center Pawns, but he lacks King-safety and his KR is imprisoned.
16. Q-B1 17. Q-B3

White returns one Pawn in order to coordinate his pieces. And he attends to 17., Q-R3 ch; and 18., QxB.
17. Q-B5ch 19. B-Kt2 Q-Kt5
18. Q-K2 QxQP

Threatening 20., KtXP.
20. R-K1
Better 20. P-B3.
20. QR-B1 21. P-KR4! Q-R5

Threatening to win a piece with 22., R-B7; or to remove the QRP.
22. BxKt KtXB 23. P-R5
Realizing he has a lost game on the

queen-side, White plays for P-KR6 to weaken Black's Kt1-QR8 diagonal and thereby secure king-side attacking chances.

23. R-B7 25. K-Kt1 R-B8
24. Q-B3 Q-B5ch
This is a mistake. Correct is 25., P-KR3; blockading White's KR. Then if 26. P-K5? RxKP! 27. RxR, R-B8 ch; 28. Kt-B1, RxKt ch; 29. K-R2, Q-R5 ch; 30. Q-R3, Kt-Kt5 mate.

26. K-R2 RxR 27. RxR QxRP
Better are 27., P-KR3; and 27., Q-K3.

28. P-R6!
Mission accomplished.
28. Q-K3 30. Kt-B5ch K-R1
29. PxpPch Kxp 31. Q-B3

The Knight is pinned and 32. P-B4 is threatened.
31. Q-K4ch 33. P-B3 P-QR4
32. QxQ RxQ

Better is 33., K-Kt1.
34. R-QKt1 R-K3

Now White can force a draw. Black could keep the game going with 34., P-Kt4; for if 35. Kt-Q6 (threatening 36. Kt-B7 ch and 36. KtXP) the Rook and KtP are saved by 35., R-R4 ch.

35. Kt-Q4 R-Q3 36. Kt-B5 Draw
White does not want to investigate 36., R-K3; 37. P-Kt4, Kt-Q2; and Black wants no part of 36., R-R3? 37. Kt-Q4, R-B5; 38. RxP, RxKt; (if 38., KtXP; 39. Kt-B5 wins) 39. RxKt, R-Q6; 40. R-QR6.

31. Q-K4ch 33. P-B3 P-QR4
32. QxQ RxQ
Better is 33., K-Kt1.
34. R-QKt1 R-K3

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A well played opening and middle-game receives its just award.

PHILIDOR DEFENSE

MCO: page 132, col. 3
Marshall C. C. Championship
New York, 1953
Notes by U.S. Senior Master
George Kramer

White Black
E. MEDNIS H. FAJANS

1. P-K4 P-K4 4. B-QB4 P-QB3
2. Kt-KB3 P-Q3 5. O-O
3. P-Q4 Kt-Q2

The sacrificial line 5. Pxp, Pxp; 6. BxP ch, KxB; 7. KtXP ch, K-K2! is considered unsound but White has interesting opportunities with 8. Kt-B4.

5. B-K2 6. Kt-B3
6. Pxp, Pxp; 7. Kt-Kt5 forces Black to relinquish the two Bs with 7., BxKt; 8. Q-R5 as 7., Kt-R3; 8. Kt-K6, PxKt; 9. BxKt is good for White.

6. P-KR3
Black intends to follow an aggressive line recommended by Fine.

7. P-QR4 Q-B2 8. P-QKt3 Kt-B1
7., KKt-B3 is preferable and if 9. B-R3, Kt-Kt3; 10. B-K2, P-QR4.

9. P-Q5 P-KKt4
Unaware of all dangers. 9., Kt-B3 is necessary to protect Q4.

10. B-R3
after 10., Kt-B3. Also good is 10. Threatening 11. KtXP and 12. P-Q6 Pxp, Pxp; 11. Kt-Q5! If 11., PxKt; 12. QxP, R-Kt1 (or B-Kt2); 13. QxP ch, K-any; 14. Q-Kt7!, for if Black declines the Kt, 12. KtXB followed by 13. B-R3 gives Black plenty of troubles.

10. Kt-Kt3
10., B-KKt5 may be a slight improvement.

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11. Pxp
At least as strong as before.
11. Pxp 12. Kt-Q5!



If 12., PxKt; 13. QxP and the Kt at Kt3 hangs high.
12. Q-Kt1
Hindsight tells us 12., Q-Q1 was a little better.

13. KtXB KxKt 14. BxBPI
A very nice sacrifice giving him three pawns for the piece and an exposed king as a target.

14. KxB 16. KtXPch
15. BxP Q-Kt3 KtXP
Hoping to stop the attack by exchanging.

17. BxKt Kt-B3 19. B-Kt2 B-Kt5
18. Q-B3 P-B4
Black is having trouble with the White Bishops' diagonal.

20. Q-Kt3
Still threatening P-K5 and if 20., Q-K3; 21. P-B3, B-R4; 22. KR-Q1, is strong.

20. B-K3 22. P-KB4
21. P-R5 Q-B3
The lines can't be closed any longer.

22. KtXP 24. Q-K5 KR-KKt1
23. PxpPch K-K2 25. P-R4 KtXP
A little desperate, Black sets his hopes on reaching an endgame with opposite colored Bishops but finds himself too exposed. 25., QR-KB1 seems best but White can play 26. RxR, RxR; 27. R-K1.

26. PxpKt RxP 28. QR-Q1ch K-B2?
27. Q-B6ch K-Q2



Bad. If 28., R-Q4; 29. Q-Kt7 ch, K-Q3; 30. B-K5 mate, but 28., B-Q4 holds some drawing chances. For example, 29. Q-B7 ch, K-B1; 30. Q-B8 ch, K-Kt2; 31. Q-K7 ch, Q-B2; 32. P-R6 ch, K-Kt3; 33. R-B6 ch, B-B3 and Black has survived the worst. Now, it's over.

29. Q-K7ch B-Q2 31. R-B8ch Resigns
30. B-K5ch K-B1

YUGOSLAV DEFENSE

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New York State Championship
Cazenovia, 1953

Notes by U. S. Master
Ariel Mengarini, M.D.

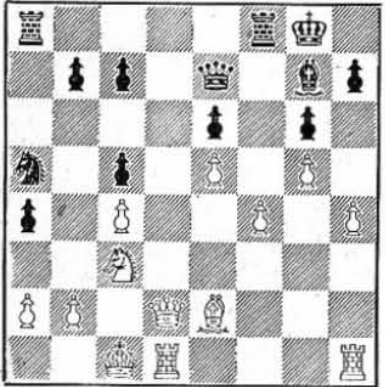
White Black
A. MENGARINI A. KAMINSKI

1. P-K4 P-Q3
This is the Yugoslav or Pirc Defense. It can transpose into a Sicilian or King's Indian Defense.

GUEST ANNOTATORS

George Kramer
Ariel Mengarini, M.D.

2. P-Q4 Kt-KB3 3. P-KB3
A move which serves both attack and defense..
3. P-KK13 6. Kt-B3 P-K4
4. B-K3 B-K12 7. Kt1-K2 QK1-Q2
5. P-QB4 O-O 8. P-KK14
- Aggressive and two-edged. The opening has transposed into a King's Indian Defense.
8. PXP 15. Q-Q2 P-QR4
9. KtXP Kt-K4 16. O-O-O P-R5
10. B-K2 B-K3 17. P-R4 Kt-R4
11. KtXB PXP 18. B-K2 Kt-B4
12. P-B4 Kt-B3 19. BxKt PxB
13. P-Kt5 Kt-Q2 20. P-K5
14. B-Kt4 Q-K2



The deciding strategy. This plan had to be held in readiness since the 16th move.

20. Kt-B3 25. P-R5 KtXB ch
21. Kt-K4 QR-Q1 26. QxKt RxB ch
22. Q-K3 Kt-Q5 27. QxR Q-Q1
23. Kt-B6 ch BxKt 28. PXP PXP
24. KPxB Q-K1 29. Q-B2 Resigns
If 29 K-B2; 30. R-R7 ch wins; and
if 29 Q-K1; 30. R-R6 wins.

SLAV DEFENSE

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12th World Championship Game
Moscow, 1954

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| White | Black |
| M. BOTVINNIK | V. SMYSLOV |
| 1. P-Q4 | 20. QR-Q1 |
| 2. P-QB4 | 21. RxB |
| 3. Kt-KB3 | 22. P-K5 |
| 4. Kt-B3 | 23. KtXB |
| 5. P-QR4 | 24. Q-Q2 |
| 6. P-K3 | 25. P-B4 |
| 7. BXP | 26. PXP |
| 8. O-O | 27. P-B5 |
| 9. Kt-R4 | 28. Q-Kt5 |
| 10. P-B3 | 29. R-KKt |
| 11. P-K4 | 30. PXP |
| 12. KtXB | 31. P-B7ch |
| 13. B-K3 | 32. Q-Q8 ch |
| 14. Q-K2 | 33. BXP |
| 15. BXP | 34. K-Kt2 |
| 16. BXB | 35. QxQ |
| 17. K-R1 | 36. KxKt |
| 18. P-KKt3 | 37. B-B3 |
| 19. B-R2 | 38. R-Kt4 |

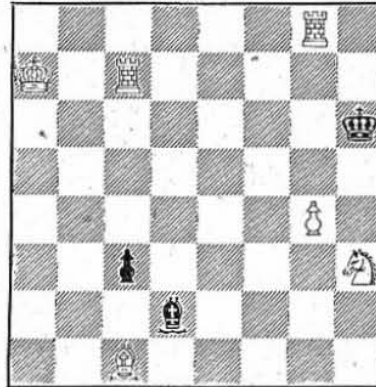


Mate The Subtle Way!

by Vincent L. Eaton

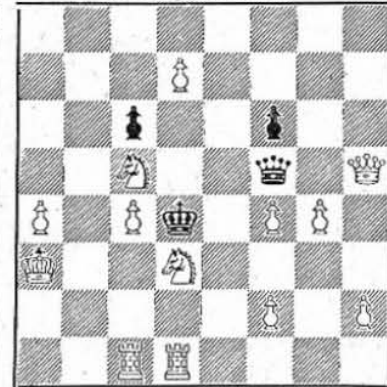
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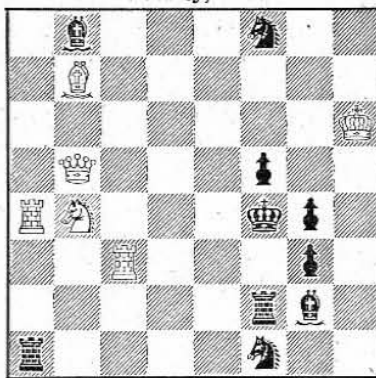
White mates in two moves

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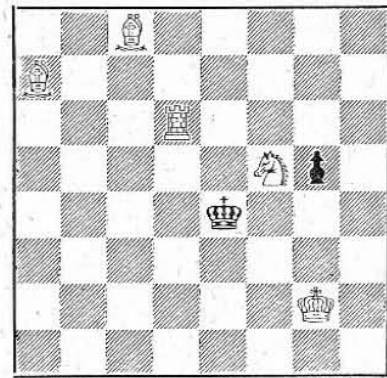
White mates in two moves

Problem No. 505
By Comins Mansfield
4th Prize, British Chess
Society, 1953



White mates in two moves

Problem No. 506
By Otto Wurzburg
"Pittsburgh Post,"
1923



White mates in three moves

PHILADELPHIA METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Philadelphia, 1954
100% USCF Rated Event

1. A. DiCamillo (Phila.)	W26	D20	W31	W3	W5	W8	5½-½	17.75
2. E. Dreher (Willow Grove)	W25	W9	L4	W6	W13	W7	5-1	17.50
3. Charles Kalme (Phila.)	W7	D6	W20	L1	W18	W5	4½-1½	13.50
4. S. Sklaroff (Phila.)	W15	W22	W2	L5	L8	W19	4-2	13.50
5. S. Nowakiwsky	W28	W10	W8	W4	L1	L3	4-2	13.00
6. Adolph Regen (Phila.)	W14	D3	W19	L2	D11	W20	4-2	12.75
7. T. Benham (Trenton, N.J.)	L3	W14	W10	W26	W20	L2	4-2	12.00
8. Anthony Koppany (Phila.)	W24	W13	L5	W31	W4	L1	4-2	12.00
9. I. Sigmond (Merchantville)	W27	L2	W11	L13	W31	W12	4-2	11.50
10. Gordon Blizard (Phila.)	W16	L5	L7	W21	W26	W23	4-2	10.50
11. Jerry Kurtzberg (Phila.)	W12	D32	L9	W22	D6	W29	4-2	9.50
12. E. Carlson (Camden, N.J.)	L11	W16	D21	W19	W23	L9	3½-2½	9.75
13. Gordon Marcus (Phila.)	W29	L8	W32	W9	L2	D14	3½-2½	7.75
14. M. Rappaport	L6	L7	W25	W32	W24	D13	3½-2½	7.25
15. Joseph Ashler (Phila.)	L4	L19	D16	W29	W30	W27	3½-2½	5.25
16. Frank Berlin (Phila.)	L10	L12	D15	W30	W32	W26	3½-2½	5.25
17. Charles Paxton (Phila.)	D19	D18	D22	L20	D21	W25	3-3	7.25
18. W. Kiraly	D32	D17	W33	D23	L3	D21	3-3	5.50
19. Dominic Sciarretta (Collingdale)	2½-3½	(7.50);	20. Donald Sibbett (Woodbury, N. J.)	2½-3½	(5.75);	22. Mrs. Mary Selensky (Philadelphia)	2½-3½	(4.50);
24. Malcolm Preston (Bala Cynwyd)	2½-3½	(3.25);	25. Jack Ricca (Philadelphia)	2-4	(3.00);	26. Leland Quindry (Phila.)	2-4	(2.50);
27. R. Wisner	2-4	(1.00);	28. F. Pinto (Philadelphia)	1-5	(0.50);	29. Denis Flanagan (Bala Cynwyd)	1-5	(0.50);
30. C. Collins	½-5½	(1.25);	31. A. Baikowitz	2-5;	32. E. Spector	1-4;	33. S. Amarnick	1-2;
34. Dubrow	0-3.	Baikowitz forfeited to Sigmond; Spector forfeited to Berlin; Amarnick forfeited to Kiraly; Dubrow forfeited to Wisner. Amarnick and Dubrow withdrew after third round. Baikowitz and Spector after fourth round.						

ST. PAUL OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

St. Paul, 1954
100% USCF Rated Event

1. Curt Brasket (Collegeville)	W6	W4	D3	W15	W12	W5	5½-½
2. John Penquite (Des Moines, Ia.)	W14	W6	W11	L5	W8	W3	5-1
3. K. N. Pederson (Minneapolis)	W18	W12	D1	W7	W5	L2	4½-1½
4. Victor Costoski (Minneapolis)	W19	L1	L12	W23	W13	W14	4-2
5. Lewis George (Minneapolis)	W22	W9	W10	W2	L3	L1	4-2
6. Fred Galvin (St. Paul)	L1	L2	W24	W25	W21	W12	4-2
7. Sheldon Rein (Minneapolis)	W25	D15	W19	L3	W18	D11	4-2
8. Dane Smith (St. Paul)	W24	L11	W23	W10	L2	W15	4-2
9. Don Kendall (Tacoma, Wash.)	W16	L5	L15	W20	D10	W18	3½-2½
10. Miles La Rose (St. Paul)	W20	W23	L5	L8	D9	W19	3½-2½
11. George Tiers (St. Paul)	W21	W8	L2	D13	D15	D7	3½-2½
12. Harry Field (St. Paul)	W13	L3	W4	W21	L1	L6	3-3
13. William Ogard (Minneapolis)	L12	D18	W26	D11	L4	W21	3-3
14. A. L. Johnson (St. Paul)	L2	L24	W22	W19	W23	L4	3-3
15. Melvin Seimb (Winona)	W26	D7	W9	L1	D11	L8	3-3
16. Richard Fauber (W. Lafayette, Ind.)	2½-3½;	17. Alden Riley (St. Paul)	2½-3½;				
18. Gene Hoeflin (St. Paul)	2½-3½;	19. Robert C. Gove (Wayzata)	2-4;				
20. Donald Neff (St. Paul)	2-4;	21. Don Picard (St. Paul)	2-4;				
22. Webster Peterson (St. Paul)	1½-4½;	23. William Knieval (St. Paul)	1-5;				
24. Dick Hammond (White Bear Lake)	1-5;	25. Lawrence O'Shaughnessy (St. Paul)	1-5;				
26. Roman Filipovich (Minneapolis)	½-5½.	Filipovich forfeited to Riley, Neff, and Peterson; O'Shaughnessy forfeited to Picard and Galvin; Hammond forfeited to Hoeflin. Both O'Shaughnessy and Hammond forfeited final two rounds.					

SOUTH FLORIDA CHAMPIONSHIP

Miami, 1954
100% USCF Rated Event

1. Frederic Borges (Ft. Lauderdale)	W8	W3	W10	L5	W4	W7	5-1	
2. Carlton Hurst (Coral Gables)	W7	W9	D5	L4	W6	W3	4½-1½	
3. Arne Pederson (Miami)	W4	L1	W11	W10	W5	L12	4-2	
4. William Gillespie (Ft. Lauderdale)	L3	W12	W6	W2	L1	W5	4-2	
5. Charles Wisch (Miami)	W6	W10	D2	W1	L3	L4	3½-2½	
6. J. W. Banks (Coconut Grove)	L5	W8	L4	W9	L2	W12	3-3	
7. J. D. DeBuchanan (Homestead)	L2	W11	L9	W8	W12	L1	3-3	
8. Stuart Morrison (Miami)	L1	L6	W12	L7	W11	W9	3-3	
9. Leon Rubinstein (Miami)	2-4	(17.50);	10. Armstrong Chinn (Coral Gables)	2-4	(16.50);	11. William Talbot (Miami)	2-4	(14.00);
12. Elton Benton (Miami)	0-6.							

NOTE: In Problem No. 501 by N. Gabor, May 5 issue, the Queen on QB8 should have been a Black Queen. Sorry!

SOLVERS' LADDER

(Two points for two-movers; four points for three-movers; extra score for correct claims of "cooks," i.e., solutions not intended by the composers. The following tally covers solutions received up to April 20. Solutions received after that date will be credited on the next Ladder.)

Steve J. Myzel	426	G. W. Payne	94	Louis R. Stein	38	D. Schatanoff	16
Ronald O'Neil	424	David Silver	94	K. A. Forssmark	36	H. A. Trenchard	16
Kenneth Lay	402	J. Haliburton, Jr.	90	W. H. Bogle	34	Dr. R. Northrup	14
J. B. Mulligan	390	J. Kaufman	86	E. R. Corson	34	R. L. Beaulieu	12
W. I. Lourie	376	Paul L. James	84	H. G. Abbott	32	Arthur Freeman	10
E. J. Korpany	370	H. Schramm	84	R. W. Hays	32	S. Glusman	10
W. J. Couture	326	E. H. Benjamin	82	M. Herzberger	30	R. K. Hubbard	10
Heino Kurruk	320	E. Roethler	82	T. Seidel	30	L. Jacobsen	10
Dr. I. Schwartz	318	H. R. Meifert	80	Sgt. R. A. Karch	28	G. M. Marsden	10
J. H. France	304	J. M. Boge	74	W. Karaczon	26	D. L. Rumberger	10
C. J. Koch	276	Ben Schaeffer, Jr.	70	Louis T. Ward	26	Lt. S. J. Einhorn	8
Nicholas Yoe	262	W. Czarnnecki	68	Don Wilson	26	H. Y. S. Meng	8
N. Reider	218	W. H. James	68	Walter Daum	24	J. M. Lally	6
O. C. Dupree	214	Dr. J. W. Britain	66	G. Murtaugh	24	Phil S. Work	6
K. Blumberg	208	R. A. Hedgcock	66	R. W. Wittemann	24	J. Addington, Jr.	4
R. M. Collins	190	Tom Heermann	64	L. Frankenstein	22	A. G. Lubowe	4
Robert Grande	182	R. E. Burry	60	A. F. Lopez	22	B. McClellan	4
Y. V. Oganesev	178	E. F. Lawrence	60	K. Ouchi	22	Jim McCormick	4
M. A. Michaels	174	C. Musgrove	54	J. F. Soreth	22	J. L. MacDonald	4
W. A. Greenfield	168	A. Trucis	54	A. H. Beckman	20	Mrs. F. D. Rogers	4
R. G. McSorley	158	R. O. Mauldin	46	Philip George	20	B. Burghardt	2
B. M. Marshall	138	Albert Salmon	46	C. R. Fernbaugh	18	H. W. Cohnk	2
E. T. Dana	128	A. Strazdins	42	Bruce Braun	16	Robert Mitchell	2
Paul J. Smith	112	R. Bonwell	40	A. F. Distefano	16	D. Walsdorf, Jr.	2
Paul H. Smith	96	C. B. Landis	38	Victor Pupols	16	Dr. J. S. Weingart	2

We warmly congratulate our good friend Steve J. Myzel, who wins the bi-monthly Ladder competition. And a cordial welcome to these new solvers: J. F. Addington, Jr., Birmingham, Ala.; A. H. Beckman, Trenton, N.J.; Bruce B. Braun, Buffalo, N.Y.; Harry W. Cohnk, Glenolden, Pa.; William Crowl, Flushing, N.Y.; 1/Lt. S. J. Einhorn, Wichita, Kans.; Carroll R. Fernbaugh, Natchitoches, La.; Arthur Freeman, Belmont, Mass.; S. Glusman, Philadelphia, Pa.; Larry Jacobsen, Murray, Utah; J. Leonard MacDonald, New York, N.Y.; Irving C. McEwan, West Chicago, Ill.; George M. Marsden, Middletown, Pa.; Robert Mitchell, Springville, Cal.; Victor Pupols, Tacoma, Wash.; and Phil S. Work, Morgantown, W. Va.

It is with deep regret that we note the passing of Rev. M. G. Chidley, one of the veteran problem solvers of Canada, who as recently as January of this year won our Ladder competition. The Rev. Chidley was retired from active service and problems formed one of his most constant diversions.

