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What's The Best Move?

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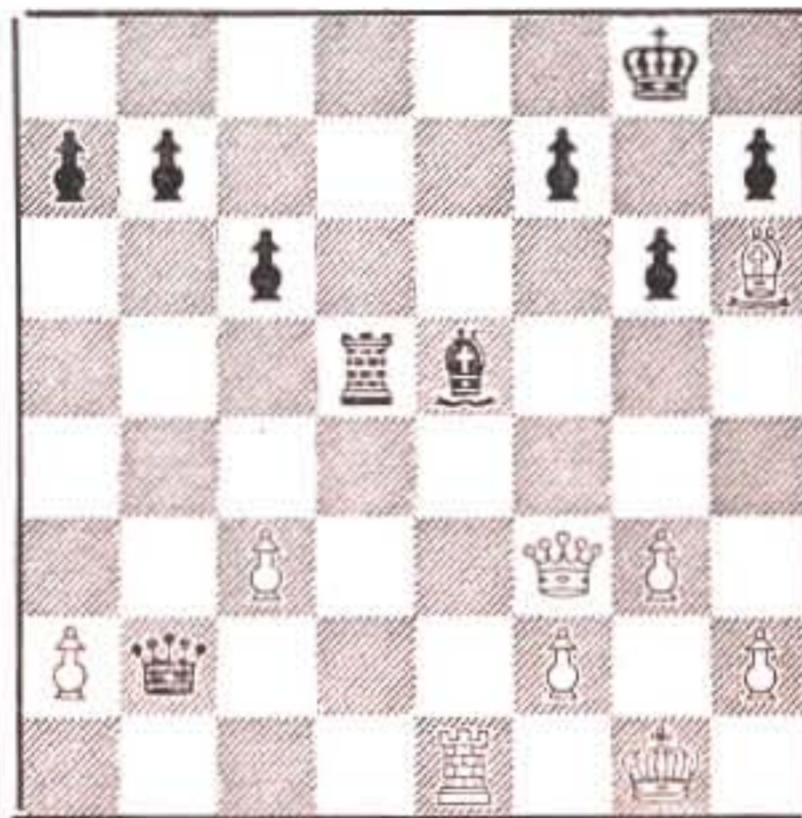
RUSSELL CHAUVENET

SEND solutions to Position No. 182 to reach Russell Chauvenet, 721 Gist Ave., Silver Spring, Md., by May 5, 1956. With your solution, please send analysis or reasons supporting your choice of "Best Move" or moves.

Solution to Position No. 182 will appear in the May 20th, 1956 issue.

NOTE: Do not place solutions to two positions on one card; be sure to indicate correct number of position being solved, and give the full name and address of the solver to assist in proper crediting of solution.

Position No. 182



White to play

International High School Tourney Draws 34 Players from Nine Nations

Twenty Northern California High Schools and contestants from nine nations were represented in the first International High School Tournament, sponsored jointly by the American Field Service, Chess Friends of Northern California, Ernst O. Anders, and Mrs. Starr Bruce. The tournament was held at the Press and Union League Club, San Francisco with the arrangements in the hands of Miss. Tilly de Hes and George Koltanowski serving as tournament director. Thirty-two players from some twenty high schools competed, with eleven of them representing nine foreign countries, being students in American high schools on scholarships provided by the American Field Service.

First place went to 15-year-old Mike Bredoff of Sequoia High in Redwood City, while second with 4½ points was Norman Buder of Oakland High. Scoring four points were Doug Willis of Oakland Technical, Hardy Thomas of Piedmont High, Robert Dickinson of Sequoia High, and Bernhard Ebner of St. Gall, Switzerland, representing San Rafael High. Bredoff was presented with a special plaque awarded by the San Francisco Chronicle.

Other prize-winners in various classes were Ben Carter of Berkeley High with 3½, John Corporal of Polytechnic S.F. with 3, Peter Sirag of Soest, Netherlands representing Mill Valley with 2½, Hans von Stockhausen of Vienna, Austria representing Santa Clara with 2, Tord Claeson of Gothenborg, Sweden representing Camino High with 2, and Marie Polenski of Athens, Greece representing Piedmont High with 1 point.

The foreign student competitors in the event were: Bernhard Ebner, St. Gall, Switzerland (San Rafael); Uwe Friesel, Hanover, Germany; Heinrich Rothert, Heide-Holstein, Germany (Yuba City); Peter Sirag, Soest, Netherlands (Mill Valley); Eva Munktell, Uppsala, Sweden; Hans von Stockhausen, Vienna, Austria (Santa Clara); Tord Claeson, Gothenborg, Sweden (Camino High); Anna Wozen, Lidings, Sweden (San Mateo); H. Peiter Krieger, Hessen, Germany (Palo Alto); Marie Polenski, Athens,

Greece (Piedmont); Ali Muderrisoglu, Istanbul, Turkey; Peter Ackerman, Berlin, Germany (Piedmont).

EVANS PERFORMS IN TOP FORM

Former U.S. Champion Larry Evans, now touring Europe under the auspices of the U.S. Department of State Specialists Program, was guest entrant in a Speed Tournament of the Upper Austrian Group of the Austrian Chess Society. Meeting the eleven top players of the Upper Austrian Group, Larry drew with Herr Adolf Rabitsch and won the other ten. Rabitsch is former champion of Salzburg Province and member of the Austrian Olympic team. Other players included Franz Auer, Austrian National Champion of 1955, and Alexander Prameshuber, also a former member of the Austrian Olympic team. The speed event was held at Linz.

Seidman Takes Marshall Club Title Mednis and Santasiere Share Second

Coming from behind, Herbert Seidman tallied 11-4 to win the Marshall Chess Club Championship, scoring nine wins, four draws and two losses. Tied for second with 10½-4½ each were Edmar Mednis and Anthony E. Santasiere, while sharing fourth with 9½-5½ were Eliot Hearst and Anthony Saily in the 16-player championship finals.

It was an exciting race, with Tony Santasiere leading most the way, until his long string of victories was upset by Saily. Thereafter the magic seemed to have vanished, and he lost another game, while drawing five.

FINAL STANDINGS

1. Seidman	11	- 4
2. Mednis	10½	- 4½
3. Santasiere	10½	- 4½
4. Hearst	9½	- 5½
5. Saily	9½	- 5½
6. Levy	9	- 6
7. Collins	8½	- 6½
8. Pillnick	8½	- 6½
9. Kaufman	7½	- 7½
10. Howard	7½	- 7½
11. Donovan	6½	- 8½
12. Gore	6½	- 8½
13. Drakert	6	- 9
14. Dunst	6	- 9
15. Bernstein	3	- 12
16. Burger	0	- 15

STUDENT TEAM READY FOR TRIP

With most of the funds collected and the rest in sight, the U.S. Student Team is ready to represent the USA in the International Student Union Tournament in Uppsala, Sweden. Credit for financing the venture goes largely to Eliot Hearst of the USCF Affiliated Intercollegiate Chess League, although a number of others deserve much credit for assistance rendered. The team will fly to Sweden via Icelandic Air Lines and will consist probably of Edmar Mednis, William Lombardy, Anthony Saily, Charles Witte and Shelby Lyman, a formidable quintette which should give a good accounting of itself.

EDELBAUM TOPS IN CONN STATE

Scoring 5½-½ with a draw to Elliot Wolk, Ted Edelbaum of West Hartford won the Connecticut State Championship in the 6-rd Swiss conducted by the USCF Affiliated Connecticut Chess League in which two rounds of play were staged at Hartford, two at Middletown, and two at New Haven. Second and third on S-B were James Bolton of New Haven and Ronald Morgan of Niantic with 5-1 each. Bolton lost a game to Edelbaum, and Morgan to G. F. Ames. Fourth and fifth with 4½-1½ were Elliott Wolk of Stars and Arvid Klavins of Hartford, while sixth to ninth in the 36-player Swiss with 4-2 were Richard Rapuano, Robert Mitchell, Edmund Hand, and Otto H. Palm. William Weil directed the event.

LIEPNIKS WINS LINCOLN CITY

Alexander Liepnieks tallied 5½-1½ to win the Lincoln, Neb., City title, losing no games but drawing with Julian Sobolevskis, John Danenfelds, and Andris Staklis. Second to fourth with 5-2 each were Julian Sobolevskis, Richard Hervert, and Vladimir Rajnoha, while fifth and sixth in the 20-player Swiss with 4½-2½ each were Carl Gardner and John Danenfelds. Seventh to ninth with 4-3 were Anton Sildmets, Norman Strand, and Ernest Adminis.



THEY SIMUL IN VIENNA

International Master Larry Evans of the USA performs in a simultaneous exhibition at Vienna under the auspices of the U. S. State Department Specialists Program.

Finish It The Clever Way! by Edmund Nash

Position No. 173

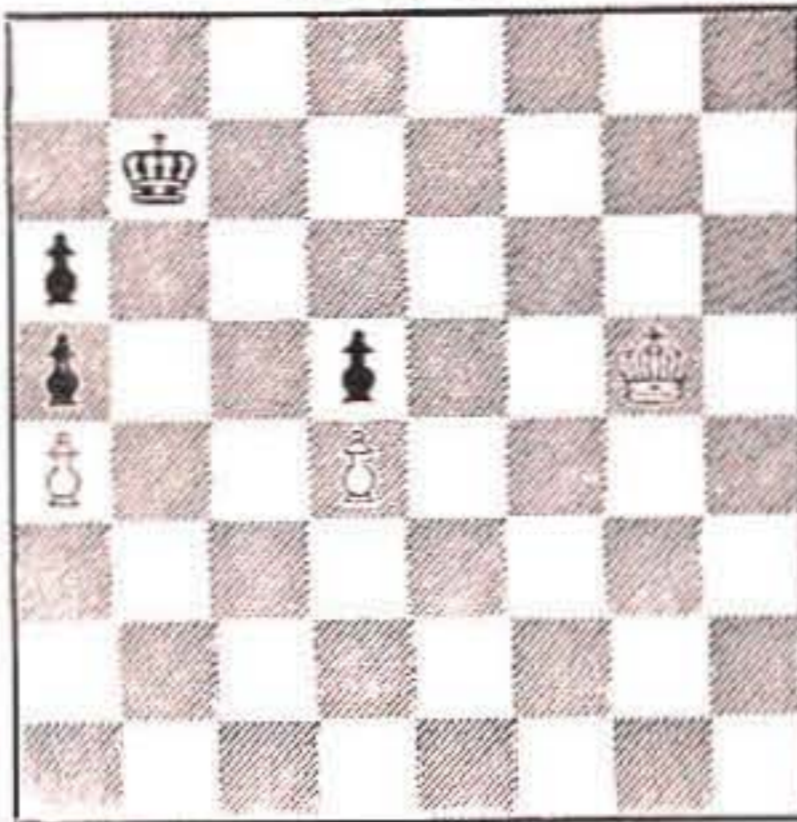
V. Korchnoi vs. M. Botvinnik
USSR, 1952



Black to play and win

Position No. 174

By M. Botvinnik
USSR, 1939



White to play and win

OVERSIGHTS by world chess champions are no novelty. According to an analysis submitted by Mr. Neil Bernstein, of Brooklyn, it appears that two former world champions, Steinitz and Lasker, missed drawing lines in Positions No. 165 and 166 in the December 5, 1955 issue of CHESS LIFE. Can any reader discover winning continuations against the following defenses suggested by Mr. Bernstein? In Position No. 165: 1. R-Q7, Kt-Kt4 ch!; 2. K-Kt4, KtxR; 3. RxR, K-B2. In Position No. 166: 1. ..., Kt-Q6 ch; 2. BxKt, PxB; 3. B-B7!! (to capture the KBP and break White's mating net; I have not been able to see a winning continuation beginning with 3. ..., P-Q7). In publishing these two positions from the Russian book on Chigorin, I had assumed that the Russian editors had analyzed them completely; but I suppose that they cannot be blamed for missing something that two world champions did not see.

The triple tie for the Soviet chess championship mentioned in my last column has been resolved. Mark Taimanov is the new champion; (he drew 2 games with Yu. Averbakh and won 2 from B. Spassky). Averbakh won second place, and Spassky third.

For solutions, please turn to Page four.

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



HAVE YOUR TOURNAMENTS OFFICIALLY RATED

New Regulations Effective March 1, 1955

Tournaments, matches (individual or team; round robin or Swiss) are rateable when sponsored by USCF affiliated organizations, if played under FIDE Laws, directed by a competent official, and played at time limit of not more than 30 moves per hour.

The annual championship tournament of an USCF Club Chapter and the annual championship tournament of any USCF affiliate whose By-Laws provide that all its members must be USCF members also are rated without charge.

All other eligible events are rated only if official report of event is accompanied by a remittance covering a rating fee of 10c per game for all games actually played in the contest. (In a Swiss one-half the number of players times the number of rounds represents total games played if no byes or forfeits.)

Note that 10c Rating fee per game is collected from all players, whether USCF members or not.

Semi-annually ratings will be published of all participants in all USCF-Rated events.

Official rating forms should be secured in advance from:—

Montgomery Major
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Oak Park, Illinois

Do not write to other USCF officials for these rating forms.



The Maryland Chess Federation, a USCF Affiliate, has scheduled a home and home team match with the District of Columbia Chess League. The first match will be held on Sunday, April 22 at 2 p.m. at the Arion Chess Club, 11 No. Carey St., Baltimore under the auspices of the Maryland Chess Federation and the Maryland Chess League. The return match will be held Sunday, May 27 at the Central YMCA, 1736 G St. N.W., Washington under the auspices of the District of Columbia Chess League. William C. Koenig is team captain for Maryland and Ivan Romanenko for Washington. 25 to 30 player teams are planned with 50 moves in 2½ hours and adjudication of unfinished games. Visitors will be welcomed as spectators at both matches.



The Maroczy Chess Club of Cleveland, Ohio has taken out a membership in the Cleveland Chess Center in the name of Cardinal Mindszenty, the imprisoned archbishop of Hungary, as a gesture of protest against the continued incarceration of His Eminence. In an Open Letter Dr. Sandor Tresz, president of the Maroczy Chess Club, reminds chess players that Cardinal Mindszenty was a friend of the great Hungarian master Geza Maroczy and is himself a player and patron of chess.

SMITH TRIUMPHS IN MINNESOTA

Dane Smith of St. Paul (now stationed at Ft. Bragg, N.C.) won the 59th Annual Minnesota State Championship with 5½-½, drawing one game with Peter Muto of River Falls, Wis. Thus the two-year domination of K. N. Pedersen of Minneapolis was broken and the beautiful 18-inch traveling trophy remains in circulation for at least another year. Defending Champ Pedersen finished well down the list (in 23rd place) with 2½-3½ score in the 41-player Swiss event. Second and third on weighted points with 5-1 each went to Milton Otteson of St. Paul and George Barnes of Minneapolis, while fourth and fifth with 4½-1½ each were William Jones of Minneapolis and William E. Kaiser of West St. Paul. Kaiser also won the "Class A" trophy. The "Class B" trophy went to Eugene Hoefflin of St. Paul in 9th place with 4-2 score. Sixth to eighth, also with 4-2 scores were Clayton W. Larson of St. Paul, Werner C. Schroeder of Caledonia, and Sheldon Rein of Minneapolis.

In the 28-player Minor Tournament, first place went to James Hajicek with 5-1 on tie-breaking points. Hajicek lost one game to Mervin Wright. Second to fourth, also with 5-1 each, were E. M. Lutgen, Robert Shogren, and James Jenkins.

An interesting oddity in the tournament was the entrance of James Seifert into both the major and minor divisions, thus subjecting himself to a simultaneous exhibition, particularly as the two events were held on different floors of the Coffman Memorial Union. The interesting fact is that he did better in the Major tournament. Both events were ably directed by Lewis George of Jackson, Minn. and the events were proclaimed the most successful chess tournament held in Minnesota in at least 10 years with 69 players participating. Observers predict a chess boom in the "Land of the Sky Blue Waters".

CRITTENDEN TOPS INVITATIONAL

C. C. (Kit) Crittenden, graduate student in philosophy at the University of North Carolina, won a six-man Invitational Tourney at Raleigh, N.C. with a perfect 5-0 score. Donald Burdick of Duke University was runner-up with 4-1, losing to Crittenden. Third went to Dr. A. M. Jenkins of Raleigh with 3-2, dropping his games with Crittenden and Burdick. Pete Henderson of Chapel Hill finished fourth, Dr. Norman Hornstein of Southport fifth, and Paul Newton of Raleigh sixth. Sponsored by the USCF Affiliated North Carolina Chess Ass'n, the tournament was limited to players who had won prizes in statewide events during the past three years. Dr. Stuart Noblin served as tournament director.

Herman Steiner (Los Angeles) Chess Club: Under the able editorship of Mrs. Lena Grumette the club is now issuing a photo-offset bulletin "Herman Steiner Chess Group News." A USCF Affiliated Club.

Chess Life In New York

By Allen Kaufman

IN BRIEF: The Marshall Chess Club Championship ended in a victory for pre-tournament favorite, Herbert Seidman, the highest rated entrant. But Herb did not have things all his own way. Going into the last round he had a slim half-point lead on fellow Marshallite Ed Mednis. The latter was paired with Tony Saily, another junior who has come to the fore in recent months. After a tense struggle with Carl Pilnick, Seidman's game petered out to a draw, assuring him of at least a tie for first. Attention switched to the Mednis-Saily game: a win for Mednis would mean equal first with Seidman. Pressed for time, Edmar offered a draw. Meanwhile, Santasiere was defeating Ted Dunst, and, as a result, was able to equal Mednis' score. This left Seidman, 11-4, as clear victor, with Mednis and Santasiere tied for second and third at 10½-4½. Hearst and Saily followed with 9½-5½ each. And so ends the strongest Marshall C.C. Championship in several years...

A close struggle is also in progress at the Manhattan C.C. Leading scores are, after thirteen rounds: Pavey, 9½-2½; Feuerstein and Lombardy, 9-4; Pinkus, 8½-3½; Bisguier, 8-5; Denker, 7-5; Bernstein, 6-4. An impressive array of talent! As can be readily seen from the scores, Pavey, Pinkus, Denker, and Bernstein have adjourned or postponed games. Some interesting games of late: Denker defeats Bisguier, then the following week Feuerstein beats Denker, and then Bisguier beats Feuerstein...

Thirty-six have entered the Marshall Amateur Championship. The Consolation Tournament of that club (those who just missed making the Championship finals) was captured by Jerseyite Stanley Winters. Sidney Zarkin was second. By winning this contest Winters qualifies for next year's finals...

Just a few dollars (relatively!) stand between our collegiate team and a trip to Europe. If all the cash can be obtained, Lombardy, Mednis, Saily, Witte, and Lyman fly to Sweden this week. There was some question of Mednis being able to leave his studies at N.Y.U., but he now probably will be able to secure the necessary permission. It will be a hard team to beat!

STILL NO BY-LAWS!

Two years and eight months ago, a committee was appointed to compile and revise the USCF By-Laws. As we go to press the sole contribution of this committee has been one incompetent draft of proposed By-Laws submitted to the USCF Directors just prior to the USCF Annual Meeting at Long Beach in 1955.

Are not the members now justified in demanding that the By-Laws Committee give proof of intelligent activity or that it be disbanded and new committee formed? It did not take that long to compose the Constitution of the United States.

EDWARD LASKER IN BLUNDERLAND

By WILLIAM ROJAM

Continuing his chosen career of misinforming Europe in regard to the history and understanding of the American chess scene, Dr. Lasker's latest achievement is "Of Chess Life in the USA" in the Russian publication "Chess In The USSR", issue of January, 1956. It is full of factual inaccuracies, such as describing the American Chess Federation as being centered in Boston (probably because its last president, the late George Sturgis, resided there) and being limited to the six New England States. Better informed readers will identify this as probably being the New England Chess Association, which was not in any way related to the national American Chess Federation.

Repeating his false implications in the article in the Deutsche Schachzeitung, Dr. Lasker states that the new USCF President Frank R. Graves appointed a tournament committee of three masters as if this was some new departure in USCF policy. By implication Dr. Lasker, in condemning previous tournament committees as "not being able to organize master competition", suggests that such tournaments committees of earlier years, like that composed of Hans Kmoch, I. A. Horowitz, Hermann Helms, etc. are incompetent, for all the fact that FIDE named all three International Judges. To others, such statements may merely suggest that Dr. Lasker is incompetent to discuss subjects on which he obviously is lacking in knowledge and understanding.

Fortunately, some Russian readers will be sufficiently informed to discount Dr. Lasker's statements. For example, some will raise their eyebrows at the flat declaration that "during the past year there has only been one competition held where the greater number of the participants were masters, that was the championship of the Manhattan Chess Club." With a wave of his hand, Dr. Lasker abolishes the 1955 Rosewald Trophy Tournament in which six masters (four of them International Masters) competed. Were it not for his other articles of a similar nature, one might charitably suggest that Dr. Lasker's article in "Chess In The USSR" was a deliberate endeavor to undersell American chess in the hope that Soviet players might become overconfident in future encounters. However, there is every indication that chess in the USA will continue to develop despite the handicap of Dr. Lasker's advocacy.

Toronto (Ont.) Chess League: In the Championship division the Estonians captured the title 25-11; second was Toronto C.C. 19-17; then Germans 17-19; and Hungarians 11-25. Members of the winning Estonian team were E. Rose, V. Tark, N. Kuttis, U. Vesingi, H. Uttopaert, and A. Kaldveer. Kuttis compiled a perfect score.

North Carolina Chess Ass'n: At Clinton two teams matches were held with Wilmington's "B" team tying Chapel Hill "A" with 2-2 and Raleigh's "A" team being defeated by the recently organized Clinton team 3-1. A USCF Affiliated Association.



AUSTRIAN SPEED TOURNEY

Former U. S. Champion Larry Evans (right) faces Adolf Rabitsch, former Champion of Salzburg Province, in a Speed Championship event at Linz, Austria. Rabitsch was the only player to draw with the American International Master.
Photo: Paul Schuetz, Linz.



A letter from the Massachusetts State Prison at Charleston reveals that the spark started by William J. Couture and fanned carefully by Paul H. Smith has flamed into real interest, with over 100 players, ranging from neophytes to almost experts, engaged in continued practice of the royal game. Other institutions might note. Chess also flourishes at Howard, R. I., McNeill Island, Wash., and Washington State Prison.



George Koltanowski who is giving a 60-board simultaneous at San Quentin Prison, California—a not infrequent practice of the blindfold wizzard who began his San Quentin chess visits in 1947—reports that the San Quentin Club has over 150 members and a good library on chess. Frequent team matches with visiting groups from the Chess Friends keep the inmates in fighting trim and sustains interest. Some twenty-five years ago the late Bill Prewitt, correspondent chess enthusiast, made frequent visits to San Quentin to encourage chess there—it is interesting to know that his work was not in vain and that other hands have ably sustained and developed what he began.

Phillips Exeter Academy Chess Club (Exeter): David O. Wilkinson tallied 9-0 to win the P.E.A. Chess Club Championship in a 23-player Swiss. Tied for second with 7-2 each were H. Phelps Gates, Gerasimos Tsandoulos, and Francis C. Wilson. Tied for fifth with 6-3 were Laurence M. Ridder and Norman T. Slade. Gates lost games to Wilkinson and Slade; Tsandoulos lost to Wilkinson and Gates; and Wilson lost to Wilkinson and Slade. A USCF Club Affiliate.



Billed as a "Drama in Real Life" in the April issue of Reader's Digest is a very gripping vignette entitled "Your Move, Hungarian" by Ferenc Laszlo. It will undoubtedly find its place in future chess anthologies.



Plans are being elaborated for the Chicago City Championship, first to be USCF rated, under the recent affiliation of the Greater Chicago Chess League, in the anticipation of making it the most outstanding city event in many years. Co-Champions Albert Sandrin and Povilas Tautvaisas are expected to defend their title against such contenders as former champion Miroslav Turiansky, Angelo Sandrin and Sam Cohen.

North Carolina Chess Ass'n: A group of No. Carolina's strongest players defeated the touring Log Cabin Club of N. J. 4-3 in Clinton. Winners for No. Car. were Dr. Norman M. Hornstein of Southport, Rev. M. J. McChesney of Wilmington, and Pete Henderson and Jack Godfrey of Chapel Hill. Log Cabin point-makers were Norman T. Whitaker, 12-year-old Bobby Fischer, and Raymond E. Glovi. A USCF Affiliated Association.

University Club (Pittsburgh): The Mellon Institute of Industrial Research crossed swords with the University Club, the battle resulting in two wins and a draw apiece for a 2½-2½ tie match.

Kodak Office Chess Club (Rochester): Victory in the Kodak Office Tournament went to Sherman Nelson who tallied 11-2, with one loss to Gene Johnson and two draws against L. George Hannye. Hannye placed second with 10½-2½, losing one game to Charles Z. Case and drawing once with Ludwig Bach and twice with Nelson. Bach was third with 5½-4½, and Art Fuchs fourth with 5-5. Preliminary sections qualified players for the finals, but the latter was incomplete because of the difficulty in arranging for all players to meet. A USCF Affiliated Club.

San Antonio (Tex.) Chess Club has moved its meeting place to the Woodlawn Gymnasium, 1103 Cincinnati, San Antonio, meeting on Wednesday nights 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Correspondence should be addressed, however, to Allen H. Baker, Jr. secretary, 1811 Edison Drive, San Antonio, Tex. A USCF Affiliated Club.

College Chess Life

Conducted by
Frederick H. Kerr

All college clubs and players are urged to send news items to: Frederick H. Kerr, Hamilton Hall, Box 448, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania.

It gives this reporter great pleasure to announce that the United States will be represented in the Third World Student Chess Tournament. Although all the money needed is not yet in the hands of the committee, enough is in to assure American participation. The team, Edmar Mednis of NYU, William Lombardy of CCNY, Anthony Saily of Fordham, and either Shelby Lyman of Harvard or Charles Witte of Columbia, will fly to Sweden by Icelandic Airlines. Credit for the success of the money-raising program goes to Eliot Hearst. He has been holding down two jobs and working on his Ph.D. in addition to working for American chess. The bulk of actual collecting has been done by Mr. Jose Calderon. In addition to the appeal for funds in CHESS LIFE, Mr. Hermann Helms of the **New York Times** and Mr. T. M. Cherington of the **Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph** brought the request before their readers. Other chess columnists have probably also helped support the tournament, and "College Chess Life" would like to thank them also.

Penn State defeated Gettysburg College 3-2 in the first match in the Intercollegiate League of the Pennsylvania State Chess Federation. I made the trip to Gettysburg as referee to keep the Nit-tany Lions in line.

PENN STATE		GETTYSBURG	
Deitrich	1	Miller	0
Herr	0	Reich	1
Stein	1	Hoffman	0
Friedman	1	Whitten	0
Gallagher	0	Ribble	1

Dr. Orrin Frink, head of the Department of Mathematics, won the 1956 Pennsylvania State University Chess Club Championship with 7-0. He formerly played for Columbia University and the Manhattan Chess Club in the New York Metropolitan League. With tournament wins over such players as Kashdan, he is no fish. Next with 5-2 were Herr, Kerr, Dejaiffe, and Friedman. Stein and Deitrich scored 4½-2½. Next were Toth, Mintz, Spayde, Billstein and Dr. Brock with 4-3. Wetzal, Walker, Greene, Juzi, Lehmborg, and Olney ended up with 3-4. 2-5 was the score of Moroski, Boyd, and Winslow. Whitney, Spahr, Frederick, and Cohen were able to win one game, but Nowicki, Kosoff, Hartman, Robinson, and Goodwin failed to break into the win column. You bet your life this was a USCF rated event.

The University of Buffalo defeated Toronto 3-2. The Bulls are covering quite a bit of territory in their travels this year. They also defeated the Independent Team in Buffalo Industrial League 4½-2½.

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Major Topics

By
Montgomery Major

The Auditor Reports

Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure nineteen six, result happiness. Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure twenty pounds ought and six, result misery.

CHARLES DICKENS—David Copperfield

IN this issue we publish the auditor's report for the first six months of the fiscal year. Although no great profit is shown in the operations of the USCF, the report conforms to Mr. Micawber's sagacious definition of happiness. Not only have the six months' operations shown a profit but the deficit, as of June 30, 1955, has been slightly reduced. There is movement in the right direction, even if the movement is slow and deliberate.

In reading this report, it will be well to remember that it represents the beginnings of a recovery from a year of criticism and attack made upon the Federation by various self-appointed "redeemers", which for the period of over a year prevented the proper promotion of the Federation. No organization can be successfully expanded while it is being subjected to a barrage of noisy criticism, whether the criticism be based on fact or fancy.

If, having exhausted their inventive powers, their data and their venom, these self-elected "saviours" of chess will be content to remain silent for a time, there is every reason to believe that the future foreseen at Tampa with the adoption of the Harkness Plan can be fulfilled. All signs point that way. Chess grows more popular day by day, rated tournaments are on the increase, and more and more chess organizations are affiliating with the USCF.

Of course, none of this can restore the lost year—it is with the snows of yesteryear of which Francois Villon sang. But we can spare that year, if it is not prolonged with other years. If chess players will in the future be content to promote chess and not promote feuds, the next Auditor's Report will be much more encouraging. What chess needs (and has always needed) is workers, not critics. And chess has always found the latter to exist in great profusion, while the former remain much-sought rarities.

There is an old French proverb about the pitcher that goes to the well once too often—it finally gets broken. Any organization can survive a certain amount of adverse and destructive criticism—but finally the critical attack can break the pitcher.

Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditures nineteen six, result happiness. It is a simple formula—let's make it work!

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January 18, 1956

United States Chess Federation
81 Bedford Street
New York, N. Y.
Gentlemen:

Pursuant to engagement, we have audited the accounts of the United States Chess Federation for the six months period ended December 31, 1955 and submit herewith the following statements:

- Exhibit "A"—Statement of Assets and Liabilities As of December 31, 1955
- Exhibit "B"—Statement of Profit and Loss for the Six Months Period ended December 31, 1955.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLBACH, SCHWARTZMAN & ROSENBLATT
(Sgd) Ralph Rosenblatt
by Ralph Rosenblatt
Certified Public Accountant
EXHIBIT "A"

UNITED STATES CHESS FEDERATION
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
December 31, 1955

ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash in Manufacturers Trust Co.	\$ 18.11
Petty Cash Fund—New York Office	50.00
Petty Cash Fund—Chicago	50.00
	\$ 118.11

USCF Membership Dues, including subscription to Chess Life, semi-annual publication of national chess rating, and all other privileges:
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Merchandise Inventory—as submitted	1,829.27	
Supply Inventory—as submitted	942.92	\$2,890.30
OTHER ASSETS		
Office Furniture & Fixtures	\$292.11	
less: Reserve for Depreciation	14.60	\$ 277.51
Security Deposits	80.00	
Prepaid Expenses	20.00	377.51
TOTAL ASSETS		\$3,267.81
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$1,214.96	
Accounts Payable—Telegraph-Herald	4,257.34	
Accrued Expenses Payable	145.06	
Earmarked Donations	10.00	
F.I.C.A. Taxes Payable	11.98	
Withholding Taxes Payable	48.80	
New York City Sales Taxes Payable	7.69	
Federal Excise Tax Payable	48.90	
Loans Payable	550.00	
Exchanges	7.00	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$6,301.73
NET WORTH		
Deficit December 31, 1955		3,033.92
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH		\$3,267.81

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EXHIBIT "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 1955

INCOME	
Sales of Merchandise	\$4,879.25
less: Cost of Sales	
Inventory—Beginning	\$2,214.79
Purchases	2,906.35
Total	\$5,121.14
Inventory—End	1,829.27
Cost of Sales	3,291.87
Gross Profit on Sales	\$1,587.38
Individual Membership Dues	3,844.71
Affiliation and Club Dues	428.00
Chess Life Subscriptions (non-member)	286.14
Rating Fees	499.80
Income from Tournament Fees	874.00
Donations	35.74
Chess Life Advertising	11.52
Foreign Magazine Subscriptions (com.)	49.90
Miscellaneous	28.64
TOTAL INCOME	\$7,645.83
EXPENSE	
Administrative Expenses:	
Printing & Mailing	\$ 224.99
Miscellaneous	15.00
	\$ 239.99
Publication of Chess Life:	
Printing & Mailing	\$2,815.91
Editorial Fees & Expenses	548.00
	3,363.91
Membership Promotion & Retention:	
Printing & Mailing	232.82
Selling & Shipping Expenses:	
Printing of Catalogues	\$ 416.12
Parcel Post & Freight	211.42
Shipping Supplies	21.03
	648.57
Tournament Expenses	
	127.56
Commissions and Wages:	
Business Manager's Commission	1,094.93
Travel Expense	635.63
Rent	480.00
Incidental Office Services	25.00
Stationery & Office Supplies	157.40
General Postage	100.68
Miscellaneous Expenses & Bank Charges	132.25
Telephone & Telegraph	81.89
Accounting	68.75
Inventory of Supplies—Beginning	\$1,046.83
Inventory of Supplies—End	942.92
	103.91
F.I.C.A. Taxes	10.64
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,503.93
NET PROFIT FOR PERIOD	\$ 141.90

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Solutions

Finish It The Clever Way!

Position No. 173: 1., BxKP!; 2. QxB, Q-KtP ch; 3. B-Kt2, R-KR1, and White can resign.
Position No. 174: 1. K-B5!, K-Kt3; 2. K-B6! (to keep opposition), K-Kt2; 3. K-B7, K-Kt1; 4. K-K6, K-B2; 5. K-K7!, K-B3; 6. K-Q8, K-Q3; 7. K-B8, K-B3; 8. K-Kt8, K-Kt3; 9. K-R8, and wins, as the Black Rook pawns must fall.

Playing chess with friend or foe,
By all means Think you'll beat him.
But keep your words sweet and low,
For . . . you may have to eat them.

Many a good man wastes his life making money and neglects his chess.

Your playing reminds me of a tea bag, the longer in hot water the stronger.

"Do you play chess?"
"Yes, but only with opponents better than I am."
"Heck, that's so easy."



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LARRY EVANS ON OPENINGS

By International Master **LARRY EVANS**

U. S. OPEN CHAMPION, 1954

Pawn Structure

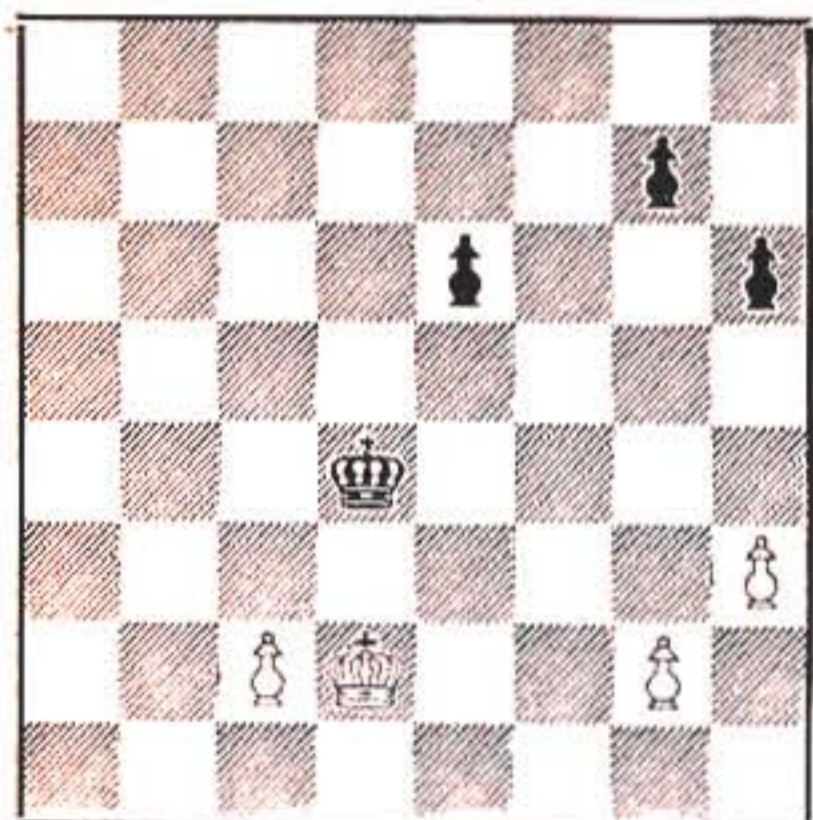
This is a plug.* I don't deny it. But I want to write a book—I really am enthusiastic about it!—a book on chess that can be read.

I should like in this issue to pay a visit to my colleague, Mr. Marchand, who has been battling manfully with the problems of the student. Often it is good to return to basic-basic. We speak of the "opening" as if it lived, breathed, and had dimensions of its own. Actually, it is an abstraction. A game of chess is an organic whole. By dividing it into phases (for purposes of convenience and classification) we tread on dangerous ground. There are no absolute definitions of the opening, the mid-game, or the ending—where they begin, where they end, where they merge. We have already sown the seeds of the ending after advancing our initial Pawn. So let us not be slain by our own dragons!

In most primers, with good reason, endings are taught first—though the novice rarely comprehends why. "Pawn endings are to chess what putting is to golf," writes Purdy. Carrying the analogy a step further, of what use to drive the ball within 10 feet of the hole if you can't proceed from there? So how can the novice suspect that after a handful of moves the master is already (subconsciously) evaluating his position in terms of his endgame chances, his Pawn structure? Should he simplify? Should he exchange? Should he play for an attack? And so on. If we digress a bit—it's really not a digression—we can see how this works.

Consider the endgame principle of the "outside passed Pawn." It states: "when there are no passed Pawns every effort must be made to create one." If the Pawn structure is balanced, of course, this is impossible. That is why, for example, if each side has six Pawns, masters generally make an attempt in the opening to force some kind of imbalance such as 3 against 2 on the Q's side (the value of the Q-side majority) and 3 against 4 on the K side, rather than a straight 3 against 3 on each wing. The reason is that it is easier to create a Passed Pawn with 3 against 2 than 4 against 3.

Breyer-Nyholm
Baden-Baden, 1914



The outside passed Pawn—White wins whoever moves

The forces are so reduced and the material so even that one is tempted perfunctorily to dismiss this as a draw. If anything, Black's King looks more active than White's. However White's tiny QBP is that mighty midget—the outside passed Pawn. (Black's KP is the inside passed Pawn in this case.) The principle involved is that Black must rush his King in front of White's QBP in order to block its queening path, whereupon White will pitch or sacrifice this Pawn and in the process march his King to the remaining Pawns on the other wing and gobble them up.

Black to move, the game proceeded:

1. ... P-R4; 2. P-R4, P-K4; 3. P-B3ch, K-K5 (or 3. ... K-B5; 4. K-B2, K-Q4; 5. K-K3, with eventual transposition to the text); 4. K-K2, P-N3; 5. K-Q2 (Notice how White marks time while Black exhausts his remaining Pawn moves, whereupon his King must give way), K-B5 (Black is trying to dissolve his K-side Pawns before returning with his King to block the outside passed Pawn, so that when White marches his King to the K-side there will be no Pawns left for him to gobble. This fails due to lack of time); 6. K-Q3, P-N4; 7. PxP, KxP; 8. K-K4, K-B3; 9. K-Q5! (Not the hasty 9. P-B4?, K-K3; 10. P-B5, P-R5; 11. P-B6, K-Q3; 12. P-B7—the pitch—KxP; 13. KxP, K-Q2; 14. K-B5, P-R6!; 15. PxP, K-K2—draw—the RP cannot win when the opposing King gets in front of it), K-B4; 10. P-B4, and now if P-K5; 11. K-Q4!, K-B5; 12. P-B5, P-K6; 13. K-Q3, K-K4; 14. KxP, K-Q4; 15. K-B4, KxP; 16. K-N5, K-Q4; 17. KxP—White wins. If you don't know why, read an elementary book on the endgame then return.

Now consider the exchange variation of the Ruy Lopez after seven standard moves: 1. P-K4, P-K4; 2. N-KB3, N-QB3; 3. B-N5, P-QR3; 4. BxN, QPxP; 5. P-Q4, PxP; 6. QxP, QxQ; 7. NxQ.

(See diagram top next column)

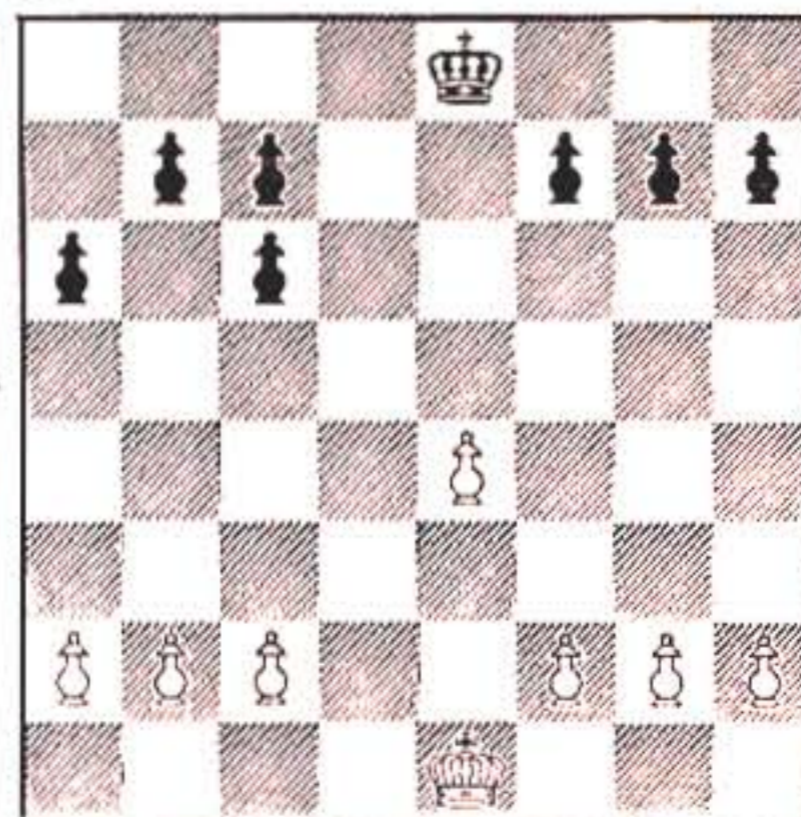
For the nonce let us content ourselves with the following observations: (a) in effect White is a Pawn ahead on the K-side—Black's



White Has A Winning Pawn Structure

doubled QBP's are worthless since they are held in check by White's 3. (It is impossible for Black to force a passed Pawn against proper defense—try it some time to satisfy yourself by removing all the pieces from the board and just trying to create a queen with one of the Black Pawns.) (b) as a result of his superior Pawn structure White has a forced win in the endgame; therefore, (c) each exchange brings him closer to victory.

This, then, is White's strategy—to swap pieces at each and every opportunity. The fly in the ointment is that chess is a game of conflict; dynamic, not static. Black's Bishop pair give him compensation in other elements besides Pawn structure (time and space). "Before the ending the gods have placed the middle game," said Tarrasch, to explain just such positions as these where one side has a winning advantage in the ending if he can ever get to it. But right now the important thing to note is the similarity, in principle, of this diagram to the previous one. To do this, mentally sweep all the pieces off the board except the Kings. It will look like this—



White wins by creating an outside passed pawn on the K-side.

Since this is an article on openings there is little point in wasting time on the specific solution here. It may require 20—perhaps 30 moves—but that's not our concern. It has now fallen into the domain (Please turn to Page 8, col. 4)

Women's Chess Life

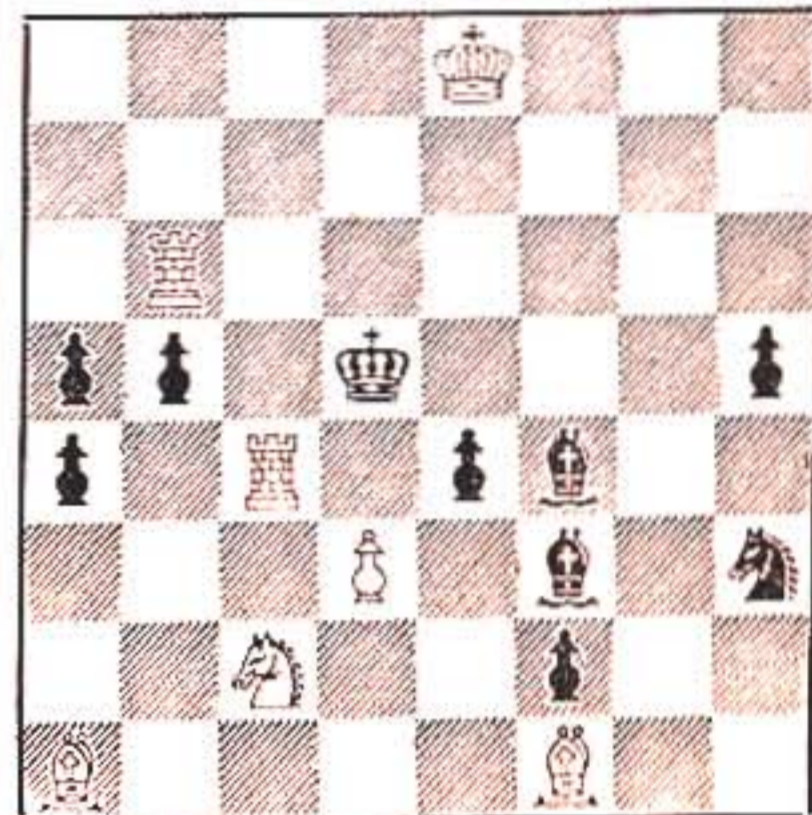
By Willa White Owens

Address news items and inquiries on Women's Chess to Mrs. Willa White Owens, 124 South Point Drive, Avon Lake, Ohio.

MISS Paula S. Fulk of Maywood, Illinois, and Mr. John L. Biach, of Cranford, New Jersey, are prize winners in the Carrousel contest. Both have received the Staunton chess set and chess clock for successful solving Carrousel and the tie-breaking problems Tantalus and Tantalissimus. One of the solutions of the latter turned out to be a "cook". The presence of a "cook" in an otherwise beautiful problem like this, of course, brings forth deep shudders of horror from all problem lovers.

The problem Tantalissimus with correct solution and "cook" follows:

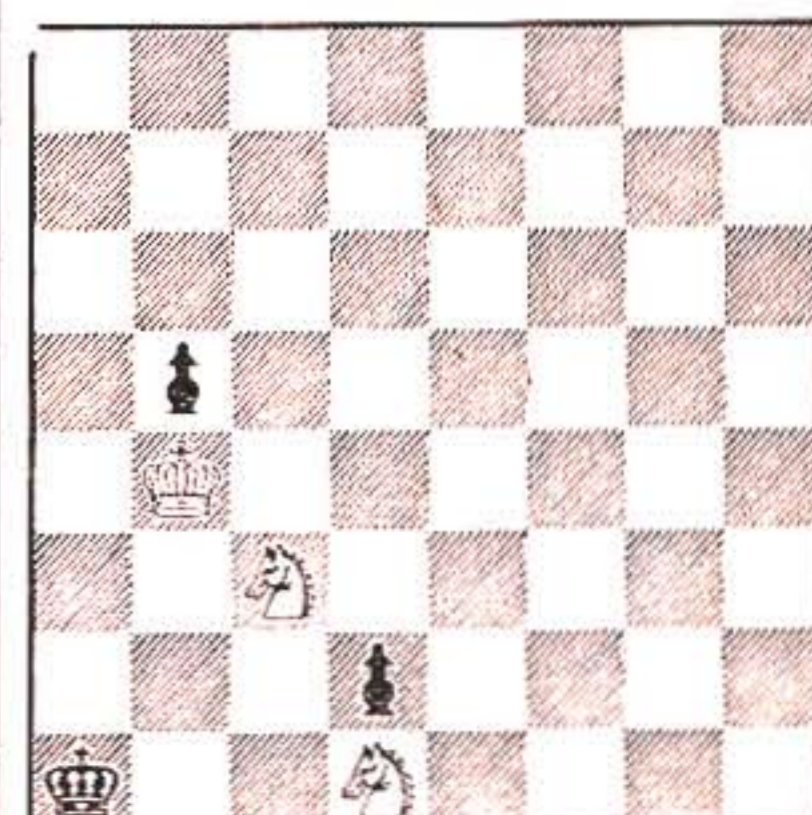
TANTALISSIMUS



White mates in four moves

- (A)
- | | | | |
|-----------|-----|----------|------|
| 1. B-K2!! | BxB | 3. RxPch | KxR |
| 2. B-K5!! | PxP | 4. Kt-R3 | mate |
- (B)
- | | | | |
|---------|---------|------------------|------|
| 1. ... | P-B8(Q) | 3. BxB | any |
| 2. K-Q7 | B-Kt5ch | 4. B-K6 or R-Kt5 | mate |
- or
- | | | | |
|------------|------|-----------|------|
| 1. ... | B-Q3 | 3. R/4-B6 | any |
| 2. Kt-K3ch | K-K3 | 4. RxB | mate |
- Insert A
- or
- | | | | |
|-----------|------|---------|------|
| 2. ... | B-K6 | 4. RxKP | mate |
| 3. KtxBch | KxB | | |
- or
- | | | | |
|------------|-----|------------|------|
| 2. ... | PxR | K-B8 or K3 | |
| 3. R-Kt5ch | | 4. Kt-Q4 | mate |
- the "cook"
- | | | | |
|------------|------|------------|------|
| 1. RxKtPch | K-K3 | 3. Kt-Q4ch | K-Q3 |
| 2. B-Kt7 | PxP | 4. B-B8 | mate |
- or
- | | | | |
|----------|------|---------------|------|
| 2. ... | K-Q3 | 4. B-B8 or K5 | mate |
| 3. Kt-Q4 | any | | |
- or
- | | | | |
|-----------|------|------------|------|
| 1. ... | K-Q3 | 3. R-Kt6ch | K-Q4 |
| 2. B-K5ch | BxB | 4. Kt-K3 | mate |

CAROUSEL



White to play and win (Please turn to page 8, col. 1)

*The following discussion is from the mss. of BASIC CHESS OPENING STRATEGY by Larry Evans, to be published by Pitman late this year.



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.

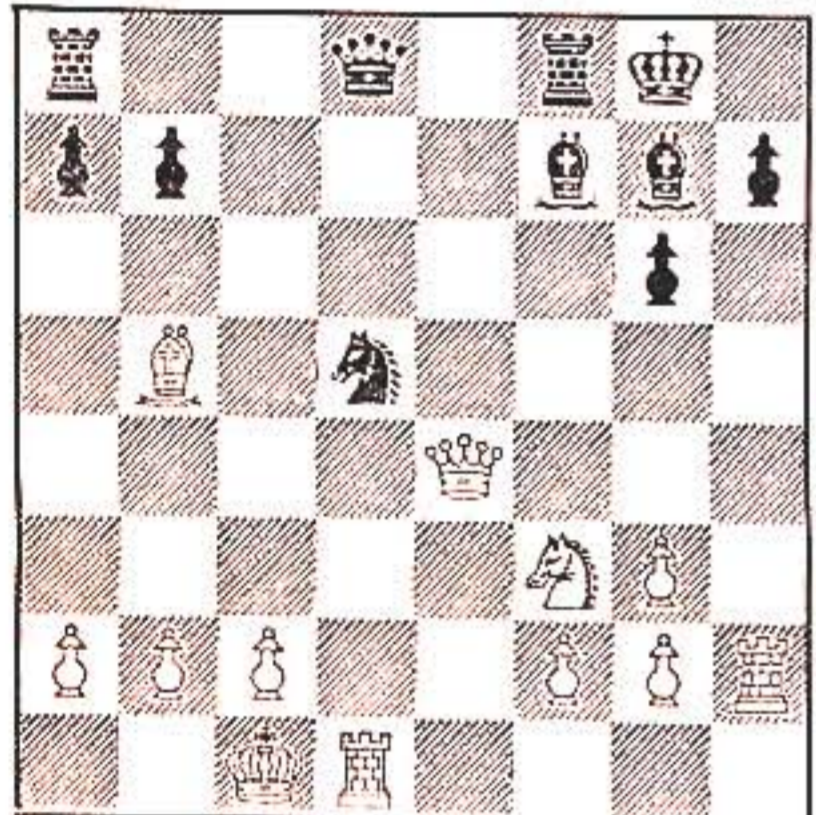
DOUBLE UPSET AT MANHATTAN

Former U. S. Champion Arnold Denker lost a lively game to the rising young Arthur Feuerstein, and U. S. Champion Arthur Bisguier faltered fatally in a contest with veteran Alexander Kevitz as the Manhattan Championship neared the finish line.

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

MCO: page 95, column 75
Manhattan C.C. Championship
New York, 1956

White		Black	
A. S. DENKER		A. FEUERSTEIN	
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3	10. B-Q3	B-B2
2. Kt-KB3	P-KK13	11. Q-K2	Kt-Q2
3. Kt-B3	P-Q4	12. PxP	PxP
4. B-B4	B-K12	13. O-O-O	O-O
5. P-K3	Kt-R4	14. R-R2	P-K4
6. B-K5	P-KB3	15. PxP	PxP
7. B-K13	KtxB	16. B-K15	P-K5
8. RPxKt	P-B3	17. KtxQP	Kt-K13
9. P-K4	B-K3	18. QxP	KtxKt



19. B-B4	Q-B3	27. R-K5	BxR
20. RxKt	QxPch	28. BxBch	KxB
21. K-Q1	Q-R8ch	29. Kt-K15ch	K-B1
22. K-Q2	Q-B6ch	30. KtxPch	K-K12
23. K-Q1	KR-B1	31. QxQKtPch	B-B2ch
24. B-K13	Q-R8ch		
25. K-Q2	B-B6ch	32. K-B3	Q-Q8 mate
26. K-K2	R-K1		

ENGLISH OPENING

MCO: page 32, column 8
Manhattan C.C. Championship
New York, 1956

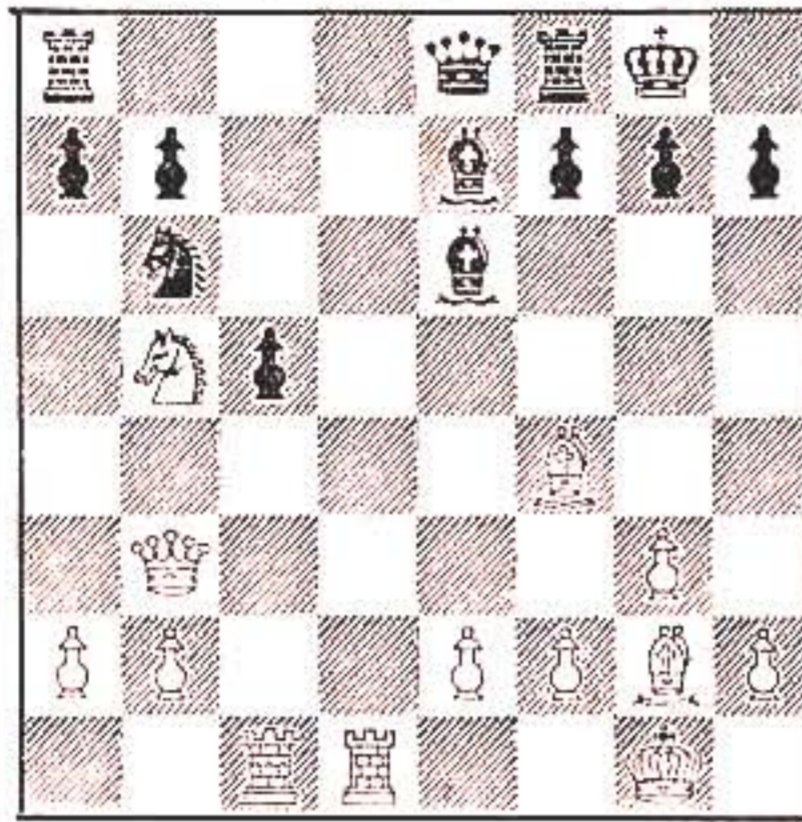
White		Black	
A. BISGUIER		A. KEVITZ	
1. P-QB4	P-K4	10. QxP	O-O
2. Kt-QB3	Kt-KB3	11. Kt-Q4	KtxKt
3. P-KK13	P-Q4	12. KtxKt	B-KK15
4. PxP	KtxP	13. Q-K13	Kt-K13
5. B-K12	B-K3	14. R-Q1	Q-B1
6. Kt-B3	Kt-QB3	15. B-B4	P-QB4
7. O-O	B-K2	16. QR-B1	Q-K1
8. P-Q4	PxP	17. Kt-K15	B-K3
9. Kt-QK15	P-Q6		
(See diagram top next column)			
18. Kt-B7	BxQ	21. KtxR	QxKt
19. PxP	Q-B1	22. P-K15	R-Q1
20. P-QK14	P-B5	Resigns	



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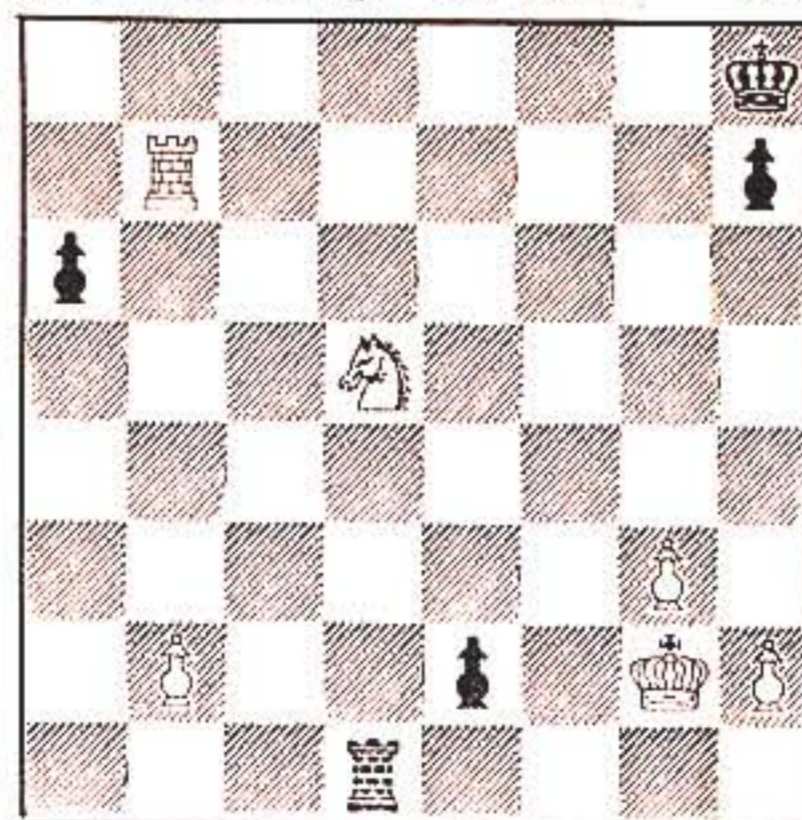


THE KNIGHTS SLUG FOR PAVY

Twice the valiant Knight delivers the telling blow in this pair of games from the current Manhattan Club Championship—once the blow threatens the rare Arabian mate, the next time it clearly announces a winning ending.

SICILIAN DEFENSE
MCO: page 289, column 121(b)
Manhattan C.C. Championship
New York, 1956

White		Black	
M. PAVEY		W. LOMBARDY	
1. P-K4	P-QB4	22. QxP	K-R1
2. Kt-KB3	P-K3	23. Q-R5	Kt-K4
3. P-Q4	PxP	24. B-Q3	B-B2
4. KtxP	Kt-KB3	25. Q-R3	KtxB
5. Kt-QB3	Kt-B3	26. QxKt	R-K4
6. Kt-K15	P-Q3	27. Q-B3	Q-K14
7. B-KB4	P-K4	28. Kt-KB4	R-K5
8. B-K15	P-QR3	29. Kt-R3	Q-R5
9. BxKt	PxB	30. RxP	B-B1
10. Kt-R3	P-B4	31. R-Q4	B-B4
11. PxP	BxP	32. Kt-Q7	BxRch
12. Kt-B4	B-K3	33. PxP	R-K11
13. Kt-Q5	B-K12	34. Kt-B6	QxKt
14. P-QB3	O-O	35. QxR	PxQ
15. Kt-K16	R-K11	36. RxQ	BxP
16. B-K2	Kt-K2	37. Kt-B4	R-Q1
17. O-O	Kt-K13	38. R-QK16	RxP
18. Q-Q3	R-K1	39. RxKtP	P-K6
19. QR-Q1	P-K5	40. P-K13	R-Q8ch
20. Q-K3	P-B4	41. K-K12	B-Q4ch
21. P-KB4	PxP e.p.	42. KtxB	P-K7



43. Kt-B6 Resigns

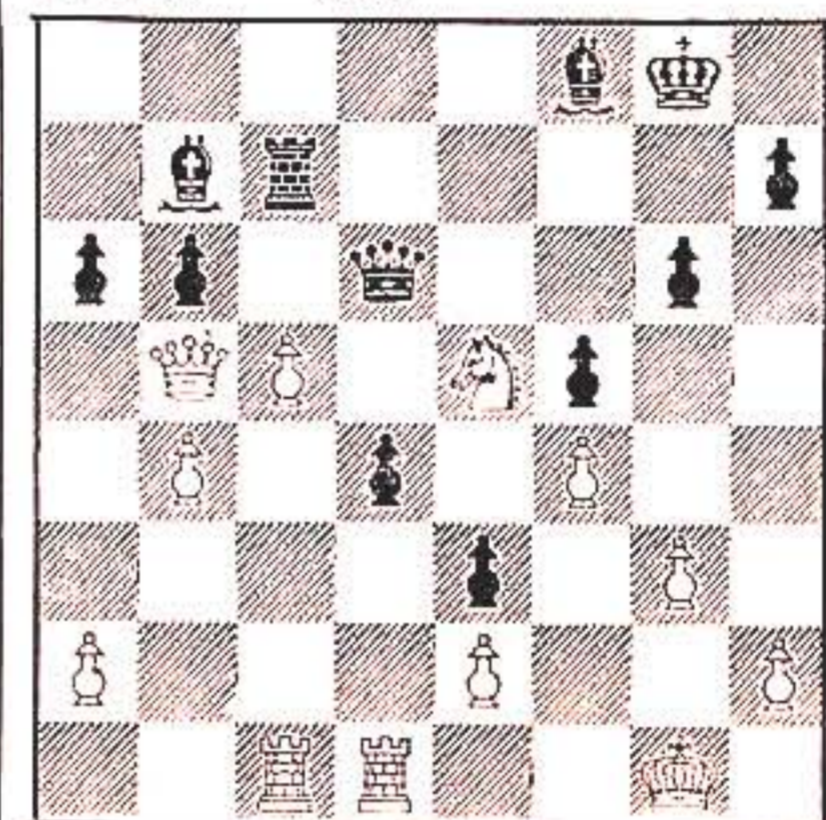


Cleveland Industrial League: As of February 15 Electric Controller led the Western Division 4½-½ in matches and 15½-9½ in games, followed by N.A.C.A. with 4-1 and 18½-8½ and U. S. Post Office with 2½-1½ and 9-8. In the Eastern Division Cleveland Twist Drill led 4-0 and 15-4, followed by Lincoln Electric 4½-½ and 13-7, and Reliance Electric 4-1 and 18½-9½. A USCF League Affiliate.

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

MCO: page 92, column 61(a)
Manhattan C.C. Championship
New York, 1956

White		Black	
M. PAVEY		A. S. PINKUS	
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3	18. BxKt	BxB
2. P-QB4	P-KK13	19. P-B3	P-K6
3. Kt-QB3	B-K12	20. P-B4	B-K12
4. Kt-B3	O-O	21. Kt-K14	R-QB1
5. P-KK13	P-Q4	22. Kt-Q3	B-B1
6. Q-K13	P-B4	23. KR-Q1	P-K13
7. QPxP	P-Q5	24. P-B6	KR-B2
8. Kt-Q5	Kt-K5	25. Q-K15	Q-Q3
9. Q-R3	Kt-QB3	26. QR-B1	RxP
10. B-K12	P-K3	27. BxR	RxB
11. Kt-B4	P-B4	28. P-K13	R-B1
12. O-O	P-K4	29. Q-R6	R-B2
13. Kt-Q5	B-K3	30. Kt-K5	B-B1
14. Kt-Q2	KtxKt	31. Q-K15	B-QK12
15. BxKt	P-K5	32. P-QK14	P-QR3
16. Q-K13	Kt-K4	33. P-B5	.....
17. B-B4	R-B2		



33.	PxQ	36. P-QR3	K-K12
34. PxQ	RxR	37. Kt-B6	Resigns
35. RxR	BxP		

GAMES WANTED

For volume two of his edition of the games of Emanuel Lasker, J. Gilchrist of London is seeking for the following so far unlocated game scores: Berlin Masters, July 1890 against Mieses; Graz, Sept. 1890, wins against Albin and Marco and draw with von Feyerfell (listed as Myllus in tournament fable); London BCA, March 1892, wins against Gossip, Jasnogrodsky, Lee, Loman, and draw with Locock; London Quintangular Mar-Apr 1892, two wins against Bird and draws, Gunsberg-Lasker and Lasker-Mason.

In match play the following games are sought: draw against Bardeleben; 2nd game with Mieses; 3rd, 4th and 5th games in match with Bird, 1890.

Of the two matches in the USA against Showalter, the following games are also desired: 1st match, January 1893, 1st game (Ruy Lopez) won by Lasker, 2nd game (Ruy Lopez) won by Showalter. 2nd match, April 1893: 1st game (QP) won by Lasker, 2nd game (French) won by Showalter, 3rd game (QP) drawn, 4th game (French) won by Lasker, 5th game (?), 6th game (Ruy Lopez) won by Lasker, 7th game (?).

Readers who can forward scores of these games or information as to where they can be found, please write to Frank J. Skoff, 4833 No. Avers Ave., Chicago 25, Ill. who will forward to Mr. Gilchrist with proper credit as to source.

Vancouver (B.C.): Grandmaster Samuel Reshevsky tallied 33 wins, 4 draws and 1 loss in an exhibition at Alma Hall, losing a game to Nick Savehenko of the West Vancouver C.C. He drew with John G. Prentice, Frank May, W. J. Maier, J. Patty, and J. Kegel.

North Jersey Chess League: After 7 rounds of play, Irvington and Plainfield are tied with 7-0 each in match points, Orange is third with 6-1, and Phillidor fourth with 5-2 in the 10 club league. A USCF League Affiliate.

Analytical Wrangles

This column will be devoted to analytical comments submitted by readers of CHESS LIFE, preferably in discussion of various annotations or suggestions appearing in CHESS LIFE to which the reader offers dissent or elaboration. Master and Amateur alike are invited to air their views.

MORE ON ALEKHINE'S DEFENSE

By RICHARD CUNNINGHAM

BEING a subscriber to Chess Life, I have been interested in the recent analytical wrangles columns by Weaver Adams & Lee Hyder on Alekhine's Defense. I have studied both of these articles and I believe I have an improvement for Black.

In variation "B", after the moves: 1. P-K4, N-KB3; 2. P-K5, N-Q4; 3. P-QB4, N-N3; 4. P-Q4, P-Q3; 5. P-B4, PxP; 6. BPxP, N-B3; 7. B-K3, B-B4; 8. N-QB3, P-K3; 9. N-B3, N-N5; 10. R-B1, P-B4; 11. P-QR3, PxP; 12. NxP, N-B3; 13. NxB, PxN; 14. Q-B3, Mr. Adams gives 14., Q-Q2 as being strong for Black, but points out that 15. R-Q1 leads to an advantage for White. Lee Hyder also shows that 15. P-B5! gives White the upper hand. In view of this I suggest 14., NxKP! (instead of 14., Q-Q2) with the following variations:



(A) 15. QxBP, N/K4xP; 16. KBxN (or 16. Q-N5 ch, Q-Q2; 17. QxQ ch, KxQ; 18. R-Q1ch, B-Q3; 19. QBxN, NxB; 20. B-N5ch, K-K2 and Black has the edge), Q-R5ch; 17. B-B2, QxB/B4 and Black has much the better of it.

(B) 15. QxNP, Q-QB1; 16. QxQch, RxQ; 17. P-QN3 (white must lose a pawn, so he makes the best of it), BxP; 18. R-B2, B-N5 and Black has the advantage.

These variations, although they may be demolished by future analysis, appear entirely satisfactory for Black.

The Brittle League

By E. M.

If you are a ty-ager—sixty, seventy, eighty or ninety—you are eligible for the Brittle League.

Charley Jaffe followed the horses almost as faithfully as chess. He studied the charts and made analysis and bets between chess games. Engrossed in doting the next bet, he was interrupted: "How do you do, Mr. Jaffe, remember me?"

"The pace is familiar, but the mane escapes me," replied Jaffe without lifting his head.

The Kibitzer Has His Day

Dear Mr. Major:

Mr. Thomas Sullivan's critique of the Solkoff system is a masterpiece of illogic. That so many obvious errors should emerge from the brain of a chess player is a strange phenomenon.

Before proceeding, the axiom on which all tie-breaking systems are based should be repeated to cast a few rays of light on confused minds. "Ties are broken in a direct ratio to the strength of opposition".

Let me list Sullivan's curious mistakes in criticizing the Solkoff:

1). He compares chess tournaments where mind triumphs over matter to boxing where the mind suffers punishment at the hands of brute strength. Furthermore, the Swiss tournament is never used in athletic events. Therefore, the question of tie-breaking never comes up in sporty 'knockout' events.

2). Sullivan condemns the Solkoff system because he thinks the Median System is no good!!

3). He condemns the Solkoff because it fails to break a tie between a player with 5½-1½ (Saidy and Mednis) and 5-2 (Witte)!! By the nature of things, the opposition of the tournament winner is always weaker than that of some lower player.

4). "Neither Mednis nor Saidy needs statisticians to win titles"—this statement proves the emotional rather than intellectual contents of Sullivan's attack on the Solkoff. Valid statistical principles are vital in tie-breaking. The drawing up of a score sheet is a mathematical process. If one does not realize this elementary fact, one should not attempt to criticize any method of tie-breaking.

The Solkoff system is far more advanced than the Sonneberg. Having used it in directing several tournaments, I find that it needs one amendment. That in breaking a tie between two players with equal game scores, there must be a minimum of one point representing losses as represented by two draws or a minimum of 1½ points representing a draw and a loss. Furthermore, accurate pairing is essential. The Harkness or Coons pairing system is used. In these systems, one advances to a greater strength by winning over tough opponents. Thus, in the latter rounds of a tournament, if a Class A player meets a Reshevsky and loses, more credit is given for this loss on the basis of two reasons: A). He has advanced over hard opposition; B). The loss is less an indication of the player's weakness than a loss to a man with a very low score.

Lastly, if the Solkoff system reveals a tie, no effort should be made at tie-breaking. The results should be declared a draw. This would have avoided the unjust tie-break at the U.S. Open last year.

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Southport, N. C.

TOLEDO SILVER KNIGHTS OPEN Toledo, 1956 100% USCF Rated Event

1. Dr. Mark Pence (Adrian, Mich.)	.....W32 W7 W13 W9 W2 W3 W4	7-0	.....
2. W. J. Walter (Fremont, O.)	.....W34 W17 W19 W3 L1 D8 W9	5½-1½	.....
3. F. H. Ashley (Toledo, O.)	.....W23 W22 W5 L2 W14 L1 W8	5-2	19.50
4. R. G. Lake (Toledo, O.)	.....W24 L8 W10 W19 W6 W9 L1	5-2	19.00
5. J. H. Cochrane (Toledo, O.)	.....W30 W16 L3 W7 L9 W22 W13	5-2	18.50
6. G. E. Robinson (Toledo, O.)	.....W25 L19 W12 W13 L4 W16 W10	5-2	18.50
7. A. R. Kendall (Toledo, O.)	.....W15 L1 W17 L5 W25 W14 W26	5-2	17.00
8. R. J. Henry (Toledo, O.)	.....W11 W4 L9 W20 W22 D2 L3	4½-2½	.....
9. Lawrence C. Jackson, Jr. (Toledo)	4-3 (14.00); 10. Ernest W. Moser (Toledo)	4-3 (12.50); 11. Earl Mowery (Toledo)	4-3 (11.00); 12. Emil Hris (Toledo)	4-3 (10.50);
13. Carl E. Comstock (Sylvania)	4-3 (9.50); 14. William F. Maxwell, Jr. (Toledo)	4-3 (9.00); 15. Mrs. Exalena Collins (Toledo)	4-3 (8.50); 16. Robert Redman (Toledo)	4-3 (8.00);
17. Leon Kempf (Toledo)	3½-3½ (10.00); 18. Dr. Edward A. Gribbin (Toledo)	3½-3½ (5.75); 19. George Netter (Toledo)	3-4 (12.00); 20. Dr. Millwood A. Custer (Toledo)	3-4 (9.50);
21. Arthur Bazar (Toledo)	3-4 (7.50); 22. Ben Katz (Toledo)	3-4 (7.00); 23. Stanford S. Etorer (Sylvania)	3-4 (6.00); 24. Alfred K. Harrison (Toledo)	3-4 (4.50);
25. Zdzislaw Domanski (Toledo)	3-4 (4.50); 26. Paul Hayden (Toledo)	3-4 (4.50); 27. Charles French (Toledo)	3-4 (1.50); 28. Elmer Schoenrock (Toledo)	2-5 (4.00);
29. Richard J. Kwapich (Toledo)	2-5 (4.00); 30. Albert Hale (Toledo)	2-5 (3.00); 31. Mrs. Mildred X. Gribbin (Toledo)	2-5 (2.00); 32. David J. Gribbin (Toledo)	2-5 (1.00);
33. John J. Pollock (Toledo)	1-6; 34. William Brewer (Toledo)	0-7.		

Tournament Director: Max Moldawsky.

JUNIOR DIVISION 100% USCF Rated Event

1. D. Hatch (Toledo, O.)	.....W12 W4 W3 L2 W6 W5 W8	6-1	.....
2. A. Hatch (Toledo, O.)	.....W10 W8 W6 W1 W4 L3 L5	5-2	21.00
3. J. Smith (Toledo, O.)	.....W7 W5 L1 W10 W12 W2 L4	5-2	17.50
4. T. Tenney (Ottawa Hills, O.)	.....W9 L1 W11 W12 L2 W6 W3	5-2	17.00
5. R. Underhill (Toledo, O.)	.....W14 L3 W9 W15 D8 L1 W2	4½-2½	.....
6. Paul H. Sill (Toledo)	4-3 (13.00); 7. William Kinnear (Toledo)	4-3 (8.50); 8. Rein Walter (Fremont)	3½-3½ (5.00); 9. Robert O'Desky (Toledo)	3-4 (5.50);
10. John Otto Schropp (Sylvania)	3-4 (5.00); 11. David Torok (Toledo)	3-4 (5.00); 12. Bruce Kujawski (Toledo)	3-4 (3.50); 13. Bruce Gawecki (Toledo)	3-4 (3.50);
14. Frank Veres (Toledo)	3-4 (1.00); 15. David M. Williams (Walbridge)	1-6; 16. Robert E. Burris (Toledo)	0-7.	

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS & CONNECTICUT VALLEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Springfield, 1956 100% USCF Rated Event

1. Dr. Joseph Platz (E. Hartford, Conn.)	.....W16 W8 W2 W5 D3	4½-½	16.25
2. Robert Lane (So. Glastonbury Conn.)	.....W14 W13 L1 W8 W6	4-1	13.00
3. Eli Bourdon (Holyoke, Mass.)	.....L5 W16 W10 W7 D1	3½-1½	11.25
4. Vernon Hume (Shelburne Falls, Mass.)	.....D12 L6 W11 W15 W5	3½-1½	11.00
5. Francis Keller (Northampton, Mass.)	.....W3 W10 W9 L1 L4	3-2	11.50
6. Jack Owen (Avon, Conn.)	.....D9 W4 D7 W13 L2	3-2	11.25
7. James Slattery (Westfield Mass.)	.....D11 W12 D6 L3 W13	3-2	9.75
8. Nick Raymond (Hartford, Conn.)	.....W17 L1 W14 L2 W9	3-2	6.50
9. Roland Johnson (Feeding Hills, Mass.)	2½-2½ (8.50); 10. Richard Gleason (Springfield, Mass.)	2½-2½ (5.50); 11. Robert Seiden (Chicopee, Mass.)	2½-2½ (5.00); 12. Karl Allured (Northampton, Mass.)	2-3 (5.00);
13. Jerome Makara (Springfield, Mass.)	2-3 (3.00); 14. John Ducharme, Sr. (Easthampton, Mass.)	1-4 (1.00); 15. Phillip Pinkham (Westfield, Mass.)	1-4 (1.00); 16. Eugene Nafranowicz (Holyoke, Mass.)	0-5 (0.00);
17. Mike Nafranowicz (Holyoke, Mass.)	0-5 (0.00).			

CLASS B TOURNEY

1. Robert Moynihan (Holyoke, Mass.)	.....W4 W12 W2 W4 L3	4-1	14.50
2. Robert Loomis (Springfield, Mass.)	.....W11 W6 L1 W7 W5	4-1	13.50
3. Ernest Andrews (Avon, Conn.)	.....W13 L5 W12 W6 W1	4-1	12.00
4. Jack Stern (Springfield, Mass.)	.....D7 Bye W5 L1 W8	3½-1½	9.75
5. Bert Dygert (Longmeadow, Mass.)	.....W10 W3 L4 W8 L2	3-2	11.00
6. A. Davenport (Shelburne Falls, Mass.)	.....W8 L2 W9 L3 W10	3-2	9.00
7. Rheo Beaulieu (Williamansett, Mass.)	2½-2½ (6.00); 8. John Ducharme, Jr. (Easthampton, Mass.)	2-3 (5.50); 9. James Scheering (W. Springfield, Mass.)	2-3 (4.00);	
10. Henry Rock (Becket, Mass.)	2-3 (3.00); 11. Robert Bessey (Westfield, Mass.)	1-4 (1.00); 12. Jeff Baker (Mt. Hermon, Mass.)	1-4 (1.00); 13. Roger Simoneau (Springfield, Mass.)	0-5 (0.00).

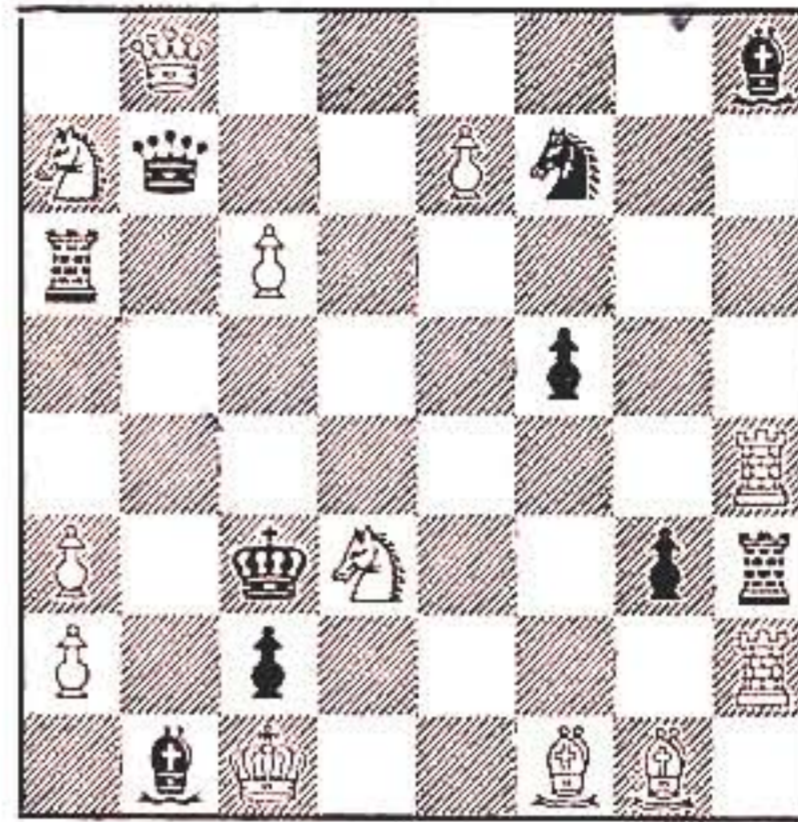
Mate The Subtle Way!

by Nicholas Gabor

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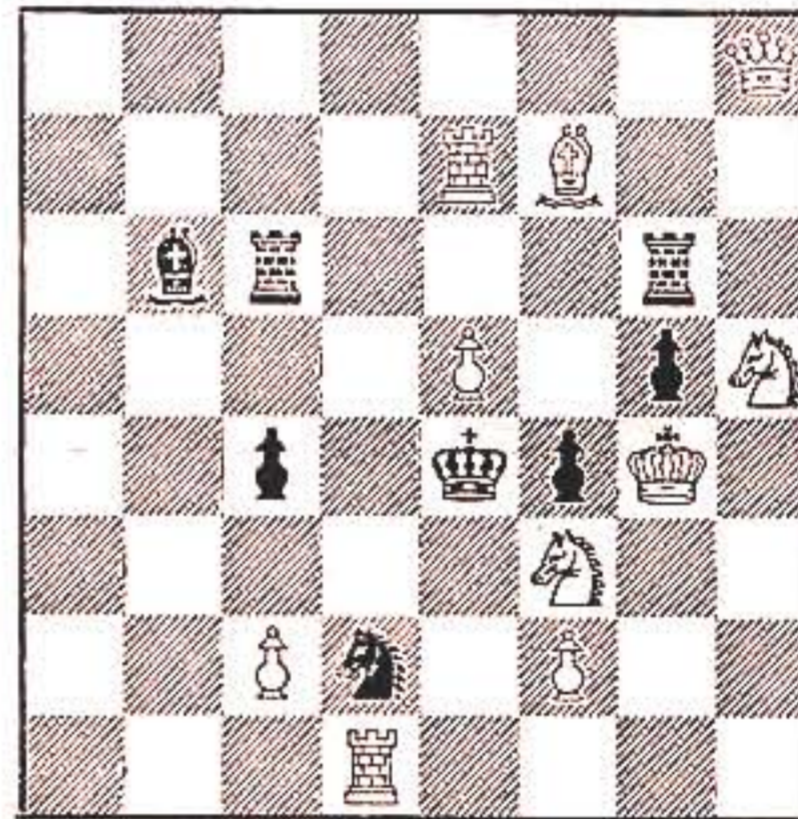
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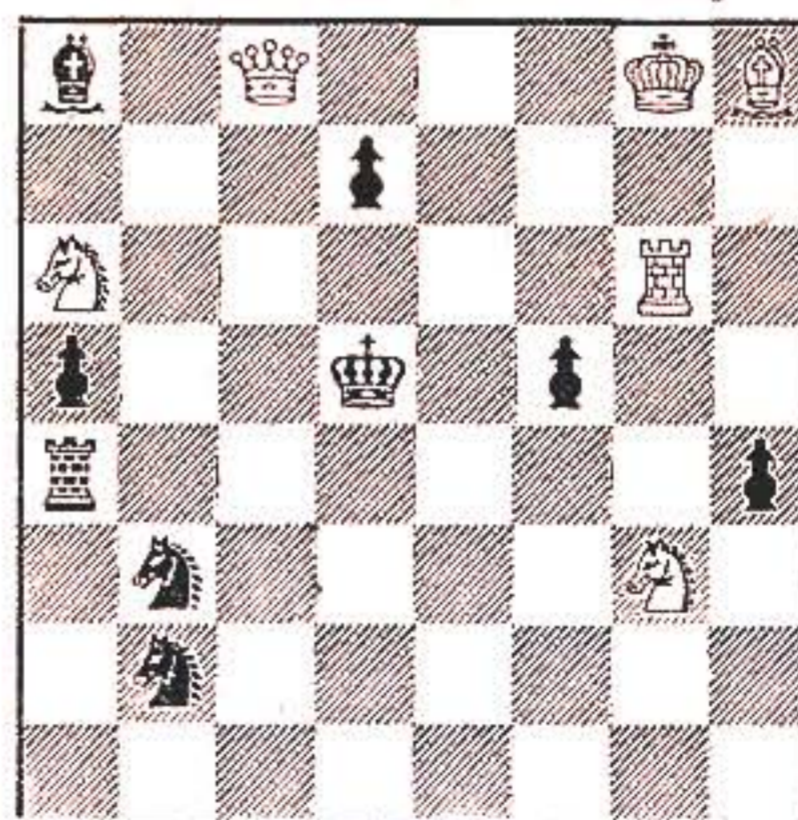
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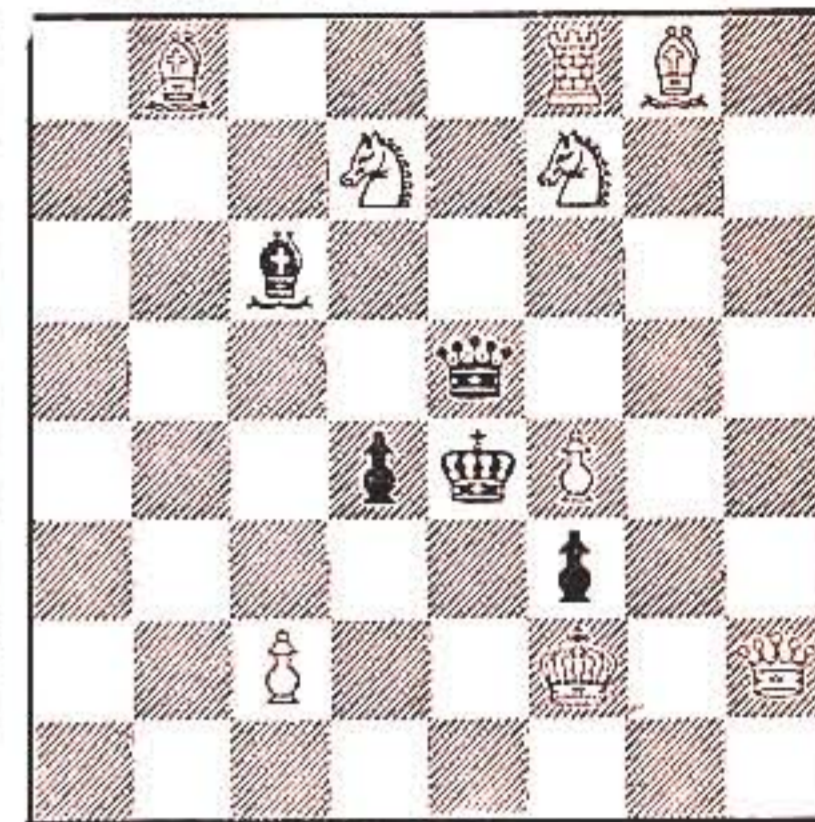
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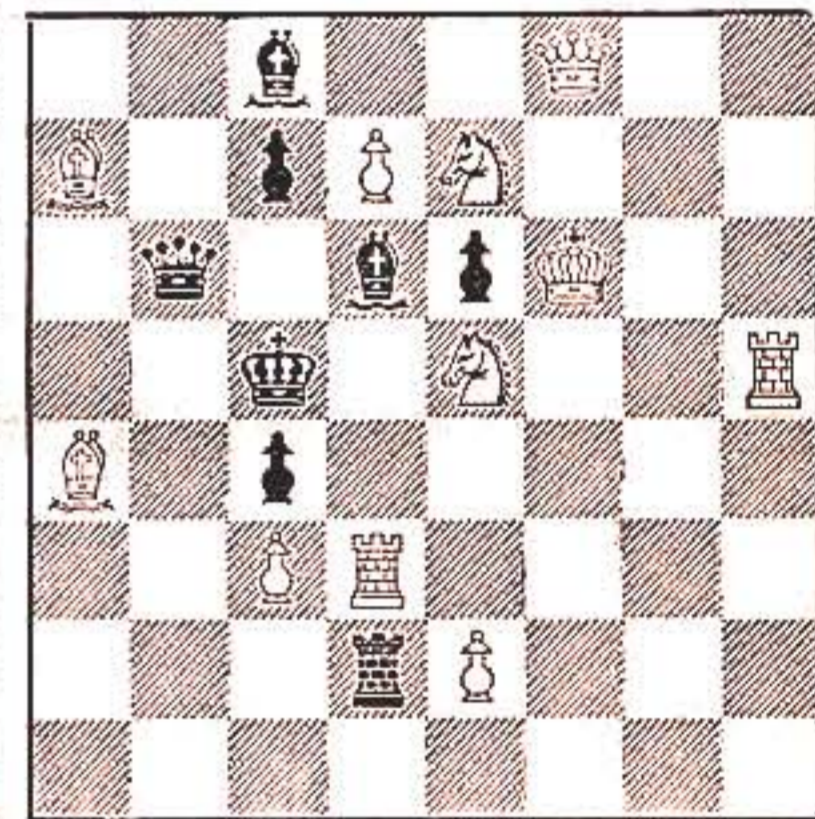
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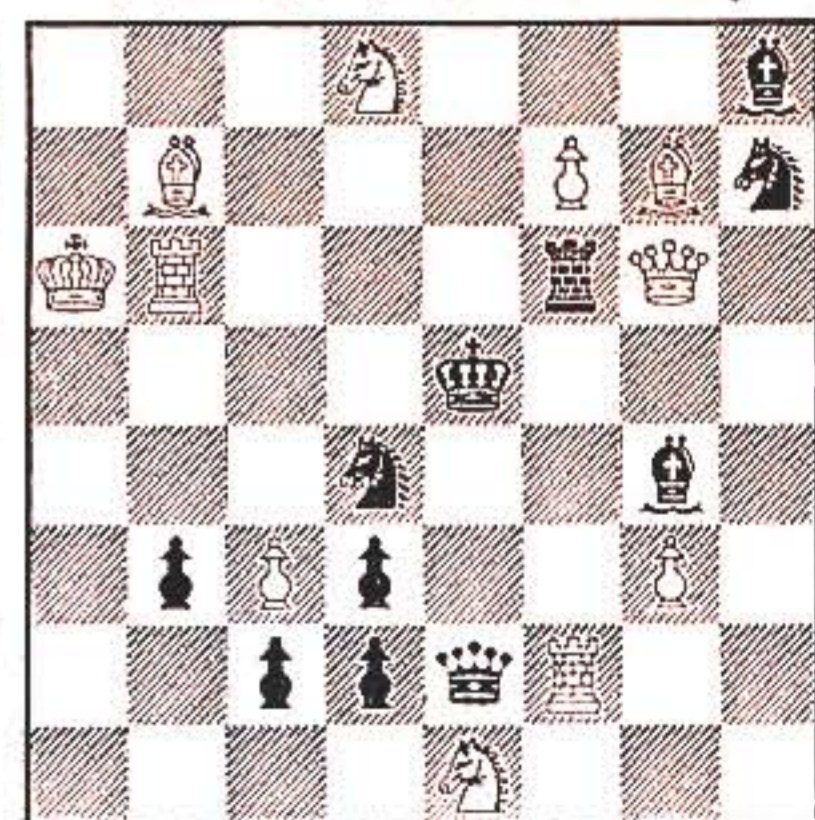
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Solutions-Mate the Subtle Way!

No. 635 (MacKay): 1. K-R2, threat 2. Q-Kt1. No. 636 (Musante): 1. Kt-Q7, threat 2. Q-QB5. 1., Kt(7) random; 2. Q-R6. 1., Kt-Kt4; 2. Q-R2. 1., Kt(4) random; 2. R-K4. 1., Kt-B6; 2. RXP. All other tries with the key-piece have a single defeat. Corrections in the tries as well as in actual play. No. 637 (Sheppard): 1. B-K3, threat 2. R-Kt6. 1., Kt(3) random (to R8, B8, Q5 or Q7) allow 2. Q-R3, with two corrections. 1., Kt-B4; 2. Q-Q6, and 1., Kt-R4; 2. Kt-B5. Fine Meredith, free of pawns. No. 638 (DeMoraes): 1. B-Q8, threat 2. R-K4 db.ch. Moves preventing the double check permit three "Royal Battery" mates. 1., R-K3; 2. K-Kt8. 1., R-B3; 2. K-Kt7. 1., B-K3; 2. KXP. No. 639 (Kellerman): 1. Kt-K5 releasing the Queen, threat 2. Q-B7. Precise play following the Queen's moves. Mr. Sheppard (637) and Mr. Kellerman (639) prove the theory that "Life Begins at 80". No. 640 (The Hong Oe): 1. Q-R2, threat 2. Kt(Q3)-B2. Three good variations.

Tournament Life

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Solution To What's The Best Move?

Position No. 178

Goldberg-Jouk (origin uncertain). Black can win only by marching his King to KR2. After 1., K-K2; 2. P-N5 (in order to answer P-B3 by P-N6), K-B1; 3. K-B3, P-R5; 4. K-N2, K-N1; 5. K-B3, K-R2; 6. K-N2, P-B3; White is ruined, since 7. P-N6ch. allows K-R3 etc. The only try is 7. K-B3, PxP; 8. PxP, K-N1; 9. K-N2, K-B2; 10. K-B3, K-K3 and White might as well resign since 11. P-R6, PxP; 12. PxP, K-B3 is obviously futile. After 1. K-K3? or 1. P-R5 Black can still win by transposing into the above line, but he must avoid the fateful trap of answering 2. P-N5 with K-B4. In this position White marks time on the Queen side, and the Black King dare not play KxP (P-R6! then wins for White). Upon 3., K-K3 then 4. P-R6, PxP; 5. PxP, K-B3 loses to the surprise move 6. P-B5!! Or here 3., P-B3; 4. P-N6 secures the draw. Black can also draw by 1., P-N4; 2. P-B5, if he insists on not winning.

Correct solutions are acknowledged from Donald E. Benge, Milton D. Blumenthal, Abel R. Bomberault, Lt. B. G. Dudley, John H. Horning, John Ishkan, A. Kafko, Bill Koenig, Edward J. Korpany, Heino Kurruck, Col. F. D. Lynch, Max F. Mueller, Charles Musgrove, Peter Muto, Edmund Nash, George W. Payne, Dr. Ray P. Pinson, Edward B. Powell, Herbert J. Roberts, Irwin Sigmond, Bob Steinmeyer, Francis Trask, F. J. Valvo, William B. Wilson, Neil P. Witting, and L. E. Wood.

The solvers were beaten, 32-26, as often seems to happen in tricky endings with a deceptively simple look. *Welcome to New Solver.

WOMEN'S CHESS

(Continued from page 5, col. 4)

- (A)
1. K-K13 P-K15 2. Kt-K4
- This Kt can also go to R4 and thence to Kt2, with the rest of the moves unchanged.
2. K-K18 8. K-K13 K-K18
 3. Kt/4-B2 K-B8 9. Kt-Q3 K-R8
 4. KxP K-B7 10. Kt-K14 K-K18
 5. K-R4 K-K18 11. Kt-B3ch K any
 6. K-R3 K-B7 12. Kt-R2 or B2 mate
 7. K-R2 K-B8
- (B)
3. K-R8 and continues as
 4. KxP K-R7 in A.
 5. K-R4 K-K18
- (C)
2. Kt-Q5
- This is a "cook", though it takes a move longer, as no definite number of moves had been specified.
2. K-K18 9. Kt-R2ch K-K18
 3. Kt/5-K3 K-R8 10. Kt-Q1 K-R8
 4. KxP K-R7 11. Kt-K14 K-K18
 5. K-R4 K-K18 12. Kt-B3ch K any
 6. K-R3 K-B8 13. Kt-R2 or B2
 7. K-K13 K-K18 mate
 8. Kt-B3ch K-B8

COLLEGE CHESS

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Play continues in the Greater Chicago Chess League. The University of Chicago drew the Rogers Park Chess Club in the latest round.

U. of CHICAGO	ROGERS PARK CC
Gluss 3	Fischheimer 3
Frankenstein 0	Nathans 0
Kirby 1	Mrs. Aronson 0
Gottesman 0	Mr. Aronson 1
Robinson 3	Passau 3
Sweig 1	Johnson 0

Cleveland Club League: As of February 15 Cleveland Latvians led the Western Division narrowly with 4-0 in match score and 14½-2½ in games, followed by Atlantic Internationals with 4-0 and 15-3, and West Side Hungarians with 3½-1½ and 11-10. In the Eastern Division Cleveland Chess Club led with 3-0 and 18-1, followed by Case Chess with 2-0 and 7-1, Ukrainian Americans 2-1 and 13½-4½, and East Side Hungarians 2-1 and 7-6. A USCF League Affiliate.

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April 14-15

Mid-West Inter-University Team Tournament Chicago, Ill.

Restricted to any college or university team of five (of graduates and/or undergraduates); at University of Chicago Campus, Burton-Judson Courts, 1005 E. 60th Street; 6 rd Swiss, 45 moves in 2 hrs; entry fee \$3 per person (\$15 per team); prize awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd placing teams with \$50 minimum first prize, trophies to high scorer at each board; TD Robion Kirby; play begins 9 a.m. Saturday ends 11 p.m. Sunday; reservations for rooms for Sat. night at \$2 per person should be made through R. Kirby by March 26; please bring at least two chess sets per team and any available clocks; registration: by mail no later than postmark of April 10th, including entry fees payable to University of Chicago Chess Club, addressed to R. Kirby, 1005 E. 60th St., Chicago 37, Ill. For information, also address R. Kirby.

100% USCF rated event.

April 14-15

Kentucky State Championship Louisville, Ky.

Open; at Central YMCA, 231 W. Broadway, Louisville, Ky.; 5 rd Swiss; entry fees: \$3 for 1st Div., \$2 for 2nd Div.; \$25 trophy for winner of 1st Div., \$10 trophy for winner of 2nd Div.; TD Richard W. Shields; for details, write Richard W. Shields, 614 E. Market St., Louisville 2, Ky. or Robert Courtney, 231 W. Broadway, Louisville 2, Ky.

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April 21-22

Inland Empire Open and Eastern Washington Combined Spokane, Wash.

Open to all; at Desert Hotel, First and Post; 6 rd Swiss with 2½ hour time limit; entry fee: \$3.30; prize awards: guaranteed \$25 first prize with additional cash prizes for leaders in 2nd half of standings; highest ranking E. Wash. resident declared E. Wash. Champ; TD Dr. Griffith H. Parker; for details or advance entry, write: Dr. Griffith H. Parker, 416 Hyde Bldg., Spokane 1, Wash.

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April 28-29

South Texas Open Championship Corpus Christi, Tex.

Sponsored by So. Texas Chess Assn. and Buccaneer Days Commission; Open; at Exposition Hall, Shoreline Blvd; starts Saturday 9 a.m.; 5 rd Swiss, 50 moves in 2 hrs; 3 div.: Class A, Class B and Ladies; colored motion picture will be taken of tourney; cash prizes and trophies; entry fee \$3 for members STCA, \$1.50 extra for non-members; all hotels will be full, make reservation early; for details, write: Henry Youngman, P.O. Box 844, Corpus Christi, Tex.

100% USCF rated event.

April 28-29 and May 5-6

Chicago City Chess Championship Chicago, Ill.

Open to all residents of Chicago and its suburbs; at the University of Chicago Campus, Burton-Judson Courts, 1005 E. 60th St.; 8 rd Swiss, 45 moves in 2 hrs.; entry fee: \$6; guaranteed 1st prize of \$75, other cash prizes; registration opens 10:30 a.m. and entries close at 1 p.m. on April 28, 1st rd begins at 1:30 p.m.; players are requested to bring sets, boards, and clocks if possible; TD Robert Sandberg.

100% USCF rated event.

June 2-3

North Dakota Championship Bismark, No. Dak.

At World War Memorial Bldg.; restricted to North Dakota residents; 6 rd Swiss, 30 moves per hr.; entry fee: \$3.00; trophies; TD D.C. Macdonald; for details, write: Johannes Folstad, 506 2nd St., Bismarck, N.D.

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May 5-6

Minnesota Junior Championship St. Paul, Minn.

Restricted to Minnesota residents, 21 years of age or younger, at Downtown YMCA, 9th and Cedar Streets, St. Paul; Time of registration, 8 a.m., Saturday May 5; play begins 8:30 a.m. May 5; 5 rd Swiss, 45 moves in two hours; entry fee: \$2.50; Trophy and cash 1st prize, plus other prizes; sponsored by St. Paul Chess Club; for details, write: Robert C. Gove, % Downtown YMCA, 9th and Cedar Sts., St. Paul, Minn.

100% USCF rated event.

May 5-6

Indiana State Championship Logansport, Ind.

At Barnes Hotel, Logansport; open to Indiana residents (incl. students at Indiana schools and out-of-state members of Indiana clubs); 6 rd Swiss (round-robin play-off of tie for first, otherwise S-B ranking); begins promptly 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 5; prizes of 50%, 30%, and 20% for first to third plus brilliancy prize; entry fee: \$3; TD Emil Bersbach; bring boards, clocks and sets if possible; for details, write: D. E. Rhead, 2715 Green St., Gary, Ind.

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May 5-6 and 12-13

Maryland State Chess Championship Towson, Md.

Open to all Marylanders, members of Md. chess clubs and service men stationed in Maryland; at Towson Senior High School, Algburth Manor Road, just north of Baltimore; 7 rd Swiss, 50 moves in 2 hrs., 15 min.; entry fee \$7 with \$3 returned after 7th rd to those with one forfeit or less; prizes estimated to total \$100 with prizes to top 10% of entry; entries accepted at playing room (Towson H.S.) Saturday May 5 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon; TD William C. Koenig; bring chess sets and clocks if possible; for details, write Donald W. Haney, 1710 White Oak Ave., Towson, 4, Md.

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May 18-20

Albuquerque Open Championship Albuquerque, N. Mex.

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June 1-3

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Open to all; register 6-7 p.m., June 1 at Community Center, Orange Street; 6 rd Swiss, 50 moves in 2½ hrs; entry fee: \$3.50 plus \$2 NC dues; first prize: Trophy plus \$50, other cash prizes; Beautiful beaches ten miles away; for complete details, write: Norman M. Hornstein, M.D., Southport, No. Carolina.

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July 19-22

The Carolinas' Open Championship Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Open; at Ocean Forest Hotel; 7 rd Swiss (Solkoff tie-breaking); 1st rd begins 7 p.m. Thursday, July 19; 1st prize \$100, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$30 plus trophies for first three places; Junior prizes: 1st \$25, 2nd \$20 and 3rd \$15; four other senior prizes; entry fee: \$4 plus membership (\$2) in SCCA or NCCA and USCF; special convention rates on rooms at Ocean Forest Hotel; for further information, write: L. L. Foster, 121 Saluda Ave., Columbia, S.C.

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June 2-3

32nd Trans-Mississippi Championship Davenport, Iowa

Open to all; at Chamber of Commerce, Davenport; 6 rd Swiss from 10:30 a.m. CST June 2 to 7:30 p.m. June 3; entry fee: \$7.50; entries close 10:00 a.m. June 2; \$125 1st prize, with totals of \$70, \$60, and \$40 prizes in Classes A, B, and C; total prize list \$475, plus merchandize; for details, write: John Warren, Moline Dispatch, Moline, Ill.

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EVANS ON OPENINGS

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of endgame technique. The winning process is similar to the first diagram, but even easier because White virtually is a Pawn ahead. Note only that if the Black Pawn were on Q3 instead of WB3 the game would be a theoretical draw.

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