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HERNANDEZ KEEPS FLORIDA TITLE

For the third consecutive year, Nestor Hernandez of Tampa won the Florida State title, scoring this year $6\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$. He has not lost a game in three years, but has conceded one draw in each tournament, this time to runner-up Bobby Ludlow, a 15-year sensation from Orlando who won the Florida Junior title. Second and third on S-B with $5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ were Ludlow and R. C. Eastwood. Ludlow lost one game to W. R. Kimball, while drawing with Hernandez, and Eastwood lost to Hernandez while drawing with John H. Divine 3rd. W. R. Kimball, formerly champion of Mississippi was fourth with 5-2, while fifth to eighth on S-B with $4\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$ were Murray G. Cohen, R. A. Carlyle, Charles B. Stallings, and William F. B. Clevenger. The 30 player Swiss was directed by Horace P. Taylor with R. C. Eastwood as assistant director.

The team title (based on four highest scorers from each city represented in the tournament) went to Tampa with 19 points for the third year in a row. St. Petersburg was second with 17 points and Homestead third with 14 points. The winning Tampa team consisted of Hernandez, Stallings, Clevenger, and Mink.

Murray G. Cohan of Miami was elected president of the Florida Chess League, with Col. F. D. Lynch of St. Petersburg 1st vice-president, and Bob Eastwood of Homestead 2nd vice-president. Major J. B. Holt of Sarasota, who was unable to attend because of serious illness, was reelected secretary-treasurer, with B. L. Roberson of Tampa appointed acting secretary until Major Holt recovers.

MAGEE TAKES NORTHWEST OPEN

Lee Magee of Omaha scored 6-1 to win the 41 player Swiss N. West Open, losing no games but drawing with Curt Brasket of Tracy and John Penquite of Des Moines. Second and third on S-B with $5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ each were Brasket and Penquite. Brasket drew with Magee, Dr. L. C. Young, and George V. D. Tiers. Penquite lost to Brasket and drew with Magee.

Fourth to seventh on S-B with 5-2 scores were Leo Ratermanis, Somner Sorenson, William E. Kaiser, and K. N. Pederson. Four states and Canada were represented in the event which was directed by Eugene Hoeflin.

The Northwest Open doubled attendance over the earlier St. Paul Open under same sponsors.

CUMMINGS TOPS LOUISIANA MEET

Fred Cummings, New Orleans, won the Louisiana State Championship at Natchitoches with 5-1, edging out W. T. Miller on Kuhns modification of Sonneborn-Berger points. Miller also scored 5-1. Third and fourth with $4\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ each were A. L. McAuley and Frank W. Gladney. Fifth to tenth on S-B with 4-2 each in the 25 player event were Newton Grant, Fenner Parham, Orlean C. Dupree, David A. Walsdorf, Jr., James S. Noel, Otto S. Claitor.

Cummings received a tournament size ceramic chess set made by Mr. Kenner of the Natchitoches Chess Club as a special first prize, also a swivel top table on which was mounted a lucite chess board. In addition his name will be inscribed on the permanent state trophy.

A rapid transit tourney saw A. L. McAuley place first with 12-1, with James Noel and Woodrow W. Crew tied for second with 11-2 each, Noel getting the nod for second on S-B points. Newton Grant directed both events.

At the annual meeting of the Louisiana Chess Association, Otto Claitor of Baton Rouge was elected president, and A. L. McAuley of New Orleans reelected secretary-treasurer and editor of the monthly News bulletin. Shreveport was chosen site for the 1955 tournament. Frank W. Gladney was named USCF director for Louisiana.

BURDICK WINS W. VA. TITLE

The West Virginia Championship went to 17-year old Donald Burdick, a freshman at Duke University, who outpointed his nine rivals for a $4\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ score in the 16th annual state event held in the new Coca Cola Building, Charleston. Burdick was the only undefeated player in the championship division, winning three and drawing with Charles Morgan, Siegfried Werthammer and John F. Hurt. He also ended the six-year reign of Dr. S. Werthammer of Huntington who failed for the first time since 1947 to finish in first place.

Tied for second with 4-2 each were Dr. Werthammer, Joseph Foucher, and Charles Morgan, while William R. Cuthbert was fifth with 3-3.

Howard Cartee repeated as the Junior Champion in the five player round robin, scoring 4-0. John Randolph finished second with 3-1. In the Open Tournament veteran Rudd T. Neel again won with $5\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ in the ten player event, drawing with George Hendrick in the

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Ragan Takes Heart Of American Open, Tops Hearst By One Solkoff Point

By JACK SPENCE

John Ragan, St. Louis Expert, edged Eliot Hearst, New York Master, by the slender margin of 1 Solkoff point after the two players topped a 54 player, 6 round Harkness Modified Swiss System to tie at $5\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$. The event was sponsored by the Kansas City Chess Club and the Missouri Chess Association, both USCF affiliates, and was conducted by Mort Luebbert.

The event was exceptionally strong for a regional affair as the entry list included Eliot Hearst, Lee Magee, J. Ragan, F. S. Anderson, B. Rozsa, and H. Horak, all listed by the USCF as Experts. In addition 16 players rated as Class A entered to present a formidable barrier to the stronger players.

Hearst had the difficult task of defeating Victor Pupols, Seattle, in the opener, then went on to win from Lee Magee as the latter's flag dropped on the 38th move at a time when Magee had a promising position. His third round test was not a difficult one as he downed DuBois, K.C., in a brief game. In the meanwhile Ragan defeated Frankenstein, K.C., F. S. Anderson, St. L., and Leo Ratermanis, Iowa City, to set the stage for their fourth round meeting. The game was clearly drawn after Hearst sacrificed a piece to insure a drawn ending. The final position showed Hearst with a R and P against a B and 3 Ps. Hearst had another easy test in Rd 4 as he defeated R. MacGregor, Wyoming, while Ragan had his hands full edging Dr. L. C. Young, Wis., in a ticklish ending. In the finale Hearst rolled over Leo Ratermanis while Ragan again had a tough task in downing Jim Callis, Wichita, in what may well have been a drawn game!

Third place went to Dr. L. C. Young with a 5-1 score after he defeated Jack Spence in a rather controversial position which arose from a Falkbeer Counter Gambit essayed by the latter. The loss sent Spence to 10th place with a 4-2 score and proved of great importance to the winners since under the rules of the Solkoff method of breaking ties Ragan earned an additional point on his Solkoff points due to Dr. Young's victory which was the ultimate margin of victory.

Lee Magee, Omaha, edged Harold Leef, Chicago, at $4\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ each. Leo Ratermanis 4-2 and F. S. Anderson 4-2 completed the list of prize-winners.

Mrs. Phil Morrell won the 1954 Heart of America's Woman Championship, finishing ahead of Phil Morrell; and Leo Ratermanis, 19 years old, won the Heart of America Junior title. There were three undefeated players in the event: Ragan, Hearst, and Doyle Satterlee of Elmhurst, Ill. who drew four and won two.

Serious illness prevented the presence of Charles W. Graham, originator of the event.

LOMBARDY TAKES NEW YORK STATE

By drawing his final game with F. Campomanes, William Lombardy, Marshall Chess Club Junior Champion, gained the New York State title at the age of 16. He was on the white side of a King's Indian Defense lasting 52 moves. Lombardy had some anxiety in the mid-game but after an exchange of Queens the draw was indicated. Lombardy is a high school student, graduating in Feb. 1955, and hopes to go to college. He played in the U.S. Open at Milwaukee in 1953 with an $8\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$ score and scored $7\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$ at New Orleans in the 1954 U.S. Open. He scored 7-2 in the New York Championship, being undefeated but drawing with Burger, Santasiere, Collins, and Campomanes.

Edmar Mednis, who also lost no games, and Campomanes tied for second with $6\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$. Mednis is another rising young junior player and Campomanes, who lost a game to Collins, is from the Philippines and has been in New York for the last five years studying international law.

Fourth place saw a four-way tie between Jack Collins, Eliot Hearst, Tony Santasiere, and Alex Suchobeck at 6-3 each. Suchobeck, who lives in Albany, gained the Paul Morgan memorial trophy for the best score by an up-state player. Santasiere's last round victory over Roy T. Black of Buffalo robbed Black of a chance for the Morgan trophy.

Other top players in the 32 player Swiss were: Burger, Feuerstein, and Fleischer $5\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$ each; Black, Schmidt, and Sullivan 5-4 each. Frucella, Kupersmith, Nash, Phillips, Sibbett, and Wassner $4\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$ each.

Erwin Sobin with $6\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ won the 16 player Experts tournament, with Chester L. Hinaman second with 6-2, and Jacob Brainin third with $5\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$, with William Rusch fourth with 5-3.

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ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

Mastering the End Game

By WALTER KORN, Editor of MCO

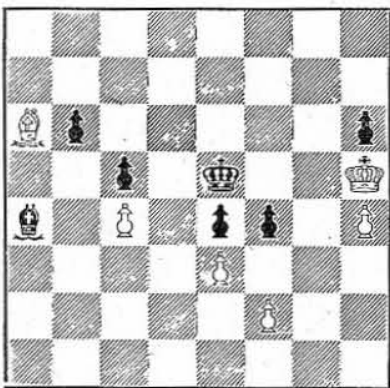
EVERYBODY CAN MAKE A MISTAKE . . .

. . . and we are chagrined if that everybody is ourselves, and sometimes malevolently pleased when it is the other fellow's fault.

Actually, although the audience expects father to be almost infallible, it is not so. After covering sheets of exhaustive analysis, authors often have disastrous flaws discovered in a vital place! Moreover with the production, daily, of innumerable games, many of which flow over an editor's desk, it is almost the rule that the established line takes precedent, the traditional view is taken as granted and the experts opinion as correct. It is therefore not surprising that when ever for some specific reason we take a deeper than conventional look into a position, we find it the rule rather than the exception to discover the former view of the authority to be wrong!

Such is the case with the analysis of an ending, between Chertadonner, Berga 1952, that was part of Euwe's serial "The Endgame of the Month" which is syndicated to some magazines, such as "Schachecho," etc. Sidney Bernstein, who is a profound prober, pointed out to me a flaw in this critical position which Euwe, at the conclusion of a long article, adjudged a draw.

Diagram No. 11



Euwe's solution gives 15.



USCF Secretary Major J. B. Holt is seriously ill in the hospital at Sarasota, Fla. and is expected to undergo an operation. Members of the Florida Chess League at

K-Q3; 16. B-N7 (not 16. KxP, P-N4!), B-N6; 17. BxP, BxP; 18. KxP "with little promise for Black," and other Black losing lines. But it is Black who wins after Sidney's "deeper look" 18., K-K4, followed by 19., PxP and 20., K-B3!, e.g. (1) 19. B-N1, PxP; 20. PxP, K-B3; 21. P-R5, B-K7; or (2) 19. B-B3, PxP; 20. PxP, K-B3; 21. K-R5, B-Q6; or (3) 19. B-N6, PxP; 20. PxP, K-B3; 21. P-K4, B-K7; etc.

It may appear that White can hold the game by playing 18. PxP!, instead of 18. KxP? This only shows however that instead of Euwe's sequence, Black more precisely employs Sidney's earlier P-exchange 17., PxP; 18. PxP, BxP; 19. KxP, K-K4 and 20., K-B3 as above.

A "Bust?" Yes, but a fortuitous one for the original winner, Donner (Black), involved. The game was won by him and diagram No. 11 seemed the only line that spoiled the otherwise forced win and might have saved White. The "bust" restores a perfect finale.



the annual Florida State Championship united to send Major Holt, who is also secretary-treasurer of the Florida Chess League, a get-well card signed by all present. It was the first Florida State tournament in many years that Major Holt had not attended.



At the MSCA semi-annual meeting at Pembroke, Mass., President Stanley W. D. King and Treasurer Joseph H. Hurvitz announced that the MSCA had now become MSCA, Inc. Feature of the meeting was a 6-team 30 second tournament, won by the "Rooks" team (Harry Lyman, D. Levin, A. Gring, Mrs. Adrian), while second was "Kings" team headed by S. King, and third "Queens" captained by Kazys Merkis. Best individual record on first board went to K. Merkis with 4-1, winning from H. Lyman, Dr. Putzman, Sven Brask, and J. White, while losing to S. King.

Columbus Y (Ohio) Chess Club: Former Massachusetts State Champion Ervin E. Underwood won a two-game play-off 2-0 from J. Cox to take the club title. Underwood won Section A with 7-0, with T. Anderson second with 6-1, while Cox won Section B with 7-0, with James Schroeder second with 5-2.

STEINER TAKES CALIFORNIA OPEN

Herman Steiner of Los Angeles, California State Champion and former U.S. Champion, won the California Open at Santa Barbara by defeating Isaac Kashdan, Tujunga, in the final round. Steiner's score was 6½-½. Kashdan tied for third with 5½-1½, while University of California student Jim Schmitt, San Francisco, won second prize with a 6-1 score.

Tied for third in S-B order with 5½-1½ each were Vlademars Zemitis, Berkley; Isaac Kashdan; Sven Almgren, Los Angeles; and Vladimir Pafnutieff, San Francisco. In a seven-way tie for 7th through tenth prizes with 5-2 each were Dr. Peter Lapiken, Irving Rivise, Henry Gross, Eugene Levin, Larry Remlinger, Ray Martin, and Jerry Slavich. A record turnout of 81 players competed in the three-day event which was directed by W. G. McClain, editor of the California Chess Reporter.

Among out-of-state competitors were Nevada Champion Maurice Gedance of Las Vegas with 4½-2½ and former Washington State Champion Charles Joachim of Seattle with 4-3.

CORRECTION CORRECTED

Regarding the correction made by Mr. Bernard Freedman of Toronto on the position of the Canadian team at Buenos Aires in 1939 (Chess Life, July 20, 1954), H. Golombek, Games Editor of the British Chess Magazine, who was a member of the British team in 1939 sends in the following correction of the correction:

On consulting the records I found the following facts. There were four preliminary sections and out of each section four teams qualified for the final. In our section (Section A) Czechoslovakia and Poland tied with 18½ points, England was third with 13½, Brazil fourth with 12½ and Canada fifth with 11. As regards match victories, the two leaders won five and drew with each other; England won four, Brazil three and Canada two.



The ever-wandering Log Cabinites have been heard from variously from Chicago, Rapid City, Butte, and Missoula as they combine sight-seeing with chess on a summer vacation tour. According to tour director E. Forry Laucks, the Log Cabin team has seen the Bad Lands, the Black Hills, a dog race, Indian Dances, caverns and mountains between chess matches.

Captained by H. Hesse, the Log Cabin team consists of L. Coplin, R. Houghton, Ted Miller and E. F. Laucks. They lost a 4-1 match to Chicago Chess & Checker Club where Hesse salvaged a win while his team mates lost to H. Leef, D. Fischheimer, L. Silverman and J. Warren. Then they scored a 2½-1½ victory over Rapid City Chess Club, an 8-0 rout of Butte Chess Club with H. Hesse winning the first four boards simultaneously, and a 3-2 win from the Missoula Chess Club.

The itinerary of the Cabinites called for further chess contests at Spokane, Coeur d'Alene, Seattle, Vancouver, Boise, and Salt Lake.

DAHLBERGS TOPS SEATTLE SEAFAIR

Ivar Dahlbergs of Portland won the Seattle Seafair Open with 4½-1½, topping Eugene Warner of Seattle who also scored 4½-1½ by 3½ S-B points. Dahlbergs lost no games but drew with Edward Tangen, Charles Rosberg, and Charles Joachim, while Warner lost a game to Joachim and drew with Russell Vellias in the 20 player, 6 round Swiss directed by John S. DeWitt.

Third to eighth with 4-2 scores were Charles Joachim, Charles Rosberg, Russell Vellias, O. W. Manney, Daniel Wade, and Robert Edburg.

The first four rounds of the Seafair provided the Seattle City Championship with only encounters between Seattle residents counted and in this tourney within a tourney, Charles Rosburg was credited with 3½-½ for City Champion, with D. Wade second with 3-1, and Ted Warner third with 2½-1½. Warner's early round loss to Joachim put him out of the running for the Seattle title.



In a meeting of the officials of the Chess Federation of Canada at Toronto, it was determined that Canada would enter a team in the International Team Matches at Amsterdam. F. R. Anderson, M. Fox, and D. A. Yanofsky have sailed on the Dutch liner Gronthe Beer, while Dr. F. Bohatirchuk P. Vaitonis, and Dr. N. Divinsky will leave later by plane.

Officers elected at the meeting were: B. Freedman of Toronto, president; J. G. Prentice of Vancouver, 1st vice-president; P. G. Haley of Sarnia, 2nd vice-president; C. L. Kirton of Calgary, treasurer; J. B. Bergevin of Ottawa, secretary; M. Guze of Montreal, auditor; and D. A. MacAdam of Montreal, patron. Ottawa placed a bid for the 1955 Canadian Championship Tournament.



Chairman A. Wyatt Jones of the USCF Tournament Committee has announced the membership of his committee as consisting of Newton Grant, Kenneth Harkness, Eliot Hearst, and Dr. J. H. Ralston. This committee replaces the Tournament Plans Committee and the Tournament Rules Committee, uniting the functions of both, in accordance with a USCF Board of Director resolution passed at New Orleans this year.

South Boston (Mass.) Lithuanian Chess Club: Kazys Merkis won the club rapid transit 7-3, while Jonas Starinskas and Andrius Keturakis tied for second with 6-4 each. In the B group Vytautas won with 5-0 and in the Juniors Roman Venckus with 4-0.

Atascadero (Calif.) Chess Club, a fledgling organization, scored a 4-2 victory over the scarcely older Shandon Chess Club. F. Stanton, D. Roosenberg, R. E. Russell, and Mrs. M. Horton tallied for Atascadero, while N. Hopper and H. Hicklin scored for Shandon.

Yakima (Wash.) Chess Club held its annual Yakima County Championship with Eli Treisman (victor in 1950) winning the title 18-2. Second went to William Hoge (1953 victor) with 15-3, while Rolf Lavik and Stephen Falk tied for third with 14-5 each in the 12-player double round event.

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The Reader's Road To Chess

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FIFTY-FOURTH UNITED STATES OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP,
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American Tournament Series Vol. IX. Order from Jack Spence, 208 South
25th Ave., Omaha, Neb. 42 pp. mimeographed, spiral bound.

THIS selection of 218 games from the biggest and strongest of U. S.
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Angelo Sandrin, Saul Yarmak, E. Zengalis, and Kit Crittenden finished
in the second 50. Larry Evans did not make the first 10. Bisguier fin-
ished 23rd. Some extraordinary chess was produced; and the editorial
board of Spence, Lee Magee, and Richard McLellan had nearly eleven
hundred games to choose from. The scores are given paragraph style,
double column, without notes. Mimeographing is sharp and clear, score-
tables and indexes supplement the text, and brief preliminary reports
are reprinted from William Rojama's round-by-round account and Eliot
Hearst's column in CHESS LIFE. The tournament was a great credit to
winner Donald Byrne; the book reflects similarly upon the editors.
Spence now plans volumes on the 1954 Championship won by Bisguier,
the New Orleans Open now under way, and best of all perhaps, a trans-
lation of Alekhine's NEW YORK 1927. This last, he tells me, is definitely
scheduled for fall publication.

SCHACHGENIE ALJECHIN LEBEN UND WERK. Edited by Hans Muller
and A. Pawelczek. Berlin-Frohnau: Siegfried Englehardt, 1953. 276
pp., 176 diags., 17 illus. Paper DM 9.20 (about \$1.75); boards, DM
12.40 (about \$2.36).

ALEKHINE is easily the best-edited of modern masters. In addition
to his own great collections there are the thousands of annotations
in anthologies of masterpieces, not to speak of Reinfeld's "The Un-
known Alekhine" and Alexander's completion of the trilogy begun by
the genius himself. The present study reaffirms the common opinion
that Alekhine's games are an inexhaustible source of ideas for modern
play. The book is biographical and critical, with emphasis on the psy-
chology of the subject and his handling of the middle game. It is in-
deed as the subtitle promises "ein Lehrbuch des Mittelspiels." Each
of the hundred games given has been heavily annotated by these two
masters who knew Alekhine personally and have kept up with chess
since his death.

Their psychological analysis does not aim at completeness nor
technical or clinical method. They do offer a discussion of his hand-
writing in which the graphological analysis tends to support what is com-
monly known of Alekhine's incredible drive and inspired attacking play.
The biography is subordinated, properly, to the chess; and so there is
still room for a study of Alekhine like Ernest Jones's fascinating essay
on Morphy.

As to the games, the editors exercise a wide knowledge of modern
chess to produce the same sort of comparative annotation Alekhine him-
self wrote. Salient points of middle game strategy are emphasized; and
one sees in print the working out of the proverb that a player had to
beat Alekhine three times: in the opening, in the middle game, and in
the ending. The debate over Alekhine's personal integrity (if there is
one) may leave us with the impression of a sordid human being. But
the man won more first prizes than anyone else in the world, and his
record will not be equalled in chess as we know it today. His genius
has left the world a heritage of beauty which it is not likely to let die.

A final word should be offered about the illustrations, several of
which do not appear elsewhere. The familiar—and for many masters
foreboding—picture of Alekhine dead in a cluttered room, the 1929
match with Bogoljubow, the relaxed pose with his Siamese cat "Check-
mate," these are supplemented by the rarely seen picture of Alekhine
with his son Alexander and several groups with Alekhine and his wife
of that time. Unusual in a chessbook but appropriate enough for a life
history is the picture of the Lisbon mausoleum and crypt where his
coffin rests.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS 55TH ANNUAL CONGRESS AND OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP AND WOMEN'S OPEN AND ZONAL NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, AUG. 8-14TH, 1954

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Contributions (List of Donors below) U. S. Open	\$1,573.50
Contributions U. S. Women's	22.25
Receipts from Al. Wills Exhibition	71.00
New Orleans Club Piggy Bank	17.58
Tournament Entry Fees U. S. Open	1,730.00
Tournament Entry Fees U. S. Women's	165.00

\$3,579.33

Disbursements:

Tournament Director (Newton Grant)	\$ 150.00
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Cash Prizes U. S. Women's	225.00
Merchandise Prizes U. S. Open	250.90
Merchandise Prizes U. S. Women's	15.50
USCF share of entry fee U. S. Open (109 @ \$5.)	545.00
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SAN ANTONIO CITY CHAMPIONSHIP

San Antonio, 1954

100% USCF Rated Event

1. Leon Pollakoff	D5	W10	W9	D3	W4	4-1	10.75
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5. Tony Barlow	D1	L3	W14	W9	D6	3-2	6.00
6. J. B. Wooding	W11	D9	L10	W13	D5	3-2	5.75
7. J. B. Payne	W13	L4	L2	W11	W10	3-2	5.00
8. Frank W. Hammett	L10	W14	W11	L2	D12	2½-2½	2.75
9. Sherwin Levy	W14	D6	L1	L5	W13	2½-2½	2.50
10. James M. Wright 2-3 (5.50); 11. Murray Adams 2-3 (1.50); 12. Carlos Mangus 1½-3½ (1.25); 13. Ruben R. Nunez 1-4 (1.50); 14. Bill Wells 0-5.							

Levy forfeited to Barlow and Wells to Adams.

The Readers Have Words To Say

Reactions to the action of the USCF annual meeting and New Orleans and the resultant discontinuance of several CHESS LIFE features are illustrated in the excerpts from selected letters to the Editor:

Members of U.S.C.F.:

I am a chess-player, not a chess-master, but an ordinary, run-of-the-mine chess-player like most of you who read this. Without us the existence of chess-masters would be somewhat pointless. Like you, I like to meet and play chess with other players, at Los Angeles, San Antonio, Denver, Kansas City, New Orleans, wherever chess tournaments are held. Like you, I'd rather just go, pay my entry fee, and play chess without having to bother about other considerations.

I realize, however, as I'm sure you do, that before you and I can do these things there must be some organization through which it can be known that there are chess-players who will be interested and through which they can be informed of times and places of tournaments, results, and so on. As members of the U.S.C.F., you and I know that without that organization (or its equivalent) much, if not most, of our opportunity to play in such tournaments would not exist. The continued healthy functioning of that organization, then, is definitely to our interest.

Members of any organization are apt to be more interested in whatever the organization was created to promote than in the organization itself. Nevertheless, if the organization be democratic, as the U.S.C.F. is, maintenance of opportunity to express interest in whatever it was created to promote occasionally requires that members interest themselves in the organization itself.

It seems to me there is a good chance that the continued healthy functioning of the U.S.C.F. may be threatened—now. I think the threat may arise, as a threat has arisen in the case of many another democratic organization, through the operation of the quorum.

Essentially, the quorum is simply a parliamentary device for assuring the transaction of necessary business in democratic organizations, business that, however necessary, may prove uninteresting to many members. When all members are concerned primarily with the welfare of the organization, ordinarily no damage will result from the operation of the quorum, however low it be set. If, however, an organization include a minority willing to use it for ulterior purposes, damage is almost certain to be done. In the United States, for example, the very existence of some labor unions, youth groups, organizations for promotion of peace, educational organizations, has been threatened by small minorities that put those organizations in the class, "communist front." The minorities of communist members, by faithfully attending meetings (which is not reprehensible), by needlessly prolonging discussion (which is), and by outstaying members who might oppose them (the vice that brought chess clocks into existence), have been able to put the organizations on record as favoring policies not approved by a majority of members. As a result, the organizations have either been repudiated by the majority and have died or been kept alive only after terrific debilitating fights.

I don't know, and certainly am not saying that the U.S.C.F. has been infiltrated by communists who are trying to use it for their purposes. I do say that that could happen, because it has happened to other organizations. I do say that action has been taken by a minority in the name of the U.S.C.F. the benefit of which to a majority of members is, at best, doubtful. These are the facts as I know them:

1. At New Orleans in August a resolution was passed censuring the editor of CHESS LIFE for his comments including those made in certain special features that have appeared under the pseudonyms of William Rojiam and Guilherme Groesser.
2. As a result of that action, the special features have been discontinued.
3. The resolution of censure is reported to have passed with twenty-eight affirmative votes.
4. I have counted the names of over sixty successful solvers of one position published in *What's The Best Move?* (Guilherme Groesser). If to that list be added the names of unsuccessful solvers (I was one) and the names of those who read and enjoyed the feature but did not submit solutions (I know of several who do so regularly) and the names of those who, ignoring *What's The Best Move?*, have enjoyed Rojiam's articles, I'm sure that the total number of names would be several times the affirmative vote on the resolution of censure.

I do not assert that the loss of the special features from the pages of CHESS LIFE is a vital loss, though it seems to me an important loss. I do not assert dogmatically that the resolution of censure was wrong, though the facts as I know them indicate to me that it was wrong. I can't know that a vote by the full membership of U.S.C.F. would not confirm the vote at New Orleans, though I am forced to doubt that it would.

I do assert that if a minority has taken action on a minor matter contrary to the wishes and interests of the majority today it will almost certainly take similar action on a vital matter tomorrow, and that the time to scotch such action is now.

I suggest, therefore, that, by writing to the editor of CHESS LIFE or the president of U.S.C.F., or both, we call for a show-down; that we make clear, once for all, that minority action must be either justified or repudiated; that, in short, we run our own organization.

W. E. STEVENS
Laramie, Wyo.



Just a hurried note between tournaments (I leave Fri. for Binghamton) to let you know I'm 100% behind you in your present annoyances. I love everything you do and say—and you may quote me.

ANTHONY E. SANTASIERE
New York City, N.Y.



I was shocked to read of the tragic passing of Mr. Groesser and Mr. Rojiam—it is a very sad affair.

I have only good faith and praise for you and your staff, for all your efforts to promote better chess. It seems to me very vicious why some people think they know all the answers and have the gall to abuse and censure others to a point to cause a tragedy.

WM. B. WILSON
Amherstburg, Ont.



It is with regret that I read of the passing of Guilherme Groesser and William Rojiam. I have enjoyed their chess writings for many years, so will miss these interesting features, as I know other chess lovers will. It is too bad politics must enter chess. The game is so fine and has such a universal appeal, it would be wonderful if chess and the players could be rated on the game alone, and work in harmony to promote chess.

D. J. GRAY
Arvada, Colo.



It does seem to me that your untiring and high-quality efforts on behalf of the USF deserve a vote of confidence rather than censure.

HUGH E. HART
Oakwood, Ill.

Just received the Aug. 20th CHESS LIFE—noted the bad NEWS about Groesser and Rojiam.

WHO IN HELL IS THIS JOHN ALEXANDER of San Diego???

WHAT COULD HE POSSIBLY DO TO CAUSE SUCH A FURORE???? There is always someone in a chess club—or chess organization to castle on the wrong side—"take back a move"—dirty the field of battle.

CHESS LIFE without "What's the Best Move?" will not be the same in interest to many—unless the gap is filled—Rojiam's Russian chess analysis struck me as particularly EXCELLENT.

Same old story—day after day—AN EMPTY HEAD RATTLES—and I can imagine Alexander's is particularly non occupied.

CHARLES S. JACOBS
Winchester, Mass.



I was sorry to see that the undisclosed action of the USCF and Alexander resulted in the loss of two interesting features in our paper. I have been very pleased with CHESS LIFE during the approximate year or 18 months that I have been a member of USCF. One can not object to mention of the Communists when it pertains to chess, and is unfavorable to them as well. It is definitely out of fashion to love the Russians. Some have thought there was a little more mention of them and such than was needed, but people cannot even agree over the Bible, so it is not odd that editorial comment finds a difference of opinion. Poor Lasker got told off for running off at the mouth too much, but what can be done? It would be nice to operate in a friendly, logical way at all times, but some sod like Alexander always must take an abusive stand and inject a personal attack. No one is perfect or can understand the problems of all the people around him.

R. E. BERRY
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.



Shocked by sudden end of "What's The Best Move?", one of your features.

If John Alexander has produced some "action" which would lead you to retire as Editor of CHESS LIFE, I shall probably not renew by USCF membership. I hope it has not come to this.

RUSSELL CHAUVENET
Silver Spring, Md.



It was a real blow to read of the discontinuance of "What's the Best Move?" as I have enjoyed this most of all the features, and I trust you will be swamped with protests, and be persuaded to rescind your decision. As you know, I like end-games, and the fact that this was a contest added spice to it. I also greatly enjoyed the various writings of "William Rojiam," and gather that this and "Guilherme Groesser" are your own non-de-plumes. Thinking of these and all the other devoted work you have done for the Federation and the paper, it is hard to see how censure would be directed at you.

NEIL P. WITTING
Salem, Ore.



Although not personal acquaintances, it was quite a shock to me to read in the Aug. 20 issue of CHESS LIFE of the passing of two Chess Life stalwarts, Messrs. Groesser and Rojiam.

May one rise to ask just who this Mr. John Alexander of San Diego is—I never before heard of him. Anyone who objects to the writings in CHESS LIFE needs to be kicked out of the USCF into the USSR and see how they like it.

Anyway, Mr. Editor, I am for you, right or wrong.

GEORGE W. PAYNE
Webster Groves, Mo.



Don't know what happened in New Orleans with Guilherme Groesser and William Rojiam, but I'm relieved that their demise did not include Montgomery Major!

WILLIAM PLAMPIN
Washington, D. C.

I was very disappointed to hear of the discontinuance of this column. I'll miss the problems very much. In several years of reading your fine publication I have never been offended by any of your remarks.

J. E. COMSTOCK
Duluth, Minn.



Who the 'ell is J. Alexander? Bring back Guilherme Groesser and William Rojiam, and I'm not kidding!!!

FRED D. KNUPPEL
New York City, N.Y.



I regret learning that G. Groesser's and W. Rojiam's columns have been discontinued. The resumption of both these features would be very desirable.

YURY V. OGANESOV
Monterey Park, Calif.



I enjoyed your editorials in the Aug. 20 C. L. applauding silently your "Yes, This Was An Accident" and enjoying the two "obituaries." Many will probably write asking for a third "obituary" headed MONTGOMERY MAJOR but not me! No sir! I can see that your vote is worth all of the so-called "votes" of the other USCF officers and members combined! Why should I be a silly idealist worrying about defending "democracy" or "ideals" or what is "right" or "wrong?" No, we smart fellows will fall into line behind the Major, no ifs, butts or maybes either!

These John Alexander upstarts will be smashed by our bully boys, never fear. Why not dissolve the present list of USCF officers and appoint only the "right people" to represent each state? I nominate a fine, loyal, dogmatic citizen of our fair state to represent Washington in "the New Order." You may have heard of him. Mr. Oliver LaFreniere of Yakima. I am sure each state has at least one LaFreniere type.

Poor Groesser! Only a child too. And poor, dear Rojiam. Still so young! What a pity he had to die. You can be sure their deaths will be avenged. An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth, you know. Anyone against you must be a dirty communist or a dirty pinko.

You can whip the rabble into line easily enough. The slogan for victory could read—"No Major, No Chess Life!" Did anyone offer to contribute the blood, sweat and tears twice each month in your place in case you resigned? Most chess players are great with the gab but short with the action. As a former promoter, I know!

How come they elected this old duffer, Graves, president? I hope he doesn't act like his name. He looks like he has one hoof in the grave. Of course he is just a figure-head and, no doubt, harmless. He is probably so inexperienced that he will answer the letters he asked for in a civil manner!

The USCF prexy sits on his tail from January until December, getting up only to take the bows while you slave all year putting out Chess Life and writing letters and all you seem to get for your pains is abuse. Perhaps you could take over the title of president and get a little of that old glory.

Why do these awful people write such spiteful, malicious stuff, anyway? I am sure you have always been courteous and friendly in your correspondence. I'll bet you have never been spiteful or malicious!

D. E. WADE
Seattle, Wash.



Before stating my problems I want to commend you for your conduct and adherence to principles following the occurrence at New Orleans and the controversy over the dates for the Russian-American match. I sincerely hope you will continue to serve chess in the United States undaunted by petty grievances from minorities.

W. D. McLAUGHLIN
Wichita, Kans.

GAMES BY USCF MEMBERS

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

USCF MEMBERS: Submit your best games for this department to JOHN W. COLLINS, 91 Lenox Road, Brooklyn 26, N.Y. Space being limited, Mr. Collins will select the most interesting and instructive for publication. Unless otherwise stated notes to games are by Mr. Collins.

STRIKE THREE

White twice misses chances for a strong middle game initiative. A third chance—to draw the end game—also goes by. There is no fourth.

QUEEN'S GAMBIT

MCO: page 154

Kansas City Championship
Kansas City, 1954

Notes by U. S. Expert Hugh E. Myers

White Black
P. W. MORRELL L. E. GRAHAM

1. P-Q4 P-Q4 3. Kt-QB3 Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4 P-K3 4. P-K3 QKt-Q2
White's conservative development allows his opponent a choice of several variations leading to equality. Here, Black might preferably have played P-B4 or the variation B-K2, O-O, P-QKt3, and P-B4 or B-Kt2.

5. Kt-B3 B-K2 6. B-Q3 P-QR3
Black evidently desires to transpose into the Queen's Gambit Accepted. But it would be better to simply do so by PxBP now or on the next move.

7. O-O O-O 8. P-K4
An impulsive move. Better is P-QKt3 or Kt-K5.

8. PxBP
Black is still thinking about the QGA, but more logical would be 8. PxBP; 9. KtXP, KtXKt; 10. BxKt, Kt-B3; 11. B-B2, P-B4.

9. BxP P-QKt4 10. B-Q3 B-Kt2
Better P-B4 first.

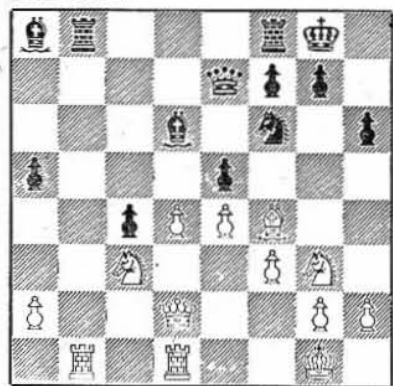
11. Q-B2 P-B4 12. P-QKt3
With P-K5, White can get a strong, although complicated, attack as in 12. P-K5, Kt-Kt5; 13. P-KR3, PxB; 14. PxB, PxB; 15. BxP ch, K-R1; 16. K-R2 followed by R-R1.

12. P-R3 P-R3 15. PxB KtXP
13. R-K1 Kt-Kt3 16. BxKt
14. B-K3 P-B5
It's natural to want to get rid of this well-posted Kt, but since it gives Black a passed pawn and the two Bs, I would prefer B-B4.

16. PxB 21. Q-Kt2 Q-K2
17. Kt-Q2 R-B1 22. Kt-B1 R-Kt1
18. QR-Kt1 B-R1 23. B-B4 B-Q3
19. P-B3 P-QR4 24. Q-Q2
20. KR-Q1 B-Kt5

White's last seven moves were satisfactory, but here he should play 24. BxB, QxB; 25. Q-K2, Q-B2 (25. RxB; 26. KtXR, Q-B2; 27. R-B1, R-B1; 28. Kt-K3 wins a pawn); 26. Kt-K3 with the superior position.

24. P-K4 25. Kt-Kt3
This seems to have little more point than it being a clever way to give away a pawn. Either 25. PxB or 25. B-K3 are good moves.



25. PxB 29. PxBt QXP
26. Kt-B5 Q-Q2 30. P-Q5 Q-B4
27. KtXB QxKt 31. Kt-K4
28. P-K5 Q-K3

Sole compensation for the pawn minus is his passed QP, so it's foolish to exchange it. 31. Q-Q4 or P-Q6 are playable.

31. RxB 36. KtXQ P-B6
32. RxB QXP 37. Kt-B1 B-Q4
33. QxBP Q-Q5 ch 38. R-B1 R-B1
34. K-R1 P-B4 39. P-QR3

35. Q-Q2 QXQ
Or 39. R-B2, BxRP.
39. B-Kt6 40. Kt-Kt3 P-Kt3
Unnecessary. Most precise is 40. P-B7; 41. KtXP, R-Q1; 42. Kt-K3, R-Q6 and it's all over.

41. K-Kt1 P-B7 42. K-B2 R-B5
Black is "swimming". Best looks like 42. R-Q1; 43. Kt-K2, P-Kt4 followed by R-Q6, B-K5, and RxB, or of course R-Q8 if White sends his Kt out of play.

43. Kt-K2 P-B5 46. K-Q3 R-B1
44. K-K1 P-Kt4 47. Kt-B3
45. K-Q2 K-B2
Resigns

White misses his last opportunity. He would win the pawn back and should draw with 47. Kt-Q4, B-B5 ch (47. R-Q1; 48. K-B3); 48. K-Q2, R-Q1; 49. K-B3. Now no more problems face Black and he wins quickly.

47. R-Q1 ch 51. K-K1 K-Q5
48. K-K2 P-R5 52. Kt-K2 ch K-Q6
49. K-K1 K-K3 53. K-B2 R-K1
50. K-K2 K-K4 54. Kt-Kt1 K-Q7
Resigns

ONE ERROR

Black only made one error, but it was enough to cost him an otherwise beautifully played game on his part. This was Evans' only loss in this tourney: Hearst.

SICILIAN DEFENSE

MCO: page 286, column 110 (nD)
U.S. Biennial Championship
New York, 1954

Notes by U. S. Master Eliot Hearst
White Black
E. HEARST L. EVANS

1. P-K4 P-QB4 4. KtXP Kt-KB3
2. Kt-KB3 P-Q3 5. Kt-QB3 P-QR3
3. P-Q4 PXP

After years of playing this variation on the Black side, this was my first chance to conduct the White forces in a tournament game!

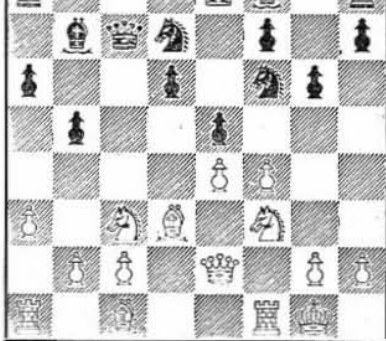
6. P-B4
Considered best by most masters. Other alternatives include B-K2, P-KKt3 and P-KR3.

6. Q-B2 7. B-Q3
Recent analysis has indicated that this is the best square for the B, rather than K2 which had formerly been considered superior. At Q3 the B protects the KP and allows White to place his Q on the good square K2.

7. P-K4
7. P-K3 would lead into variations of the Scheveningen setup.

8. Kt-B3 P-QKt4 9. Q-K2 B-Kt2
In the Rossolimo-Hearst game from an earlier round of the tourney 9. B-K3 was played, after which White might have continued 10. P-B5! since the answer B-B5? loses to 11. BxB, PxB; 12. Kt-Q2! winning a pawn.

10. O-O QKt-Q2 11. P-QR3 P-Kt3!



A new and playable idea. B-K2 is usually played, whereup 12. Kt-KR4 is strong for White.

12. K-R1 B-Kt2 14. Q-B2
13. PXP PXP
White prepares an attack on Black's weakened K-side squares.

14. O-O 15. Q-R4 Kt-R4!
A fine defensive plan. Black prepares Kt-B5 with Q-Q1 in mind as a consolidating maneuver.

16. Kt-Kt5
To force a weakness in Black's K-side and prevent the possibility of Kt-B5 after the subsequent retreat to R3.

16. P-R3 18. Q-B2 Q-B3
17. Kt-R3 Q-Q1 19. Q-Kt1
On a move like 19. Q-K2, Q-R5! proves a fine post for Black's Q.

19. Q-Q3 20. B-K2 Kt(4)-B3
20. Kt(2)-B3 is also possible with the idea of continuing P-Kt4 and Kt-B5.

21. Q-R4
Preparing the dubious sacrifice to follow. B-B3 or B-Q3 are the alternatives also protecting White's threatened KP.

21. P-Kt4!
On K-R2 White could play 22. Kt-Kt5 ch with a draw by repetition if both sides are content with such a sequence!

However, Evans was fighting it out for first place and I was trying to better my poor score, so such an outcome was unlikely. Perhaps best in this position was 21. Kt-B4! to meet 22. BxRP with QKtXP!

22. BxKtP!
22. BxKtP! ?



22. PxB 23. KtXKtP Q-K2
To meet the threat of QR-Q1 and QRX Kt. But 23. KR-Kt1 was better and after 24. QR-Q1, Q-B2; 25. R-Q3, Kt-B1! Black appears safe enough (26. R-Kt3, Kt-Kt3).

24. QR-Q1
Threatening RxBt(7) followed after QxR, by RxBt(6)!

24. KR-Q1 25. B-R5
On 25. R-Q3, Kt-B1 holds for Black.

25. KtXB! 26. RXP QXR
Obviously forced, but still strong!

27. KtXQ KxKt 29. Q-B5?
28. QxKt ch K-Kt1
A meaningless move. Kt-Q5 at once is stronger.

29. Kt-B4 31. PxB
30. Kt-Q5 BxKt
Black now has both a positional and material advantage and should proceed with either R-KB1 or R-Q3. With such a plan he ought to score the point eventually. Instead, he makes a horrible blunder which turns his game from a won position to a lost one immediately.

31. RXP?? 37. R-Q7 ch K-B3
32. RxB R-KB1 38. R-Q7 Kt-B4
33. QXR ch! BxQ 39. P-QKt4 Kt-K5
34. RXP K-B2 40. RXP ch K-K4
35. R-B5 ch K-Kt2 41. R-R5 Kt-B6
36. R-Q5 Kt-R5 42. P-QR4

White, in time pressure, thought this to be the easiest way to win.

42. BXP 44. PxBt B-B4
43. RXP ch KtXR 45. P-Kt3 K-Q5
Loses quickly, but attempts to keep White's King boxed in (say, by K-K5 and K6) would lose eventually to a K-side pawn advance.

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46. K-Kt2 K-B5 52. K-B5 K-Q6
47. K-B3 KxP 53. K-K6 B-Kt5
48. K-K4 K-B5 54. P-Kt6 B-B6
49. P-Kt4 K-B6 55. P-R5 K-K5
50. P-Kt5 KxP 56. P-R6 Resigns
51. P-R4 B-K2

CONSUMMATE SKILL

Bisguier handles the Richter Variation of the Sicilian with consummate skill. His mid-game and end-game play leave little to be desired. This young veteran is at the peak of his career, and it is my opinion he will hold his own in the forthcoming U. S. Championship and the USA-USSR match. (Prophetically, Dr. Sussman wrote these lines before the start of the U. S. Championship Tournament—Editor).

SICILIAN DEFENSE

(By Transposition)
MCO: page 278, column 70
Metropolitan League Match
New York, 1954

Notes by U. S. Master Harold Sussman
White Black
A. BISGUIER A. C. SIMONSON
(Manhattan C.C.) (Marshall C.C.)

1. P-Q4 P-QB4
The Benoni Counter Gambit which has somewhat of a revival recently in the form of a variation of the King's Indian Defense.

2. P-K4!
Original and very clever. The automatic (and also strong) move here is 2. P-Q5 and White can secure a powerful pawn center. However, it has been shown that Black can fianchetto his KB and reach a fairly good position in the King's Indian. Arthur converts the game into a Sicilian variation in which he treads on familiar ground. At the same time he avoids any possible prepared defense.

2. PXP 3. Kt-KB3 Kt-QB3
Routine, but 3. Kt-KB3! is a good alternative. After 4. P-K5, Kt-Q4; 5. QxP (or 65. KtXP, Kt-B3, even game), Kt-B2; 6. Kt-B3, Kt-QB3, Black has an even game. Another alternative is 3. P-K4!; holding the extra pawn (if 4. KtXP, Q-R4 ch, etc.), but 4. P-QB3, PxB; 5. KtXPQB gives White a powerful attacking game.

4. KtXP Kt-B3 5. Kt-QB3 P-Q3
Less analyzed and quite good here is 5. P-K3 threatening B-Kt5. A model continuation is 6. Kt(Q4)-Kt5, B-Kt5; 7. P-QR3, BxKt ch; 8. KtXB, P-Q4; 9. B-Q3, PxB; 10. KtXP, KtXKt; 11. BxKt, QxQ ch; 12. KxQ, P-KB4! with an even game.

6. B-KKt5
The Richter Variation, a dangerous line for both sides. Other strong lines here are 6. P-KB4, 6. P-KB3, and the routine 6. B-K2.

6. Q-R4
The old reply—almost old enough to be new. Its value, however, is dubious. The solid procedure is 6. P-K3; 7. Q-Q2, B-K2; 9. O-O-O, O-O with attacking chances for both sides on opposing wings.

7. BxKt KtXPB 9. Q-R5!
8. B-QKt5 B-Q2

White, in time pressure, thought this to be the easiest way to win.

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Loses quickly, but attempts to keep White's King boxed in (say, by K-K5 and K6) would lose eventually to a K-side pawn advance.



GUEST ANNOTATORS

Eliot Hearst
Hugh E. Myers
Harold Sussman, M.D.

Bisguier has a fearless style. This move, again original here, puts pressure on Black's KBP and contains several traps. The simple trap proceeds 9. P-K3??; 10. Kt-KP1, BxKt1??; 11. BxKt ch, again winning the Queen. 9. P-QR3 12. O-O! Q-K13 10. K1-K13 Q-Q1 13. QR-Q1 11. B-K2 P-K3

This is played to stop Kt-Q5, which would give Black good defensive possibilities for the Queen on the 4th rank, via K4 or QB4 (after the exchange of Kts). 13. B-K2 14. K-R1 O-O-O!?

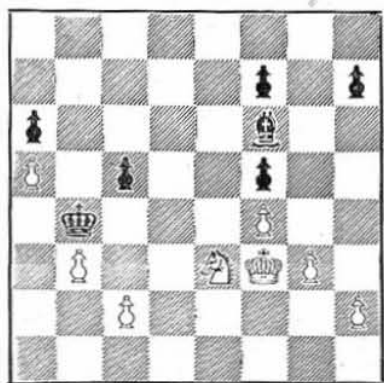
Simonson is a clever tactician and the move is typical of his aggressive style. Should Bisguier reply 15. QxBP? P-KR4! endangers the Queen and is difficult to meet. I.e. 16. Kt-Q5? fails due to PxKt!; 17. PxP, QR-B1; 18. Q-K17, Kt-K4; 19. QxB, R-KB2! winning the Queen. 15. P-QR4! B-K1 17. P-B4 K-K1 16. P-R5! Q-B2 18. R-Q2!

Bisguier told me he spent much time on 18. Kt-R4, Kt-K15; 19. R-Q4 with interesting possibilities as both 19. Kt-P and 19. QxP favor White. He discarded the line, however, as White can see no good continuation after 18. Kt-R4, P-Q4!!; etc. 18. P-B4?

This is probably the losing move but Black has a very cramped game and can no longer contain himself. 18. B-B1 is a possibility but his prospects are none too favorable. 19. PxP P-Q4 20. Q-R6! P-Q5

An interesting reply to White's powerful 20th. There is no really satisfactory line. 21. Kt-P! 21. Q-K17 immediately is also good but

Simonson could sac' the exchange with 21. P-Kt; 22. R-R ch, QxR; 23. QxR, P-KB3 and 24. P-P and White faces a sterner task than with the text line. 21. Kt-Kt 22. R-Kt B-QB3 Naturally 22. R-R is met by Q-K17 and White always stays one or two pawns up. 23. R-R ch QxR 24. R-Q1 A very fine move. Instead 24. P-P would be provoking danger, e.g., 24. R-K1; 25. B-B3, BxR; 36. RxB, Q-Q7, etc. Now, most moves other than Q-K11 are strongly met by Q-K17. 24. Q-K11 28. Q-K3! Q-B2 25. Q-R3 PxP 29. Kt-R4! R-Q1 26. B-B3 Q-QB1 30. R-R ch QxR 27. BxB PxB 31. Q-K16 ch Arthur has played perfect chess from the 24th move on and here forces an ending completely in his favor. Black isn't given a "look-in". 31. QxQ 35. K-K12 K-B3 32. Kt-Q K-B2 36. K-B3 K-K11 33. P-KK13 B-B3 37. P-K13 K-K15 34. Kt-B4 P-B4 38. Kt-K3!



The masterful key to this ending. Black's reply makes matters easy but on most other moves, White continues with K-K2 to defend the QB. The Kt

could then roam about picking up loose pawns. A fine line, however, is 38. B-Q1; 39. Kt-Q5 ch! Now 39. KxP is met by 40. P-B4! zugzwang! The threat is P-KK4, etc. If 40. P-R4; 41. K-B2, B-K13; 42. K-K12, B-Q1; 43. K-R3, finis. If 40. P-R4; 41. K-B2, P-R5, then 42. P-R3 ends the resistance for the KR. P is unmanagable. 38. B-Q5 41. K-K2 K-B6 39. Kt-P K-B6 42. K-Q1 P-R4 40. Kt-B KxKt If 42. P-B4, then 43. P-R3 wins. 43. P-B5 P-B3 45. K-K2 K-K5 44. P-R3 K-Q5 46. P-B3! Resigns While this decision may seem premature at first sight, it is nonetheless a correct one. On 46. KxP (what else?); 47. P-QK4, PxP; 48. PxP, K-K4; 49. P-Kt5, K-Q3; 50. P-Kt6 (or PxP), matters are quite clear. A very fine game by Bisguier in all its stages. Simonson was handicapped by his opening and surely by his lack of practice. The basis for many comments in these notes were supplied by the winner himself.

NIMZOINDIAN DEFENSE
MCO: page 108
U. S. Biennial Championship
New York, 1954

White			Black		
K. BURGER			L. EVANS		
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3	12. Kt-P	Kt-Kt		
2. P-QB4	P-K3	13. P-Kt	QxP		
3. Kt-QB3	B-K15	14. Q-B2	B-B4		
4. P-K3	O-O	15. B-Q3	BxB		
5. B-Q3	P-B4	16. QxB	KR-Q1		
6. Kt-B3	P-Q4	17. Q-K11	Kt-K15		
7. O-O	Kt-B3	18. P-R3	Q-R7 ch		
8. P-QR3	BxKt	19. K-B1	Kt-K4		
9. PxB	PxBP	20. QxP	Kt-Q6		
10. BxP	Q-B2	21. R-Q1	Q-R8 ch		
11. R-K1	P-K4	22. K-K2	Kt-B5 ch		

SECOND PAN-AMERICAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Hollywood, 1954
100% USCF Rated Event

Rank	Name	W33	W7	W13	D2	W5	D3	W11	L26	W4	D6	W17	W24	W8	11½-2½	109.75	
1.	Arthur B. Bisguier (Bronx, N.Y.)	W67	W33	W7	W13	D2	W5	D3	W11	L26	W4	D6	W17	W24	W8	11½-2½	109.75
2.	Larry Evans (New York City)	W27	W42	W17	W19	D1	L3	W4	W6	W13	D5	W14	W11	L7	W22	11-3	105.75
3.	Nicholas Rossolimo (New York City)	W29	W20	W50	W26	W4	W2	D1	W17	L5	D10	D27	W22	D6	D7	10½-3½	99.00
4.	Herman Steiner (Los Angeles, Cal.)	W70	W6	W69	W15	L3	D7	L2	W18	W17	L1	W10	W27	W5	W11	10½-3½	88.25
5.	Arturo Pomar (Madrid, Spain)	W38	D15	W33	W25	W8	L1	W13	W7	W3	D2	W11	L6	L4	W24	10-4	95.25
6.	James T. Sherwin (New York City)	W31	L4	W27	W43	W68	D11	D17	L2	W8	W19	D1	W5	D3	W16	10-4	89.75
7.	Isaac Kashtan (Los Angeles, Cal.)	W12	W11	L1	W51	W14	D4	W18	L5	D19	L27	W28	W34	W2	D3	9½-4½	88.00
8.	Jack Moskowitz (Los Angeles, Cal.)	D25	W39	W59	W36	L5	L13	D31	W20	L6	W30	W16	W19	W27	L1	9-5	75.00
9.	Peter Lapkin (Los Angeles, Cal.)	L11	W12	L68	L57	W63	W51	W61	W16	D22	W28	L17	D26	W34	W18	9-5	72.25
10.	Harry Borochof (Los Angeles, Cal.)	L57	W24	W32	L17	W43	L16	W53	D45	W29	W13	L4	D12	D25	W26	8½-5½	71.25
11.	Irving Rivise (Los Angeles, Cal.)	W9	L7	W23	W69	W19	D6	W27	L1	W36	W26	L5	D2	W12	L4	8½-5½	70.50
12.	Kenneth Grover (Los Angeles, Cal.)	L7	L9	W64	D49	W40	W44	D35	W32	L28	W23	W13	D10	L11	W25	8½-5½	68.25
13.	Shelby Lyman (Dorchester, Mass.)	W68	W14	W51	L1	D18	W8	L5	W34	L2	L10	L12	W45	W37	W27	8½-5½	67.00
14.	Olaf Ulvestad (Seattle, Wash.)	W71	L13	W49	W20	L7	W36	D15	W25	W33	D3	L2	L24	D26	W31	8½-5½	66.75
15.	Amos Kaminski (New York City)	W56	D5	W43	L4	W55	D34	D14	L19	L18	D29	W40	D33	W42	W17	8½-5½	62.25
16.	Edgar T. McCormick (E. Orange, N.J.)	L50	D44	W39	D28	W46	W10	D19	L9	W45	D34	L8	W30	W33	L6	8-6	66.00
17.	Ross Siemms (Toronto, Ont.)	W53	W72	L2	W10	W50	W25	D6	L3	L4	W18	W9	L1	D22	L15	8-6	63.00
18.	Allen Kaufman (New York City)	L30	W65	W67	W1	D13	W31	L7	L4	W15	L17	D30	W21	W19	L9	8-6	61.75
19.	Eugene Levin (Pacific Pal, Cal.)	W73	W37	W55	L2	L11	W24	D16	W15	D7	L6	W25	L8	L17	W38	8-6	61.75
20.	Evan Almgren (Los Angeles, Cal.)	W22	L3	W54	L14	W60	W55	L34	L8	W50	L25	D18	W29	D31	W35	8-6	61.75
21.	Raymond Martin (Santa Monica, Cal.)	W48	D35	L25	W38	L31	D42	L36	W59	L30	W50	W39	L18	W49	W41	8-6	61.25
22.	Charles Kalme (Philadelphia, Pa.)	L20	L49	W29	W52	L41	W70	W59	W30	D9	W33	W26	L3	D17	L2	8-6	60.00
23.	John Penquite (Des Moines, Ia.)	W24	L69	L11	W63	L28	L45	W52	D53	W43	L12	W57	W41	W35	W34	8-6	59.00
24.	Saul Yarnak (Passaic, N. J.)	L23	L10	W48	W59	W70	L19	W37	W50	L27	W36	W31	W14	L1	L5	8-6	58.00
25.	Roger Smook (Berkeley, Cal.)	D8	W40	W21	L5	W42	L17	W41	L14	D34	W20	L19	W49	D10	L12	7½-6½	61.25
26.	Vladimir Pafnutieff (San Francisco)	W63	W45	W60	L3	D34	D41	W28	D33	W1	L11	L22	D9	D14	L10	7½-6½	59.50
27.	Henry Gross (San Francisco, Cal.)	L2	W29	L6	W72	W53	W30	L11	W47	W24	W7	D3	L4	L8	L13	7½-6½	58.75
28.	William Kaiser (St. Paul, Minn.)	L37	W70	D38	D16	W23	W61	L26	W35	W12	L9	L7	L31	D30	W42	7½-6½	56.25
29.	George Hunnex (Elsinore, Cal.)	L42	L27	L22	W64	W52	W46	D32	W41	L10	D15	D38	L20	W43	W50	7½-6½	55.00
30.	Robert G. Cross (Santa Monica, Cal.)	W18	L51	L31	W66	W58	L27	W68	L22	W21	L18	W54	L16	D28	W46	7½-6½	54.25
31.	Martin Harrow (Jamaica, N.Y.)	L6	W46	W30	D42	D21	L18	D8	L36	W58	W35	L24	W28	D20	L14	7½-6½	53.25
32.	R. W. Banner (Orange, Calif.)	L69	W66	L10	L53	W62	W60	D29	L12	W57	L41	W52	D38	W36	D33	7½-6½	51.00
33.	Phil D. Smith (Fresno, Calif.)	W62	L1	L34	W30	W44	W50	W47	D26	L14	L22	W41	D15	L16	D32	7½-6½	50.75
34.	Robert M. Jacobs (Los Angeles, Cal.)	L35	W48	W33	W47	D26	D15	W20	L13	D25	D16	W49	L7	L9	L23	7-7	57.25
35.	Meyer Schleifer (Los Angeles, Cal.)	W34	D21	L5	L44	W49	W38	D12	L28	W40	L31	W46	D42	D23	L20	7-7	55.50
36.	Charles Hidalgo (New York City)	L60	W61	W45	L8	W51	L14	W21	W31	L11	L24	L42	W40	L32	W49	7-7	53.00
37.	Thomas Fries (Fresno, Calif.)	W28	L19	W53	L69	L61	W58	L24	W46	L49	W60	W54	L13	W53	7-7	50.00	
38.	Sanford Greene (Mt. Vernon, N. Y.)	L5	W56	D28	L21	W54	L35	D44	W68	L39	W47	D29	D32	W50	L19	7-7	49.00
39.	Morris Gordon (Los Angeles, Calif.)	D58	L8	L16	L40	L65	W54	W66	W56	W38	D45	L21	W59	D46	D48	7-7	47.50
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43.	Norman Goldberg (Los Angeles, Calif.)	6½-7½	(45.75)														
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48.	Don Maron (Hollywood, Calif.)	6½-7½	(38.75)														
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Solution To

What's The Best Move?

Position No. 146

This final "Best Move" position is Rossolimo-N.N., Paris, 1944; and as most of our solvers discovered begins with a stirring sacrifice of the exchange: 1. RxBt1, PxR; 2. QxRP ch!, KxQ; 3. R-R1 ch, K-Kt3; 4. K-B4! (the point of the whole combination, threatening 5. B-R5 ch, K-R2; 6. BxBP mate), Q-K3; 5. R-R8! and mate cannot be stopped. Truly a brilliant conception. Note that 1. RxBt, PxR; 2. QxRP ch, PxQ continues 3. Kt-B6 ch, K-R1; 4. R-Kt8 mate.

On 1. Kt-B6 ch, PxKt; 2. B-Q3 is answered not by 2., K-R1 but by 2., PxKP and if 3. BxKt ch, PxB; 4. R-R4, P-B5! and White's attack has evaporated.

Correct solutions are acknowledged received from: Prof. A. Bruce Anthony (Macon, Ga.), Forrest Athey, Jr. (St. Petersburg), Kurt Blumberg (San Francisco), M. D. Blumenthal (Bellare), Murray Burn (Bronx), Donald Burdick (Huntington), Capt. A. E. Caroe (Andrews AFB), J. D. Carpenter (Pella), Russell Chauvenet (Silver Spring), J. E. Comstock (Duluth), N. Cunningham (Oblong), Carl E. Diesen (Tonawanda), Ed Gault (Bainbridge), D. Hamburger (Pittsburgh), Hugh E. Hart (Oakwood), R. B. Hayes (Greenville), Robert E. Hitchcock (Ann Arbor), Lyman T. Johnston, Jr. (Seattle), Edw. J. Korpanty (Woodside), Heino Kurruk (San Fernando), Kenneth Lay (Merrill), J. L. McDonald (New York), Dr. J. Melnick (Portland), P. Murtha (Monroe), Charles Musgove (Northlake), Ed Nash (Washington), Ronald O'Neil (Norristown), G. W. Payne (Webster Groves), N. Reider (San Francisco), Edmund Roman (New Britain), Dr. I. Schwartz (Durand), Walter Shugert, Jr. (Redwood City), Bruce J. Sides (Cincinnati), Irwin Sigmond (Colwick), David Silver (New York), W. E. Stevens (Laramie), George V. D. Tiers (St. Paul), A. Trucis (Philadelphia), Hugh C. Underwood (Washington), Victor F. Volk (Brooklyn), J. Weininger (Scotia), H. D. Wilbur (Corpus Christi), Wm. B. Wilson (Amherstburg), N. P. Witting (Salem); Norman Zemke (Detroit).

In the next issue, we will publish the final Solvers' Ladder and announce winners in the final quarter of the contest. In closing this column, we must express our regrets that a feature that has apparently been enjoyed by so many readers must be discontinued, due to the stupidity of a handful of critics. The editor will endeavor to find someone competent to replace Mr. Groesser and conduct a similar feature but makes no promises, for the running of such a feature is a very laborious and always thankless task.

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move and it was not in the least rare to see "Campo" walking around the tournament room when it was his own turn to move and his clock was running. We hope that Campomanes' success will not influence younger players to copy these actions!?

IN BRIEF: 46 are competing in the Marshall C.C. Championship prelims in four sections, two participants qualifying from each section for the finals. Leading scores include LeCorn 7½-1½, Eastman 6½-1½, Drakert 6-2, Bakos 5½-1½, Dunst, Lorie, Nussbaum, Kuper-smith, Hillinger, and Westbrook 5-1, Campomanes and Kaufman 4-0, Saily 4-1, Mednis 2½-½, and Howard 2-0. . . . Spotted by your reporter at the annual meetings of the American Psychological Association were Hans Berliner and Sol Weinstock, both of whom will be recognized as fine chessplayers by our readers.

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Lake Erie Open Championship Buffalo, New York

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November 26-28

Missouri Open Tournament St. Louis, Mo.

At Downtown YMCA, 1528 Locust St.; open to all, highest placed Missouri resident wins State title; 6 or 7 rd Swiss; entry fee \$7.00 plus USCF MCA membership (combined dues \$6.00); guaranteed 1st prize \$125, 2nd prize \$60, 3rd prize \$30—total \$250, all in cash, guaranteed; TD M. W. Gilbert; for details write: M. W. Gilbert, 507 No. Central Ave., University City 5, Mo.; bring boards, sets and clock, if possible.

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November 26-28

Wichita Open Championship Wichita, Kans.

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November 26-28

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final round. David Marples and Harry Sweeney shared second with 4-2 each, while George Hendricks, Harold McClung, and Walter Privette shared fourth with 3½-2½ each. Richard C. Grimm directed all three events.

At the annual meeting Tom Sweeney of Wheeling was elected president of the West Virginia Chess Association, George Hendricks vice-president, and William Hartling was retained as secretary-treasurer.

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Downey, 1954

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1. M. C. Ek	W8	W7	D5	W3	W4	L2	4½-1½	15.25
2. J. C. Gysbers	D7	L3	bye	W6	W5	W1	4½-1½	12.25
3. J. Wiener	D4	W2	W6	L1	bye	W8	4½-1½	11.75
4. F. D. Rosen	D3	W9	W8	W5	L1	W7	4½-1½	11.25
5. H. W. Bell	W9	W6	D1	L4	L2	bye	3½-2½	6.25
6. B. N. Smith	bye	L5	L3	L2	W7	W9	3-3	3.50
7. P. Benson	2½-3½ (5.25);	8. W. McGill	2-4 (1.00);	9. G. L. Benton	1-5.			

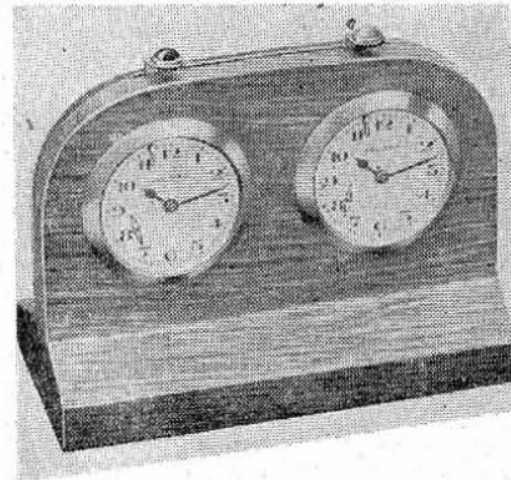
CLASS B DIVISION

1. L. Nogaski	W11	W3	W2	W9	W4	5-0	12.00	
2. J. Robertson	W4	W9	L1	W10	W8	4-1	9.00	
3. R. Yamasaki	W8	L1	L9	W7	W10	3-2	6.50	
4. L. Nelson	L2	W11	W6	W5	L1	3-2	6.50	
5. L. Anastasi	W10	L6	W7	L4	W9	3-2	6.50	
6. J. Kraus	D7	W5	L4	L8	W12	2½-2½	4.25	
7. N. Wysong	D6	W12	L5	L3	W11	2½-2½	2.25	
8. J. Higgins	2-3 (3.50);	9. J. Nicklas	2-3 (3.00);	10. F. Sakaly	2-3 (2.00);	11. H. Belman	1-4;	12. F. Pratt 0-5.

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1. Shulz	W4	W2	W3	F	bye	4-1	9.00
2. Ramsey	W7	L1	W6	W4	W3	4-1	7.00
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