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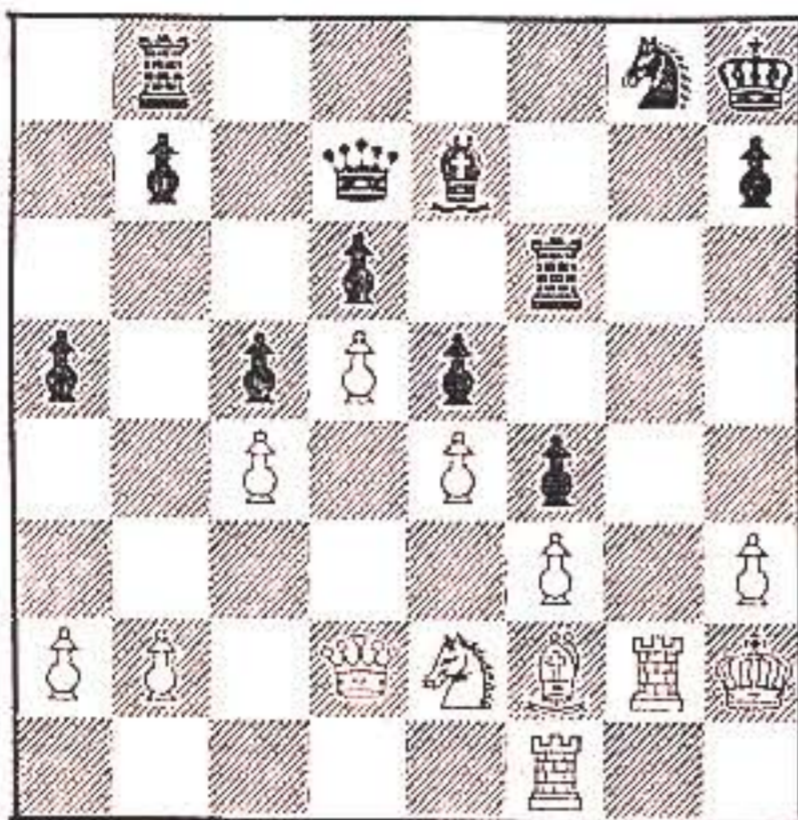
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IRWIN SIGMOND

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Solution to Position No. 189 will appear in the September 20, 1956 issue.

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Position No. 189



Black to play

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Let your dollar help chess!

ATLANTIC COAST CHESS CONGRESS

Aug. 24-Sept. 3, 1956
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TEARS BECOMES TEXAS CHAMPION

In a six player round robin at Houston Fred Tears of Dallas tallied 4-1 to become the Texas champion, losing one game to Bob Garver. Second with 3½-1½ was Kenneth Smith, also of Dallas, who lost one game to Tears and drew with Garver. John B. Payne of San Antonio placed third with 3-2, losing to Tears and Smith, while Blake Stevens of San Antonio tallied 2-3, Bob Garver of San Antonio 1½-3½, and Robert Potter of Dallas 1-4. Robert Brieger served as tournament director.

SHERWIN, SAIDY TIE IN SPEED

James T. Sherwin and Anthony J. Saidy, both of New York, tied for the U. S. Speed Championship in a one-day tournament, held at Oklahoma City. Third place went to U. S. Champion Arthur B. Bisguier. Geza Fuster of Toronto was fourth, S. Popel of Detroit fifth, and Simon DelGado of Mexico was sixth in this Lightning Chess event.

"CHESS FOR FUN" NEW TV PROGRAM

WOSU-TV, a non-profit station operating on Channel 34 of the VHF band, is now broadcasting a program entitled "Chess For Fun." This educational television station, operated by Ohio State University, devotes 15 minutes every Friday and Wednesday at 9:10 p.m. to a program on chess. Dr. Erwin Underwood, Columbus City Champion and former Massachusetts State Champion, conducts the program, assisted by leading players in the area, in a project designed to appeal to shut-ins, hospital patients, youth groups, and others interested in the Royal Game.

BISGUIER WINS U. S. OPEN

101 Players Compete At Oklahoma City, Sherwin Second, Steinmeyer Third

By WILLIAM ROJAM
Staff Writer

Due to a surprise third round defeat by Daniel Fischheimer of Chicago, U. S. Champion Arthur B. Bisguier was forced to come from behind in an exciting finish to win the U. S. Open Championship at Oklahoma City with a 9½-2½ score, tied with James T. Sherwin who also tallied 9½-2½ but placed second on Median points. Robert Steinmeyer of St. Louis, who led the field for a time, placed third with 9-3. Tied at 8½-3½ each for fourth to eighth place were U. S. Junior Champion Bobby Fischer (aged 13) of Brooklyn, Anthony Saidy of Douglaston, N. Y., former U. S. Junior Champion Edmar Mednis of New York City, Steffen Popel of Detroit, and Anthony DiCamillo of Philadelphia.

Seven players, tied at 8-4 each, placed ninth to fifteenth on Median points: Anthony Santasiere of New York City, Henry Gross of San Francisco, Edgar McCormick of East Orange, Orest Popovych of Lakewood, N. J., I. Theodorovych of Toronto, Paul Brandts of New York City, and Raymond Martin of Santa Monica, Calif.

The U. S. Women's Open Championship went to Sonya Graf-Stevenson of Los Angeles, the defending champion, with 6½-5½ score, closely followed by Mrs. Mary Selensky of Philadelphia with 5½-6½.

The 57th annual U. S. Open drew 101 players from 20 States, the District of Columbia, Canada, Mexico and one from India (a student at Norman, Okla.). It was directed by International Master George Koltanowski, assisted by USCF Business Manager Kenneth Harkness, and the excellent local arrangements were supervised by a committee headed by Oklahoma City businessman Jerry Spann.

One Sad Moment

A note of sadness momentarily clouded the scene when USCF President Frank R. Graves announced before the third round began the passing of USCF Life Director Major John Broadus Holt whose distinguished work as chess promoter and organizer will be long remembered. Players and officials stood for one minute in silent prayer as a mark of their respect to the memory of Major Holt.

16 Rated Masters

Competing in the U. S. Open were sixteen USCF rated masters: Herbert Avram of Maryland, Col. Jose Araiza, Champion of Mexico, U. S. Champion Arthur B. Bisguier of New York, Paul Brandts of N. Y., A. DiCamillo of Philadelphia, Dr. Peter Lapiken of Los Angeles, Raymond Martin of Santa Monica, Guthrie McClain of San Francisco, U. S. Intercollegiate Champion Edmar Mednis, Brian Owens of N. Y., S. Popel, former Champion of France, now of Detroit, Ivan Romanenko of Washing-

ton, Anthony Saidy of N. Y., A. E. Santasiere of N. Y., James T. Sherwin of N. Y., Robert Steinmeyer of St. Louis.

There was also Master Emeritus Lewis J. Isaacs and several unrated players like Geza Fuster and J. Theodorovych of Canada, and Joaquin Medina of Mexico who would have had master ratings if they had been rated.

Few Starting Upsets

The 1st round saw no startling upsets; minor upsets were the defeat of Dr. Lapidin by R. V. Wilcox, Herbert Avram by Van Gelder, Col. Araiza by Steven Shaw. Interest centered in Bobby Fischer (13) vs. A. M. Swank (78)—meeting of the oldest and youngest contestants, won by Bobby.

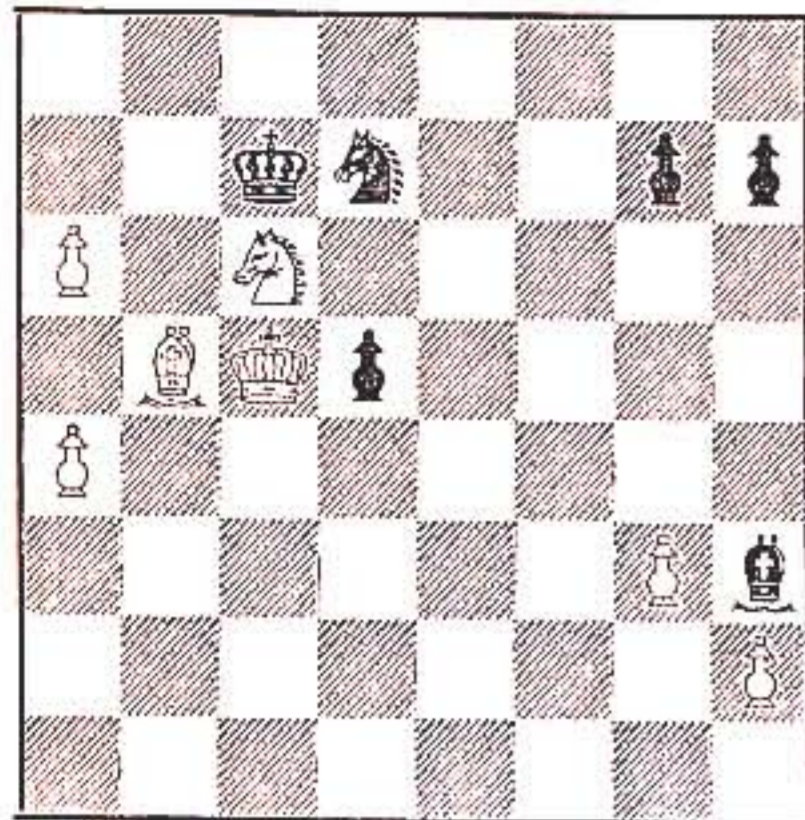
The 2nd round was barren also of the unexpected; minor upsets being McClain's loss to Fischheimer, Owens' loss to Jack Shaw, McCormick's loss to Derwin Kerr. Saidy and Fischer drew respectively with Popovych and Gross, Santasiere drew with Crittenden and DiCamillo with Joaquin Delgado of Mexico.

Bisguier Stumbles

Tension heightened in the 3rd round when Bisguier lost to Daniel Fischheimer of Chicago and Bobby Fischer to C. F. Tears of Dallas. Popel lost to Jack Shaw. Leading were James T. Sherwin with victories over Day, Brieger and Philip Morrell, and Steinmeyer with wins
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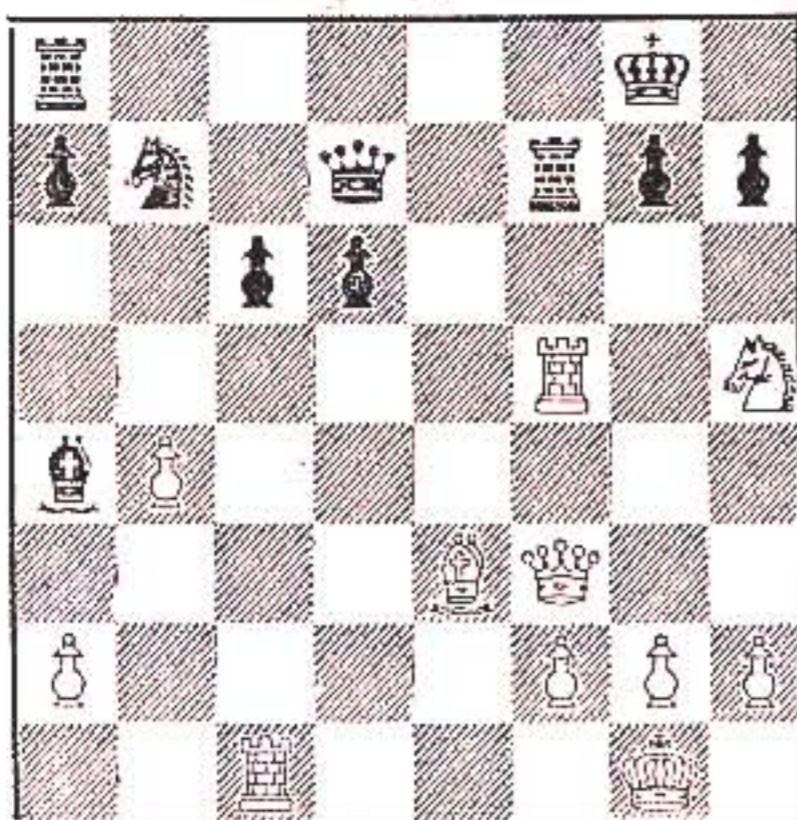
Finish It The Clever Way! by Edmund Nash

Position No. 181
Petrosian vs. Geller
Amsterdam, 1956



White to move and win

Position No. 182
Keres vs. Unzicker
Germany, 1956



White to move and win

IN Position No. 181 White is in check; if he takes the pawn, Black checks on Kt7 and wins the White Knight. So much for first appearances; White saw deeper into the position and produced an instructive result.

Position No. 182 occurred in a game of the Keres-Unzicker match, won by Keres with the score 6-2 (four wins and four draws). A brilliant sacrifice decides; in the game, Black resigned after White's fifth move.

For solutions, please turn to Page seven.

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



The third annual "An Tostal, Dublin 1956" Tournament was won by the Belgian master O'Kelly de Galway with 6½-1½ (a draw with Donner). Second and third with 5½-1½ each were Donner of Holland and Golembek of England, while Heidenfeld of South Africa was fourth with 3½-2½. Fifth and sixth with 2½-3½ each were O'Sullivan and Dunphy of Ireland.



Geza Fuster tallied 5-1 (two draws) to win the Ontario Provincial Championship at St. Catharines. Second and third with 4½-1½ each were Ray Krznaric and former Canadian Champion Povilas Vaitonis. Third to seventh with 4-2 each were Z. Leskowsky, D. Grimshaw, R. E. Orlando, P. Avery, and P. Bates.

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New Regulations Effective March 1, 1956

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.

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

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Montgomery Major
123 No. Humphrey Avenue
Oak Park, Illinois

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The Kibitzer Has His Day

Dear Mr. Major:

We suspect if it were seriously suggested that, in order to save time, a major U. S. Championship event be conducted with restricted openings, chess players would be aghast. And, rightly so. Yet this innovation could be defended more logically than the practice of adjudication.

As warm friends of the U.S.C.F. we're more than pleased at the success of the U. S. Amateur. In writing, we know we are in the position of criticizing what might appear to be a workable improvement in running a Swiss. We can't help it; in our mind the remedy's a darn sight worse than the disease it's supposed to cure. May we list a few of our objections?

1. It penalizes the end-game expert. And C. H. O'D. Alexander once wrote that it was in the end game that the real difference between master and lesser player is apparent.

2. It throws the game out of kilter. Faced with the opportunity for a speculative pawn sacrifice, the player must not only assess the possibilities on the board but also remember that an adjudicator may look at it differently.

3. Excepting all but the simplest positions, it's impossible to conscientiously adjudicate a game without taking more time than it would to play it. Anyone doubting this need only examine the work on the end-game done by Walter Korn in CHESSE LIFE and by Dr. Euwe in Chess Review.

4. In a sporting sense, it goes against the grain. It's more satisfactory to fight our own battles all the way.

(Incidentally, we heartily approve of the work done by CHESSE LIFE in attempting to discourage the growing practice of adjournment analysis by paid seconds in European tournaments.

Adjudications, of course are rigidly impartial. But to be consistent, if we condemn the practice of players receiving analysis suggesting how they should continue their adjourned games, we must at least look with some distaste on any third parties deciding how a game should turn out.)

5. If the custom spreads (and we're afraid it might—it seems like such a

SIGMOND MAKES NEW BEST MOVE

With this issue Irwin Sigmond replaces Russell Chauvenet as the custodian of "Best Moves," the front page feature chess puzzle of CHESSE LIFE. Mr. Chauvenet, worn down by the ardors of his labor, will recuperate by sailing "Pelican" boats on the Potomac while Mr. Sigmond assumes his responsibilities.



Irwin Sigmond

The new conductor of "What's the Best Move" has been a chess player for 30 of his 39 years, but has never been a persistent competitor in tournament events, playing only sporadically in such meetings. He has been a member, at various times of the Merchantile Library Chess Ass'n of Philadelphia, the Downtown Y Chess Club of Pittsburgh, the Seattle Chess Club, the Franklin Chess Club of Philadelphia, and the Woodbury Chess Club in N. J. He was the South Jersey Open Champion in 1953, 1954, and 1955; but has been more active as a correspondence chess player.

Possessing a chess library of over 100 volumes, Mr. Sigmond begins his career as a poser of chess riddles with an exceptionally good background of material and promises to maintain the feature at the high level attained by his predecessor, Russell Chauvenet.

Say You Saw It in CHESSE LIFE

Analytical Wrangles

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

MORE VIENNA

By MORTON W. LUEBBERT, JR.

The Vienna Game provides some of the most delightful encounters for chess study in all opening theory. The following variation is a prime example: 1. P-K4, P-K4; 2. N-QB3, N-KB3; 3. B-B4, NXP; 4. Q-R5, N-Q3; 5. B-N3, N-B3; 6. N-N5, P-KN3; 7. Q-B3, P-B4; 8. Q-Q5, Q-K2; 9. NXP ch, K-Q1; 10. NxR, P-N3. When you play into this variation, you show to the chess world that you came to play for something besides a peaceful draw.

In this position I have seen three moves previously: 11. NxP (which Practical Chess Openings lists as leading to an advantage for Black); 11. P-Q3 (which MCO8 lists as leading to an advantage for Black); and 11. Q-B3 (from the games Adams-Kujoth, Luebbert Correspondence Tournament, 1951-1953; and McCormick-Whitaker, U. S. Open, Fort Worth, 1951; both of which White won, and both of which have been published in CHESSE LIFE, June 5, 1953 and Sept. 20, 1951).

Richard Kujoth of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, loser of the above-named encounter to Adams, submitted the game score to me of a fine win from the same tournament and claimed a new, superior move in the variation outlined above. Here is Kujoth's game with his three notes:

KUJOTH H. F. UNDERWOOD
Luebbert Correspondence
Tournament 1951-1952

11. P-QB3
New Move. Improvement!
11. B-QN2 14. Q-K2 P-KN4
12. NxP Pxn 15. P-Q4!
13. Q-Q3 P-B5

The point to White's 11th.
15. P-K5 21. PXP PXP
16. B-Q2 B-N2 22. N-K2 K-N1
17. P-KR4 N-B4 23. K-N1 P-K6
18. Q-N5 R-B1 24. PXP NxKP
19. QXP ch K-B1 25. BxN QxB
20. O-O-O P-R3 26. R-R7

Invasion on the 7th rank spells disaster.

26. Resigns

I must take issue with Mr. Kujoth and give his 11. P-QB3 a question mark because of Black's reply 11., P-K5! This restricts White's pieces and stops the development and attack which Kujoth played after 11., B-QN2. The White Queen is endangered now after Black's 11., P-K5!; 12., B-QN2; and 13., N-K4; or 13., N-N5; although these may not necessarily be Black's best line. At any rate White must open up a retreat for his Queen, while Black will complete his development with attacking moves against the White Queen. So back to Weaver Adams' move 11. Q-B3, or am I wrong? Can anyone find a way out for White after 11. P-QB3, P-K5?!

CHESSE LIFE IN NEW YORK will return to this space when columnist Allen Kaufman returns from a well-earned vacation.

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U. S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

(Continued from page 1, col. 4)

over Rinaldo, Graf-Stevenson and Garfinkel.

Rd 4 saw no changes of note; Sherwin bested Jack Shaw and Steinmeyer downed Fischheimer to retain the lead at 4-0 each. Next came Saidy with 3½ and the dark horse, J. Theodorovych, also with 3½, and victor over Gill, K. R. Smith, Santasiere and a draw with J. F. Donovan. Ray Martin, also 3½, was challenging, and Fischer, Mednis, Popel, Bisguier, Di Camillo, and Brandts were in contention with 3-1 each.

Contention Tightens

In rd 5 the tension grew tighter as the leaders began to meet. Sherwin and Steinmeyer defeated Geza Fuster and Ray Martin to hold the 5-0 lead. Bisguier and DiCamillo tallied 4-1 by defeating Crittenden and Brieger. Popovych and Santasiere won, while Fischer, Mednis, Popel drew, and Theodorovych and Martin lost to maintain 3½-1½ scores.

Sherwin Topples

Steinmeyer downed Sherwin in rd 6 to take undisputed 1st place with 6-0 score. Saidy with a win over Donovan was second with 5½-½, while Sherwin dropped to third with 5-1. Bisguier with a draw against DiCamillo shared 4th with 4½-1½ with Mednis, Popovych, Theodorovych, and Martin who had bested Romanenko, Popel, Rozsa and Hudson respectively. Fischer, Santasiere and Gross had 4-2 scores.

Round 7 and tension increases. Saidy draws with Steinmeyer, cutting his lead to ½ point. Sherwin wins from Fischheimer, Bisguier from O'Keefe, Mednis from Theodorovych, Popovych from Avram, DiCamillo from Medina.

Now it stands: Steinmeyer 6½; Saidy and Sherwin 6; Bisguier, Mednis, DiCamillo, and Popovych 5½; Santasiere and Gross 5; Bobby Fischer, Popel, Theodorovych, and Martin 4½.

Rd 8, and Steinmeyer draws DiCamillo. Bisguier downs Popovych. Saidy draws with Sherwin. Mednis draws with Santasiere.

Steinmeyer Falters

Round 9 and Steinmeyer draws with Derwin Kerr, while Bisguier bests Saidy. Sherwin draws with DiCamillo. Mednis bests Lapiken, Santasiere downs Martin, Theodorovych beats O'Keefe, Popel downs Fischheimer.

It is now Bisguier and Steinmeyer at 7½; Sherwin and Mednis at 7 each; Saidy, Popel, DiCamillo, Santasiere, and Theodorovych at 6½ each.

Bisguier and Steinmeyer meet in rd 10 with Bisguier winning and going into the lead. Mednis downs Kerr and Sherwin bests Theodorovych. Fischer wins from Popovych. Saidy and Santasiere draw with Popel and DiCamillo respectively.

Now it is Bisguier 8½; Sherwin and Mednis 8; Steinmeyer 7½; Fischer, Saidy, Popel, DiCamillo, Santasiere, McCormick, and Brandts 7 each.

Semi-Final Tension

Bisguier draws with Sherwin; Steinmeyer draws with Mednis; Fischer draws with Popel; Santasiere draws with Owens. Saidy, Theodorovych and DiCamillo tally wins.

Score, facing the final round, Bisguier 9; Sherwin 8½; Mednis, Steinmeyer, Saidy, DiCamillo, and McCormick 8; Fischer, Popel, Santasiere, Gross, and Theodorovych 7½.

Final Blows

Bisguier drew Mednis while Sherwin defeated McCormick. DiCamillo drew with Saidy. Steinmeyer downed Theodorovych. Popel bested Owens. Santasiere drew with Gross. Bobby Fischer bested Donovan. It was all over; and U. S. Champion Arthur Bisguier was U. S. Open Champion as well—a distinction he had previously held in 1950.

Maryland Chess Federation: Recent election of officers saw Donald W. Haney chosen president; William Koenig, 810 Braeside Road, Baltimore, Md., secretary; and Murray Churchill, treasurer. Member clubs of the Federation are: Glenn L. Martin C.C., Arion C.C., University of Maryland C.C., Maryland C.C., Rough Riders C.C., Towson C.C., Evergreen C.C., and Annapolis C.C. A USCF Affiliated Federation.

The Oklahoma Story

By International Master **GEORGE KOLTANOWSKI**

Tournament Director, 1956 U. S. Open

ALMOST ten years ago when I was tournament director of the U. S. Open at Corpus Christi when the fabulous (?) first prize of \$1000 was first introduced in American U. S. Opens, so I felt a bit strange having to conduct a tournament at Oklahoma City under the Harkness rules, a system I had never before applied. As it turned out the system works fine, but the tournament director certainly needs a "second," a man who can work out the raily ratings of the players. Many participants did not realize that their ratings changed daily with their fortune or misfortune of their previously played game. It works fine, true, but it would even be better if it were only applied for odd-numbered rounds of play, say 11 or 13, as I feel it is not quite right to have players playing for top prizes getting seven times White or worse still seven times Black. To overcome any ill-feeling, we did the pulling for colors on those boards where the players had the same number of a certain color, right at the board in the final round.

Outside of Mrs. Graf-Stevenson, who felt she should play all the women participants first and then squawked bitterly for a couple of rounds (but said nothing when she won the title and prize), the only real complaint came in the final round, when Bisguier felt he should play Theodorovych and Sherwin should play Mednis and not McCormick. I took in Mr. Harkness and Mr. Spann for consultations for the final round, and for hours we sweated it out, and came up with what we considered the fairest and best way of solving the pairings in the final round. If Bisguier did not win outright, then the blame is not entirely ours. Drawing in 10 moves in the final game against Mednis cost him \$250—a rather expensive draw, and had he beaten Sherwin in the 11th round, he could even have lost the final game and still be first all alone. Bisguier is one of our best players and certainly deserved to be first alone, after his surprising defeat in the third round to Fischheimer of Chicago. It shows he is of real master timber, coming up as strong as he did, and our new "Open" champion deserves all our respects. But "Vaincre sans lutte et vaincre sans gloire" is an old Belgian saying.

Jerry Spann was a one-man show! He organized everything alone. The first evening it looked like we would not have enough chess sets or chess clocks, and only a strong appeal to the participants saved the situation. I was quite uncomfortable for a while, as it seemed we would have half the players playing blindfold against each other, and I had my work cut out for me already as it was!

We were rather strict the first few days as far as talking in the playing room was concerned and I never permitted analyses of any kind after a game was over. We had a special "Crying room" for that, and it worked wonders. I doubt if a more complete cooperation from the participants was ever received as I did from the players at Oklahoma City and I respectfully take off my hat to one and all! One participant awakened me at 2:30 a.m. to tell me that he resigned his adjourned game. When I asked him, why he could not tell me at 10 a.m. in the morning, his answer was simple: He did not want to get up in the morning!

They say it was hot outside in Oklahoma City; I couldn't vouch for that, I never left the Biltmore Hotel—

Oh, yes, I was elected as Tournament Administrator, and soon you will be getting my first report on my efforts to increase the interest in tournament chess in the United States and with that an increased interest in the USCF and many new members. But I can say this right now, my efforts can only be successful, if I have the support of all those interested in the promotion of chess. You all expected stories and anecdotes about this very successful tourney—some other day.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM U.S. OPEN

U. S. Junior Champion Bobby Fischer was the lion of the U. S. Open—on two television programs with his portrait featured in the Oklahoma City press.

Canadian Master Geza Fuster of Toronto had the dubious distinction of losing more games on time forfeit than any other player in the Open. BUT in round 2, Fuster had four minutes left for 30 moves while his opponent, Kamslakar Raut of Bombay, India, had 1½ hours for 30 moves—incredible result: Raut overstepped the time limit.

Top scoring Mexican visitor was Joaquin Medina, president of the Mexican Chess Federation, with 7½-4½ tally. E. Forry Laucks of the Log Cabin Chess Club gave a banquet to the group from Mexico with speeches translated from Spanish to English and vice versa.

College Chess Life

Conducted by
Frederick H. Kerr

All college clubs and players are urged to send news items to Frederick H. Kerr, 1776 Sample Road, Allison Park, Pennsylvania.

WHO is Edmar Mednis? Most readers of this column know that he is the United States Intercollegiate Champion. Many also know that he is a chess master and a student at New York University. It occurred to me that many chess players might like to know more about Mednis and the other outstanding college chess players of today. If the following sketch of Mednis' life is well received, other columns will be devoted to the stars of American collegiate chess.

Edmar is a tall, young man with very light-brown hair. Although the NYU master is just 19 years of age, his serious manner makes him look several years older.

Mednis was born on March 22, 1937, in Riga, Latvia. When the Soviet Union occupied the tiny Baltic state in 1944, the Mednis family left; little Edmar spent six years of his young life in various German detention camps. In 1950 the family entered the United States, and they have lived in New York City ever since. Ed joined the Marshall Chess Club during his first year in America. To test his skill at the game, which he had learned from his father at the age of twelve, Edmar entered the Marshall Junior Championship Tournament of 1950-51. He had only been playing chess for about one year, but he finished in a third place tie. He then became the New York City Interscholastic Champion while attending classes at Stuyvesant High School.

Last fall Mednis entered the New York University's College of Engineering. His major is chemical engineering. Few freshmen have hit collegiate chess headlines with as much force as Edmar has. Last year he won the New York State Championship with an 8-1 score. He then went to Antwerp as the United States representative at the Third World Junior Championship. Without the loss of a game, he finished second to Grandmaster Spassky of the USSR with a 7-2 score. However, he had trouble winning the 1955 United States Intercollegiate Championship. As this column is being written, Ed is in Oklahoma City for the U. S. Open.

The answer to the second question was Edmar Mednis of New York University, William Lombardy of City College of New York, and Anthony Saidy of Fordham University. They are the three undergraduate masters in the United States.

Question 5: Can you identify the following: Ehys W. Hays, Morde Treblow, and Donald Burdick? The (Please turn to page 5, col. 2)

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Major Topics

By
Montgomery Major

Oklahoma City -- 1956

All that is human must retrograde if it do not advance.

GIBBON—Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire

WHETHER the annual USCF Meeting at Oklahoma City this July conformed to Gibbon's dictum is a question which can be answered diversely according to the varied viewpoints of the individual spectators as to what constitutes retrogression or progress. There may even be some who will insist that the meeting merely stood still, defying Gibbon's theory.

It was, from all reports, a peaceful meeting; wherein it differed laudably from the meetings of New Orleans 1954 and Long Beach 1955—this one point may be chalked up as progress. But whether the more vociferous and critical members who have enlivened previous gatherings were fortunately absent, merely exhausted by the venom of past efforts, or truly repentant and reformed has not been disclosed.

The election of officers saw Eliot Hearst, Dr. Bela Rozsa, and Guthrie McClain chosen as USC Vice-Presidents, with Marshall Rohland re-elected Secretary. With one exception, these were commendable selections. But some may indeed question whether the choice at this date of Mr. McClain is a happy one for harmony and cooperation—or even for the self-respect of the Federation.

It may be remembered by some (or is it forgotten?) that it was Mr. McClain (in appropriate association with Mr. John Alexander) who helped notably to father the riot and confusion at New Orleans which crippled the USCF promotional program for over a year. It may even be remembered by some that Mr. McClain's sometimes libelous public statements concerning the USCF Ways & Means Committee ("I am not at all impressed with either their capabilities or their judgment"), the USCF Business Manager ("we question the statement that the Harkness Plan has succeeded"), the Editor of CHESS LIFE ("a character assassin") have never been withdrawn or materially modified.

It cannot be expected that all the gentlemen whose abilities and characters Mr. McClain has so cheerfully and carelessly vilified will be willing to forget or forgive his many arrogant offenses and accept him as a worthy colleague. Nor does the self-respect of the Federation increase in the public eye by this craven election of one of the Federation's most persistent detractors to an office of dignity in the Federation, while those detractions remain unrepented.

Others, however, may possibly conceive that the choice is a wise one in giving Mr. McClain an opportunity belatedly to attempt to repair some of the damage that his campaign of fabrication, misrepresentation and slander has created. We know that Mr. McClain is very adept at tearing down; now we will be given the chance to learn if he possesses the rarer talent for building up.

International Master George Koltanowski, who is a credit to California, was appointed "Tournament Administrator," replacing the usual office of "Chairman of the Tournament Committee." This appointment is in keeping with the more recent USCF policy of encouraging the staging of more USCF sponsored tournaments, since Director Koltanowski will devote a portion of his time, efforts, and energy to the encouragement and directing of USCF sponsored events, in addition to the usual duties of the Tournament Committee.

The USCF Directors at Oklahoma City pledged among themselves the sum of \$180.00 to defray FIDE dues and tournament fees. The question of a USCF team for the chess olympics at Moscow this fall was discussed at length, but no final arrangements were made concerning it; and further developments were left to the care of the USCF International Affairs Committee with Max Pavey as chairman.

Mr. E. Forry Laucks of the Log Cabin Chess Club was appointed as a committee of one to attempt to revival of the once popular and successful USA-Canada Border Team Matches.

Also discussed was the question of financing the legal costs involved in the defense of the various suits against the USCF and some of its officials initiated by Mr. Norman T. Whitaker of Shadyside, Md.

USCF President Frank R. Graves announced to the meeting his intention of representing the USCF personally at the annual FIDE Assembly at Moscow this fall. It will be the first time the USCF has been

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represented by its president since Paul G. Giers attended the FIDE Congress at Hilversum, Holland.

Although the By-Laws Committee has been in labor (or has been presumed to be in labor) for more than two years, no proposed text for new By-Laws was presented to the Directors. However, Mr. A. Wyatt Jones, chairman of the Ways & Means Committee, has promised that a revised text will be submitted to the Board within the next thirty days for comment and discussion.

There have been USCF annual meetings that inspired more enthusiasm for the future of the USCF than that held at Oklahoma City; but in all it presented a peaceful relief from the tradition of the last two years. Perhaps, that may be in itself the most encouraging token of a more prosperous future.

MAJOR J. B. HOLT

BORN July 2, 1881, Major John Broadus Holt passed quietly away on July 17, 1956 at Memorial Hospital, Sarasota, Fla. after a long illness. Major Holt had a distinguished career as an officer in the U. S. Army Engineering Corps and as a civil engineer before retiring to Florida to indulge in the avocations of chess and real estate. He was a veteran of World War I and his interests were many and varied, as indicated by a few of the offices he held in various organizations: secretary of the Sarasota Masonic Temple Ass'n, past president of Sons of the American Revolution, vice-president of Veterans of World War I, past commander of American Legion, Vicksburg, Miss.

As a chess promoter he had few equals and his election in 1955 as a USCF Life Director was in recognition of his many achievements in chess organization. With William P. Hickok in 1907 he organized the Chess Correspondence League of Greater New York which has since grown into the Correspondence Chess League of America; in 1922 he was instrumental in creating the Southern Chess Association, of which he was the first president and thereafter the constant and faithful secretary; in 1947 he was largely responsible for the organization of the Florida Chess League of which he was secretary. For many years he served as a USCF Director and was from 1952-1955 the USCF Secretary.

Major Holt is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lillie May Holt, one son, three daughters, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. To all of these chess players in the USA will wish to express their deep sympathy and their sincere belief that chess in the USA has been richer for the fact that Major Holt in a busy life found time to spare for its betterment.

The Reader's Road To Chess

By Kester Svendsen

HOW TO PLAY CHESS LIKE A CHAMPION. By Fred Reinfeld, New York: Hanover House, 191 pp., 125 diag., \$2.95.

A STOCK figure in the literature of instruction is the intermediate player, that average man of chess for whom the books and magazines are published. He would like to think he might one day or one game play like a champion. Occasionally he brings off a three-move announced mate or anticipates a master stroke in chess solitaire. In time he comes to recognize styles as well as remember games. Then Capablanca's clarity and Alekhine's imagination inspire emulation. He wishes not only to play good moves but to understand great ones. Until recently he had no specific guide—plenty of anthologies and manuals of opening and middle game, plenty of high level analysis—but nothing that enabled him to understand master chess in a fashion that ministered directly to his ambition. Comes now Fred Reinfeld, who ought to set up as a chess psychiatrist, with some animated blueprints. First he illustrates master performances from great games; then he shows how amateur play differs and how amateurs fare with masters; finally he offers five ways to better play. These are to develop pieces thoughtfully, to think consecutively, to hunt surprise moves, to study purposefully, and most of all to relax. Nothing new here? Look again at how many of these suggestions are psychological rather than technical. Chess is a war not only of wits but of nerves too. The average player will not find these the royal and easy road to mastership, of course, for there isn't any. But now he will comprehend better what goes on and will inevitably improve. Even the bizarre games of great eccentrics like Nimzovitch yield the basic principles and conform to the patterns of force, mobility, and space. Reinfeld explicates his examples in easy style, with a profusion of diagrams and a steady access of anecdote and humor. Almost any chessbook, thoroughly mastered, will add a cubit to the average player's stature; this one should add two.

The lateness of this issue is the inevitable consequence of the Editor taking a week's vacation from chess to gather strength for his final year of industry in editing CHESS LIFE. We do not apologize for the delay. On learning of the action at Oklahoma City, the Editor needed the week to recover from the shock.—The Editor.

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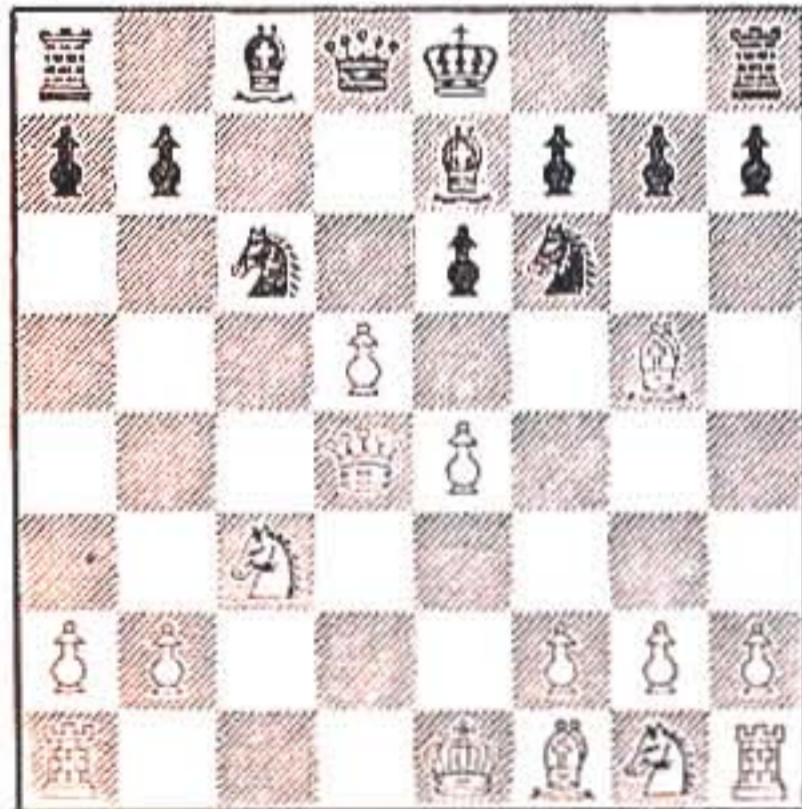


LARRY EVANS ON OPENINGS

By International Master LARRY EVANS

More on the Q's Gambit Declined Dutch Variation

LAST month we delved into the consequences of 1. P-Q4, P-Q4; 2. P-QB4, P-K3; 3. N-QB3, N-KB3; 4. B-N5, P-B4; 5. P-xQP, P-xQP; 6. Q-xP, B-K2; 7. P-K4, N-B3.



Position after 7., N-B3

As reader Pence (of Adrian, Michigan) points out, there is an incredibly simple way for White to obtain an indelible advantage with 8. B-N5! When Black enters this variation, he hopes for complications. If White can neutralize counterplay, hold on to his extra Pawn, and simplify, then he has a winning game without having to resort to any analytical bag of tricks.

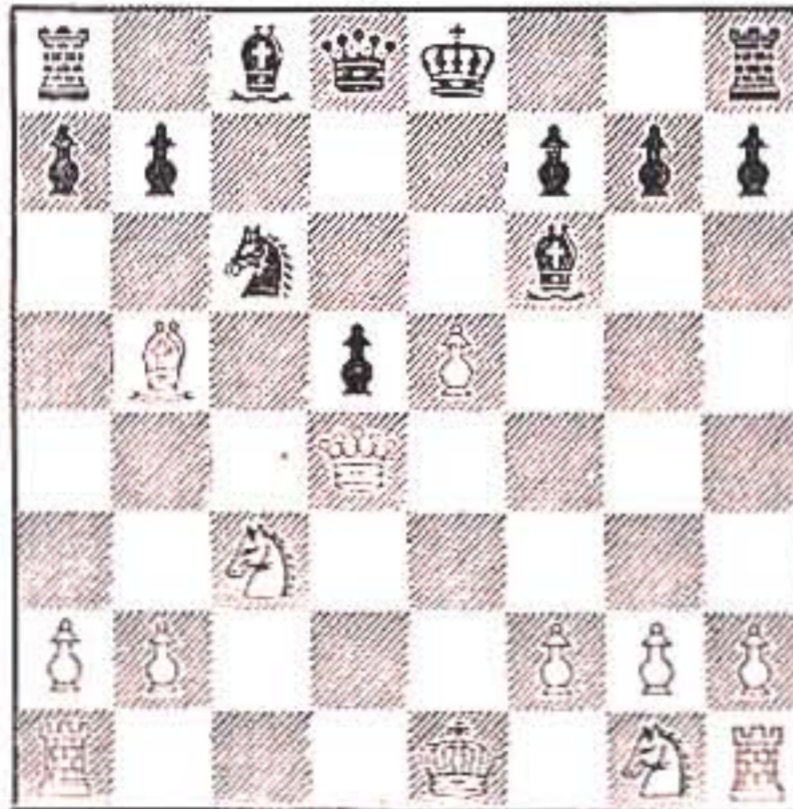
Indeed, after 8. B-N5! Black cannot afford to O-O. E.g., 9. B-xQN, P-xB; 10. B-xN!, P-xB (not 10., B-xB; 11. P-K5); 11. KN-K2 with a won game.



Position after 11. KN-K2++

Therefore, it appears that Black must first interpolate 8., P-xP!

(in order to meet 9. P-xP with O-O; and now 10. B-xQN, P-xB; 11. B-xN, B-xB). Now White should not play 9. P-K5 because of N-Q2. Correct is 9. B-xN!, B-xB; 10. P-K5!



Position after 10. P-K5!++

Now 10., B-xP? is met by Q-xB ch. 10., Q-Q2 may be met by either 11. P-B4 or N-xP. If 10., B-K2; simply 11. Q-xP leaves White a clear Pawn ahead without any worries.

Conclusion: With 8. B-N5, White sidetracks all complications and maintains his extra Pawn. Unless there is a flaw in our analysis, this means the end of the Dutch Variation. Euwe take note!

COLLEGE CHESS

(Continued from page 3, col. 4)

first 7 correct sets of identifications will earn Kenseal Pouches of Kentucky Club Aromatic Mixture, a superb mixture of choice imported and domestic tobaccos.

New London (Conn.) Y Chess Club: Stanley W. King tallied 13-1 to win the annual club championship, losing one game to runner-up Ronald Morgan who scored 12½-11½ for second. Morgan lost a game to L. M. Sharp and drew with E. Dimock. Edwin Dimock was fourth with 11½-2½ in the 15-player round robin, while Harry U. Snow was fourth with 10-4. Fifth went to Bower D. Barnwell with 9-5, and Lloyd H. Holway was sixth with 9-5. A USCF Club Affiliate.

Herman Steiner (Los Angeles) Chess Club: A self-financing Ladder Tournament is a feature of the club program. During the 12 weeks of the event each contestant contributes 10c per game played—and must play at least 20 games (\$2.00 worth) to be eligible for a prize. The fund so collected will be awarded in prizes to each group's 4 or 5 most improved players. A USCF Club Affiliate.

New Orleans (La.) Chess Club: Alwyn C. Buckland scored 8-0 to win the 3rd annual club championship. Second place went to Irene Vines with 6-2 on Coons points, losing a game to Buckland and drawing with David Walsdorf and C. J. Cucullu. Third and fourth, also with 6-2 each, were A. L. McAuley and Frank Chavez. McAuley lost games to Buckland and Vines; Chavez to Vines and John Marks. Fifth to seventh in the 47-player Swiss with 5½-2½ each were Albert Cowdrey, Lonnie Moore, and Mark Biallas. A USCF Club Affiliate.



The New York City offices of the American Red Cross report that the voluntary Red Cross workers at a veteran hospital in the city have been unable to find sufficient equipment and playing partners to satisfy the requirements of the veterans in the hospitals. Chess players who wish to rally to this most worthwhile cause may contact Miss Dorothy Rosenberg, 209 Gramatan Ave., Mt. Vernon, N.Y. (Mo-7-9683). Volunteers to play and that old chess set you discarded when you bought the new one will be gratefully hailed and made welcome. The memories of the War grow dim, but our memories for those who suffered in the cause should remain bright forever.



The Weekly Times of Melbourne, Australia has announced a Formal Problem Composing Tourney for an original pair of problems, a two-mover and a three-mover, the theme of one being echoed (not merely repeated) in the other. Send two copies of entries, one without name and address, to: "Gambit", the Melbourne Weekly Times, Flinders Street, Melbourne, Australia. Closing date is December 31, 1956. Prizes of four pounds, four shillings; two pounds, two shillings; and one pound, one shilling. Judge is C. S. Kipping, president of the International Problem Board. American composers are invited to compete.



Victory went to Charles Ritter of Wheeling with 9½-2½ in the Wheeling, W.Va. Open Championship. Second place was shared by defending champion Tom Sweeney of Wheeling, Rev. John Gray of Dallas, W. Va., and George Hudson of Sistersville with 9-3 each. It was the largest local tourney ever held in Wheeling with 22 players competing in a 6 rd Swiss in which each round consisted of two games, one with Black and one with White pieces for each player. Three women competed in the event. The victor received a beautifully mounted trophy with an eleven inch gold king.



Jack Moore of Robstown won the annual Corpus Christi City Championship with 5-1, losing one game to Jack Randolph. Second, also with 5-1, was Gerald Blair who lost only to Moore. James Creighton was third with 4-2, losing a game to Blair and drawing with Charles Blanpied and John Berry. Pablo Cortez tallied 4½-2½ for fourth, while fifth and sixth in the 14-player Swiss were Charles Blanpied and John Berry with 3-3 each.

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.

MRS. Sonja Graf Stevenson is defending her title of U. S. Women's Open Chess Champion at the U. S. Open in Oklahoma City. Her competitors are Mrs. Mary Selensky of Philadelphia, who is well known in national competition, and two players who are making their debut in national chess—Mrs. Francis Frazier and Mrs. Mildred Morrell—both of Texas. Mrs. Frazier is the Southwest Women's Champion.

The first round found two of our gals having a tough time with two



Willa Owens

of the top ranking players in the CCLA. Mrs. Frazier had lost her game to Dr. Bela Rosza and Mrs. Selensky had adjourned a not very hopeful game with Mrs. C. F. Tears at the time the report was sent to me.

Mrs. Graf Stevenson played a typically vigorous attack against the French Defense. Having forced her opponent to waste time and block the development of his pieces on the 6th, 7th, and 8th moves, Mrs. Graf Stevenson gained great position advantage on the 13th move and added insult to injury by winning a rook on the 27th.

Isn't it fantastic how bad a strong player looks in a losing game? Some day, for my own comfort and amazement, I am going to make a collection of games in which the masters look like patzers.

Plainfield Chess Club (N.J.): A victory banquet celebrating the Plainfield Club's winning of the 1955-56 North Jersey League Championship was held at the Schwaebische Alb Hofbrau in Warrenville with E. Forry Laucks and the Log Cabin Chess Club as hosts. The 34 guests included the New Jersey Chess Federation officials, officers of the North Jersey Chess League, and officers of the various competing clubs. Special guests were John Mager of Kingston, N.Y. (formerly of Plainfield), Dick Haefner of San Francisco (formerly of Irvington), and Mr. and Mrs. Sobel of Plainfield, in whose house the 1955 N.J. Open was held. After presentation of the League Trophy to Plainfield captain Mungle by League president Edgar McCormick, a rapid transit tournament completed the evening's entertainment. USCF Affiliate League and Clubs.

Charleston (W.Va.) Chess Club: In a return match at the Charleston YMCA Charleston defeated Huntington 6-4. All five West Virginia Co-Champions (Hurt, DuVall, Burdick, Morgan, and Werthammer) competed in the event. For Charleston W. Hartling, W. Cuthbert, G. Hobday, W. Crede and W. Privette tallied victories while A. DuVall, E. M. Foy drew. For Huntington D. Burdick, R. T. Neal and J. Abraham won while C. Morgan and Dr. S. Werthammer drew. Huntington is a USCF Club Affiliate.

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TRAPPED MAN AND FORK THREAT

White's King Rook is trapped by a Bishop and his Queen Rook is threatened by a Knight fork after only eleven moves.

VIENNA GAME

MCO: page 309, column 10

Ludwig Memorial Tournament
Omaha, 1956

White	Black
D. ACKERMAN	L. MAGEE
1. P-K4	P-K4
2. Kt-KB3	Kt-KB3
3. P-B4	.....

3. B-B4 is a more modern, less risky, version of the opening.

3.	P-Q4
4. BxP	KtxP
5. Q-K2?	.....

5. Kt-B3 is soundest. And 5. Q-B3 (not blocking the King Bishop) Kt-KB3; 6. B-Kt5, is also better than the text.

5.	Kt-KB3
6. KtxKt?

Again, 6. Kt-B3.

6.	Kt-Q5!
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A strong in-between move which creates a double threat.

7. Q-Q3	PxKt
8. QxP

If 8. Q-QB3, B-QKt5!

8.	B-KB4
9. QxP	.....

Now White has two Pawns, Black a winning attack.

9.	Q-R5ch
10. P-Kt3	.....

If 10. K-Q1, BxP mate.

10.	Q-K5ch!
11. QxQ	BxQ

Resigns



Short order!



X-RAY ATTACK

An X-Ray attack on Kk17 wins for the Florida Champion.

BIRD OPENING

MCO: page 128

Florida Championship
Miami, 1955

White	Black
R. C. EASTWOOD	A. C. OTTEN
1. P-KB4	P-Q4

This is the standard, reversed Dutch, reply. Alternatives are 1., Kt-KB3; 1., P-KB4; and 1., P-K4; the From Gambit.

2. P-B4
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Or 2. P-K3, K-tKB3; 3. Kt-KB3, B-Kt5;

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4. B-K2, BxKt; 5. BxB, QKt-Q2; 6. P-B4.
2.	P-QB3
3. Kt-KB3

More exact is 3. P-K3.

3.	Kt-B3
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Black ought to take the Pawn and ask to be shown.

4. P-K3	P-KKt3
5. Kt-B3	B-Kt2
6. P-Q4

White strengthens K5 and weakens K3. Better is 6. B-K2, 7. O-O, and 8. P-Q3. A QB fianchetto might be planned too.

6.	O-O	9. BxP	Kt-Kt3
7. Kt-K5	QKt-Q2	10. B-Kt3	QKt-Q4
8. Q-B3	PxP	11. P-K4?	.....

An impetuous pawn-advance which endangers the QP and allows White to take the initiative. Advisable is 11. O-O.

11.	Kt-QKt5
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Threatening 12., QxP.

12. P-QR3	Kt-R3
13. B-K3	Q-Kt3
14. Q-Q1	Kt-KKt5!

An awake exploitation of White's lag in development and hanging Bishops.

15. KtxKt
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If 15. Kt-R4, KtxB! (15., Q-R4 ch? 16. B-Q2) 16. KtxQ, KtxQ; 17. KtxR, Kt-K6; and White's QKt is ensnared.

15.	BxKt
16. QxB	.....

Now if 16. Kt-R4, BxQ; 17. KtxQ, BxB; 18. KtxR, RxKt; and Black has two pieces for a Rook.

16.	QxB
17. Q-K2	P-QB4!

Black continues to take advantage of 11. P-K4.

18. P-K5
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White drops a Pawn with 18. PxP? BxKt ch; 19. PxP, QxP ch; 20. K-B2, KtxP.

18.	PxP
19. BxP	Kt-B2
20. O-O	P-K3

Black bars any counter-attack which White might start with P-B5. But the text does weaken KB3 and Q3. Less committing alternatives are 20., KR-Q1; and 20., Kt-K3.

21. Q-KB2	P-QR3
22. Kt-K4!

White's first look into the game!

22.	KR-Q1?
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Somewhere along the line Black lost his advantage. This move involves the loss of the exchange. Correct is 22., Kt-Q4; although White still has positional advantage.

23. B-Kt6!
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This should win.

23.	KR-B1
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If 23., QR-B1; 24. Kt-Q6, wins the exchange. If 23., R-Q2; 24. Kt-B5, wins the exchange. And if 23., Q-B5; 24. Kt-Q6, wins the exchange.

24. Kt-Q6	Kt-Q4	27. Q-B3	Q-B5
25. KtxR	RxKt	28. QR-Q1	B-B1
26. B-Q4	R-B7	29. Q-Q3	.....

This is adequate, if followed up properly, but 29. R-B2!, effecting an exchange of Rooks, is best.

29.	Q-B3
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A Queen exchange leaves Black with a lost ending.

30. P-QKt4?
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White misses the X-Ray threat on Kk17 (through the Knight) and loses the game. After 30. Q-K4, the advantage of the exchange would win for White eventually.

30.	RxPch!
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(See diagram top next column)

Shock treatment.

31. KxR
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Or 31. K-R1, Kt-K6! 32. QxKt, R-KB7ch! and mate in two.

31.	KtxPch
32. K-B2

If 32. K-Kt3, Q-Kt7 ch; 33. KxKt, B-R3 mate.

32.	KtxQch	34. K-K3	B-R3ch
33. RxKt	Q-B7ch	Resigns	.....

If 35. K-K4, Q-K7 ch; wins the KR. A good tactical finish.



MOST DIFFICULT

Claude Hillinger, winner of the recent Colorado Open, and our newest Guest Annotator, describes this game as his most difficult one in the event.

NIMZOINDIAN DEFENSE

MCO: page 107, col. 33

Colorado Open Championship
Denver, 1956

Notes by U. S. Expert Claude Hillinger

White	Black
J. McCORMICK	C. HILLINGER
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. Kt-QB3	B-Kt5
4. B-K3	O-O
5. P-Q3	P-Q4

9. Kt-B3 is more aggressive. The text was played to avoid "book" lines.

9.	Q-B2	11. O-O	Kt-B3
10. B-Q3	P-K4	12. B-Kt2	.....

If White can activate the center and open lines for his Bishops he will get the better game. However, the passive placement of his pieces (Kt at K2 and B at Kt2) allows Black some sharp play.

12., P-K5!; 13. B-B2, R-K1; 14. Q-Q2 (if 14. P-B3?, PxP; 15. RxP, B-Kt5!; 16. R-Kt3, P-KR4!; 17. P-R3, P-R5), Kt-Kt5! And now a) 15. Kt-Kt3, P-KR4! and if 16. P-R3, P-R5!; if 16. BxP, RxB; b) 15. Kt-B4, P-KKt4!; 16. P-R3, PxKt; 17. PxKt, P-B6. White's Bishops are idle spectators in these variations.

12.	P-QKt3
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A slow move played under the impression that White can make no headway in the center.

13. P-K4!?	KPxP	15. P-KR3!?	.....
14. PxP	PxP	.....	.....

Preparing his next, with a strong attack for a pawn. If 15. KtxP, KtxKt; 16. BxKt, Kt-Kt5! and 17., R-Q1 with strong pressure on the Q-file.

15.	B-Kt2	17. Kt-Kt3	KR-Q1
16. P-B4	QR-B1	.....	.....

Since Black can do little to bolster his K-side, he prepares to counter in the center with his major pieces.

18. Kt-R5	KtxKt	19. QxKt
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Threatening to break through with 20. P-K5, P-Kt3; 21. Q-R6 and 22. P-B5!

19.	Kt-K2
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To answer 20. P-K5 with Kt-Kt3; 21. P-B5, KtxP; 22. P-B6, Kt-Kt3! Not KtxB; 23. Q-Kt4, P-Kt3; 24. Q-R6.

20. QR-K1	Q-B3!
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Temporarily preventing P-K5 and bringing the Queen to a more active post.

21. P-B5!?
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A dangerous move, but it does not turn out well in the long run. He should strengthen his position further with moves like R-B3-Kt3. K-R1 before committing himself in the center.

21.	P-B3	23. Q-K2	.....
22. R-B4	Q-K1	.....	.....

If 23. QxQ ch, RxQ; 24. BxP, KR-Q1; 25. P-K5, Kt-B3; 26. B-B4 ch, K-R1; 27. R-Q1, PxP.

23.	Kt-B3	25. R-R4	Kt-K4
24. B-B4ch	K-R1	26. B-Kt3	P-Q6!

(See diagram top next column)



At the first lull of battle, the "Pawn's lull to expand" manifests itself.

27. Q-B2
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Threatening to mate with RxP ch.

27.	P-KR3	28. Q-B4	K-R2
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Again threatening RxP ch.

29. P-R4
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If 29. B-B1, RxB!; 30. RxR, P-Q7; 31. R-Q1 Q-Kt4; 32. B-K6, Q-K7; 33. Q-B1, B-R3!

29.	P-Q7!	30. R-Kt1
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If 30. R-Q1, Q-K2!; 31. RxP?, Q-Kt5!, winning a piece.

30.	B-R3	32. P-Kt4
31. B-Q1	Q-Q2

A desperation move in a lost position.

32.	Q-Q6	34. BxP
33. R-R1	Kt-B5!

A last swindling attempt in mounting time pressure.

34.	Q-K6ch
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Of course, not 34., PxP; 35. QxP ch. 35. QxQ KtxQ

And White finds to his chagrin that he is still lost. If 36. BxR, R-B3 and if 36. B-Kt2, KtxB; 37. RxKt, B-K7. He resigned a few moves later.



RUY LOPEZ

MCO: page 254, column 124 (i)
U. S. Open Championship
Oklahoma City, 1956

White	Black
D. FISCHHEIMER	A. BISGUIER

1. P-K4	P-K4	26. Kt-Bch	K-R2
2. Kt-KB3	Kt-QB3	27. KtxP	Q-KB1
3. B-Kt5	P-QR3	28. R-K4	R-K1
4. B-R4	Kt-B3	29. R-R4ch	K-Kt3
5. Q-K2	P-QKt4	30. R-Kt4ch	K-B4
6. B-Kt3	B-B4	31. P-Kt3	R-K5
7. P-B3	O-O	32. R-Kt8	QxR
8. O-O	P-Q4	33. Kt-R6ch	K-Kt3
9. PxP	P-K5	34. KtxQ	K-Kt2
10. PxKt	PxKt	35. P-B3	R-K1
11. QxP	B-KKt5	36. P-R4	P-R4
12. Q-Kt3	B-K7	37. P-R3	P-Kt5
13. P-Q4	B-Q3	38. K-B2	P-R5
14. Q-R4	BxR	39. B-B4	PxBP
15. KxB	R-K1	40. PxP	P-B4
16. B-K3	R-K5	41. P-R5	P-B5
17. Q-Kt5	Q-QB1	42. P-R6ch	K-R1
18. P-KR3	K-B1	43. PxP	R-Kt1
19. Kt-Q2	P-R3	44. K-K3	R-Kt8
20. QxKt	PxQ	45. P-Q5	R-K8ch
21. BxP ch	K-Kt1	46. K-Q4	R-K1
22. KtxR	Q-Q1	47. P-Q6	PxP
23. R-K1	B-K2	48. Kt-B6	R-KB1
24. Kt-Kt3	B-B1	49. P-B7	P-Q4
25. Kt-B5	BxB	50. KtxP	Resigns



RETI OPENING

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U. S. Open Championship
Oklahoma City, 1956

White	Black
B. FISCHER	P. LAPIKEN

1. Kt-KB3	Kt-KB3	11. Kt-Kt3	P-KR3
2. P-KKt3	P-Q4	12. B-K3	Kt-K3
3. B-Kt2	B-B4	13. Kt-Q4	P-Kt3
4. O-O	P-K3	14. Q-Kt3	R-QKt1
5. P-Q3	P-B3	15. KtxBP	QxKt
6. QKt-Q2	Kt-R3	16. PxKtP	Kt-B4
7. P-QR3	Kt-B4	17. Q-B3	Q-Q3
8. P-B4	P-QKt4	18. BxKt	QxB
9. Kt-Q4	Q-Q2	19. QxKt	Resigns
10. KtxB	PxKt	.....	.....



(See diagram top next column)

GUEST ANNOTATORS

Claude Hillinger

RUY LOPEZ

MCO: page 235, column 35 (nA)
U. S. Open Championship
Oklahoma City, 1956

White		Black	
1. P-K4	P-K4	18. PXP	R-K1Ch
2. Kt-KB3	Kt-QB3	19. B-K13	P-KR4
3. B-K15	P-QR3	20. K-B2	B-K2
4. BxKt	QPxB	21. P-KR4	R-K15
5. P-Q4	PxP	22. R-KKt1	QR-K11
6. QxP	QxQ	23. P-B5	RxB
7. KtxQ	B-Q2	24. RxB	BxP
8. O-O	O-O-O	25. R-KKt1	B-Q2
9. B-K3	Kt-B3	26. K-B3	RxRch
10. Kt-QB3	B-QKt5	27. RxR	BxR
11. P-K5	Kt-Q4	28. KxB	BxP
12. KtxKt	PxKt	29. Kt-Q4	B-K13
13. P-KB4	KR-K1	30. P-B3	K-Q2
14. Kt-K13	P-QKt3	31. K-B4	B-K5
15. B-B2	B-K14	32. Kt-K2	P-R5
16. KR-B1	P-K14	33. P-B4	B-Q6
17. P-K13	PxP		Resigns



SICILIAN DEFENSE

MCO: page 292, column 140 (qA)
U. S. Open Championship
Oklahoma City, 1956

White		Black	
R. BRIEGER		J. T. SHERWIN	
1. P-K4	P-QB4	25. RxRP	Kt-K13
2. P-QB3	P-Q4	26. R-B6	K-K2
3. PXP	QxP	27. R-QR6	B-QB4
4. P-Q4	PxP	28. R-B6	B-Kt3
5. PXP	Kt-QB3	29. B-B4	Kt-B5
6. Kt-KB3	B-K15	30. BxB	KtXB
7. Kt-B3	BxKt	31. R-B1	Kt-K14
8. KtxQ	BxQ	32. R-R5	KtxPch
9. Kt-B7ch	K-Q1	33. K-Q3	Kt-B4ch
10. KtxR	B-R4	34. K-B4	K-K3
11. P-Q5	Kt-K15	35. R-R6ch	P-B3
12. B-K3	Kt-B7ch	36. R-B1	Kt-Q2
13. K-Q2	KtXB	37. P-K14	P-K5
14. PxKt	P-K3	38. R-K1	K-K4
15. P-KKt4	BxP	39. R-Q1	R-B1ch
16. B-K12	P-K4	40. K-K13	R-B2
17. P-Q6	BxP	41. R-R7	Kt-B4ch
18. BxP	Kt-K2	42. PxKt	RxR
19. QR-QB1	K-Q2	43. PxP	PxP
20. R-KKt1	B-KB4	44. R-Q2	P-K6
21. P-K4	B-K3	45. R-K2	K-K5
22. RxKtP	R-QKt1	46. K-B2	P-B4
23. B-R6	RxKt		Resigns
24. B-K15ch	K-Q1		

Rochester tallied 7½-4½ to win the annual Tri-Cities match at Rochester, N.Y. between Rochester, Buffalo and Syracuse. Buffalo scored 6½-5½, and Syracuse 4-8. The match was played in one round, using a staggered system of pairings for the three teams highly recommended by the late Gene Collett.

1. (S) Schmidt	0	(R) Marchand	1
2. (B) Diesen	0	(S) Scribbene	1
3. (R) Herzb'ger	0	(B) Black	1
4. (R) Nevid	0	(S) Sacks	1

5. (S) Miller	0	(B) Vossler	1
6. (B) Krestlml	0	(R) Sullivan	1
7. (S) Cope	0	(R) Rogean	1
8. (B) Frucella	1	(S) Gregory	0
9. (R) Rosenst'n	0	(B) Fell	1
10. (R) Bulloch	½	(S) Allan	½
11. (S) Krauklis	0	(B) Gable	1
12. (B) Freitag	½	(R) Altman	½
13. (S) Pratusch	½	(R) Shupp	½
14. (B) Wilder	1	(S) Gerass	0
15. (R) Carlton	1	(B) McCaughey	0
16. (R) Berardi	1	(S) Fisher	0
17. (S) Dann	1	(B) Schubert	0
18. (B) McHard	0	(R) Perlstein	1

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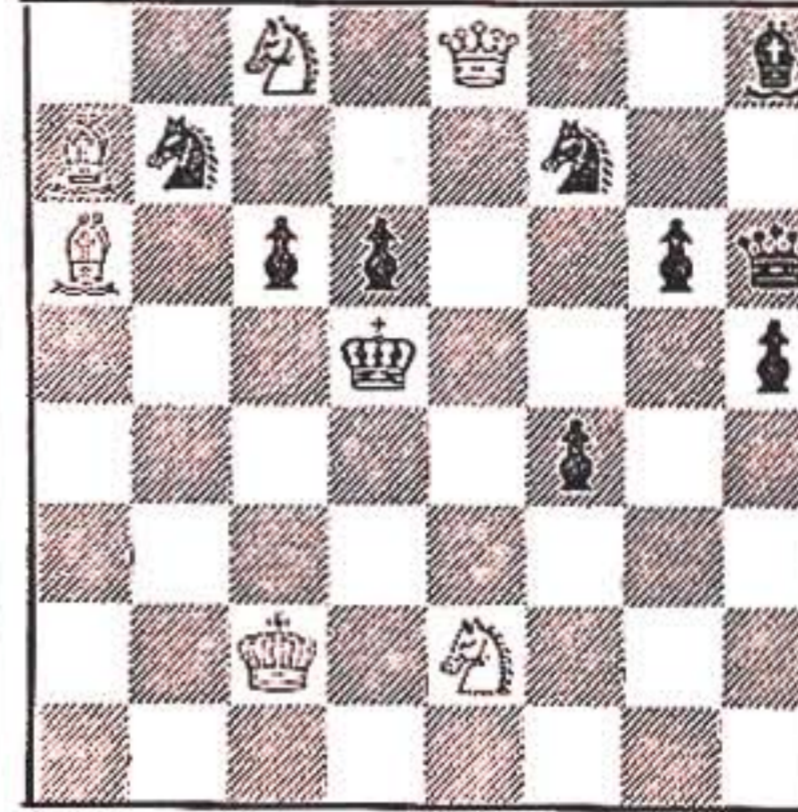
Mate The Subtle Way!

by Nicholas Gabor

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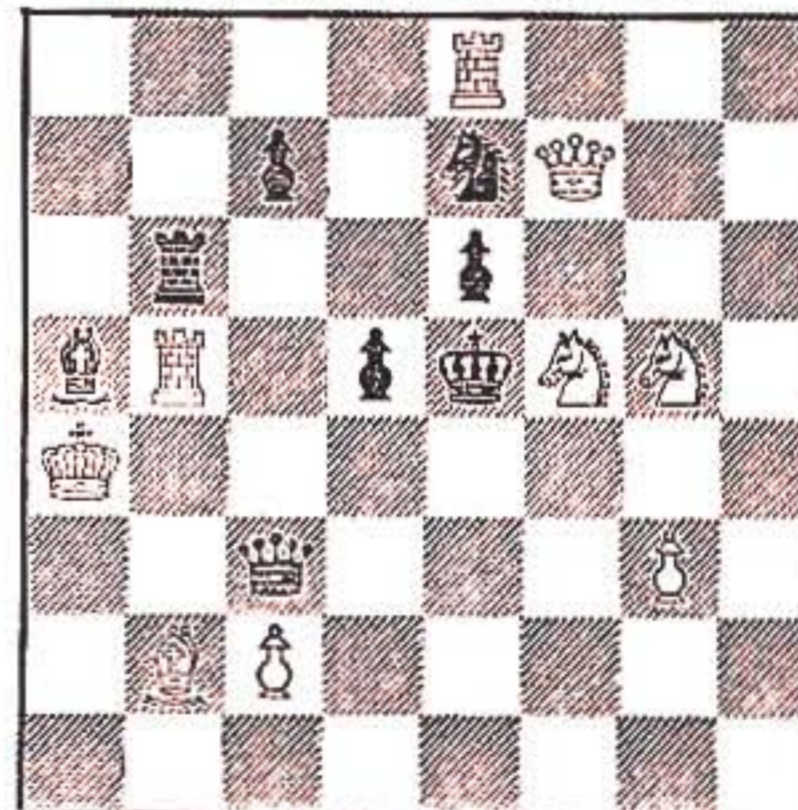
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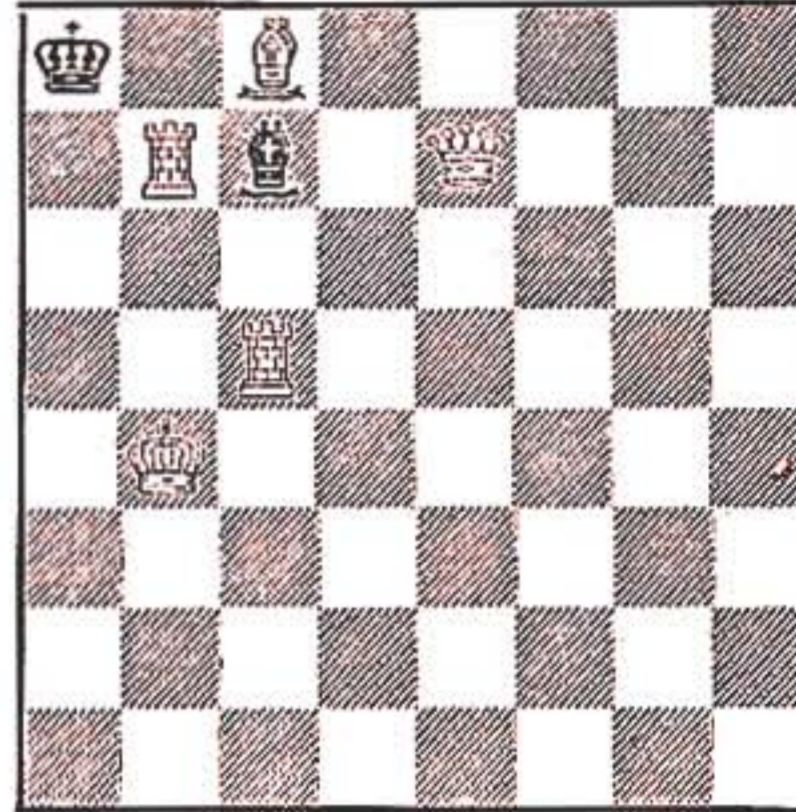
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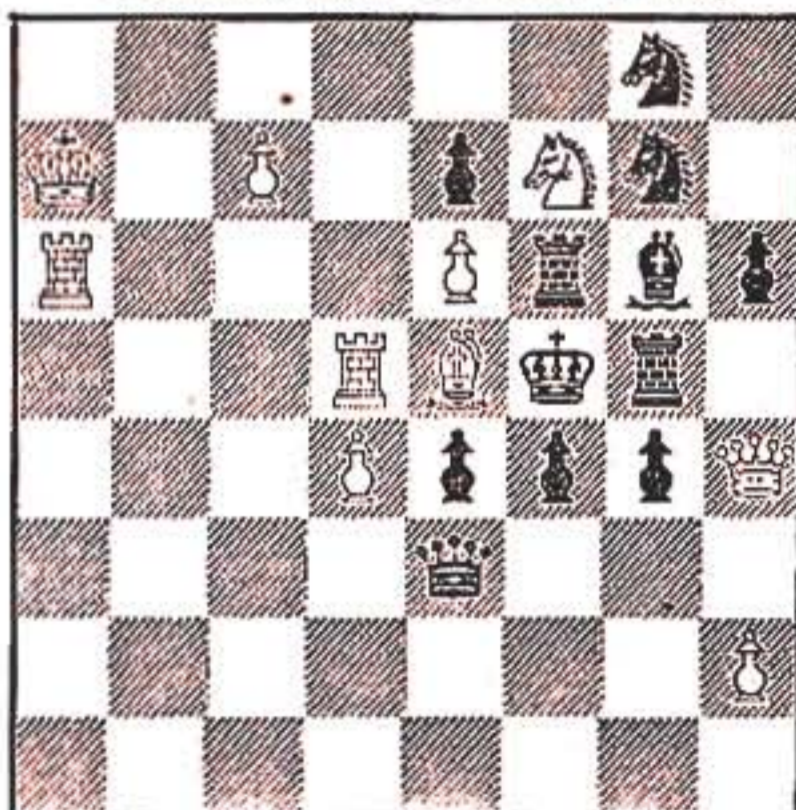
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Agrinion, Greece
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Mate in two

Problem No. 698
By Laszlo Apro
Miskolcz, Hungary
International Contest Entry



Mate in two

Solutions-Mate the Subtle Way!

No. 677 (Apro): Tries: 1. KxP or 1. KR6, defeated by NN-B5 and NK-B4 respectively. Key 1. KR7, threat 2. B-N7. No. 678 (Zilahi): key 1. QN2 threat 2. QK4. 1., Q-Q6, 2. NxQ and 1., Q-K7, 2. Q-R2 were overlooked by many. No. 679 (Kun): key 1. NxP waiting. A variety of mates. Duals after 1., either RK3 or B4. No. 680 (Szogyi): Set play: 1., RQ4, 2. NxP and 1., BQ4, 2. QB4. Try-play (also called virtual play): 7. QR8 and if: 1., RxQ, 2. NQ7; 1., RQ4, 2. QxN; 1., BQ4, 2. QQR1. Other try: 1. QQN7, 1., RQ4, 2. QK7 and 1., BQ4, 2. QQN2. These tries are met by 1., PxR. Actual play: 1. QB6. The threat is always 2. NB3. Now after 1., RQ4, 2. QxN and after 1., BQ4, 2. QQB3. Two changed mates in the set,—virtual—and actual play. In a set-up of this sort the dual after 1., PxR, 2. NxP or 2. NB3 seems trivial.

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August 5, 1956

Atlantic Coast Chess Congress

at the Monterey Hotel, Asbury Park, N.J.
August 24th to September 3rd, 1956

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

August 24th to August 30th: Atlantic Coast Chess Championship and Fall Rating Tournament.

Open to everybody. Seven-round Swiss; one round each evening. No adjudications. Unfinished games played off following day. 50 moves in 2½ hours. USCF Tournament Rules. Harkness pairings.

Awards: Winner recognized as Atlantic Coast Chess Champion, awarded special trophy and \$100 Life Membership in the USCF. Runner-up receives tournament-size chess set (value \$19.50) and three-year USCF membership. Trophies for highest-ranking Class A and Class B entrants. Title and trophy to highest-ranking woman entrant, provided five or more ladies compete.

Rated by USCF: This tournament offers contestants of all classes the opportunity to obtain a national rating or improve present ranking for the Fall rating list by playing serious chess under ideal one-round-a-day conditions. In the daytime, players and their families can enjoy surf-bathing, sports and other vacation attractions of Asbury Park. The Monterey Hotel offers special, reduced rates for players and visitors.

How to Enter: Entry fee: \$5. All entrants must be or become USCF members (annual dues \$5.). Play starts 8 p.m., August 24th. Entries accepted at Monterey Hotel up to 7:30 p.m.

August 25th—26th: Skittles Tournament.

Open to everybody, including players in Atlantic Coast Championship and week-end visitors. Six-round Swiss. Three rounds each day, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 1 to 3 p.m., 4 to 6 p.m. 50 moves in one hour. Unfinished games adjudicated after two hours. Winner gets Skittles Championship Trophy and 3-year USCF membership. Runner-up gets 2-year USCF membership. Entry fee \$2.00. All entrants must be or become USCF members. Entries accepted up to 9 a.m. Aug. 25th.

August 31st, 1 p.m.: Atlantic Coast Lightning Chess Championship.

Open to everybody. Round Robin at 10 seconds per move. Cash and merchandise prizes. Entry fee \$2.00.

August 31st to September 3rd: New Jersey Open Chess Championship. Co-sponsored by the New Jersey State Chess Federation.

Open to everybody. Seven-round Swiss. 50 moves in 2¼ hours. Unfinished games adjudicated after 4½ hours. USCF Tournament Rules. Harkness pairings. One round Friday evening. Two rounds each on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

\$400 in Cash Prizes: First: \$125.00. Second: \$75.00. Third: \$50.00. Fourth: \$25.00. Fifth: \$20.00. Special prizes of \$20.00 each to highest-ranking Expert and Class A players, \$10.00 each to Class B and Class C players. Three prizes to highest-ranking juniors: \$20.00 (under age 20); \$15.00 (under age 18); \$10.00 (under age 16). Cash prizes divided in case of ties. No player may win more than one cash prize.

State Title: Highest-ranking N.J. resident wins state title and custody of silver championship trophy.

How to Enter: Entry fee: \$8.00 (\$4.00 to juniors under 20). All entrants must be or become members of USCF and NJSCF. Combined dues \$7.00 (juniors \$6.). USCF members pay \$2 (juniors \$1) for NJSCF membership. Play starts 8 p.m. August 31st, ends 8 p.m. Sept. 3rd. Entries accepted at Monterey Hotel up to 7:30 p.m. August 31st. Write hotel for special, reduced room rates.

Congress Director: KENNETH HARKNESS
UNITED STATES CHESS FEDERATION

81 Bedford St.

New York 14, N.Y.

**Solution To
What's The Best Move?**

Position No. 186

NN.—Agerkoff, Corr., Great Britain, 1948.

Black wins by either 1., R-K8!; 2. P-KN4, Q-N2; or 1., Q-N2; 2. P-B3, N-K7 ch and the two possible replies allow mate in one or loss of queen. The suggestion of 1., N-K7 ch; 2. K-R, NxB admittedly wins a piece, but is less decisive and will be awarded ½ pt.

2 points each to W. I. Lourie and William B. Wilson for both solutions.

1 point each to George W. Baylor, K. Blumberg, Milton D. Blumenthal, Abel R. Bomberault, J. E. Byrd, M. H. Cha, George F. Chase, Clarence A. Cleere, J. E. Comstock, George Covington, Thomas Curtis, Alex Dunne, John G. Puchas, Robert Fenton, Eric L. Gans, Edwin Gault, James B. Germain, Edmund Godbold, Dr. S. Greenberg, Thomas G. Harris, Rea B. Hayes, Rhys W. Hays, John Ishkan, D. W. Johnson, Slobodan Kirc, Col. F. D. Lynch, Charles T. Morgan, Charles Musgrove, Peter Muto, Bill Newberry, George W. Payne, Herbert J. Roberts, Edmund Roman, Dr. F. C. Ruys, Robert Seiden, Irwin Sigmund, Reuel L. Smith, Bob Steinmeyer, W. E. Stevens, T. J. Sullivan, Francis Trask, J. L. Deininger, Dr. Harris Wiernik, and Aleksandras Zujus.

½ point each to Ed Nash, Dr. I. Schwartz and Phil S. Work.

The solvers won handily, 47½-4½.

*Welcome to New Solvers.

Solutions

Finish It the Clever Way!

Position No. 181: 1. KxP1, B-Kt7 ch; 2. K-K6, BxKt; 3. BxB, KxB; 4. P-R7, Kt-Kt3; 5. P-R5, Kt-R1; 6. P-KR4! wins as White captures the Black pawns. In the game, White won with some difficulty in 20 moves, after 6. K-B7?, P-Kt4.

Position No. 182: 1. KtKtP!, RxBt; 2. B-R6, Q-K2 (if 2., R-B2, there could follow 3. Q-Kt4 ch, K-R1; 4. Q-Q4, K-Kt1; 5. R-Kt5 ch); 3. BxB, QxB; 4. P-R4, P-KR4; 5. R-QB4, and Black resigned.

Tournament Life

August 31-September 3

**Florida State Championship
Daytona Beach, Fla.**

Restricted to bonafide citizens of Florida and tourists of 30 days prior residence in state; at Riviera Hotel, Daytona Beach; 7 rd Swiss; entries close 6:30 p.m. August 31, play begins 7:30 p.m., business meeting 6:30 p.m., newspaper photographer 7:15 p.m.; entry fee \$5; Trophy to winner with cash and merchandise prizes to be announced later, rooms at Riviera Hotel \$6 single, \$8 double, special \$2.50 rate for students in 3 to room; mail entries and write for details to: Florida Chess League, % Murray G. Cohen, 418 Security Bldg., Miami, Fla.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**New England Chess Championship
Providence, R. I.**

Restricted to residents of New England; at Greater Providence YMCA, 160 Broad Street; 6 rd Swiss, evenings for adjourned games; entry fees: Championship \$10, Class B \$5; \$100 1st prize plus permanent trophy for championship, trophy for Class B winner plus cash prizes; advance registration desired, entries close 8 a.m. Sat., Sept. 1; bring chess sets and clocks when possible; for advance registration and hotel reservations, write: Walter B. Suesman, 160 Broad St., Providence, R. I.

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Tournament Life

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August 11-12 & 18-19

**Michigan State Championship
Ann Arbor, Mich.**

Open; at Mich. Union, 530 S. State St.; entry fee: \$7.50 (USCF membership required \$5); 1st prize \$100 plus other prizes and awards; 7 rd Swiss and Speed Tourney; rooms at Union \$4.50-\$6 and dorm rooms \$2; TD Ed Treend; for details, write: John Penquite, 821 Oakland, Ann Arbor, Mich.

100% USCF rated event.

August 24th to September 3rd

**Atlantic Coast Chess Congress
Monterey Hotel, Asbury Park, N.J.**

Atlantic Coast Championship and Fall Rating Tournament, Aug. 24 to 30. Skittles Tournament, August 25-26. Lightning Championship, August 31st. New Jersey Open Championship, August 31st to September 3rd. For details, see announcement on page seven.

August 25-26

**Panhandle Open Championship
Pampa, Tex.**

Open; at Lovett Memorial Library; 5 rd Swiss, 50 moves in 2 hrs.; entry fee: \$4; Two trophies (champion and Panhandle) plus cash prizes; Panhandle title to resident; TD George Koltanowski; for details, write: W. G. Waggoner, Box 283, Pampa, Tex.

100% USCF rated.

August 31-September 3

**Tartakower Memorial Tournament
Detroit, Mich.**

Open; at Wayne University Student Center, 5050 Cass Ave., Detroit; 8 rd Swiss, 60 moves in 2½ hrs.; entry fee: \$8; registration 8-10 a.m. August 31, 1st rd starts 11:30 a.m.; 1st prize \$500 guaranteed, 2nd prize \$175 probable minimum, 3rd prize \$75 probable minimum, plus Trophies for ranking Class A, B & C, Unrated and Junior players; TD Sylvan Zaft; for details, write: Sylvan Zaft, 18623 Greenlawn Ave., Detroit 21, Mich.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**4th Annual Heart of
American Open
Kansas City, Mo.**

Open; at Kansas City YMCA, 404 East 10th; 7 rd Swiss, 40 moves in 2 hrs.; entry fee \$7.50; 1st prize \$150 with \$100 in class prizes, \$10 for ranking woman player, \$10 for ranking junior player under 16, other prizes per entries; for details, write: Mrs. P. W. Morrell, 820 Roswell, Kansas City, Kans.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**St. Paul Open Tournament
St. Paul, Minn.**

Open; at St. Paul Dispatch-Pioneer Press Auditorium, East 4th, between Cedar and Minnesota Sts.; entry fee: \$7 with \$3 fee for high school student entrants; first prize \$125 and Trophy, with other cash prizes and trophies and cash prizes for Class A, B, and C; Robert C. Gove tournament director; 7 rd Swiss, 45 moves in 2 hrs.; for details, write: Robert C. Gove, % Downtown YMCA, 9th and Cedar Sts., St. Paul, Minn.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**West Virginia Championship,
Open and Junior
Wheeling, W. Va.**

Open (with Junior restricted to player under 21 at start of tourney); at Wheeling YMCA, Wheeling; 6 rd Swiss, 30 moves in 1½ hrs.; entry fees: \$5.00 for Championship, \$3.00 for Open, \$2.00 for Juniors; trophies; W. Va. Championship and Junior titles restricted to highest ranking residents; for details, write: Charles L. Ritter, 111 Elm St., Wheeling, W. Va.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**Southwestern Open Championship
San Antonio, Tex.**

Open; at Hilton Plaza; 7 rd Swiss, 45 moves in 2 hrs.; entry fee: \$5 plus USCF-TCA membership (\$5); guaranteed \$100 first prize and trophies; TD. Allen H. Baker, Jr.; for details, write: Robt. L. Garver, 430 Brees, San Antonio, Tex.

100% USCF rated.

September 1-3

**Louisiana State Championship
New Orleans, La.**

Open; at Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans; 6 rd Swiss, 45 moves in 2 hrs.; state title to highest ranking Louisiana player; \$50 first prize with 10 other prizes of chess equipment and merchandize, trophy to State Champion; entry fee \$5.00 plus \$1.00 LCA dues for non-members; TD Newton Grant; for details, write: Kenneth N. Vines, 8318 Panola St., New Orleans, La.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**Alabama Open Championship
Birmingham, Ala.**

Open; at Central YMCA, 526 No. 20th St., Birmingham; 7 rd Swiss, 45 moves in 2 hrs.; entry fee: \$5.00; 1st place prize 60% net proceeds, 2nd 20%, 3rd 15%, 4th 5%, 5th entry fee returned, \$75 first prize guaranteed; Alabama title to ranking resident; TD J. F. Addington; for details, write: F. W. Kemp, Box 114, Palmedale, Ala.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**North Carolina Championship
Raleigh, N. C.**

Restricted to N. C. residents and service personnel stationed in N. C.; at News and Observer Bldg., 215 S. McDougall St., Raleigh; 6 rd Swiss, 55 moves in 2¼ hrs.; entry fee: \$3.50 plus \$2 NCCA dues; 1st prize \$50 plus trophy and other cash prizes; TD Dr. A. M. Jenkins; for details, write: Dr. A. M. Jenkins, 821 Hillsboro St., Raleigh, N.C.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**Ohio State Championship
Columbus, Ohio**

Open; at Seneca Hotel, Columbus; 7 rd Swiss, starting at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, registrations close at 12 noon; entry fee: \$10 to USCF Members (USCF membership \$5 required from non-members); cash prizes; for details, write: Ross Owens, 124 South Point Drive, Avon Lake, Ohio.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**Pennsylvania State Championship
Philadelphia, Pa.**

Restricted to area residents and bonafide members of Penna Chess Clubs; at Franklin-Mercantile Chess Club, 1616 Locust St., Philadelphia; 7 rd Swiss, 40 moves in 2 hrs.; entry fee \$2 (USCF and PSCF membership required \$6); 1st prize \$100, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$20, 4th \$15, 5th \$10, 6th \$5 guaranteed; TD William A. Ruth assisted by D. A. Giangulio; for details, write: Wm. A. Ruth, 15 Gorman Ave., Collingwood, N. J.

100% USCF rated event.

September 1-3

**2nd Annual Iowa Open Championship,
Davenport, Ia.**

Open; at Tri-City Chess and Checker Club; entry deadline 1:30 p.m. (CST), rd 1 begins 2 p.m.; 7 rd Swiss; entry fee \$7 (\$2 refunded to entrants completing all rds); engraved trophy to winner, Classes A, B and C players eligible for all other prizes; for details, write: John Warren, % Moline Daily Dispatch, Moline, Ill.

100% USCF rated event.

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**1st CANADIAN OPEN
August 25 to September 2, 1956
Montreal, Canada**

At Redpath Hall of McGill University; 10 round Swiss, 50 moves in 2½ hours (5 hour sessions from 6:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.), adjourned games to be finished on afternoon of following day; open to all; Guaranteed \$1,000.00 in cash prizes with \$300 first prize, \$200 second prize and 8 other cash prizes. Address advance entries (entry fee \$10 plus \$1 CFC dues for non-members) and inquiries to:

D. M. LeDain
5970 Durocher Ave.
Montreal 8, Que., Canada

October 4-January ?

**New Haven Open Championship
New Haven, Conn.**

Open; at YMCA, 52 Howe St., New Haven; one round every Thursday night, starting at 8 P.M. on Oct. 4; 8 to 10 rd round robin or Kirk Holland, 40 moves in 2 hrs.; entry fee \$2; small cash prizes; TD William H. Mills; for details, write: William Newberry, 233 Elm St., West Haven 16, Conn.

100% USCF rated event.

October 13-14

**3rd Annual Fort Wayne Open
Fort Wayne, Ind.**

Open; at World Friendship Hall of Fort Wayne YMCA; 5 rd Swiss, 45 moves in 1½ hrs, adjudication after 3 hrs of play; play begins 1 p.m. Oct. 13; entry fee: \$5.00; prize money 50%, 30%, 20% of prize fund (60% of total entry fees), brilliancy prize awarded by sponsoring Ft. Wayne C. C.; bring chess equipment if possible; for YMCA room reservations, write: W. A. Havel, YMCA, 226 E. Washington, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; for details, write: Donald C. Jones, 3424 N. Washington Rd., Ft. Wayne 6, Ind.

100% USCF rated event.

November 10-12

**New Mexico Open Championship
Albuquerque, N. M.**

Open; at YMCA, 101 Central Ave. N.W., Albuquerque; 7 rd Swiss, 20 moves per hr.; entry fee: \$3.00; Trophies for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Junior, title of New Mexico State Champion to highest ranking resident; tournament sponsored by Albuquerque C. C.; TD W. A. Muff; for details, write: R. D. Adair, 202 Dartmouth Dr. S.E., Albuquerque, N. M.

100% USCF rated event.

November 23-25

**3rd Annual North Central Open
Milwaukee, Wis.**

Open; sponsored by Wis. Chess Ass'n; at Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee; 7 rd Swiss, 45 moves in 1st 2 hrs. and 25 moves per hr. thereafter; entry fee: \$7 for USCF members, \$8 for non-members; guaranteed 1st prize \$200, guaranteed minimum prize fund \$500; players are urged to bring chess clocks (mechanical); for details, write: Arpad E. Elo, 3935 No. Fiebrantz Drive, Milwaukee 10, Wis.

100% USCF rated event.

Herman Steiner (Los Angeles) Chess Club: Ronald Gross tallied 7½-2½ to win the Experts' Section, losing games to LeRoy Johnson and Gene Rubin while drawing with Sam Geller in the 11-player round robin. Second and third with 7-3 were Robert Brieger and LeRoy Johnson; Brieger lost to Gross and Sidney Weinbaum while drawing with Geller and Robert Lorber; Johnson lost to Brieger and Jacqueline Platigorsky while drawing with Rubin and Donald Stern. Sam Geller was fourth with 6½-3½. In the "A" Section Richard Sanford scored 9-1 to win, drawing with John Carvalho and Don Maron. Charles Henderson was second with 7½-2½, Carvalho third with 6½-3½, and tied for fourth with 6-4 were Russell Koutz, Don Maron, and Jack Monarch. In the "B" Section Bruce Margolin tallied 9½-1½, drawing games with Manuel Klausner, Goldie Erus, and H. Gifford. Klausner was second with 8½-2½, and Clare Ullrich third with 7-4. A USCF Club Affiliate.