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What's The Best Move?

Conducted by IRWIN SIGMOND

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Solution to Position No. 226 will appear in April 5 issue.

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Position No. 226 Language Langua

Black to play

ALLEN WINS SECOND TOURNAMENT IN ROW

John Allen of Independence, Mo. who won the Greater Kansas City Chess Championship on Dec. 24, was still in good form for the Christmas Holiday Tournament in Kansas City from Dec. 26-28 winning with a score of 51/2-11/2. Allen allowed three draws: to R. C. Parnell, Harry Hardy, and Charles Weldon. Alpen Murphy of Topeka, Kansas also had a score of 51/2-11/2 but finished lower because of less Solkoff points. Murphy lost to Allen and drew with Ralph L. Hall. Third to fifth with 41/2-21/2 were Harry Hardy of Kansas City, Kansas; Charles Weldon of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and, Jerry Arnold of Kansas City, Mo. Weldon was the highest ranking junior player in this event. Other prize winners were Robert Bartalos of Mission, Kansas; Morton Luebbert Jr., of Grain Valley, Mo.; Fred Glover of Raytown, Mo.; and Gary Labowitz of Kansas City, was the new "find" of the tournament. He reeled off 4 straight wins in the first 4 rounds before he was stopped by Allen in the fifth round.

REVISED RATING REGULA-TIONS REVISED AGAIN!

USCF President Spann reports that the "anguishing" and rehashing has finally ended with two steps taken: (1) Minor modifications; (2) Postponement of effective date to May 1, 1958. The revised-revised regulations will be printed with clarification in March 5th issue of CHESS LIFE.

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JACKSON AND HENCIR DOMINATE MICHIGAN AMATEUR EVENT

Lawrence Jackson of Toledo, Ohio, scored 5½-½ to top the 42 entry First Annual Michigan Amateur Tournament in Lansing. Edward Hencir, with 5-1, was second, and as the Michigan player with highest score, won the title of Michigan Amateur Champion, and a year's custody of the Jerry Smith Memorial Trophy. Richard Jourdan, Don Napoli, and David Clark, each with 4½-1½, placed in this order through median point application.

The state's first amateur tournament, restricted to players either unrated, or below expert rating, was a great success, with some surprising results. While winner Jackson topped only two players with pre-tourney ratings higher than his 1921, Hencir, rated as a 1600 Class B player, finished ahead of twentythree players who were rated higher than he. Don Napoli, 16-year-old from East Lansing, won the state junior amateur title, by finishing fourth, well ahead of the ten other junior players in the tournament, as well as several adults whose pretourney ratings surpassed his.

VALUABLE MEMBER

Charles R. Acorn, well-known player and for many years President of the Boylston Chess Club of Boston, died at the age of 62 on January 17.

USCF BULLETIN BOARD

President Jerry Spann says, "I promise to get a new member every month in 1958. How about you, pal?"

His January convert was ACF President, Walter Fried; with an Oklahoma City banker lined up for February. Nice going Jerry!

Panno-Cuellar Leading In Tournament Of Americas

Grandmaster Oscar Panno of the Argentine holds a comfortable lead at the end of the 15th round of the Tournament of The Americas in Bogota, with 13-2. Miguell Cuellar of Colombia, whose only defeat came at the hands of Panno in the 1st round, justifies his recently awarded FIDE title of International Master, by occupying second place with 11½-2½, after winning from Bisguier and drawing with Lombardy, the two North American representatives, who occupy third and fourth places with 11-3, and 10½-3½, respectively.

Grandmaster Najdorf, with two adjourned games, including one with Bisguier which the experts believe will be drawn, is in fifth place with 10-3, closely followed by Pedro Martin of Argentina with 10-4, Antonio Medina of Venezuela with 9-4, and Luis Sanchez of Colombia with 9-5.



If he plays P-QR3—Grandmaster Isaac Kashdan tells interested fans what next move will probably be, and why. Dallas Master Kenneth Smith alternated with Kashdan in analysing games being played throughout the tournament—a service appreciated by the kibitzing fans. (Dallas International—1957).

BYLAND TAKES PITTSBURGH METRO

In a six round Swiss, played for the 1958 Pittsburgh Metropolitan Championship, USCF Director W. M. Byland conceded a single draw to finish 5½-½, a half-point above R. L. Bornholz, who also won five games, but who lost to Byland, Fred Foreman also finished 5-1, taking third place on tie-breaking points. S. C. Marshall was fourth with 4½-1½. The five players tied for fifth place with 4-2 were: K. A. Firfaroff, Luther Henry, Wayne Wagner, Alex Spitzer, and Dan Miscevic.

Dave Spiro, who won his first three games, drew with Byland in the fourth round, and lost to Bornholz and Marshall in the final rounds, led a group of eight players who finished with plus scoring of 3½-2½.

KAUSE WINS IN TOLEDO

Richard Kause of Garfield Heights, Ohio, and David Kerman of Detroit, Michigan, swept through the five round Swiss of the Glass City Open at Toledo, undefeated and untied. Sonnenberg-Berger points gave Kause the title, and placed Kerman second. Bozydar Pehnec of Elkhart, Indiana, finished third with 41/2 points. George Kellner of Lima, Ohio, Morrie Wiedenbaum of Detroit, Tony Archipoff of Toledo, Richard Ling of Sayton, Ohio, and Lajos Szedlacsek of Cleveland, tied with 4 points each, but were listed in the above order by tie-breaking points. Tony Archipoff, the only Toledo resident to finish in the first twenty, won the title of Toledo City Champion. Earl Mowery directed the 56 entry event which was sponsored and conducted by the Toledo YMCA Chess Club.

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

Mastering the End Game By WALTER KORN, Editor of MCO

ROOK VERSUS TWO PAWNS

With diagram 49 we are getting into a fascinating series of both artistic beauty and practical impact. The diagram is a replica of a study by Keidanski, (BCE No. 290, b).*

Fine's solution runs 1. R-B8!! P-K7; 2. R-Q8 ch, K-K5; 3. K-B4, K-K6 (or 3., K-B6; 4. R-K8, K-B7; 5. K-Q3); 4. R-K8 ch, K-Q7 (or 4., K-B7; 5. K-Q3, P-B6; 6. K-Q2); 5. R-Q8 ch, K-B7; 6. R-K8, P-B6; 7. R-K3! and Black cannot avoid perpetual check.

It should be noted that White has an alternative drawing line in 1. R-B5 ch! K-Q5 (or 1., K-K5; 2. K-B4! P-K7; 3. R-KB8); 2. R-B4 ch, K-Q6; 3. RxP, P-K7; 4. R-B3 ch, K-Q5; 5. R-B4 ch, K-Q4; 6. R-B8 etc., drawn. The lure of this alternative consists in White's threat of even winning the game after 1., K-K3? 2. R-B6 ch, K-K2? 3. R-B1, P-B6; 4. K-B4, P-B7; 5. K-Q3 etc. Our forthcoming examples will show some more of this theme of "walking along the fence." Footnote:*) Fine's Basic Chess Endings.

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BLACK

International Grandmaster

Thirteen-year-old

RETI OPENING

(Notes by Black)

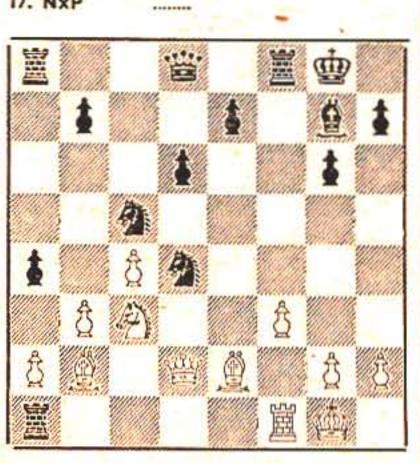
1. N-KB3 N-KB3 2. P-B4 P-84 I took a bit of time over this move as this was the first time I had given serious thought to this opening. Not knowing better, I copied White's move which may (and does) allow White to obtain a favorable variation of the Sicilian Defense. 3. P-Q4

5. N-QB3 PXP P-KN3 4. NXP N-B3 Better would be 5., P-K3, as after 6. P-K4, B-N5 is quite satisfactory, and

6. NxN, QPxN; 7. QxQ ch, KxQ is very drawish. 6. P-K4 B-N2 7. N-B2 White has obtained one of the ideal positions against the Sicilian, as it is very difficult for Black to play P-Q4 or P-QN4, and these are the best chances

Black has in the Sicilian of opening

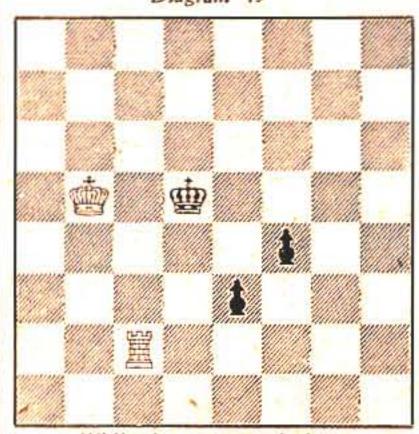
files for his rooks, particularly as long as White keeps the QB file valueless. 7. 0.0 12. P-QN3 P-B4! 8. B-K2 P-Q3 13. PXP BXP 9. 0.0 N-Q2 14. B-N2 QBxN! 10. Q-Q2 N-B4 15. QxB N-Q5 11. P-B3 P-QR4 16. Q-Q2 P-R5! 17. NXP



The obvious 17. P-QN4 loses to 17., P-R6; 18, PxN, PxB; 19. QR-N1, NxBch; 20. NxN, RxP; 21. N-B3, R-R6, with two pawns up.

17. 21. Q-N2ch NxBch R-B3 18. QXN NXN 22. QXP RXBP 19. BxB 23. KR-K1 KxB R-QB2 20. PxN RXRP 24. Q-N2 White tries to tie Black's pieces down

Diagram 49



White to move and draw

WEIDNER EDGES KIME IN RACINE

In a seven round Swiss for the Racine City Chess Championship, Jim Weidner clinched the title by a narrow margin after tie breaking points were applied to the 6-1 scores which he and Russ Kime had amassed during the tournament, Weldner's 6.0210 topped Kime's 6.0205 by just enough to place the latter in the runner-up position. Bernard Gill, with 41/2-21/2 was third, while Rudy Kunz, with 43, was fourth.

to the defense of the backward King pawn before advancing the passed pawn. K-B2 27. Q-Q2 28. P-KR3 25. R-K4 Q-QB1 R-KB4 26. QR-K1 Q-N2 29. R-K6 K-N2

Black nonchalantly bides his time until White gives up the idea of winning. K-N1 32. Q-KR4 30. Q-Q4ch R-B7! 31. K-R2 R-B2

This abrupt counter brings White's previous manouvres to naught. 33. R(K6)-K2

On 33. RxKP, QxP gives Black an easy draw. 35. P-R4

33. RXR K-B1 34. RXR White's only winning chance-but no win! R-B4

Q-Q4

40. R-R2

R-B1 36. Q-QN4 Q-QB4 41. P-R6 37. QXQ PXQ 42. K-N3 P-B6 38. R-QB2 **R-B4** 43. P-R7 39. P-R5 P-B5 Hoping for 43., P.B7; 44. RxP! and Draw agreed. R-R1 43.

WHAT'S THE SCORE?

Among the suggestions received upon which immediate action can be taken is one which came from several different points of the country: Run a box-score on Page 1 to show the readers how the drive for new members is progressing.

The figures, as released once a month by Business Manager Ken Harkness, will be printed in future issues of CHESS LIFE.

In order to give a fair basis for comparison, the first report (as of Dec. 31, 1957) is presented together with three previous ones.

USCF MEMBERSHIP

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The tireless and unselfish work of the members as mentioned in an editorial of this issue, justifies hope that the January report will show encouraging gains.

Chess Life In New York By Aben Rudy

Adding yet another rung to his personal ladder of success, International Master Bill Lombardy made off with the First Brilliancy prize in the tournament for the U. S. Champioship. The award, announced somewhat belatedly by Maurice J. Kasper, treasurer of the American Chess Foundation, was given in recognition of Lombardy's overwhelming last round victory against Samuel Reshevsky. This was the win which nailed down the championship for Bobby Fischer.

Fischer, not to be forgotten, captured the Second Brilliancy prize for his defeat of Jimmy Sherwin. Brooklyn's Herbert Seidman, no newcomer to brilliancy, took the third prize for his "creaming" of Grandmaster Bisguier.

In Brief: At the Marshall Chess Club a beginner, participating in his first tournament, was overheard to complain, "Whenever I win a peice or two my opponents resign," I wish I could make the same complaint!! . . . The eightieth anniversary of the Manhattan recently slipped by without so much as an official mention. . . . Winter visitors to New York chess circles have included David Arganian of Wisconsin and James McCormick of Washington. McCormick, a strong expert, intends to make his permanent home here. . . Arthur Feuerstein's new svelte figure (he's lost forty pounds over the past few months) encouraged Erwin Sobin to comment, "He's so thin he could walk through a harp." . . . Although no New Yorker has seen hide nor hair of Fischer since he copped the U. S. title, Boston's David Ames claims he saw a small boy on the Staten Island Ferry carrying a placard: "Russia or Bust!" . . . I must immodestly report that M. J. Kasper's annual contest to pick the order of finish of those participating in the Rosenwald tourney was won by this observer. . . . In explaining the reason so many blunders are made in master chess tournaments, David Lawner offered the excuse to end all excuses, "The players are all clock-eyed."

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE MCO: page 92, column 61 (bB) **Dallas International Tourney** Dallas, 1957

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	(Hu	ingary)			(Yu	goslavia
	1.	P-Q4	Kt-KB3	14.	PXP	PXP
	2.	P-QB4	P-KKt3	15.	QXKP	R-K1
	3.	Kt-QB3	B-Kt2	16.	Q-Kt3	B-B4
1	4.	P-K4	P-Q3	17.	0.0	Q-Kt3ch
	5.	B-K2	0.0	18.	K-R1	BXP
	6.	P-B4	P-B4	19.	KtxB	RxKt
	7.	Kt-B3	PXP	20.	RXP	KxR
	8.	KtxP	Kt-B3	21.	Q-B3ch	K-Kt1
	9.	B-K3	Kt-KKt5	22.	QXR	QXP
	10.	BxKt	BxKt	23.	R-QK+1	R-KB1
	31.	BXKB	BxB	24.	P-KR3	QXRP
	12.	Q-Q2	KtxB	25.	Q-K6ch	R-B2
		QxKt	P·K4	26.	R-KB	Resigns

LET'S SEND A U.S. TEAM TO MUNICH IN OCTOBER.

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College Chess Life

Conducted by Frederick H. Kerr

All college clubs and players are urged to send news items to Frederick H. Kerr, Thompson Hall, Box 1185, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania.

The red hot University of Penn-

sylvania team less Kalme defeated

Fordham 4-1. The Quakers also lead in both the championship and reserve sections of the Philadelphia Metropolitan League. PENNSYLVANIA FORDHAM

Sobel Saidy Bross V. Kiessling 1/2 Cantor 1/2 Toth Hazenfuss T. Kiessling Kelly Kawas

The Penn team used an evening student in the Fordham match. As regular readers realize, there has been a great deal of controversy about the proposal to open the United States Intercollegiate to graduate or part-time students. At the 1957 meeting of the ICLA Assembly, a resolution was passed setting up a special study committee to look into this problem. As ICLA president, I have appointed the following members of the Assembly to that committee: Eldon Mohler of Brigham Young University, Anthony Cantone of the Ogontz Undergraduate Center of Pennsylvania State University, and Virgil Rizzo of the University of Pittsburgh. Readers are invited to send their views to the committee chairman, Eldon Mohler, 255 East 6th North, Provo, Utah.

The first intercollegiate match ever held at Long Island University was with St. Peter's College of Jersey City. The Brooklyn team was victorious 41/2-21/2. On the first board, President A. Berkowitz of the LIU Club drew with K. Mc-Bride. Winners for LIU were A. Markowsky, N. Rubinstein, H. Fenson, and G. Seligman. The lone winner for St. Peter's was J. Clark.

Bloomington, Illinois, was the scene of a match between the University of Illinois and the Peoria Chess Club. The Illini won 9-2 with wins of Valdis Tums, Kazimieras Jakstas, Alan Clark, Eriks Leitis, Karl Simon, Eugene Radzimovsky, Bob Donahue, Howy Jackson, and Roland Cassata.

The annual Illini Club Championship was won by Valdis Tums with a score of 5½-½; he won 5 and drew with Kazimieras Jakstas who placed second. Jakstas with 5-1 also drew with Karl Simon. Third prize went to Alan Clarke with 41/2-11/2. The tournament attracted 32 players and was a 6round Swiss.

Thanks to Sam Laird, chess columnist of the Camden Courier-Post. In addition to fine coverage in his column of the 1957 Intercollegiate, he printed many games from the event. Several of those games may reach print elsewhere, but the Philadelphia area players were able to see them first in the Laird column.



LARRY EVANS ON CHESS

By International Grandmaster LARRY EVANS

A LESSON IN PSYCHOLOGY

The two Bishops are an advantage in open positions. This is the axiom.

When your opponent has the two Bishops on an open board, he possesses an advantage. This is the myth.

That the Grandmaster as well as the Grandpatzer labors under this delusion is well illustrated in my game with Najdorf from the last round of the Dallas Tournament. Najdorf with Black seizes the initiative, but with a few indifferent moves allows me to construct the semblance of an attack. Najdorf chooses a defense which leads to full equality but relinquishes the two Bishops. The myth triumphs. Just as I am debating with myself whether to offer a draw, he errs. Why? Because in his own mind he believed his position to be inferior.

RETI OPENING (Barcza System)

Dallas International, 1957

White Black EVANS NAJDORF 1. N-KB3 P-QBB4 Challenging White to enter the Sicilian with 2. P-K4. Having said "A" White says-

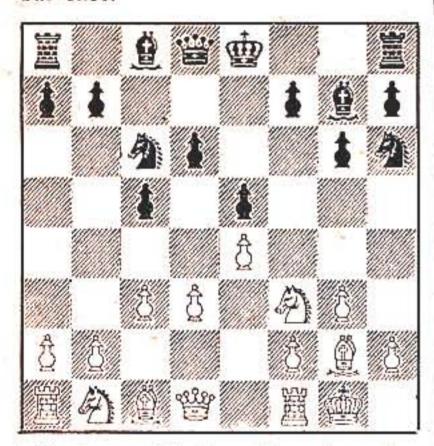
2. P-KN3 N-QB3 3. B-N2 P-KN3 4. 0.0

This is White's last chance for 4. P-Q4, PxP; 5. NxP, B-N2—and now White must either exchange Knights or lose a tempo.

4. **B-N2** 5. P-K4 P-Q3 P-B3 P-K4

To prevent 7. P-Q4. N-R3 7. P-Q3

Though not bad, this is artificial. 7., KN-K2 would accomplish the same end and free the KBP as well. As played in the game, this Knight moves four times to QB5 where it exchanges for a White Knight on QR3 which has moved



This is a critical position, for when White enters this variation it is virtually forced. P-KB4 is Black's major threat after castling.

8. N-K1 0.0 9. P-KB4 PXP This came somewhat as a surprise because it surrenders the center. I had expected P-B4 immediately.

10. BXP N-KN5 11. N-R3 KN-K4 12. K-R1 **Q-N3 B-K3** 13. Q-Q2 14. N(1)-B2! Q-R3

Najdorf played the previous moves briskly, confident of his advantage, But now it became apparent to him that Black has lost the fight for the center. The threat of P-Q4 forces him to regroup his pieces. Incidentally, 14., QxP? loses to 15. KR-N1.

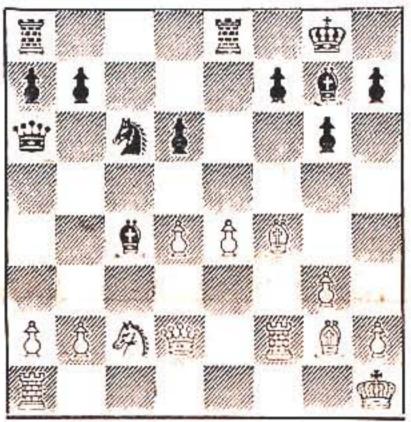
15. P-Q4 The amazing thing is that White's moves are forced, Not 15, KR-Q1, B-N5,

> 15. N-B5 16. NXN BxN 17. R-B2

A difficult decision. White can sacrifice the exchange with 17. BxP, KR-Q1: 18. PxP, BxR; 19. BxB, but after Q-R5 he lacks a forcing continuation. Theoretically, White has a hanging center and should reinforce it with his Rooks, Thus 17. KR-K1 is the logical BxB with a probable draw.

choice. However such a move is passive. White must try to make something of his pressure on the KB file. The text is played more on feeling than calculation.

17. PXP 18. PXP KR-K1 Active defense! Now 19. BxP loses to NxP. Black threatens B-Q6 winning a Pawn. White's position is quite difficult. What can he do?



Position after 18. KR-K1

19. B-R6! This is the bolt from the blue. Najdorf thought over 45 minutes on his reply, The main point is that 19. BxB; 20. QxB, B-Q6: 21. N-K3!, BxP: 22. N-N4 wins at least the exchange owing to the threat of N-B6 ch. What is most remarkable about White's 19th move is that it withdraws the Bishops from a seemingly important threat against Black's QP. 19.

A sly defense whereby Black improves the position of his Queen by the threat to exchange. The only other important alternative was 19. B-R1—the move 3 out of 4 players would make with little hesitation. There would follow 20. P-N3, B-Q6 (...... B-K3?; 21. P-Q5); 21. Q-B4, R-K2: 22, B-N5! (not 22, QxP, R-Q1), R-Q2; 23, B-R3 (even B-B6 is strong).

20. Q-B4 The only move to maintain the pressure. BXQP This is the defense which relinquishes the two Bishops but leads to equality.

21. NxB 22. QXQP In this position Black can play either N-B3 or N-K3 after which White has nothing. 22. Q-K4 is slightly inferior but also sufficient. I was just about to offer a draw when Najdorf quickly played-

22. QR-Q1? The losing move. 23. Q-KB6 Q-K4 24. B-N5! QXQ The only other try is 24. Q-QB4, after which either 25. R-QB1. P-N3 or P-QN4 are all strong possibilities.

25. BxQ R-Q3 26. R-Q1 N-B4 27. RxR NxR 28. R-Q2!

Not so accurate is 28. P-K5. B-Q6!; 29. PxN (if 29, R-Q2, N-K51; 30, RxB, N-B7 ch; 31. K-N1, NxR), R-K8 ch; 30. B-B1,

Now 28,, NxP can be met with 29. BxN, RxB; 30. R-Q8 mate.

28. N-B1 29. P-N3 **B-K3** 30. P-K5 P-N3 31. B-B6

Now we really see the power of two Bishops in full glory, Black is completely tied up and his Rook is hemmed in.

31. R-81 32. K-N2

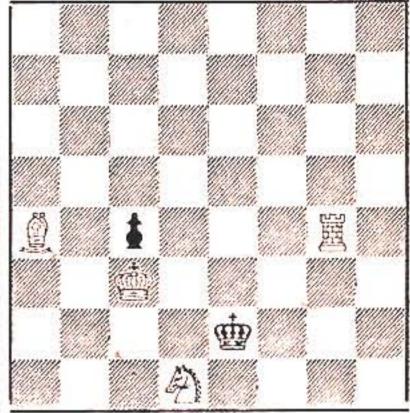
The winning motif. White merely walks his King to the Q-side.

32. P-KR3 33. K-B3 K-R2 34. B-Q7 Black Resigns

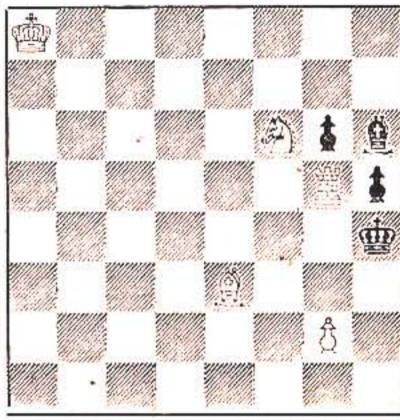
Najdorf has a distaste for losing positions and resigns them promptly, unlike Reshevsky, and this difference in temperament may account for a lot in results. Black's plight becomes quite evident in the following variation: 34., BxB; 35. RxB, K-N1 (the threat was P-K6); 36. K-K4 followed either by P-K6 or a march with the King to the Q-side. Black's Knight is totally passive in all variations, E.g., 36., R-K1; 37. P-QR4, K-B1; 38. K-Q5, N-K2 ch; 39. BxN ch, RxB; 40. RxR, KxR; 41. P-QN4, (or 41. K-B6, K-K3; 42. K-N7, KxP; 43. KxP, P-B4; 44. P-QN4, P-N4; 45. P-R5, PxP; 46. P-N5 and White queens with check first), K-Q2; 42. P-N5, P-KR4; 43. P-KR4 and Black is in zugzwang,

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Problem for Beginners by DOMINO White to move and checkmate in 3 moves



Problem by Charles White of Sunbury White to move and checkmate in 4

BEFORE YOUR TIME?

While browsing through the book-stalls of Paris' famous Left Bank about thirty years ago, we spotted a bound volume of CASSELL'S IL-LUSTRATED FAMILY PAPER, a London publication, with the complete issues of 1857 and 1858. Although interested in the latest news from the Sepoy Mutiny, and in the scale drawing of the innards of the SS LEVIATHAN (later to become the GREAT EASTERN), it was not until we found that each weekly issue of the paper contained a chess column that the deal was made, and the crazy American millionaire went home with his seventy year old volume.

This addition to the family library was greeted with well-controlled enthusiasm on the part of Mrs. Wren, since its tattered and time-worn condition ("filthy" was her description) gave justifiable grounds for suspecting that between its covers one might find the germs of any disease which had scourged England or France since 1857. The book was, therefore, consigned to quarantine in a case containing World War I souvenirs—a case that remained in storage in various attics, cellars, and warehouses until very recently. Now that the period of incubation for most disease germs has presumably run out (Correction, please, Dr. Hornstein, if we're wrong!) we have been spending some time with this interesting volume. It is simply terrific in its educational scope, and we'll venture a wager that no monthly magazine today, regardless of price, gives its readers such a variety of fiction, non-fiction, and helpful information, as that 15 page weekly of 100 years ago. And-in the upper right-hand corner-appears the pricetag, "Price One Penny."

A close scrutiny of all the chess columns fails to disclose the name of the author or editor. The column usually consists of two diagrammed problems, the answers to two or three previously-published problems, answers to individuals who have asked questions on chess, and an occasional game. The favorite problem composers seem to have been R. B. Wormald, Charles White, W. Greenwood, William Airey, Henry Turton, and pseudonyms Mona and Domino. The problems are mostly four-movers, with some of three and many of five and more moves.

The players whose games most often appear are Wormald. Pindar, Rainger, C. F. Smith. Cadman, and some ringer who played under the name of "Alpha." Although Staunton and Harrwitz are mentioned once or twice, none of their games appear, and, although he must have been making chess history in England in 1858, there is not a single reference to Morphy.

Your editor is not a problem expert, and the samples about to be presented are probably puerile to the Nth degree. After failing to solve either of them, we thought that you might like to see what was published almost exactly 100 years ago, one as a problem for beginners, and the other presumably for a more advanced class of solvers. So here they are, from CASSELL'S ILLUSTRATED FAMILY PAPER of Saturday, January 23, 1858. (See above-right)...

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We Can't Miss!

In CHESS LIFE of April 20, 1947 there appeared a list of members who had won prizes in an intensive membership drive in February, 1947, which had been designated as "National Chess Month." The late Herman Steiner of Los Angeles topped the field by signing up sixty-seven new members during that month. The numbers signed by Antonio Balducci of South Fallsburg, N.Y., and John L. Costello, Jr., of Hummelstown, Pa., were not reported, but they took second and third places, respectively. Sixteen members received prizes for having signed three new members each; eleven members signed between five and ten each; while another eleven enrolled ten or more new members. Thus, forty-one members personally accounted for more than three hundred new members in one short month. When we think of the singletons and doubles which didn't make the prize list, but which must have been scored by dozens of members, if not by hundreds, we realize that they really had a nice month exactly eleven years ago.

But let's not get an inferiority complex. We have some members who are making every day, CHESS DAY; every month, CHESS MONTH. From your President, who has pledged a-new-member-a-month through 1958, down to the correspondence player who writes that he thinks he can sign an opponent in another state, they are working. David ReVeal of Springfield, Ill., promises to sign five new members in 1958. R. B. Hayes founds a new affiliate at the University of Cincinnati, with fifteen individual and one family membership applications. With membership, and CHESS LIFE circulation, at all-time highs, and with public interest in

chess growing daily, we can't miss.

Correction, Please!

In the January 20 issue of CHESS LIFE it was reported that Bisguier gave Kramer his queen as a Christmas present, in their tenth-round game in the U.S. Championship tournament. Several have written to inform us that these two players did not meet in the tenth round; that when they did meet, Bisquier won from Kramer; and that Turner was the recipient of Bisguier's tenth-round gift. Among those who wrote was our reporter, Aben Rudy, who says, "Yipes-did I goof! It was Abe Turner who won by a 'queen snatch.' I'm very sorry for any trouble this may cause." We are sorry, too, and we hereby apologize to Masters Turner, Bisguier, and Kramer, for any embarrassment which may have been caused by this reportorial "goof."

The following report on the 1957 U.S. Women's Chess Championship Tournament in Los Angeles was received from Mrs. Lena Grumette, who posted a respectable 6-5 score:

A woman's tournament is always a thrilling experience. Aside from the encouraging indication of the growing importance of women's chess, it provides an intriguing atmosphere of suspense and inconsistency, like the blend of French perfume and Virginia tobacco that pervades the playing room, or the incongruity of a group of women and complete silence. In such a hush of silence, so perfect you could have heard a pawn drop, an exciting battle was being waged. Champion Gisella K. Gresser was defending her title against strong competition.

Though it was a neck and neck struggle from beginning to end between Mrs. Gresser and Mrs. Sonja Graf Stevenson, U. S. Women's Open Champion, the final outcome was still problematical when the midway point was reached, Mrs. Kathryn Slater of New York and Mrs. Eva Aronson of Chicago running uncomfortably close seconds. However, Miss Mona M. Karff of New York, who had lost to Mrs. Gresser in an earlier round and thus appeared out of the running for one of the top places, bravely made up lost ground, gaining third place, by defeating Mrs. Stevenson, a game for which she was awarded best-played-game

The surprise of the event was Mrs. Nancy McLeod of San Francisco, a newcomer to national tournament chess. She played fine chess throughout, being held back only by inexperience. She will bear watching. Miss Lucille Kellner of Detroit, and Mrs. Mary Selensky of Philadelphia, both played better chess than their scores indicate, unfortunately losing won games through outright blunders. But, as they say in the trade, it's the point that counts. Mrs. Selensky vindicated herself by being awarded the special brilliancy prize for her win against Mrs. Aronson.

Our hats off to three stalwart players, Mrs. Olga Higgins of Santa Barbara, Mrs. Mildred Morrell of Haddenfield and Mrs. Lenore Simon of Los Angeles, for the splendid fight they put up against very tough competition, giving even the top-notchers some rather bad moments. Yours truly played her usual brand of chess, finishing in the middle.

The co-champions Mrs. Gresser and Mrs. Stevenson, qualified to represent the U.S.A. in the Women's World Championship Tourney in Holland next year. The tournament committee and the players extend their thanks and appreciation to Mr. Isaac Kashdan, official tournament director, and to his aides,

for their generous cooperation.

On behalf of the players, I also express deep gratitude to Mrs. Jacqueline Piatigorsky, chairman of the committee, and to her able assistants, Mrs. Edythe Langdon, Mr. George Goehler, Mr. Irving Rivise, and Mrs. Selma Steiner.

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CHESS TACTICS FOR BEGINNERS

By U. S. Expert DR. ERICH W. MARCHAND

Dr. Marchand will answer beginners' questions on this page, if of sufficient general interest. Those wishing a personal reply should enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope. Address: Dr. Erich W. Marchand, 192 Seville Drive, Rochester 17, N.Y.

1. Answers to Readers' Questions

D. P. Reithel, Ontario, New York inquires about the best defense to the so-called Saemisch Variation in the King's Indian Defense. He sends a sample game in which he tried the line 1. P-Q4, Kt-KB3; 2. P-QB4, P-KKt3; 3. Kt-QB3, B-Kt2; 4. P-K4, P-Q3; 5. P-B3, P-K4; 6. P-Q5, Kt-R4; 7. B-K3, Kt-R3; 8. Q-Q2, Q-R5 ch; 9. P-Kt3, KtxP. Answer: The sacrificial variation suggested here must have much to be said for it since it was played by the grandmaster Bronstein in a game against Spassky. The latest opening book, Modern Chess Openings, 9th Edition, indicates that Black can obtain equality by 5., O-O (instead of 5., P-K4) with P-B4 or P-K4 to follow depending on how White proceeds. The choice between the solid and the sacrificial varations would seem to depend on the player's style.

2. A Difficult Adjudication

In many tournaments an adjudication rule is used so that at the end of a set time each unfinished game is turned over to one or more judges to be decided as a win for one player or the other or as a draw. There are numerous practical advantages to this procedure. It avoids the necessity of scheduling adjourned game sessions; it avoids the inevitable long hours of analysis by both players and the difficult questions connected with advice by other chess-players.

There are also, however, some serious drawbacks to the adjudication procedure. One obvious one is that the judge or judges may make a mistake. Another point worth mentioning is that frequently the variations which the adjudicator uses to determine his decision are clearly far removed from anything the players themselves would have dreamed up in actual play. Furthermore, in some tournaments where a set time for adjudication has been announced, a player who has won a Pawn merely sits back and shifts wood until the time is up and then lets the adjudicators "win the ending" for him.

For these and other reasons most of the important chess events use the adjournment rather than the adjudication procedure. The following position, which had to be adjudicated in an industrial league tournament, illustrates some of the points mentioned above.

White is the Exchange ahead (R vs. B) whereas Black has an extra Pawn (which happens to be a

"passed" Pawn). In a normal position this would be a routine win for White. However, here, as in all endings, one must look closely at the special features of the particular position at hand.

Black's Rook and Bishop are ideally placed, the seventh rank being well-known as a very fine place for a Rook to operate and the Bishop being anchored in a very dominaiting place in the center. To be sure, White also has a Rook on the "seventh." and what is more two of Black's Pawns are doubled and all are "isolated." The fact that it is Black's move seems to make all the difference in this delicately balanced situation.

The only plausible continuation for Black is 1., R-Kt7 ch; 2. K-B1 (not 2. K-R1, R-Q7ch; 3. K-Kt1, RxRch), RxRP. Now Black has two Pawns for the Exchange. This would leave the material about even, provided White cannot recover one Pawn immediately by 4. RxRP. But the answer to this would be 4., R-R8ch; 5. K-Q2, B-B6ch!; 6. KxB, RxR leaving Black ahead in material. The presence of this little combination is one of those special features which can make so much difference in an ending.

After 1., R-Kt7ch; 2. K-B1, RxRP, if White intends to win his only hope is to get his King into an atcive position, preferably in the center. He must also defend his weak Pawns at QR3 and KKt3. A plausible variation might run 3. R-K3, K-Kt3 (not 3., R-Kt7; 4. RxB, PxR: 5. KxR); 4. K-K1, K-R4; R-Q2, R-R8ch; 6. K-K2, R-KKt8; 7. R(2)-Q3 (if 7. K-Q3, K-Kt5 winning the KtP and creating a dangerous KRP: if 8. R-KR2. P-R4 and 9. B-B6 etc.), R-Kt7ch (or 7. B-B5: 8. K-B2!, BxR; 9. KxR); 8.K-B1, R- KR7.

The above variation does not exhaust the tries on both sides but is the main part of the analysis. Essentially it appears that Black needs both Rooks to protect his KtP and cannot spare one long enough to help his King get out. So, in this case, where the material is about even, the ending is also

about even and must be adjudged a draw.

3. A Game of Interest for Opening Theory

The following game, played by correspondence, illustrates the sacrificial variation discussed above in Section 1 as an enterprising resource for Black against the Saemisch variation of the King's Indian Defense. Black gives up his Q for two pieces without any immediate reward in sight. But the "sack" seems to yield him sufficient positional values to justify the offer. After all position is everything in life, and so it is in chess as well.

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

Correspondence Game, 1957
White Black
T. A. BRATZ D. P. REITHEL
1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3 4, P-K4 P-Q3
2. P-QB4 P-KKt3 5, P-B3
3. Kt-QB3 B-Kt2

The key move of the Saemisch variation. White hold a strong pawn center and plans to castle Q-side and initiate Pawn advances on the K-side.

5. P-K4

More common is 5., O-O with P-B4

or P-K4 to follow in order to contest

White's center after first making the

Black King safe.

Many classical books would recommend 6. PxP, PxP: 7. QxQ ch to prevent Black from castling. But modern theorists have found that with the Q's off the board the loss of the castling privilege is not always much of a hardship.

White's last move created a so-called Pawn Chain in the center. Positional strategy would now call for either side to strike at the base of the chain. Hence Black should prepare for P-KB4 and White for P-QB5. However, at the moment, Black has something else in mind too.

7. B-K3 Kt-R3

A Knight is normally developed at B3, which of course is impossible in the present case. Next choice would be Q2 (tending more toward the center). Here R3 is a good place since it prevents not only P-B5 but also P-QKt4 and also allows Kt-QKt5 in some circumstances.

8. Q-Q2 Q-R5ch 10. Q-KB2

9. P-Kt3 KtxP

Not 10. B-B2. KtxB: 11. BxQ, KtxQ and of course not 10. PxKt. QxR. Black has crossed the Rubicon in that he cannot saye his Kt. One interesting line is 10., Kt-KB4: 11. PxKt. QxQ ch: 12. BxQ, BxP with two Pawns (for a piece) and a good position for Black. But instead Black tries an even greater speculation, giving his Q for two pieces and and two Pawns.

10. KtxB 13, P-Kt3 Kt-Kt3
11. QxQ KtxB 14, KKt-K2 P-KB4
12. K-B2 KtxBP

The strategical move mentioned above. Black's attack will develop slowly but strongly,

Against Bronstein Spassky here continued 16. K-Kt2, which perhaps is better since it prepares to tuck the K fairly safely away at R1.

16. B-Q2 18. Q-R6 B-Kt2
17. R-Kt2 KB-B3 19. Q-R4 R-B2
Black could invite a draw by 19.,
KB-B3 but evidently prefers to play for a win despite being slightly behind in material.

20. KKt-Kt1 PxP 22. Q-Kt5 QR-KB1
21. PxP R-B5 23. K-K2
This appears to be directed against
Black's threat of 23., B-KB3; 24.
Q-R6?, R-R5 or 24. Q-Kt3?, B-KR5. But
24. Q-R5 would save the Queen. Instead
of the King move White might do better to play 23. R-Q1 intending R-Q2 and

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brought into action. Also Black now threatens 26., B-Kt4; 27. Q-Kt3, KtxKP.

This antipositional move (cutting off White's QR) should be rejected in favor of 26. Q-K3 but not 26. R-KB1, R-B5; 27. Q-K3 (or 27. Q-R5, RxR; 28. KxR, B-Kt2 dis. ch! and 29., PxQ), RxR; 28. KxR. B-KKt4 dis. ch. After the text move White's already difficult game crumbles rapidly.

26. B-K2 28. K-B1? 27. Q-K2 R(1)-B5!

Surely better was 28. K-B2, KtxKP; 29. R-Q1.

P-K5 KtxKP 33. Q-B3 28. B-KB3 34. Q-B1 29. KtxKt RxKt 35. R-KB2 Kt-B5 30. Q-Q2 R-Q5 36. RxKt B-KKt4 31. Q-R5 P-QR3 32. Q-B3 KtxP

This and the next Black move recover the sacrificed Kt easily and soon reduce the White game to ashes.

37. Kt-K2 B-Kt4 39. KtxR ...

38. K-B2 BxR
Giving up more material. White will be exactly five Pawns behind but can set one cute little trap before dying. Note that 39. Q-B2 attacking both Rooks is

crushed by 39., R-Q7 ch.
39. BxQ 41. K-Kt1 B-K4
40. RxB RxPch 42. Kt-K6! B-Kt2
White threatened 43. R-B8 Mate!
43. Resigns

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A PAGE FOR LOMBARDY!

William Lombardy of New York City, 19 years old, a psychology student at City College, and a leading member of the Manhattan C. C., won the World Junior Championship at Toronto last August. And won it with a score of 11-0! Anyone who does that, and gives the U.S.A. one of its few "firsts" in international events in recent years, writes chess history and deserves a whole page to himself! So, this entire column is devoted solely to some of his best unpublished games from the historic event.

A PAWN FOR THE ATTACK ENGLISH OPENING

MCO 9: page 335, column 25 (1:B) White Black

A. JONGSMA W. LOMBARDY (The Netherlands) (U.S.A.) P-QB4 Kt-KB3

2. Kt-QB3 P-KKt3 Black branches off into a King's Indian Defense formation.

 P-KKt3 B-Kt2 4. B-Kt2 P-Q3

Kt-B3 Or 5. P-Q3, O-O; 6. Kt-B3, QKt-Q2; 7. O-O, P-K4; 8. B-Q2, Kt-B4; 9. P-QKt4, Kt-K3 ... Keres-Klaman, U.S.S.R., 1947. Or 5. P-Q3, O-O; 6. Kt-B3, P-K4; 7. B-Q2, QKt-Q2; 8. Q-B1, R-K1; 9. B-R6, B-R1-Fairhurst-Boleslavsky, Great Britain-U.S.S.R. Match, 1954.

5. or In the way 0.0 P-K4 7. P-Q3 Kt-R41 Black's strategy is revealed-an early king-side attack.

8. Q-B2? This move is mechanical, 8, B-Q2 and 8. R-Kt1 mean more.

8. Kt-QB3 9. R-K11 B-Kt5 Threatening 10., BxKt; 11. BxB, Kt-Q5; 12. Q.Q1, KtxB ch; 13. PxKt, Q-Q2.

10. P-K3 Q-Q2 1. P-Kt4 Better is 11, R-Q1, preserving the KB. 11. B-R6

12. BxB QxB 13. P-B5? White underestimates his opponent's attacking chances and plays to win a Pawn. Correct is 13. Kt-Q5, Q-Q2; (13.

......, QR-B1?; 14. P-Kt5, winning the exchange) 14. P-Kt5, with some queenside initiative. 13. Kt-B3 15. PXP PxP 14. P-K+5 Kt-Q1 16. B-R3 Kt-K3!



Position after 16., N-K31 Black sacrifices a Pawn for attacking and positional reasons - Lombardy's games are often marked by this.

17. BxP KR-BT 18. KR-B1 If 18. BxP? Kt-Kt5!; 19. BxB, Kt-Kt4!;

and Black mates in two. 78. Kt-Kt5 Threatening 19., P-K5; 20. Kt-Q4, BxKt; 21. PxB, KtxQP; and wins, 19. Q-K2 P-B4

Again threatening 20., P-K5.

20. Q-B1

Winning a piece.

32. PxP

Now Black obtains a dead won ending. But, in view of 20., P-K5; and the mating attack, White has nothing better. 20. QxQch 23. PxKt PXP 21. KxQ P-K5 24. Kt-Q5 R-B7 22. Kt-Q4 KtxKt There are a number of threats 25., RxP ch; 25., R-Q1; 25., RxRP; 25., BxP; 25., KtxBP; etc. 25. RxR PxR 27. Kt-K7ch K-B2 26. R-B1 R-Q1 28. B-R3 B-B1

R-Q2! 29. RXP White is not even given a chance to play R-B7 ch! 30. P-R3 Kt-B3 33. BxB KxB 31. Kt-B6 PxKt 34. R-B5 K-K2

Resigns

R-B2

A PIECE WINNING MANEUVER

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

MCO 9: page 320, column 70

White Black W. LOMBARDY F. JOBIN (U.S.A) (Canada) I. P-QB4 Kt-KB3 B-Kt2 B-Kt2 Kt-QB3 P-B4 Kt-B3 Kt-B3 3. P-KKt3 P-KKt3 6. P-Q4 P-Q3 Black has adopted the Yugoslav Variation of the King's Indian Defense.

7. 0.0 0-0 8. P-Q5 Kt-QR4 9. Kf-Q2

Evans-Rossolimo, Milwuakee, 1953, continued: 9. Q-Q3, P-QR3; 10. P-K4, Kt-Q2; 11. R-Kt1, P-QKt4; 12. PxP, PxP; 13. KtxP, B-QR3; with equal chances.

9. P-QR3 10. Q-B2 R-Kt1 11. P-QR4!

The play revolves around the enforcement and counter of, P-QKt4. If 11. P-QR3, Q-B2; 12. R- Kt1, B-Q2; 13. QKt-K4, KtxKt; 14. KtxKt, KR-B1; followed by, P-QKt4; with good play for Black.

11. B-Q2 13. RPXP PXP 12. P-K#3 P-QKt4 14. PxP



Position after 14, PxP! A new, effective move which envisages 16. R-R3 and the doubling of rooks on the open file. Florian-Bilec, Budapest, 1954, continued 14. B-Kt2, Q-B2; 15. P-K4, R-Kt2; 16. P-R3, KR-Kt1; 17. KR-Kt1, Kt-K1; 18. Kt-Q1, with a slight advantage for White.

14. BxP 15. B-Kf2 Q-B2? Black has the worst of it in any event, but a better plan is 15., B-Q2; 16. R-R3, Kt-Kt2; 17. KR-R1, P-K3.

16. R-R3 R-Kt2? This move loses a piece by force. But if 16., B-Q2; (relatively best) 17. KR-R1, Kt-Kt2; 18. Kt-B4, and White has a distinct positional advantage.

17. KR-R1 R-R1 18. KtxB RxKt

19. Kt-B4 R-R3 If 19., Kt-..K1; 20. BxB, KtxB; 21. Q-B3, wins the pinned Knight.

20. B-B3 KtxKtP 21. RXR KtxR 22. RxKt Resigns

A SUBTLE POSITIONAL GAME

SICILIAN DEFENSE MCO 9: page 148, column 131 (c)

White Black R. CARDOSO W. LOMBARDY (Philippines) (U.S.A.) 1. P-K4 P-QB4 Kt-KB3 4. KtxP Kt-KB3 P-Q3 Kt-QB3 P-QR3 3. P-Q4 PXP 6. B-K2 Sharper, and more popular today, are 6. B-Kt5 and 6. B-QB4.

6, P-K4 7. Kt-Kt3 **B-K3** 8. 0.0 QKt-Q2 Currently, this is considered to be stronger than 8. B-K2.

9. B-K3 Again, not the sharpest move, Geller-Najdorf, Candidates Tournament, 1953, continued: 9. P-B4!, Q-B2; 10. P-B5, B-B5; 11. P-QR4, R-B1; 12. B-K3, B-K2; 13, P-R5, P-R4; 14. BxB, QxB; 15. R-R4, with a slight advantage for White.

9. R-B1 10. P-B3

White is embarked on a very defensive course. Better is 10. P-B4. , 10.

Kt-Kt3 11. Q-Q2 If 11. Q-K1, P-Q4! 11. B-K2

12. KR-Q1 12. QR-Q1, is more natural. 12.

13. Q-K1 KKt-Q2! A fine positional move which is designed to improve the situation on the dark squares. 14. B-Q3 B-Kt4 16. QxB

Kt-B3 15. QR-B1 BxBch 17. Kt-K2? Better is 17. R-Q2, followed by 18. QR-Q1. 17. Kt-R5 20. R-K1 KR-Q1 18. R-K+1 P-QKt4 21. P-KR3 P-R3 Q-B2 22. P-KB4 Q-K+31 White's attempted king-side attack is snuffed out and the true picture brought into focus-an ending favorable to Black because of his queen-side superiority.

23. P-B5 B-B5 28. Kt-B3 KR-B1 24. BxB 29. Kt-Q2 Kt-Q2 QxQch 25. RXQ 30. K-B2 Kt/2-Kt3 RXB 26. P-B3 K-B1 31. Kt-K2 P-QR4 27. Kt-Q2 R-B3

A break at QKt5 is prepared. 32. R-Q3 K-K2

33. K-B3 Kt-B4 34. R-K3 P-Q4! Precisely timed! 35. R-Q1?

In a poor position, White slips and loses the exchange. The best available is 35, Kt-KKt3, If 35, PxP? KtxP; 36, RxP ch, K-Q3; wins. 35.

PxPch

Position after 35. PxPch

36. KtxP

Black.

If 36. K-Kt3, R-Q3; and 37., R/-Q3; wins. 36. Kt-B5 With the exchange in hand, the rest is a matter of good technique. KtxR 37. KtxKt 43. Kt-K4 **R-B7** P-B3 38. R-Q7ch K-K1 44. P-KKt4 39. KxKt KxKt 45. Kt-B2 R/1-B2 40. R-R7 P-Kt5 46. R-Kt5 K-K2 47. R-Kt8 41. R-Kt7 PXP ******* 42. KtxP K-B1 If 47. RxP, RxP; followed by 48., R-B6 ch; or 48, R/2-B7; wins for

R-R7ch 48. R-K+8 K-Q3 55. Kt-B1 K-K5 49. Kt-Q3 R/2-QB2 56. Kt-K2ch 50. R-QR8 R-R7 57. R-R3 R-Q5ch 58. K-K1 R-Q6 51. RXP RxPch 52. K-Q2 59. Kt-Kt3ch R-B5 K-Q4 53. R-R6ch Now Black reduces it to a simple Rook and Pawn ending. But if 59. R-R7, R-K6; wins; and if 59. R-R5 ch, K-K6; wins. RxKt 62. R-Kt3 59. 63. R-Kt7 P-K5 RXP 60. RXR R-QR7 61. P-R4 The Black King, Rook, and KP cooperate to win the Rook and/or mate. P-K6 67. K-K1 R-R8ch 64. RxP 65. R-K7 K-B6 Resigns P-K7ch 66. K-Q1

R-Q2

47.

54. R-R5ch

K-Q5

BLACK WINS THE KING PAWN

ENGLISH OPENING

MCO 9: page 335, column 25 (1:B) White Black W. LOMBARDY P. BATES (U.S.A.) (Canada) P-KKt3 1. P-QB4 Kt-KB3 Kt-QB3 P-KKt3 4. B-Kt2 Or 4., P-Q3; as in the Jongsma-Lombardy game, and the quoted Keresand Fairhurst-Boleslavsky Klaman games.

5. P-K4 5. P-K3 and 6. KKt-K2 is one of Botvinnik's ideas.

7. 0.0 Kt-B3 P-Q3 5. P-B4 8, P-Q3 6. KKt-K2 White handles the opening in the style of Steinitz and Nimzowitsch.

R-KIT B-Q2 10. R-K+1 9. P-B4 Q-B1 11. Kt-Q5? This is a premature sally which cedes Black the QKt file. The position suggests 11. P-QR3 and 12. P-QKt4.

P-QKt41 11. 12. PXP RxP R-Kt1 13. Kt/5-B3

With play against White's weakened QP, a majority of center pawns, and the QKt file, Black has a clear positional superiority.

14. P-K+3 14. R-K1, B-R6; 15. B-R1, preserving the KB, deserves thought. Kt-QKt5 B-R6 16. KxB BxB 17. P-KR3 Q-R3! 15. B-Kt2

Black begins to exert pressure on his opponent's generally weakened pawnstructure. 18. P-Q4 If 18. R-B3? KtxRP!; 19. R-R1, KtxKt.

Kt-B4

20. B-R1 PXP 18. Q-Kt2 21. Q-K3 Kt-Q6 19. QXP And the KP is won. If 22, K-B3, KKtxP; 23, KtxKt; P-B4; 24. Kt-B3, BxKt; 25. BxB, KtxKt; 26. K-K2!, Q-R3 ch; and Black wins. P-Q4

27. QR-Q1 QKtxKP **R-B4** 28. Q-K2 QxKt 23. KtxKt R-B3 QR-BT 29. Kt-R4 24. Q-B2 Q-Kt2 30. R-QB1 25. Kt-B3 P-K3 26. KR-K1

White has the choice of ceding the QB file or of playing Black's exchanging game. Kt-K5 33. BXR KR-BI 30.

34. Q-QB2 Q-R3 RXR 31. B-K+2 RXR 32. RxR Threatening 35., Q-B8.

P-R4 35. K-Kt2 Q-Kt2 36. P-R3 Again Black finds the key to his play is on the QR1-KR8 diagonal.

P-Q5 37. K-R2 Kt-B6 38. Kt-Kt2

Q-B6 39. B-Q2 Threatening 40,, Q-B7 ch; 41, K-R1, Kt-K7; and wins.

40. B-K1 If 40. BxKt, PxB; 41. Kt-Q3, Q-K6; followed by 42., B-Q5; wins for Black. 42. PXP B-R3 Kt-K7 40. P-R5 Resigns 41. Kt-Q3 For Black threatens 43., Q-B8; 44. B-B2, KtxP; 45. KtxKt, BxKt ch; 46. B-Kt3, Q-B8; followed by the queening

of the QP or KP. Four enlightening examples of Lombardy's mastery of the game.

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The Reader's Road To Chess.

By Kester Svendsen

LOGICAL CHESS, MOVE BY MOVE. By Irving Chernev. New York: Simon and Schuster. 249 pp., numerous diags. \$3.95.

The great appeal of this book is its insistent annotation. Cherney discusses every move, even obvious captures, in thirty-three mastergames of the period 1889-1945. There are three sections: the King Side Attack (16 games), the Queen's Pawn Opening (7 games), and The Chess Master Explains his Ideas (10 games). Relentlessly Chernev hammers home the basic principles in opening, middle game, and ending; repeatedly he emphasizes the positional considerations that mystify ordinary players; constantly he moves inside the master's mind to display the motives, the short and the long range plans, the errors and the triumphs. Like all good chessbooks, this one should be read with two boards, one for the game, one for the variations. As a collection of master games, the volume lacks examples from recent practice. But as a textbook it belongs with those landmarks How to Think Ahead in Chess and Winning Chess. To test the worth of it, let the reader annotate every move in this game and then compare Chernev's explanations. Ruy Lopez. Zissl-Walthoffen, Vienna 1899. 1. P-K4, P-K4; 2. N-KB3, N-QB3; 3. B-N5, P-B4; 4. P-Q4, BPxP; 5. NxP, NxN; 6. PxN, P-B3; 7. B-QB4, Q-R4 ch; 8. N-B3, QxKP; 9. O-O, P-Q4; 10. B-N3, N-B3; 11. B-K3, B-Q3; 12. P-N3, B-KN5; 13. Q-Q2, B-B6; 14. B-KB4, Q-B4; 15. N-Q1, Q-R6; 16. N-K3, N-N5; 17. KR-B1, QxRP ch, with mate next move.

Editorial comment: So help us-when we wrote today's Tip, we had no idea that Professor Svendsen had this review in the mail for us.

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3.	Martinson	W27	W8	D7	W5	D2	D1	41/2-11/2	
4.	Spence	W23	L2	W21	W13	W7	D6	41/2-11/2	
5.	Tears	D13	W25	W12	L3	W22	W11	41/2-11/2	
6.	Darrough	W35	W29	LI	W27	W9	D4	41/2-11/2	
7.	D. Allen	W15	W15	D3	W10	L4	W17	4 -2	221/2
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9.	Sponagle	D22	W31	D18	W19	L6	W23	4 -2	173/2
10.	Perkins		D12	W16	D7	L1	D13	31/2-21/2	
11.	J. Allen	W28	W21	L2	D8	W18	L5	31/2-21/2	
12.	Beitling	W20	D10	L5	DIS	W19	D15	31/2-21/2	
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15.	Simmonds	L7	D34	W45	D20	W29	D12	31/2-21/2	161/2
16.	Cross	D31	W22	L10	W34	LS	W26	31/2121/2	
17.	Soto	L2	W33	L13	W24	W30	L7	3 -3	18
18.	Godbold	L21	W28	D9	D12	L11	W30	3 -3	18
19.	Leewright	D25	D13	W24	L9	L12	W27	3 -3	18
20.	Banker	L12	W30	D26	D15	D14	D24	3 -3	171/2
21.	Buckner	W18	L11	L4	L14	WF35	W29	3 -3	171/2
22.	Parnell	D9	L16	W31	W26	L5	L14	21/2-31/2	20
23.	Glover	L4	L24	D28	W31	W25	L9	21/2-31/2	191/2
24.	Hart	L8	W23	L19	L17	W32	D20	21/2-31/2	171/2
25.	Steege	D19	L5	L15	W28	L23	W34	21/2-31/2	17
26.	Thompson	L14	W35	D20	L22	W34	L16	21/2-31/2	15
27.	Mrs. H. Killough	L3	W36	W29	L6	L13	L19	24	171/2
28.	Wetherhorn	L11	L18	D23	L25	W33	D31	2 4	1532
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31.	Rowe	D16	L9	L22	L23	W36	D28	2 -4	141/2
32.	Labowitz	W33	L1	L34	L30	L24	W35	2 -4	14
33.	Roose	L32	L17	W35	L29	L20	W36.	2 -4	10
34.	Burgess	L1	D15	W32	L16	L26	L25	11/2-41/2	19
35.	H. Killough, Jr	L6	L26	L33	W36	LF21	L32	1 -5	14
		L29	L27	L30	L35	L31	L33	0 -6	11

Solvers' Ladder - Male The Subtle Way

The list below includes credit-points (2 for two-movers, 4 for three-movers; double points for cooks or other faults if given with the intended solution) for solutions received up to the 31st of January ending with Problem No. 848 of the Dec. 5 column. Names marked with asterisk * have reached the top earlier. Our congratulations to solver A. Strazdins who reached top with 956 points and receives the usual award: a book on chess of his choice. His points are cancelled and he starts the climb again from bottom.

Welcome to new solvers: J. M. Wiester 52; S. Spiegel 40; G. Wall 30; J. D. Lutrell 16; T. Limperis 14; R. B. Goodspeed 14; O. Stackelberg 12; R. Sinder 12; V. Rizzo 12; R. Woodworth 8; J. L. McNicholas 8; J. Day 6; R. A. Barry 6; J. E.

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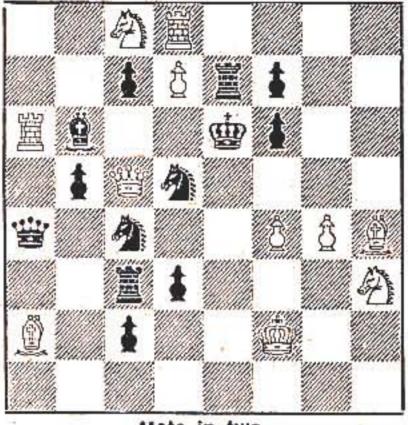
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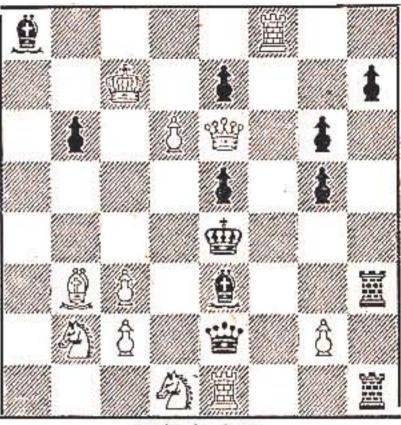
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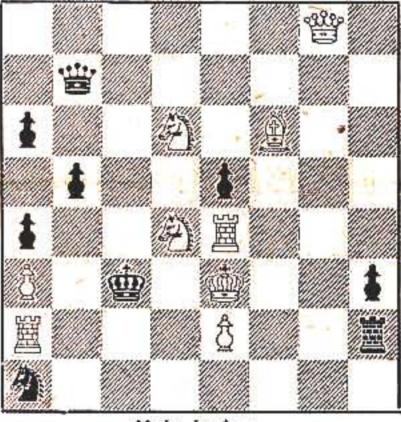
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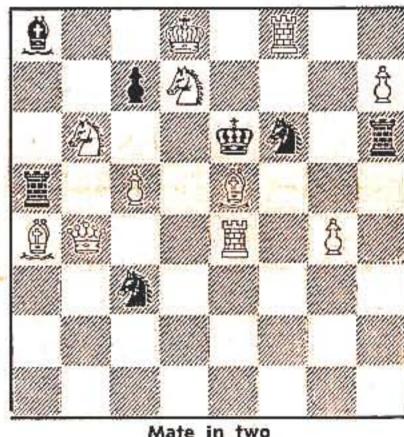
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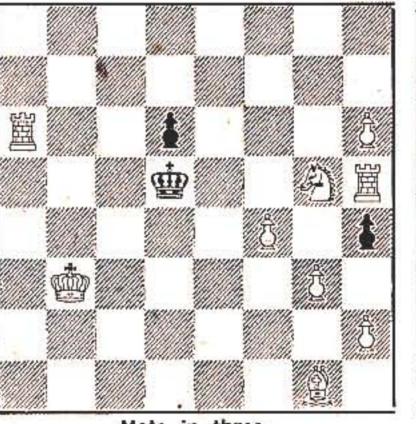
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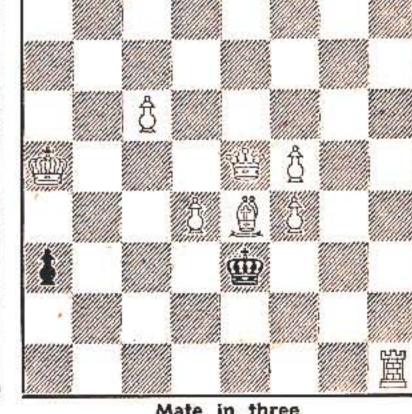
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Mate in three



Mate in three

No. 855 Lancia: key 1. B-QB8 threat. 2. R-B4. 1., KxR, 2. N-B5. 1., P or BxR, 2. N-Q4. 1,, QxB or QxN(6), 2. N-Q6 etc. No. 856 Marysko: key 1. K-N4, threat 2. R-B5. Main play: 1., N-K7, 2. R-K4; 1., N-B6, 2. BxQ. No. 857 Jacobs: key 1. N-N4, threat 2. R-K6. 1., PxP, 2. QxR. 1., P-K3 or K4, 2. PxP e.p. 1,, NxR, 2, PxN, 1,, N-Q5, 2, R-K3, 1, Choice of mates, after 1. BxP are unavoidable. No. 858 "An old friend of Gamage": key 1. Q-R waiting. 4 variations by the P N2 (the maximum) doubled by the KBP. A charming example of the Good Companion years, 1918-1930. Found amongst the unpublished works of Dr. Henry Wald Betman of Cincinnati, Ohio. No. 859 Morra: key 1. Q-K5, threat 2. QxP ch! KB5 and 3. B-Q2 mate. If 1., N any, 2. R-R3 ch! and after 2,, Q-B6 3. N-N4, while eafter 2,, B-B6, 3. N-Q mate. If 1., P-N5, 2. B-Q2 ch! -KxB and 3. Q-B4. Other good plays. No. 860 Stevenson: key 1. R-Q8, threat 2. RxP ch -NxR and 3. QxN mate. 1., R-B5, 2. N-K3 ch! etc. 1., B-B5, 2. Q-B4 ch. etc. 1., RxR, 2. QxN ch etc

Solution Jo What's The Best Move?

Position No. 223

Heinicke-Geller, Helsinki, 1952

Geller played 1., NxP! Heinicke, seeing that on 2. PxN, R-B6!! he could not meet the threat of 3., B-N5, tried 2. QxN. The forced continuation was 2., B-B4; 3. Q-N4, BxR; 4. RxB, R-B7; 5. Q-Ksq (if B-N6 or R7, RxPch forces mate), RxB; 6. QxR, QxR. Now Black has won both a pawn and the exchange without giving up his attack. The concluding moves were 7. N-Q3, B-Qsq; 8. Q-K2, B-N3; 9. N-B2, Q-N3; and Heinicke resigned.

By 1., N-R5 Black can win an exchange, but we cannot accept this as a second "best move" because it allows White considerable counterplay. After 2. R-N7, N-B6; 3. Q-N2, our solvers suggested a variety of continuations, none of which we find to be wholly convincing. Examples are 3., NxP; 4. RxB, and 3,, B-KR5; 4. B-B7, and 3., N-Q8; 4. Q-K2. Best seems 3., NxR; 4. RxB with a long hard struggle ahead.

"Slower" tries such as 1., B-KR5 can be met by 2. BxN and 3. B-N2.

Most solutions received giving 1., NxP as the "best move" have not included adequate supporting analysis. The main point in this position is the refutation of 2. PxN by 2,, R-B6. Solvers who missed this point are being awarded only half credit.

On this basis, the following receive 1 point: Abel R. Bomberault, Ed Gault, Edmund Godbold, Fred Knuppel, and John A. Pranter. 1/2 point goes to: M. D. Blumenthal, K. A. Czerniecki, Donald C. Hills, Robert McIntyre, John Ralston*, Edumnd Roman, Frank C. Ruys, Ernest E. Schnoor, I. Schwartz, W. E. Stevens, Francis Trask, Hugh C. Underwood, Joe Weininger, and William B. Wilson,

To our surprise, Position No. 223 outpoints the solvers 29-12.

*Welcome to new solver.

Correction in Position 225, as given in Feb. 5 issue: Place additional black pawn at White QB4. Regret error, and will allow extra two weeks for solvers.

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March 2-March 30

Connecticut Individual Championship Tournament

Restricted to members of Connecticut chess clubs, and residents of the state. Six round Swiss; Rds. 1 and 2 at Hotel Bond, Hartford, Sunday, March 2. Rds. 3 and 4 at Student Union Building, Univof Conn., Storrs, Sunday, March 16; Rds. 5 and 6 at YMCA, 52 Howe St., New Haven, Sunday, March 30; Rds. begin at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Classes A and B. Entry fee \$4.00 for USCF members: \$8.00 for non-members; \$1.00 of entry fee returned to each entrant completing six games. Prizes: guaranteed \$30 minimum for Class A, plus one-year custody trophy, plus State title for year; Class B prizes determined by entry fees. Time limit for play: 40 moves in two hours, games to be played to finish. Bring own sets, boards, and clocks. Send entry with fee to T. R. Putsche, Treas. Conn. State Chess Ass'n., 27 Lexington Road, West Hartford, before 9 a.m. March 2, 1958.

March 1-2 and 8-9

1958 Chicago City Championship

Restricted to residents of Chicago and suburbs in Illinois, 8 Rd. Swiss; played at Ukranian Sports Club, 2410 W. Chicago Ave.; two rounds at 1 and 7 p.m. on March 1-2-8 and 9; entry fee \$9.00 plus \$5.00 if not USCF member; prizes \$100 minimum for first; cash prizes from guaranteed minimum fund of \$250 for second and third places, and for each player scoring 51/2 points or more; time limit for play; 45 moves in 2 hours, 12 moves an hour afterwards; tourn. director, E. Gutmanis; Entries and inquiries to E. W. Buerger, 2119 Parkview Court, Wilmette, Ill.

March 30-31, April 1-2

Cleveland Junior Open

Open to players under 21; Swiss, 8 rds; 45 moves in 2 hrs: played two rds, per day on March 30-31 and April 1-2; at Cleveland Chess Center, 1610 Euclid Ave. Entry fee \$2.00 plus rating fee; 1st prize guaranteed \$50; other eash and book prizes; Cleveland Junior title, with special trophy to resident of Cleveland finishing highest in final score; tourn, director, Richard Kause; entries and inquiries to Richard Hollenbaugh, Cuyahoga Savings and Loan, 920 Prospect, Cleveland, Ohio.

May 30 to June 1

North Carolina Open Championship

Open: YMCA, Fayetteville, North Carolina, Register 11:00 A.M., May 30 or by mail, EF \$5.00 (\$2.00 Juniors) plus \$2.00 NCCA dues. \$5.00 USCF dues or USCF membership card. \$75.00 First Prize and Trophy; Womans, Junior and other cash prizes. For full details and rules, write N. M. Horstein, M.D., Box 546. Hope Mills, N. C.

RATINGS COMING UP

Since the list of National Chess Ratings for 1957 is scheduled for publication in the March 5 issue of CHESS LIFE, and since we are still receiving reports and rating applications for tournaments as far back as July, 1957, it is obvious that some of the players in those events are going to be disappointed when they search for their names in the list.

It is almost unbelievable that tournament organizers can work so hard obtaining advance publicity for their events, and knock themselves out with work and worry in attempts to run them off smoothly, only to forget to report them until months later. But they do, and if you do not find your name on the rating list, after having played in a rated event in 1957, it may well be that the official responsible for reporting the event and applying for ratings for its players, has cause to exclaim, in the immortal words of Aben Rudy, "Yipes! Did I goof?"

The Old Woodpusher's Tip For Today

In the three issues of CHESS LIFE in which this column has appeared, it seems to have clicked with the readers. Several have written to say that they have followed, or are following, the tip and have thanked us for it. A larger number of readers have tried to buy space in the column to advertise their products. In order to avoid misunderstanding and useless correspondence this statement of column policy is necessary. The views expressed herein are the personal views of your editor. They may, or may not, coincide with those of any member or official of the USCF. The opinions and recommendations and advice are written only with the thought that they may be of benefit to the readers—they are not for sale.

A few weeks ago we received a letter from a man in Lewiston, Maine, asking us to recommend a few books which would help his four children learn to play chess. There was never any doubt or hesitation about our recommendation for a beginner's text, AN INVITA-TION TO CHESS, by Harkness and Chernev. Since author Harkness is now Business Manager of the USCF, we forestalled a possible accusation of collusion by sending with our recommendation a tearsheet from CHESS REVIEW, March, 1948, in which our article on chess books contained a similar stamp of approval for this fine book.

A little later we had a chance to examine briefly Irving Chernev's new book, LOGICAL CHESS, MOVE BY MOVE. This book is a goldmine for the average player, from Class C up to Class A. As indicated by the title, each move is explained. If, like your editor, you have puzzled over the unannotated move in a master game, wondering why White played his knight from KB3 to K1, rather than grabbing the unprotected pawn at K5, this book is for you. Here, then, are the Tips for today: If you are learning to play, or teaching someone, you can't beat AN INVITATION TO CHESS as a textbook. If you wish to improve your game by understanding the reasons behind the masters' every move in 33 well-chosen games, try LOGICAL CHESS, MOVE BY MOVE. (Both available from USCF Business Department.)

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