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## What's The Best Move?

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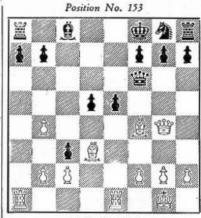
S END solutions to Position No. 153 to Russell Chauvenet, 721 Gist Ave., Silver Spring, Maryland, by February 20, 1955.

Position No. 153

With your solution, please send analysis or reasons supporting your choice as "Best Move" or moves.

Solution to Position No. 153 will appear in the March 5 issue.

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## New England Chess Ass'n Affiliates As Does North Shore Chess League

The New England Chess Association, whose annual New England Championship is one of America's older annual events, has affiliated with the USCF as a regional chapter. At the same time, the North Shore Chess League of Massachusetts also affiliated with the USCF as a

league chapter.

The recent New England Championship at Boston was a 28-player Swiss won by Boris Siff of Boston on S-B with 6-1. Second, also with 6-1 was Dr. J. Platz of East Hartford, while veteran Harlow B. Daly of Sanford, Me. was third with 5½-1½. Fourth to sixth on S-B with 5-2 scores were S. Rubinow of Boston, John Curdo of West Lynn, and O. A. Lester, Jr. of West Newbury. Seventh and eighth with 4½-2½ were E. Wolk of Storrs, Conn., and Carl Grossguth of Cranston, R. I.

## POWELSON TOPS FT. WORTH OPEN

Robert Powelson tallied 10-1 to win the Fort Worth Open Championship, losing no games but drawing with Claud Freeman and Louis Dina. Second place in the 31-player Swiss sponsored annually by USCF Affiliated Fort Worth Chess Club was Claud Freeman with 9-2, losing one game to Kenneth Terry and drawing with Powelson and Owen Burnett. Louis Dina was third with 8½-2½, losing games to Freeman and Cecil Parkin while drawing with Powelson.

Fourth and fifth on Solkoff points with 8-3 each were Cecil Parkin and A. G. Miller, while Inor Newton was sixth with 7-4. Seventh and eighth with 6½-4½ each were Owen Burnett and Edward Schick. The tournament was notable in the fact that although it extended from October to December, there were only two withdrawals.

## U. S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

August 8-20, 1955 Long Beach, California The 13-player Class B tournament was won by R. Tirrell of Dorchester with 6-1. K. D. Allured of Northampton was second with 5½-1½, and R. Jackson of Worcester was third with 5-2.

The North Shore League finished its season with Newburyport on top with 30½ points; Portsmouth, N. H. placed second with 27½, while Lynn was third with 24½. Of the 46 players participating in the league competition, top scorers as individuals were: John Curdo, Lynn, 7-1; Jeremiah Sullivan, Portsmouth, 7-0; Mrs. Margaret Gould, Newburyport, 6-2; Charles Waterman, Amesbury, 6-2; David A. Cain, Newbury, 5½-2½; Ralph Gerth, Portsmouth, 5½-2½; and Harlow B. Daly, Sanford, 5-3.

# GALA CHESS WEEK AT CLEVELAND

Beginning most auspiciously, Cleveland's Chess Week started with a 41-board match between the Club and Industrial Leagues, won by the Club League 31½-9½. The East Side vs. West Side Scholastic League encounter of 42 boards was won by East Side 48½-29½, weighted points. There were 50 spectators to this 83 board local event.

## Reshevsky, Evans, Bisguier Top Rosenwald Trophy Tournament

There was very little of the unexpected in the final standings of the Rosenwald Trophy Tournament at the Marshall and Manhattan Chess Clubs. Reshevsky, with the experience of a quarter century of tournament play against all grades of masters, performed like the Grandmaster that he is and was never seriously challenged. He lost one game in the second half to U. S. Champion Arthur Bisguier and conceded three scattered draws, one to U. S. Open Champion Larry Evans and two to Donald Byrne.

Larry Evans, holding an even score in the first half, ended in a whirlwind finish to three wins and two draws in the second half; he needed it all, for Arthur Bisguier after a slow start in the first half tallied four wins (one over Reshevsky) and a draw (with Evans) in the second half to present a serious challenge for second place, which he missed only by the margin of a half-point.

Donald Byrne played steadily and tallied an even 50% score in both halves of the event, drawing twice with Reshevsky and tallying one win and one loss against his other opponents-as perfect a 50-50 score as could be made. Sherwin, who played aggressively in the first half to compile an impressive 3-2 score could not maintain the pace but dropped back from contention in the latter half with a series of goose-eggs. Kramer's performance indicated very definitely that the long absence from practice in strong events had temporarily dulled his eye and that he needed more strong competition to get back into form.

The most interesting point of the tournament, viewed in relation to their competitive performances in the U.S. Championship, the U.S. Open Championship, and the Pan-American Tournament, is the obvious fact that Evans and Bisguier seemed destined to repeat the history of some decades ago when Reshevsky and Fine juggled titles and tournaments between them. The record of the last year indicates that no form chart exists which can predict which of these two players will top any event in which both are entered-a fact of speculative interest for future tournaments.

#### FINAL STANDINGS

1. Reshevsky 7½-2½ 4. D. Byrne 5 -5 2. Evans 6½-3½ 5. Sherwin 3 -7 3. Bisguier 6 -4 6. Kramer 2 -8

#### KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE Rosenwald Trophy Tournament New York, 1954

| . 1 | White  |         |            | Black  |
|-----|--------|---------|------------|--------|
| A.  | BISGUI | ER      | S. RESH    | EVSKY  |
| 1.  | P-Q4   | Kt-KB3  | 14. QR-K1  | QR-K1  |
| 2.  | P-QB4  | P-KKt3  | 15. P-KR3  | BxKt   |
| 3.  | Kt-QB3 | B-Kt2   | 16. RxB    | P-K3   |
| 4.  | P-K4   | P-Q3    | 17. PxP    | RxP    |
| 5.  | B-Kt5  | P-KR3   | 18. Kt-Kt3 | Kt-R2  |
| 6.  | B-R4   | 0-0     | 19. Kt-B1  | QKt-B3 |
| 7.  | P-B4   | P-B4    | 20. P-B5   | R-K2   |
| 8.  | P-Q5   | P-QR3   | 21. PXP    | PxP    |
| 9.  | Kt-B3  | P-QKt4  | 22. P-K5   | RxP    |
| 10. | B-Q3   | P-Kt5   | 23. RxR    | PxR    |
| 11. | Kt-K2  | B-Kt5   | 24. BxP    | P-K5   |
| 12. | 0-0    | QKt-Q2  | 25. R-KKt3 | Q-K4   |
| 13. | Q-Q2   | Q-B2    | 26. Kt-K3  | Q-B5   |
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## KERES, SMYSLOV TIE AT HASTINGS

Paul Keres and Vassily Smyslov shared top honors at the annual Hastings Christmas Tournament with 7-2 scores. Andrija Fuderer of Yugoslavia, who is rapidly gaining prominence as a player, was tied for third with Laszlo Szabo of Hungary and Ludek Pachman of Czechoslovakia with 5½-3½ each, while Wolfgang Unzicker of West Germany was sixth with 5-4. In winning Smyslov suffered no defeat while conceding four draws, while Keres drew two and lost one game to Fuderer.

In the Premier Reserves victory went to Istvan Bilek of Hungary with 7-2, while Dragoslav Andric of Yugoslavia and R.J.A. Persitz of Israel shared second with 6½-2½. A. Y. Green of England was fourth with 6-3, and B. H. Wood, editor of "Chess" fifth with 5-4. The lone American entry, John Hudson of Texas tied for seventh with Victor Soultanbeieff of Belgium.

# "CHESS CHAT" HONORS EDITOR

As a gesture of continental friendship and solidarity, the November issue of Canadian Chess Chat, official publication of the Chess Federation of Canada, publishes the picture and brief biographical note on CHESS LIFE Editor Montgomery Major in a space usually reserved for outstanding Canadian players and chess organizers. Editor D. A. MacAdam of CHESS CHAT indicates that a more complete story on Editor Major will appear in the December issue of CHESS CHAT.

## U. S. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

July 15-24, 1955 Lincoln, Nebraska

## ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

Mastering the End Game By WALTER KORN, Editor of MCO

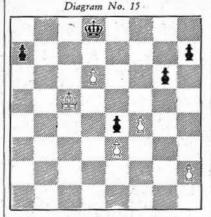
The Reader looked deeper.

ON the same page 68 of BCE,—a page we have had on our menu-card for a considerable time, now,—we have No. 88a, and ending taken from the game, Tarrasch-Schiffers, Nuremberg, 1896. The draw, which is claimed by BCE, was superbly disputed by G. Whatmough in the January 1954 issue of "Chess," England.

From the diagram (No. 15) he continues:

39. K-B6, K-B1; 40. P-R4, P-KR4; 41. K-Q5, K-Q2; 42. KxP, KxP; 43. K-Q4, K-K3; Schiffers continued 43. ......, K-B3 and lost. The text is merely a more tenacious, but just as futile, defense: 44. P-K4, P-QR4; 45. K-B5. "This is the same configuration as that shown in Fine's analysis after 44. K-B5, with the very important difference that both sides have already advanced their respective KRPs to R4; this valuable addition prevents the liberating pawn break by ......, P-Kt4 which, if played at this stage, would obviously allow White a winning protected passed pawn.'

......, P-R5; 46. K-Kt4, K-Q3; 47. KxP, K-B4; 48. K-R5, K-Q5; 49. P-K5, K-B4; 50. K-R4, K-B3 (or



Q4); 51. K-K+4 (or Kt5) and White

At the Manhattan Chess Club entertainment for Dr. Max Euwe the proceedings were interrupted to make it the occasion of present-ing an award to Herman Helms, editor of American Chess Bulletin, premier chess reporter of the USA, and "Dean of American Chess" in recognition of his half century of faithful and inspired reporting of the game. The presentation was made by Morris Steinberg, vice-president of the Manhattan Chess Club, and among chess notables present were Grandmasters Samuel Reshevsky and Dr. Reuben Fine, Dr. Edward Lasker, USCF Past President Harold M. Phillips, Leonard B. Meyer, Maurice Kasper, Miss Mona May Karff, and Mrs. Gisela K. Gresser.

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Blindfold wizard George Koltanowski in a visit to New York gave an eight-board blindfold simultaneous at the New World Chess Club, winning five and drawing with Dr. Lazar Dubrey, Dr. Samuel Greenberg, and Theodore Gottlieb.



Dr. Euwe has been busy in his brief visit to the USA. Already he has racked up 24 wins, no losses and one draw in a simultaneous at Pittsburgh, 40 wins, 1 loss and 7 draws at Philadelphia, and eight wins, eight draws and two losses against potent competition at the Manhattan Chess Club. At the Manhattan the Grandmaster conceded victories to Edgar T. McCormick and a consulting team of Arthur Feuerstein and Aben Rudy. Draws went to Dr. Isaac Spector, Jan Kurtz, Stanley Linn, Milton Pinkus, Bryan E. Owens, and the consulting teams of Kenneth Blake and Sanford Greene, James Gore and Sidney Zarkin, and Charles M. Sessa and Paul Richman. Dr. Euwe will also participate in the Cleveland Gala Chess Week before returning to Europe from his brief

Cadet Chess Club (West Point, N.Y.): In a double round match with Columbia University Chess Club, the Cadets lost 10-5, not a bad showing against the former Intercollegiate Team Champ John Hamilton scored twice for the Cadets, while Gerry Goldberg won and drew; Jack Toole won once and Phil Ritchey salvaged a draw. For Columbia John Dale tallied twice, Maley and draw, scoring, single points won and drew; scoring single points were Wilson, Blumenthal, Roberts, Tilly, and Gruenberg, while Vaughn won and drew; scoring single points were Wilson, Blumenthal, Roberts, Tilly, and Gruenberg, while Vaughn saved a draw. Both clubs are USCF Club Affiliates.

Robert Byrne (Texas) Chess Club: The second annual club championship was won by defending champion Leon Anhaiser with 5-1. Second was Leonard Anhaiser, also with 5-1, while Lanny Miller was third with 3½-2½, and Wilson Dane was fourth with 3-3. Leon Anhaiser won a playoff match with Leonard for the title.

## WEISBORD WINS ILLINOIS OPEN

Albert Weisbord of Chicago, competing in his first important tournament, won the 4th annual Illinois Open Championship with 5-1 score on S-B points from a field of thirty players, losing no games but drawing with E. T. Vano and Sam Cohen. Edward T. Vano of Highland, Ind. was second, also with 5-1, drawing with Weisbord and Cohen. Third place went to Sam Cohen of Chicago with 43-13, drawing with Dennis Roszkowski, Vano and Weisbord.

Fourth to seventh at the Decatur annual event were Dennis Roszkowski of Chicago, Alphen Murphy of New York, Humberto Tejada, a student at the University of Michigan from Columbia, S. A. and Angelo Sandrin-all with 4-2 scores. The event was held at the YMCA and directed by Turner

Nearing.

As the only Xmas season chess event open to all, the annual Illinois Open at Decatur drew players from far afield, including violinist Louis Persinger of the Juilliard School of Music in New York, who flew to Decatur to participate. However, as reported in the Decatur Herald and Review which gave excellent coverage of the event, the highlight of the tournament in a sense of devotion to chess was created by the odd itinerary of Gordon Winrod of Springfield. At 8 p.m. on New Year's Eve Mr. Winrod began playing in 1st round of the Open; at 1:25 a.m. he started back for Springfield, arriving at 3 a.m. and going to bed. At 4:30 a.m. he arrived at Springfield hospital with his wife; at 6:15 a.m. became the father of a baby boy; and at 8:45 p.m. was back at Decatur to play in 2nd round of the Open. This performance undoubtedly qualifies Mr. Winrod for nomination as chess enthusiast of 1955.



Blindfold wizard George Koltanowski faced eight of Cleveland's ablest players in a blindfold exhibition for Cleveland Chess Week. He downed Patrick, Stearns, Harald Miller, Roethler and Ellison, while drawing with McCready, Lipking and George Miller for a 61/2-11/2 score. Koltanowski commended the playing strength of his opponents as being much stronger than he expected.

Tulane Univ. Chess Club: Member A. L. McAuley of the New Orleans Chess club was trapped in a sneak visit to Tulane University for a simultaneous exhibition in which he scored eight wins and one loss, the latter to Bob Ehrart. The Louisiana State Chess Ass'n secretary had two other losing positions, but proved a fast man with a swindle to win them.

Seattle (Wash.) Chess Club: Olaf Ulvestad won the 30-30 chess tournament

stad won the 30-30 chess tournament staged at the Seattle Chess 5-0, while Dan Wade placed second with 4-1, and Russell Vellias was third with 3-2. William Bills, George Bishop and Dr. Shep-hard were fourth to sixth on Solkoff with 21/2-21/2 each. A USCF Club Af-

Syracuse (N.Y.) Chess Club: In an intercity match, Syracuse bested the Binghamton Chess Club 5-3 with Rainer Sachs, George Scriabin, Robert Buck and Harold Allen tallying for Syracuse; and Harold Allen tailying for Syracuse; while Samuel Finkelstein, Lawrence Darling, Thomas Crossett, and Norman Bennett scored for Binghamton, A USCF Club Affiliate.

# Chess Life In New York

By Allen Kaufman

NE of the stimuli for the growth of chess in New York has been the rivalry between the two great clubs of this city, the Marshall and the Manhattan. And if the competition today is not as keen as in former years, then it is also not as bitter. For these two organizations which once vied with each other for attractions, ideas, and even players, have learned to pool their resources to produce events of greater interest than ever before.

Typical of this spirit of cooperation was the recent Rosenwald Trophy Tournament, Reshevsky, Bisguier, D. Byrne and Kramer were once strictly Manhattan members, while Evans and Sherwin seldom (chessically) venutred far from the Marshall. By combining some of the outstanding playing talent and planning talent of both clubs (Alexander Bisno, president of the Manhattan, and Maurice Kasper of that club joined Jose M. Calderon of the Marshall to form the organizing committee, along with Mr. Rosenwald), and utilizing the playing rooms of both clubs, the tournament came off as planned, and was powerful, well run, and always highly interesting.

In addition to the widely publicized special events held at these clubs (such as the Rosenwald Tourney), there are many year-around regularly scheduled activities for the hundreds of members who are below master strength. And so, your reporter will devote the next two articles to a review of the typical activities for all categories of players in these two clubs during an average week, in the hope that it will be of interest to his readers in general, and perhaps specifically helpful to organizers and officers of chess clubs throughout the country.

IN BRIEF: On January ninth and eleventh Dr. Max Euwe gave simultaneous exhibitions at the Manhattan and Marshall Clubs. At the former club he scored 12-6 (losing to McCormick and the team of Rudy and Feuerstein), while at the latter club he scored 18-3, losing to Miller. Rudy and Feuerstein, it will be remembered, also defeated Reshevsky in simultaneous play. These two talented youngsters, who frequently consult at a board against masters giving simultaneous exhibitions, are considering writing a sequel to Dr. Euwe's famous book, "Meet the Masters." Theirs will be called "Beat the Masters."



Puget Sound Chess League: Second round saw Latvian Club trounce McNeil round saw Latvian Club trounce McNeil Island 9½-½; Seattle Club down Kitsap 6-4; while Seattle YMCA drew with Olympia 5-5; and Tacoma drew with West Seattle 5-5. But the third round staged an upset when McNeil Island recovered from its second round rout to defeat West Seattle 7-3; Seattle Club downed Olympia 7-3; University of Washington bested Kitsap 5-4; and Seattle YMCA drew with Latvian Club 5-5.

# Saidy, Hennessey, Walker, and Higler Lead Fordham to Intercollegiate Title

By RANDOLPH LINTHURST

Fordham University, led by Anthony Saidy, ran up a score of 21-7 to win the bi-annual U.S. Intercollegiate Team Championship Tournament held at John Jay Hall, Columbia University from December 26-30. By winning, Fordham received possession of the Harold M. Phillips Trophy for two years.

It was a see-saw battle throughout the tournament for the championship. At different times, Swarthmore, Columbia and CCNY each held the lead in the eight round team event. Fordham pulled ahead in the last two rounds with a 4-0 win over Columbia and a 3-1 triumph over Chicago.

Runners-up in the round robin tourney were CCNY with 19½-8½ and Columbia, who were the defending champions, finished third with a 17-11 mark. Michigan, Chicago, Swarthmore, Bridgeport and Pace finished in that order to complete the field.

Fordham's team was composed of Saidy (6-1), Thomas Hennessey (6-1), William Walker (5-1), William Higler (4-3), and A. Obadal (0-1).

Prizes were also presented to players having the highest score on each board. Saidy and Hennessey with 6-1 marks took the awards for the best scores on the first and second boards respectively. Allen Reitter of CONY was the

top man on the third board with  $5\frac{1}{2} \cdot 1\frac{1}{2}$ . Jerry Orenstein of Columbia notched a 5-2 record to receive the fourth board prize. Michael Gottesman of Chicago also had a 5-2 mark but Orenstein defeated him in their individual game.

Saidy lost only one game to Richard Friedenthal of the University of Bridgeport. This proved to be the biggest upset of the tournament with Saidy resigning after 41 moves. Friedenthal also lost one game in the tournament (to Martin Harrow, CCNY) but drew four times while winning two.

Eliot Hearst, Columbia graduate and president of the Intercollegi-

## 152 Players From 16 Nations At Hastings Christmas Tourney

By RHYS W. HAYS

I HAVE just attended the 1954-55 Hastings Chess Congress, and, upon discovering that no one there was reporting the tournament specifically to CHESS LIFE, I have taken on the job myself. But since I did think of doing this until the tournament was nearly over, I have not been able to get all the information I wanted; nor have I been able to write a connected story.

152 players competed in 16 sections in the Congress, which was held at the Sun Lounge, St. Leonard's, December 29 to January 8. Sixteen countries were represented: England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Germany, Yugoslavia, USSR, Israel, Kenya, and USA. The sections were: Premier, Premier Reserves (8 sections), Majors (4 sections), Second Class (two sections), Third Class. R. G. Wade was Tournament Director; F. A. Rhoden was Tournament Organizer. Mayor F. T. Hussey presided at the opening and closing ceremonies.

The Premier tournament went much as expected, with V. Smyslov and P. Keres tying for top honors, and A. Fuderer, L. Pachman, and L. Szabo tied for third. The only big surprise was Fuderer's win from Keres. W. Unzicker just missed the prize list (there were three prizes in every group; all the players in the Premier, however, received something for appearing). Alexander, though not repeating his victory of last year, turned in a creditable performance. Donner was a disappointment. Fairhurst and Phillips put up some good fights, but were outclassed.

Keres spent the first two days of the tournament sick in bed with influenza, and had to play two postponed games (against Smyslov and Unzicker) on Sunday, January 2, which was an off-day; but it didn't seem to affect his play. Unzicker was handicapped by a toothache during a part of the tournament.

The Major Section of the Premier Reserves was won by I. Bilek of Hungary (see cross-table), and John Hudson of the USA performed very creditably to tie for seventh. The Andric-Persitz game went to 147 moves.

The Premier Reserves "A" Section was won by M. Vasiljevic of Yugoslavia (see cross-table), and Arthur Spiller of the USA also performed most creditably to tie for seventh. Rinder, was tied for second, is Junior Champion of Germany

The Premier Reserves "B" Section was won by Mrs. Edith Keller, German Women's Champion, with a score of 7-1; Premier Reserves "C" by Dr. G. Brokerhof of Holland, 61/2-11/2.

The Premier Reserves, Afternoon Section, was a tie of G. Booth of England (see cross-table, page eight), B. Goulding-Brown of England, and Rhys W. Hays of USA at 6-2 each. In the section D. Fawcett was 89 years old, but tied for fifth.

Also held at this time was the British Qualifying Tournament for the World Junior Championship, with 10 players. It was won by K. W. Lloyd, 5-3.

Two Lightning Tournaments were held: the first was won by John (Please turn to Page eight) ate Chess League, served as tournament director in this 100% USCF rated event.

#### QUEEN'S PAWN GAME Intercollegiate Team Championship New York, 1954

| V   | Vhite  |        |     |         | Black   |   |
|-----|--------|--------|-----|---------|---------|---|
| M.  | HARRO  | w      |     | P. M    | ONSKY   |   |
| (CC | NY)    |        |     | (Swart  | hmore)  |   |
| 1.  | P-Q4   | Kt-KB3 | 22. | P-Q5    | RXP     |   |
| 2.  | P-QB4  | P-K3   | 23. | R-Q2    | RXR     |   |
| 3.  | Kt-QB3 | B-Kt5  | 24. | QxR     | Q-B1    |   |
| 4.  | P-QR3  | BxKtch | 25. | Q-Q8    | R-K2    |   |
| 5.  | PxB    | P-Q4   | 26. | Kt-B6ch | KtxKt   |   |
| 6.  | P-KB3  | P-QKt3 | 27. | QxR     | QxQ     |   |
| 7.  | PXQP   | PXP    | 28. | RXQ     | K-Kt2   |   |
| 8.  | P-K3   | 0.0    | 29. | RxP     | B-K3    |   |
| 9.  | B-Q3   | P-QB4  | 30. | P-Kt4   | BxP     |   |
| 10. | Kt4K2  | Kt-QB3 | 31. | B-Q3    | B-K3    |   |
| 11. | 0-0    | Q-K2   | 32. | R-R6    | B-B5    |   |
| 12. | Kt-Kt3 | P-KKt3 | 33. | BxKtch  | KxB     |   |
| 13. | R-R2   | R-Q1   | 34. | RxPch . | K-K2    |   |
| 14. | QR-KB2 | Kt-K1  | 35. | BXB     | KtxB    |   |
| 15. | R-K1   | В-К3   | 36. | R-Kt7ch | K-K3    |   |
| 16. | B-Kt2  | QR-B1  | 37. | P-R4    | P-R3    | į |
| 17. | B-R6   | R-B2   | 38. | R-B7    | Kt-R4   |   |
| 18. | P-K4   | PXQP   | 39. | K-B2    | P-B4    |   |
| 19. | BPXP   | Kt-R4  | 40. | R-B5    | Kt-Kt2  |   |
| 20. | P-B4   | PXP    | 41. | R-B6ch  |         | ĺ |
| 21. | KtxP   | B-B5   |     |         | Resigns |   |

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#### KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE Intercollegiate Team Championship New York, 1954

|     |   | Men 10  | TK,  | 1734  |   |
|-----|---|---|--|---|---|
| 1   | Vhite   |   |  |   | Black   |
| A.  | SAIDY   |   | R.   | FRIEDE  | ENTHAL  |
| (Fo | rdham)  | 100   | 2 ,  | (Bri  | dgeport)  |
| 1.  | P-Q4  | Kt-KB3  | 22.  | PxP   | P-K5  |
| 2.  | P-QB4   | P-KKt3  | 23.  | B-Kt2   | PXP   |
| 3.  | P-KKt3  | B-Kt2   | 24.  | Kt-B4   | Q-R2  |
| 4.  | B-Kt2   | 0-0   | 25.  | QR-Kt1  | B-B1  |
|     |   | P-Q3  | 26.  | Kt-Kt5  | Kt-Kt3  |
| 6.  | Kt-B3   | QKt-Q2  | 27.  | KR-B1   | KtxKt   |
| 7.  | 0-0   | R-K1  | 28.  | BxKt  | Q-Kt3   |
| 8.  | P-K4  | P-K4  | 29.  | В-К3  | Kt-R4   |
|     |   | P-QR4   | 30.  | B-Q4  | B-Q2  |
| 10. | В-К3  | P-QKt3  | 31.  | BxB   | RxB   |
| 11. | Q-B2  | B-Kt2   | 32.  | R-K1  | Kt-B5   |
| 12. | P-Q5  | R-B1  | 33.  | Q-Q2  | KtxB  |
| 13. | P-QR3   | Kt-R4   | 34.  | KxKt  | P-B5  |
| 14. | P-QKt4  | P-KB4   | 35.  | QXP   | R-B1  |
| 15. | PXBP  | PXBP  | 36.  | Q-Q2  | Q-B4  |
| 16. | Kt-KKt  | 5 Q-B3  | 37.  | R-K3  | QxRPch  |
| 17. | Kt-K6   | R-B2  | 38.  | K-Kt1   | B-Kt5   |
| 18. | B-Q2  | P-KR3   | 39.  | Q-K1  | B-B6  |
| 19. | B-B3  | Q-Kt3   | 40.  | RxB   | RxR   |
| 20. | Q-Q1  | Kt(4)-B3  | 41.  | R-Kt2   | P-K6  |
| 21. | Q-K2  | Kt-B1   | Re   | signs   |   |
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| 1. P. Keres (USSR)x                | 1  | 0  | 3  | 1   | 1 | 1 | 1   | 1   | 1 | 7 -2  |
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| 3. A. Fuderer (Yugoslavia)1        | 0  | x  | 1  | 0   | 3 | à | 1   | 1   | 1 | 51-31 |
| 4. L. Pachman (Czechoslovakia)     |    | 0  | x  | 3   | 1 | 1 | 1   | 1   | 1 | 51-31 |
| 5. L. Szabo (Hungary)0             | 0  | 1  | 1  | x   | 1 | 1 | 1   | 1   | 1 | 51-31 |
| 6. W. Unzicker (W. Germany)0       | 0  | 4  | à  | 3   | X | 3 | 1   | 1   | 1 | 5 -4  |
| 7. C. H. O'D. Alexander (England)0 | 1  | 1  | 0  | 1   | 3 | x | à   | 1   | 1 | 45-45 |
| 8. J. H. Donner (Holland)0         | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0 | 3 | X   |     |   | 21-61 |
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| 5. B. H. Wood (England)0           | 0  | 3  | 0  | X   | 1 | 3 | 1   | 1   | 1 | 5 -4  |
| 6. Dr. S. Fazekas (England)0       |    |    | 0  | 0   | x | 1 | 1   | 1   | 1 | 4 -5  |
| 7. John Hudson (USA)0              | à  | 0  | 0  | 1   | 0 | x | 1   | 3   | 1 | 31-51 |
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| 2. L  | . Evans0          | x  | 1 2  | 0   | 1   | 1   | 23-23     | 1 | x   | 1   | 1   | 1    | 1 |    | 61-31 |
| 3. A  | . Bisguier0       | 3  | x    | 0   | 0   | 1   | 13-33     | ī | 3   | x   | 1   | 1    | 1 |    | 6 -4  |
| 1. D  | . Byrne           | 1  | 1    | x   | 0   | 0   | 21-21     | 1 | õ   | 0   | x   | 1    | 1 |    | 5 -5  |
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1. Newburyport, Mass. ... 2. Portsmouth, N. H. ... 3. Lynn, Mass. .... 271/6 5. Durham, N. H. ..... 1514 ..241/2 INDIVIDUAL SCORING 7 -1 7 -0 6 -2 6 -2 51-21 ..D7 W7 W20 1. John Curdo (Lvnn) W20 W11 W26

Sharpe forfeited a game to Bean; Gamester two games to Potter; Hayes a game

to Orlandella.

Frank Sweet (Durham) 0-1.

## NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP

Boston, 1954 100% USCF Rated Event

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| <ol> <li>B. Siff (Boston)W18</li> <li>Dr. J. Platz (E. Hartford)W27</li> </ol> | W2<br>L1 | W6<br>W7 | W9<br>W16 | L4<br>W10 | W13<br>W17 | W8<br>W4 | 6 -1    | 26.00<br>21.00 |
| 3. H. B. Daly (Sanford)W15   | W11      | L16      | W13       | W17       | D4         | W14      | 53-13   | 20.00          |
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| 5. J. Curdo (W. Lynn)L16   | W24      | D26      | W21       | W12       | D7         | W17      | 5 -2    | 14.50          |
| 6. O. A. Lester (W. Newbury) W19   | W21      | L1       | L4        | W28       | W22        | W11      | 5 -2    | 13.50          |
| 7. E. Wolk (Storrs)W25   | D4       | L2       | W18       | D9        | D5         | W13      | 41-21   | 15.50          |
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| 13. H. Morse (Manchester)W14   | W17      | D9       | L3        | W16       | L1         | L7       | 31-31   | 11.50          |
| 14. A. Klinushkoff (Boston)L13   | W28      | W20      | L17       | D18       | W15        | L3       | 31-31   | 9.50           |
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| 16. H. Rose (W. Newton) 3-4 (13.50);   | 17. F    | t. Mer   | rill (C   | uincy     | 3-4        | (9.00);  | 18. C.  | Bar-           |
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| (Salem) 21/2-41/2 (5.75); 23. B. Leme  | ent (N   | lewton   | 1) 21/2   | 41/2 (    | 1.75);     | 24. K    | . Koc   | hman           |
| (Hartford) 2-5 (4.25); 25. Charles Sha   | rpe (V   | V. Sea   | rboro     | 2-5 (3    | .50); 2    | 26. Bar  | tlett ( | Gould          |
| (NNewburyport) 11/2-51/2 (5.00); 27. E   | . Con    | gleton   | (E. I     | Provid    | ence)      | 11/2-51/ | (3.25   | ); 28.         |
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4. F. Keller, Jr. (Northampton) L1
5. H. Robinson (Belmont) .....W13 W8
6. S. Zaromb (Cambridge) ....L2 Bye
7. W. Charondy (Providence) ...Bye D2
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| 2.  | C.   | Freeman   | nW16       | W11 V   | V4 I  | 01 V  | V8 1  | W3     | W5     | D7      | W6 1   | .9    | W14    | 9 -1     |       |
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| 4.  | C.   | Parkin    | W1         | 4 W26   | L2    | W10   | W9    | L1     | W1:    | 1 W3    | L5     | W1    | 7 W7   | 8 -3     | 74.5  |
| 5.  | A.   | Miller    | W1         | 7 W22   | L3    | W16   | W6    | W10    | ) L2   | L1      | W4     | W18   | 8 W9   | 8 -3     | 74.0  |
| 6.  | I. I | Newton    | W1         | 8 L9    | W29   | W15   | L5    | W2     | 1 L1   | W13     | L2     | W10   | 0 W17  | 7 -4     |       |
| 7.  | 0.   | Burnet    | tW1        | 3 W28   | W8    | L3    | L24   | W17    | 7 W9   | D2      | W15    | L1    | L4     | 61-41    | 70.0  |
| 8.  | E.   | Schick    | W1         | 0 W15   | L7    | W25   | L2    | W12    | D16    | W24     | L1     | W19   | 9 L3   | 61-41    | 67.0  |
| 9.  | K.   | Terry     | W24        | W6      | L1    | W12   | L4    | W1:    | 5 L7   | W11     | L3     | W2    | L5     | 6 -5     | 73.0  |
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| 11. | F.   | Graves    | W2         | 0 L2    | L25   | W26   | W17   | W2     | 9 L4   | L9      | L19    | W22   | 2 W15  | 6 -5     | 58.0  |
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1. Opening Traps

NE of the first things a chess beginner usually wants to know is how to win in a very few moves. The idea is to memorize a few simple moves which will "outwit" and conquer his opponent in several quick strokes thus demonstrating his intellectual superiority in a convincing manner. At the same time the average beginner who plays a strong player is usually very much afraid of being overcome before he can even get his pipe lit. How either one of these things can happen, the following examples will show.

Among strong players it seldom happens that a game is won in the opening. This is true firstly because good players know most of the possible opening traps; secondly because they usually follow standard openings, which automatically avoid many pitfalls; and finally good players are familiar with the basic principles of good opening play, and these principles tend to prevent one's falling into opening traps. Among chess masters the same idea applies, to some extent, to the middle-game. When both sides are well aware of most of the typical mid-game tactics, a very evenly balanced struggle is likely to result where delicate positional objectives, such as the doubling of pawns, are sought, where the loss of a mere pawn may decide the game, and where the game frequently goes on into the end-game stage with neither side having any clear-cut advantage. Former World Champion Alexander Alekhine once said "If anyone beats me, he must beat me three times: in the opening, in the middle-game, and in the end-game."

The quickest possible way to win is to hypnotize your opponent into falling into the Fool's Mate: 1. P-KB3, P-K4; 2. P-KKt4, Q-R5 Mate. Thus mate is accomplished in two moves (that is two for each side). This trap is well-named since White's moves have no logic or plan behind them. They do not help to develop White's pieces; they do not struggle for the center; they do not add to, but rather subtract from the safety of the King. Actually White's moves are so foolish that they hardly ever occur, so the trap, for practical purposes, is of little value. How-ever, traps very similar to this one do occur either in certain openings or in some middle-game situations.

A somewhat more sophisticated trap known as the Scholar's Mate runs as follows:

1. P-K4 2. B-B4 Kt-KB3? Q-R5 4. QxBP Mate

This is a very plausible trap to try on someone who has just learned the moves but has, as yet, no ideas of sound opening play or even enough chess vision to see a onemove checkmate staring him in the face. A simple way to prevent the mate would be 3. ..... This has the merit of putting sufficient protection on Black's KB2 square and also of defending his KP, which is attacked by the White

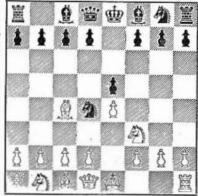
There is a second way to prevent the mate and also protect the KP, namely 3. ....., Q-B3. This is typical of many situations in chess. There are two or more ways to accomplish a given objective. At first glance they seem equally good. This is the time for the player to hesitate and examine other factors. It is possible to accomplish this objective and perhaps some other too. In the given case it is readily apparent that 3. ......, Q-K2 is the better move since it leaves Black's KB3 square available for the KKt. This is the natural developing square for this Kt. Development of this Kt at R3 would be inconsistent with the principle of center control.

In the given situation there is another compelling reason for leaving KB3 available for the KKt. When it does go there, it will attack White's Q. The White Q will have to retire, and Black will gain a clear tempo (unit of time) in his development. This points out a basic fact about the whole trap which White has set. In laying the trap he brought his Q out into an exposed position. Black is able to turn aside the attack and also gain a tempo. Thus White's move 3. Q-R5 must be considered basically unsound (a "premature attack"). An expert playing against an expert would not try such a gambling type of move unless the likelihood of success were much greater. Incidentally, the above trap can occur in several different forms. The main idea is to get the Q and another piece to bear on the opposing KBP. Sometimes the trap cannot even be tried. For example, if Black plays 2. ....., Kt-KB3, then the White Q cannot be brought into position to attack KB7.

2. An attractive trap for beginners.

And now for a really elegant tran! This tran can be recommended for use either against beginners or even against fairly strong opponents. It has the advantage of being little known (it has no name) and also of arising at the third move of one of the most common openings in chess! Furthermore it offers some tempting bait and, what is more, the point of the trap is very easily overlooked. Here it P-K4 P-K4 Kt-KB3 B-B4 Kt-QB3

A very common position. Here Black usually plays 3. ......, Kt-KB3 (the Two Knights Defense) or 3. ....., B-B4 (the Guioco Piano Opening). But here is where Black can lay his rather diabolical trap.



after Black's third move Position

This looks like a blunder since it gives away the KP. Furthermore, after capturing the pawn, White will have a double attack on KB7.

This move is the springing of the trap. White is in serious trouble although many a player will not realize it until a move or two later. The Black Q threatens the Kt and also the KKtP.

5. KtxBP The only plausible alternative, 5. BxP ch, proves to be no better, the attack by Black being similar to the one given below. If White realizes the serious trouble he is in, he may try-5. Kt-Kt4, but after ......, P-Q4 attacking his B and also releasing Black's QB against the White Kt, White will lose a piece.

B-B1 This is one of several tries at a

defense, all of them being fatal, 6. KtxR is similar to the text. If 6. R-B1, then 6. ......, QxKP ch; 7. B-K2, Kt-B6 Mate.

QxKP ch 6. ...... 7. B-K2 OxR ch

Here 7. ....... KtxP ch directly is sufficient since it wins White's Q. However, Black can get the Q and a R too or else mate the White King.

Q-K5 ch 9. B-K2 10. K-B1 KtxP ch Q-R8 Mate

And now to assess the entire variation. A penetrating reader will suspect a flaw. Otherwise why does this dangerous combination not occur more often? The answer is fairly simple. Firstly, the trap is too deep for beginners to discover for themselves. Secondly it is too simple for experts to overlook. Actually some very strong players have been caught by it. But good players are always susnicious of an outright gift, especially in the opening. Finally the trap has a basic drawback. Black disregards sound opening principles Chess Life Thursday, Page 5

and moves a piece twice in the opening. With 4. KtxKt White can give Black doubled pawns and also gain time (since he exchanges his Kt, which moved only once, for Black's which has moved twice!).

This is the reason why the trap has not become popular or even well-known. It is a dangerous weapon to try on the average player but not too often against the same opponent.

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Exciting chess from two exponents of the art of attack.

> CARO-KANN MCO: page 8, column 1 (b) U. S. Open Championship New Orleans, 1954

Notes by J. Norman Cotter White A. SANTASIERE A. POMAR 1. P-K4 3. Kt-QB3 4. KtxP P-Q4 P-Q4 B-B4 Salo Flohr, the foremost advocate of offers the best method of treatment for

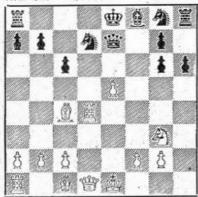
5. Kt-Kt3 6. P-KR4 B-K+3 7, Kt-R3 P-KR3

A relatively new idea which has been extensively analysed by the Dutch masters, Prins and Euwe. In a game quoted by Euwe, Black continued 7. ......, Kt-B3; 8. Kt-B4, B-R2; 9. B-B4, P-K4!; 10. PxP, QxQ ch; 11. KxQ, Kt-Kt5; 12. Kt-R3, KtxP!; 13. R-K1, Kt-Q2 and now 14. P-B4 faile after. 

QXP It is now clear that Santasiere's aggre sive 7th move is not the refutation. He has exchanged a strong center pawn for a wing pawn, opened the KR file for White, and lost time with his Queen. No better would have been 8. ......, Q-R4 ch; 9. B-Q2, QxP ch; 10. B-K2 with gain of time

txB PxKt 11. B-Q3! Q-K3 and 11. ....., QxP ch is too risky in of 12. K-B1, Kt-K2; 13. R-R4, Kt-14. BxP ch! with a powerful at-(14. ....., KtxR2; 15. R-K4). Instead 11. tack.

Kt-Q2 Q-K2 13. B-QB4



The position merits a diagram in view logical question: or the logical question: Why didn't Black play 14. ........ O-O-O, removing his King from the center of the board, (which position ultimately proves to be his undoing). Perhaps Santasiere considered 15. Q-Kt4 too powerful as in the following lines:

following lines:
(a) 15. Q-Kt4, QxP ch; 16. R-K4, Q-QB4; 17. BxKt, RxB; 18. B-K3, QxP;

Q. 19. (b) (b) 15. Q-Kt4, K-B2; 16. B-B4, P-KKt4; 17. P-K6 dis.ch., PxB; 18. QxP ch, K-B1; 19. O-O-O! winning. However, there appears to be a saving clause, e.g.:

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(c) 15. Q-Kt4, Kt-B3!; 16. Q-K6 (other moves are worse), R-K1! (not ......., QxQ; 17. BxQ, Kt-K1; 18. B-K3, K-B2; 19. O-O-O, etc.) and Black appears to have escaped Whites clutches. All of which seems to prove that the best continuation would

(d) 15. B-B4 and if ......, Kt-Kt3; (......, P-KKt4; 16. Kt-B5 is too strong); 16. RxR ch; 17. B-K6 ch, K-B2; 18. QxQ ch, KxQ; 19. O-O-O, K-K2; 20. B-Kt3 leaving Pomar far ahead in development. The very complications of all these lines indicate that after all ......, O-OO was perhaps to be preferred to 14. ..... Kt-Kt3 19. Bx 15. B-Kt3 R-Q1 20. K-16. RxR ch QxR 21. B-19. BxKfP QxKPch 20. K-B1 Kf-B3 21. B-B4 Q-Kf4eh K-K2 Q-Q5 17. B-B7 ch 22. K-K†1 18. Q-B3

There is nothing to be done. The Queen is caught in the middle.

R-Q1ch QKt-Q2 Kt-K4 Kt-Q4 25. P-QKt3 24. Kt-K4

Threatening a pawn fork 25. ...... Kt(Q4)-Kt3 27. B 26. P-B4 Q-QR4 28. Q 27. B-K†3 28. Q-B4 Menacing a mate in one at B7.

B-Kt4 29. Q-K†8ch Most likely time pressure inaccuracy. Correct, of course, is 29. Q-B7 ch, K-B2; 30. RxKt ch. Fortunately the position

doesn't run away. 31. Q-B7ch Resigns 30. QxKtP Kt-Kt3

The last note now applies. A sparkling performance by our Spanish visitor.



The sixteen year old winner of this game at New Orleans went on to win the New York State Tournament two weeks later. This game shows how he does it.

## SICILIAN DEFENSE MCO: page 291, column 135 U. S. Open Championship New Orleans, 1954

Notes by U. S. Expert Dr. E. W. Marchand

White W. LOMBARDY 1. P-K4 P-Q AL. SANDRIN P-QB4 2. Kt-QB3 1. P-K4 P-QB4 2. Kt-QB3 .......
This old line gives Black no great trouble as he frequently encounters in the more common variations, but has the effect of creating a positional rather than a combinational struggle, at least for White.

5. P-Q3 6. B-K3 P-KKt3 P-KKt3 4. B-K12 B-K12
Despite the fact that this is a "book"

move, it does not work out very well in practice. A better general plan is an early R-QKt1 and P-QKt4 so that Black can carry out his proper strategic plan of attack on the Q-side.

KKt-K2 Kt-Q5 Kt-K2 9. R-K11 0.0

8, O-O Kt-K2

All "book" so far. Or 9. P-B4. In this case White offers a pawn by 9. .....,

KtxKt; 10. QxKt, BxKt; 11. PxB, QxP in exchange for the trade of Black's powerful KB and the associated weakening of his black squares. Lombardy's move seems definitely better.

Not 9. ......, KtxKt ch; 10. KtxKt, QxP; 11. BxP?; 12. RxB, QxR; 13. B-Q4 and 14. BxR. 10. P-QK5 11. P-QK14 KtxKtch 13. PXP

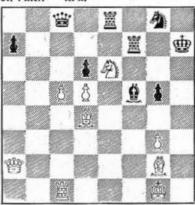
Black's general treatment of this opening has proven inadequate. He is two moves behind in development and has

moves benind in development at the worst of it in the center. 14. P-Q84 P-Kt3 18. P-B3 15. Q-Kt3 B-Q2 19. P-Q5 16. KR-Q81 QR-Q1 20. P×KP(4) 17. P-Q4 P-B4 21. KPxP White here elects to sacrifice the change in return for a severe weal ing of the black square near the Black

26. Q-Q2 27. P-R4 P-KR3 22. R-Kt2 BxR K-R2 23. QxB 24. Kt-B4 QR-K1 28. Q-R2 Kt-Kt1 R-B2 29. P-B5 KtPxP Q-B1 25. B-Q4

Somewhat better appears to be 29. R-B2; 30. P-B6. Black's next move also was unwise because it loosens his Kposition and also overlooks a combination.

30. PXP 31. PXKtP P-Kt4 RPxP 32. Kt-K61



As so often happens, good positional play has set the stage for successful combinations. If now 32. ......, BxKt; K-R3; 34. PxB and 35. Q-R2 ch); 34. QxKP); 34. B-K4 ch!, RxB; 35. QxKP); 34. B-K4 ch!, RxB; 35. B-B4 (if 33. QxR ch.

K-Kt3 33. Q-Q2 BxKt

On 35. ....., RxP; 36. R-B7, QxP; 37. Q-Q3 ch, R-B4; 38. R-B6 (not 38. P-Kt4, 8-K8 ch!), etc. 36. P-O7!

36. P-Q7!

One blow follows another, illustrating again the importance of the time-worn term "the initiative." Essential is 36.

......, QxP. Then 37. B-B6 will recover the exchange, though again White could play for the attack with 37. R-B6 ch, K-R2 (if 37. ....., Kt-B3, then 38. BxKt!, QxQ; 39. B-B3 ch or if 37. ....., R-K3, then 38. B-K4 ch, R-B4; 39. P-Kt4l;) 38. B-K4 ch, RxB; 39. Q-R2 ch, Q-R5; 40. Q-B2 ch, Q-B4 (not 40. ....., R-B4; 41. R-B7), with a probable draw.

8xP 38. Q-Q3ch K-R3

RxP R-Q3 38. Q-Q3ch 37. K-B6 K-Q3 If 38. ......, K-B2; 39. Q-R7 ch, K-B1; 40. Q-Kt7 mate; or 38. ...... K-R4; 39. P-Kt4 ch, QxP; 40. RxR, Q-K8 ch; 41. K-R2. A well played and hard-fought game. 39. RxR QxR 40. B-Kt7ch



MOWING 'EM DOWN

Two of the most important tournaments in the U.S. in 1954, the U.S. Championship and the Pan-American Tourna-ment, were won by Arthur B. Bisguier. The following game is an example of his strong and daring play in these tourna-

## QUEEN'S GAMBIT ACCEPTED MOCO: page 152, column 13 Pan-American Tournament Hollywood, 1954

Notes by U.S. Expert Edmar Mednis White Black A. BISGUIER R. SIEMMS P-Q4 PxP 3. Kt-KB3 P-QR3 P-QB4

2. P-QB4 PxP
At present the most popular move, but possible also are Kt-KB3 and P-QB4. After the latter the game Kaminski-Donovan, Marshall C.C. Championship 1954, continued with 4. B-B4?, PxP!; 5. KtxP?, P-K4!; 6. BxP, Q-R4 ch; 7. Kt-Q2, QxB; 8. KtxP, B-Kt5 ch and White resigned. 4. P-K3 B-Kt5

P-K3 B-Kt5 4. P-K3

The older continuation consisted of
Kt-KB3, P-K3, B-K2, P-QKt4, B-Kt2, etc.
The text has lately become quite popu-

his match against Botvinnik.
5. BxP P-K3 7. PxB BxP Q-Kt3 BxKt Smyslov here prefers P-QKt4 and after 8. B-K2, Kt-Q2 Kt-B3 P.OB4 First Kt-KB3 was indicated. 9. P-Q5 P-QKt4?
This is tantamount to suicide. Either

also used

being

PxP or P-K4 had to be tried. 宣由 9 4



Of course. White gets three pawns and a strong attack for the piece-

able exchange. 12. PXP II. BxPch Kt-Q2 13. QxPch B-K2 Best. After Q-K2; 14. Q-Kt6! would be too strong. Q-Kt1

14. B-Q2 Q-K11
It is difficult to suggest anything much better. R-Kt2 to be followed by R-Kt3 hight have been a slight improvement.

15. Q-Kt3 Kt-B3 17. O-O-O ....... K-B1

An imposing position. All of White's pieces are ideally posted and ready for the kill. Meanwhile Black is reduced to

meaningless maneuvering.

17. ........ R-Kt2 18. P-QR4 Kt-Kt3
Threatens KtxP, but this attempt is easily repulsed. 19. Q-K6! Q-B1?

Fig. 4.61 Q-B17

Even though this loses a piece it can hardly be called a blunder. A satisfactory continuation is non-existant.

20. QxQch! KtxQ 23. B-Kt7 R-K3

KtxQ R-B2 23. B-Kt7 24. QBxKt BXB 22. B-K5 R-B3 25. BxKt Bisguier can be trusted to win a game with three pawns ahead. The rest requires no

R-Q3 KR-Q1 26. R-Q2 27. B-Q7 K-B2 31. KR-Q1 32. P-R6 28. B-Kt5 33. RxR 29. B-B4ch K-B3 34. RxBch Resigns An impressive performance by the present U. S. Champion.



#### **QUEEN'S GAMBIT ACCEPTED**

MCO: page 152, column 13(h) CCLA Tourney Correspondence, 1951

Notes by Dr. M. G. Sturm

White DR. M. G. STURM Black O. JUNGWIRTH (Trinidad) (USA P-QB4 5. P-QR4 6. P-QK131? PXP Kt-KB3 P-QR3 Empirical, but it does not turn out well. White wished to avoid the absolute equality after 6. PxP, PxP; 7. RxR, BxR, but this may be the best line, as after 6. Kt-B3, P-Kt5!?; 7. BxP, P-K3; 8. Q-Kt3, Q-B1! Black has a good game (MCO), better than after 8. ......, Kt-B3!; 9. P-R5! (Korn-Katz, London 1949).
6. ...... P-K3 9. QKt-Q2 KKt-B3 9. QKt-Q2 10. Q-B2 11. Kt-Kt5! 6. ...... 7. PxBP BxP Kt-Q2 Threat 12. Q-Kt3 13. 0-0! Kt-Kt5! Kt-Q4 11. 12. Kt(2)-B3 PxP; 14. PxP with a strong Not 13. ... attack. 14. Q-K+3 15. P-R5! 16. BxB 17. P-K4?! B-Q4

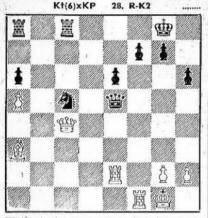
B-K2

Not wishing to block either the Q-file

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of the diagonal QR1-KR8, but 17, PxP seems more practical. 19 Kt.K51 18. Q-B4 20. B-R3 Kt-B6 Not 20. BxKt?: 21. BxKt nor 20. Not 20. ......, BKR1, 21. BKR1, 21. QxP?, 21. Kt-B6 and KtxB. 21. P-B4 P-R3 24. R-R2 24. R-R2 25. PxB RYK 22. Kt(Kt5)-B3 KR-B1 26. Kt-Kt3 27. KtxKt B-Q3 OXKP 23. KtxQP KtxKt



White is two Ps the K-side, a da down, but threatens the K-side, a danger completely viated by Black's excellent defence. 28. ...... Kt-Q2! 31. R(K2)-KB2

29. Q-Q3 30. B-Kt2! Q-B4ch 32. K-R1 R-01 33. Q-K2!

With this move Black unexpectedly offered the draw, naturally accepted. I had decided on 40. P-Kt4!, R-R2!; 41. Kt5 ch, R-Kt2; 42. P-R4!, an interesting end-game study.

Drawn



#### KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE MCO: page 91, column 56 (a) Pan-American Championship Hollywood, 1954

Notes by U. S. Expert

Dr. Max Herzberger

White Black H. STEINER R. SIEMMS Kt-KB3 P-KKt3 P-Q3 P-K4 P-QB4 P-B3 5. 0.0 B-Kt2 6. B-Kt5 QKt-Q2

3. Kt-QB3 B-Kt2 6. B-Kt5 QKt-Q2
Black chooses to keep an option between P-K4 and P-QB4, but the move restricts his position.
7. Kt-R3 P-B4 8. P-Q5 Kt-K1
But this gives White too much space.
P-QR3, R-QKt1 and P-QKt4 was an alternative. At least this move should be followed up by Kt-QB2 and a freeing maneuver on the Q-side.
9. B-K2 Kt-K4
Black tries to play on the K-side, but

Black tries to play on the K-side, but the opening of lines works in favor of White (in spite of his bad bishops on K2), due to the fact that he can occupy the open file quicker with all

his heavy pieces. P-B4 10. Kt-B2 11. O-O P-KR3 16. R-KKt1 K-R2 B-Q2 17. R-Kt2 13. P-KK†3 18. Q-B2

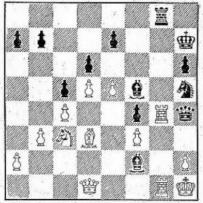
19. QR-KKt1 Q-B2 20. P-Kt3 Q-B3 P-KKt4 PXP

24. BxKt B-25 26. B-B1!

Notice that the Black Queen has no retreat and will not have one from now

26. ...... R-KKt1 27. B-B2 ....... The winning move. Neither 27. RxR,

RxR nor 27. R-Kt7 ch, KtxR; 28. BxQ, BxR; 29. BxB ch, KtxB gives a clear win for White. 29. R(7)-Kt4 28. RxR Q-R5 R-KK+1 30. B-Q3! Resigns



A beautiful finish. The reader should investigate the large manifold of variations in the last ten moves.

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(Continued from Page 1, col. 3)

Kt-Kt4 27. Q-K1 28. RxKi 37. BxP 38. B-B2 P.RS P-Kt6 29. B-Kt3 Kt-R4 39. PxP 40. B-K†1 P-R6 BxQ K-B2 KtxB 41. K-B3 42. K-K4 K-K3 B-K4 31 R-R5 B-Q5 32. B-Kt4 33. Q-K2 34. Q×R P-87 43. Kt-B2 KtxQ 44. P-QK14 35 KYK BXP Resigns 36. B-B5 P-R4



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1. P-Q4
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| 1   | White  |        | ,   |         | Black /  |
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|     | SHERWI | N      |     | A. BI   | SGUIER   |
| 1.  | Kt-KB3 |        | 21  | RPXP    | P-K4     |
| 2.  |        |        |     | P-KB4   | PxP      |
|     | B-Kt2  | P-B3   |     | PxP     | Kt-K3    |
| 4.  | 0-0    | B-B4   |     | Q-B3    | P-KB4    |
| 5.  | P-Q3   | QKt-Q2 | 25. | PxP     | RxP      |
| 6.  | QKt-Q2 | P-K3   | 26. | B-R3    | Kt(2)-B1 |
| 7.  |        | P-KR3  | 27. | Q-Kt2   | B-B4ch   |
| 8.  | P-K4   | PXP    | 28. | K-R1    | RxP      |
| 9.  | PxP    | B-R2   | 29. | B-K5    | KRxKt    |
| 10. | P-QR3  | B-K2   | 30. | BxQ     | RxQ      |
| 11. | P-Kt3  | Kt-B4  | 31. | BxR     | R-Kt6    |
| 12. | B-Kt2  | 0-0    | 32. | BxKtch  | KtxB     |
| 13. | R-Q1   | : Q-B2 | 33. | Kt-B3   | B-K5     |
| 14. | Kt-K5  | QR-Q1  | 34. | K-R2    | RxKt     |
| 15. | Q-K2   | KKt-Q2 | 35. | RxR     | BxR      |
| 16. | Kt-Kt4 | P-KR4  | 36. | R-Q7    | B-K6     |
| 17. | Kt-K3  | B-B3   | 37. | R-Q3    | B-B5ch   |
| 18. | B-B1   | P-R5   | 38. | K-R3    | B-K5     |
| 19. | Kt-Kt4 | B-K2   | 39. | R-Q7    | BxP      |
| 20. | B-Kt2  | PxP    |     | Resigns |          |

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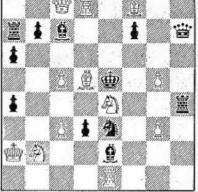
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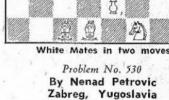
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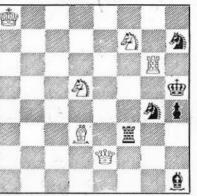


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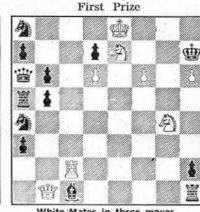
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White Black G. KRAMER S. RESHEVSKY 22. Kt-Kt5 P-R3 P-QB4 Kt-QB3 P-KKt3 P-KKt3 23. B-Q5ch 24. QxKtcl KtxB 0-0 25. Kt-B7ch K-R2 B-Kt2 P-K4 P-Q3 P-K4 27. K-Kt2 R-R7 28. QxB 29. QxR RxPch BxPch KKt-K2 QKt-Q2 QxBP P-B3 P-KR3 PYP 30 K-B3 K-K4 Q-Q8ch P-QR4 B-B4ch R-KI 32. R-K†2 R-Kt1 P-Kt3 Q-Q8ch Q-R8ch K-B3 KKt-Q2 34. R-K2 13. P-QR3 P-QKt4 P-B4 35. Q-K†2 36. R-K7 QxB PxKtF Q-R6ch RPxP Q-B8 Q-Q8ch Q-Q5ch KtxP 37. R-K3 38. R-K7 39. K-B2 PxKt 18. RxP RXR Kt-Kt3 P-B4

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Solution Jo What's The Best Mane?

#### Solution to No. 150

Maynger-Bachman, Augsburg, 1898. Black wins by 1. ......., B-N4! and if 2. BxB, P-Q6; 3. PxP, P-K7. Many and ingenious were our solvers' efforts to win by other moves, but none appeared altogether correct. together correct.

Most common try was 1. ....., P-Q6; 2. PxP, B-N4; 3. PxP, BxB; 4. K-B4, BxP; 5. KxP but after 5. ......, B-K3; 6. K-B4, K-R2; 7. K-K5, P-N4! (It is now or never) 3. P-R4!! it is clear that the capture or exchange of the last Black pawns cannot be prevented.

On 1. ......, P-B5; 2. K-B4, P-Q6; 3. PxQP, KPxP there follows 4. BxP, PxB; 5. KxP, B-N4; 6. P-N5 drawn; or if 5. ....., BxP; 6. KxP, B-Q2; 7. K-B4, B-B3; 8. P-R4, K-R2; 9. P-R5!, PxP 10. K-B5 drawn. K-B5 drawn.

After 1. ......, B-K; 2, K-B4, B-N3; 3. B-Q!, K-R2; 4. P-N5, and Black cannot break through; if here 4. ......, P-N4; 5. P-R4! etc.

B-Ql, K-R2; 4. P-N5, and Black cannot break through; if here 4. ......, P-N4; 5. P-R4! etc.

Upon 1. ......, P-N4; 2. K-B4, B-B3; 3. P-N5 White draws by 4. PxP, PxP; 5. BxP, P-Q6; 6. KxP/3, PxP; 7. K-Q2. The grand attempt by 1. ....., K-R2; 2. K-B4, KxP; 3. KxP, K-N4 "and wins" was submitted by some of our best solvers, and Black does win after the fascinating variation 4. P-B3, B-B3 ch; 5. K-Q3. B-N4 ch; 6. P-B4, B-K1, with a decisive threat of mate in one by a lone bishop on an open board! But White has a better defense by 3. P-QN4! (instead of 3. KxP?), keeping the Black K under restraint and forcing a passed QRP for the counterplay needed to draw. To 3. ....., PxP or 3. ....., P-B5 White simply answers 4. KxP/3. Much more ticklish is 3. ....., B-R5 4. PxP, PxP; 5. B-Q!, P-K7! (not 5. ....., P-Q6; 6. PxP, BxB; 7. KxP/3, PxP; 8. KxP drawn) 6. BxP, BxP and it seems that Black must win, but at last the defense 7. P-R4! was discovered sufficient to draw, as by 7. ....., P-Q6; 8. P-N5 ch, K-N3; 9. B-N4, BxP; 10. B-B5 ch, K-N2; 11. KxP, P-Q7; 12. B-N4, P-Q8(Q); 13. BxQ, BxB; 14. K-Q5 drawn; if here 8. ....., K-N2, then 9. B-N4, BxP; 10. KxP, P-B5; 11. K-Q4, B-N6; 12. B-B5 drawn. Or if in reply to 7. P-R4!, BxP; 8. B-B3 ch, K-K5 and draws. Finally, on 3. ....., B-B3 there follows 4. PxP, PxP; 5. P-N5, ch, K-N3; 6. B-N4, B-N4; 7. Kx P/4, P-K7; 8. BxP, BxB; 9. K-Q5 drawn; or here 6. ....., B-Q4; 7. P-R4, P-B5; 8. P-B3!, PxP; 9. KxP/3, KxP; 10. B-Q drawn; if instead 8. ...., P-Q6; 9. Kx P/3, KxP; 10. B-B8 and it is not clear how Black can proceed.

The unexpected and exciting variations encountered after 1. ....., K-R2

The unexpected and exciting variations encountered after 1. ......, K-R2 made the analysis of this position a memorable adventure in the realms of the human understanding. Whatever passes the limits of comprehension must have the effect of verging on the infinite, and the effort to comprehend all variations after K-R2 at times seemed an unforgettable experience. Thank you, (Those solvers who have not spent a week analyzing 1. ......, K-R2 may not understand this paragraph. Never mind.)

understand this paragraph. Never mind.)
Correct solutions are acknowledged from: K. Blumberg, J. E. Byrd, M. H. Cha, J. E. Coachman, Dr. H. B. Gaba, Charles Grachim,\* Robert L. Hewes,\* Lyman T. Johnston, Jr., Maury Klein,\* Edward J. Korpanty, Henry R. Meifert, Robert W. Merrick,\* Robert A. Monroe, Charles A. Morgan, Howard Murray, C. Musgrove, George W. Payne, Herbert C. Pierson, George V. Putnam, Sheldon Rein, Walter Shugert Jr., Irwin Sigmond, Clem Simmer, Paul H. Smith, Francis Trask, David A. Walsdorf, Jr., William B. Wilson, N. P. Witting, and Phil Work.

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The solvers were beating No. 150 by 29-20 as we went to press. Final scores: Solvers defeated No. 147, by 107-7; No. 148 upset the solvers, 18-12; the solvers won from No. 149 by 45-9. Next Quarterly Ladder will appear when final results are in from No. 152. \*New Solvers.

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| V   | Vhite  |         |           | Black   |
|-----|--------|---------|-----------|---------|
| P.  | KERES  |         | Α.        | FUDERER |
| 1.  | P-Q4   | Kt-KB3  | 26. K-K13 | PXKBP   |
| 2.  | P-QB4  | P-KKt3  | 27. RXP   | KR-Kt   |
| 3.  | Kt-QB3 | B-Kt2   | 28. PxP   | R-Kt6ch |
| 4.  | P-K4   | P-Q3    | 29. R-B3  | RxR     |
| 5.  | P-B4   | P-B4    | 30. BxR   | P-Q4    |
| 6.  | PXP    | Q-R4    | 31. B-Kt4 | R-B1    |
| 7.  | B-Q3   | QxBP    | 32. B-B5  | PxP     |
| 8.  | Kt-B3  | Kt-B3   | 33. K-B3  | R-KKt1  |
| 9.  | Q-K2   | B-Kt5   | 34. P-QR4 | R-Kt6ch |
| 10. | В-К3   | Q-KR4   | 35. K-B2  | P-K6    |
| 11. | 0-0    | BxKt    | 36. K-Q3  | P-K7ch  |
| 12. | RxB ·  | Kt-KKt5 | 37. KxP   | R-Kt6   |
| 13. | R-R3   | Kt-Q5   | 38. BXP   | RxKtP   |
| 14. | BxKt   | BxBch   | 39. B-B2  | R-KR5   |
| 15. | K-B1   | KtxPch  | 40. K-Q3  | RxPch   |
| 16. | K-K1   | Q-Kt5   | 41. K-B4  | K-Q3    |
| 17. | Q-Q2   | QxR     | 42. K-Kt4 | P-K5    |
| 18. | PXQ    | Kt-B6ch | 43. K-B4  | P-B4    |
| 19. | K-K2   | KtxQ    | 44. P-R5  | K-K4    |
| 20. | KxKt   | BxKtch  | 45. P-Kt6 | PxP     |
| 21. | KxB    | P-K4    | 46. PXP   | P-B5    |
| 22. | R-KB1  | Kt-K2   | 47. B-R4  | P-B6    |
| 23. | P-KB5  | P-B3    | 48. B-Kt5 | R-R1    |
| 24. | B-K2   | QR-QB1  | 49. K-B3  | R-QKt1  |
| 25. | P-Kt4  | P-QKt4  | Resign    | ns      |

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## HASTINGS CHRISTMAS TOURNEY

(Continued from Page 3, col. 2)

Vasiljevic. Grandmaster V. Ragozin, who accompanied the Russian players, gave a simultaneous exhibition, winning 14 games and drawing six. Other prominent spectators were Sir George Thomas, M. Saitar, Brian Reilly, H. Golombek, and Dr. Frankel, who writes under the pen-name of Assiac.

An unfortunate incident occurred during the tournament. The DAILY EXPRESS, a London scandal-sheet, published an article condemning the Russian players for being unfriendly, particularly to the Americans, referring to Keres' early retirements as proof of this (he was ill, of course), and generally misstating facts. A letter of protest was sent to the EXPRESS, but many players felt that it leaned too far in the other direction, seeming to imply that there were really no basic differences separating Russia and America, and re-fused to sign it for that reason. Certainly, however, the Russians were anything but unfriendly.

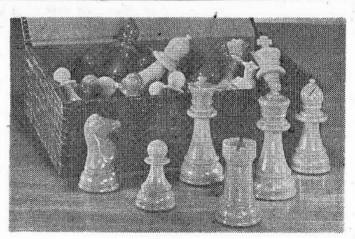
It is considered of the greatest importance here that an American be a contestant in the Premier at Hastings next year: and I agree

Hudson, USA; the second by M. | that every effort should be made to arrange it. The Hastings Chess Club would pay the American player's expenses while here, but could only contribute a small amount of his plane fare (twenty pounds was the amount mentioned to me in a private conversation; but this did not constitute a guarantee). It seems to me that with a little trouble we should be able to find a player who can come and raise the necessary money.

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|-----|--------|--------|------------|---------|
| V   | Vhite  |        |            | Black   |
| w.  | FAIRH  | URST   | L. PA      | CHMAN   |
| 1.  | P-Q4   | Kt-KB3 | 19. PxP    | PxP     |
| 2.  | P-QB4  | P-KKt3 | 20. Kt-K2  | Kt-B2   |
| 3.  | Kt-QB3 | P-Q4   | 21. R-R3   | P-Kt5   |
| 4.  | B-B4   | B-Kt2  | 22. R-K†3  | Kt-Q4   |
| 5.  | P-K3   | P-B3   | 23. Q-R5   | R-Q2    |
| 6.  | Kt-B3  | 0.0    | 24. Kt-K5  | R-B2    |
| 7.  | Q-Kt3  | Q-R4   | 25. P-KR3  | Kt-B3   |
| 8.  |        | PxP    | 26. Q-R4   | QR-QB1  |
| 9.  | BxP    | P-QKt4 | 27. Q-B4   | R-B7    |
|     | B-Q3   | B-K3   | 28. Kt-Kt3 | - Q-B2  |
| 11. | Q-B2   | Kt-Q4  | 29. Q-Kt5  | R-B8    |
| 12. | B-Kt3  | Kt-Kt5 | 30. Kt-Q3  | RxRch   |
| 13. | PxKt   | R-Q1   | 31. KtxR   | P-KR3   |
|     | 0-0    | Kt-R3  | 32. Q-R4   | Kt-Q4   |
| 15. | P-B5   | BxP    | 33. Kt-K5  | Q-B8    |
|     | BxB    | PxB    | 34. R-K+3  | Kt-B5   |
|     | Q-Kt5  | P-K3   | 35. R-K3   | QxKtch! |
|     | P-QR4  | Q-Kt3  | Resign     | s       |

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