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What's The Best Move?

Conducted by IRWIN SIGMOND

Send solutions to Position No. 235 to reach Irwin Sigmond, 5200 Williamsburg Blvd., Arlington 7, Va., by August 5, 1958. With your solution, please send analysis or reasons supporting your choice of "Best Move" or moves.

Solution to Position No. 235 will appear in the August 20, 1958 issue.

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Position No. 235

White to play

KAUFMANS TAKE N. CAROLINA OPEN

Allan Kaufman of Bronx, N.Y. won five and drew with Elliot Hearst to score 5½-½ in the N. Carolina Open which drew 28 entries from five states to Fayetteville over the Memorial Day weekend. Mrs. Sara Kaufman won the Women's Championship, marking the first time a husband-wife team had taken both titles.

Jerry Sullivan won five and lost

one to take second place with 5-1. Elliot Hearst of Washington, D.C. and James A. Hall of Fayetteville each lost one, drew one, and won four, to tie with 41/2-11/2, with Hearst's Solkoff points giving him third place, and Hall fourth. Oliver Hutaff, of Wilmington, N.C., handed Hearst his only loss, but lost two himself, scoring 4-2 to top a five-way tie for 5th to 9th places, on Solkoff points. Others as placed by Solkoff were: Ray Schooler, Madison, Ala.; Dan Gallik, Chapel Hill, N.C.; Peter Henderson, Raleigh, N.C.; and Dr. Norman Hornstein, South port, N.C. The only other plus score was turned in by CHESS LIFE correspondent Irwin (What's The Best Move?) Sigmond of Arlington, Va., the only player in the event who faced five opponents who finished in the first ten places. He won from 14, 7, 6, drew with 4, and lost to 1 and 3. Sixteenyear-old Jim Hagenbuckle of Pinehurst, N.C., whose Solkoff points gave him the eleventh place, ahead of six others who had also scored 3-3, also faced some tough opponents. He won from 23, 18, 2 (Sullivan's only loss), then lost to 3, 6, and 8, deriving solace from the fact that he won the title of Junior Champion.

BRANCH ST. LOUIS DISTRICT CHAMP

The strong St. Louis District Championship, a round robin invitational event in which the strongest players of the area battle it out annually, was won for the second year in succession by Harold Branch who scored 7½-1½. He lost his first-round game to Jack Hardy, drew with Steinmeyer, and won the rest. Steinmeyer was the pre-tournament favorite, but a loss to Don Define and draws with Branch and Vollmar placed him in the runnerup spot with a 7-2 score. John Ragan, with six wins and losses to Branch, Steinmeyer and Vollmar, finished third with 6-3.

Other plus scores were turned in by Define and Hardy, each with 5½-3½, and Anderson with 5-4.

SET FOR AUGUST 10

The annual international match between British Columbia and Washington will be held at Mt. Vernon, Washington, on Sunday, August 10. The Washingtonians are anxious to get revenge for the 22-8 licking which the Canadians handed them in 1957, while the Canadians think they still have some change coming to them from the 21-9 walloping which they absorbed in 1956. They hope to have at least fifty boards, and it appears that any player of any class who can get there will have a chance to play. The battle begins at 1 p.m., Standard Time, at Seven Cedars Pavilion, Mt. Vernon. 40 moves in 11/2 hours. Bring clocks, sets, and boards. Glory for the winners-Purple Heart recommendations for the losers—and FUN and CHESS for all!

OPERATION SHOESTRING ROLLING!

By
USCF PRESIDENT JERRY G. SPANN

Prior to delivery of last CHESS LIFE issue bearing the Olympic Drive Story the Fund had passed the \$1,000.00 mark. Sparked by three \$100.00 gifts from Past President Frank Graves, former Vice President Wyatt Jones and reigning Lady Vice President Gisella Gresser the USCF Olympic Fund rose to \$1,078.50 on June 20th.

Frank Rose of Florida was the top money-raiser as of that date with \$132.00 to his credit. To Florida also goes the credit of first area "over the top!". Congratulations, Frank! Following closely was Elliott Stearns of Ohio (\$125.00), Dr. Norman Hornstein of North Carolina (\$100.00), and Fred Cramer of Milwaukee (\$100.00). To these energetic committeemen go the honor of having raised their quotas before the CHESS LIFE kick-off!

The above were closely followed by George O'Rourke, Sr. of Washington, D. C. who had raised \$86.50, Vice President T. A. Jenkins of Michigan who had raised \$84.00, Jerry Spann of Oklahoma—\$45.00, Paul Ligtvoet of Michigan—\$26.00, Donald Define of Missouri—\$24.00, Vice President Fred Tears, Jr. of Texas—\$21.00, Jose Calderon of New York—\$20.00 and Lyn Henderson of So. California—\$15.00.

Fund-raising Committeemen not heard from as of June 20 were Jerry Donovan of Brooklyn, Edmund Godbold of Illinois, Vice President William Hamilton of Pennsylvania, Eliot Hearst of Washington, D. C., Dr. Marchand of Upstate, New York, Vice President Guthrie McClain of Northern California, Violet Pavey of Brooklyn, Jack Shaw of New Mexico and Walter S. Shipman of New York. Most of these, I understand, had raised some money but hadn't mailed it in by June 20.

As mentioned in the June 20th issue of CHESS LIFE, all Donors will be listed.

See page 7 for 1st list

AND U.S. OPEN, (AUG. 4-16)

If any prospective entrant to the U. S. Open has been holding his breath while waiting to see whether or not his request for housing reservations was made in time, he can now relax. The following items of information have just been received from Sheldon Rein, President of the Minnesota Chess Association.

The tournament organizers are happy to announce that they
have made arrangements whereby players arriving at the tournament
without advance registration may be assured of housing accommodations.

2. In addition to the \$3250.00 cash prize fund, with \$1000 of it guaranteed for first place winner, ten trophies are also to be awarded: 1st place winner; 2nd place winner; winner Woman's Section; winner Speed Championship; highest in final standings of players rated Class A before tournament; same for Class B; same for Class C; three trophies for special Weekend Tournament.

3. Mr. Alex Bernstein of IBM (See Page 2, Cols. 3-4, CHESS LIFE, May 20, 1958) has had an article entitled "Computer vs. Chess-Player" published in the June, 1958 issue of "Scientific American". Mr. Rein says the article is interesting, and the results to date amazing. Mr. Bernstein will be the featured speaker at the big luncheon on Saturday, August 16. The luncheon is being sponsored by IBM, free to all participants in the Open, and prize and trophy presentations will be made at this time.

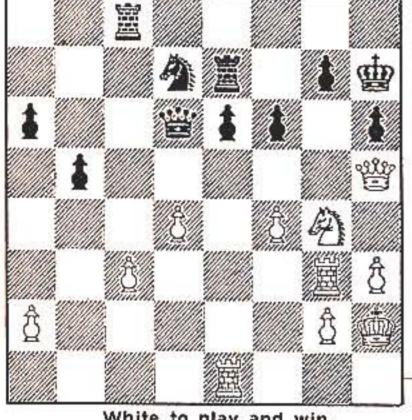
STRONG U.S. STUDENT TEAM TO BULGARIA

Although disappointed over the fact that Intercollegiate Champion and USCF Master Charles Kalme was unable to go, four strong players flew from Idlewild last week to Paris, where they will be joined by the fifth team member before going to the World Student Team Matches in Bulgaria. World Junior Champion William Lombardy and Arthur Feuerstein of City College of New York, Elmer Mednis of New York University, and Anthony Saidy of Fordham, the team captain, were the first to leave. They will be joined in Paris by Robert Sobel of the University of Pennsylvania.

Finish It The Clever Way! by Edmund Nash

Position No. 227 Tolush vs. Bannik USSR, 1958

Position No. 228 Gipslis vs. Averbakh USSR, 1958





White to play and win.

White to play and draw.

These two positions are from the 25th USSR chess championship tournament. In No. 227, White missed a short winning combination, and the game was drawn. In No. 228, White simply but instructively obtained a quick draw.

For solutions, please turn to page 8.

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

The Reader's Road To Chess

By Kester Svendsen

DIE KUNST DER BAUERNFUHRUNG. By Hans Kmoch. Berlin-Frohnau: Siegfried Engelhardt Verlag. 288 pp., 346 diags. DM 12.60.

In addition to being an International Master and an International Judge, Hans Kmoch is probably the leading chess taxonomist of our time. For years in articles and tournament books, Kmoch has tried to bring some order into the confusion of chess openings terminology, a confusion worse confounded by the practice of national nomenclature. Thus we have Ruy Lopez in English, Spanisch in German; and a tribe of Indians, old, young, and Bogo, in all tongues. The present volume, which the reviewer fervently hopes will be translated for the greater benefit of chess, displays the same passion for order characteristic of Kmoch's other work, as well as a wholly convincing approach to chess strategy. All manuals offer something on pawn-play. But not until now has there been an exhaustive study and systematization of results of the relation of pawn structure to the middlegame. Every possible pawn situation is catalogued, numbered, related to general principles, and exemplified in games from recent tournaments. One must see the book to believe the relentless logic with which Kmoch relates nearly the whole of one branch of strategy to variations of the Benoni formation, which features blocked or partially blocked pawns at White's Q5 and/or QB4 and K4. Fifty-two heavily annotated games, dozens of illustrative positions, and hundreds of diagrams elucidate the Philidorian axiom that pawns are the soul of chess. This is a best buy if ever there was one.

FRENCH DEFENSE

USCF Amateur TMT Asbury Park, 1958

White-Lyman (1957 U.S. Amateur Champ)

Black-Kandel (3 Time Maryland Champ)

Notes by H. Lyman 1. P-K4 P-K3 White is happy! He has faced the

French many (?) times in amateur TMT's and he can only recall 1 drawn. All other wins. 2. P-Q4 P-Q4

QN-B3 B-N5 4. P-K5 N-K2 5. Q-N4 P-QB4! 6. P-QR3? Q-R4!!

White is suddenly unhappy. He considers moves like 7. B-N5ch, but after long fruitless thought:

7. B-Q2 PXP 8. QXQP QN-B3 9. Q-Q31

White is lost—the lost Q tempo move cannot be regained as the center is collapsing overhead-But 9. Q-Q3 Iulis Black to try complications rather than to simplify-hence Black disdains the P by 9., NxKP; 10. Q-N5ch, N-B3. 9.

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Why not? 10. P-KB4 P-KB3 11. PXP RXP 12. QR-Q P-K41?

Black could also play 12., B-Q3; 13. N-N5, Q-Q and the threat P-K4 is really

rough to meet. 13. PxB NxP 14. Q-N5 NxPch 15. K-B2 Q-B2! 16. N-B3

It did not appear a good idea to try 16. NxQp, NxN, B-B4 as the W-K appears too open. But maybe it would have offered more hope.

16. **B-K3** 17. PxP QXP Black certainly seems to have a lot for his 11/2 pawns down. 18. Q-K2

White is unhappy over the threat of 18. Q-Q5ch.

18. Q-R4 19. K-N B-N5!!?

The crisis-Black and White spent plenty of time over the 19th move-also to be considered was 19., RxN; 20. QxR, B-N5; 21. Q-Q3.

20. QXN BxN 21. PxB N-Q511

Ever since Black's 6th move White has been shaking his head in dismay-Black's comment on his 21st: "Now you have a right to shake your head." 22. B-N2!!! NxPch

23. K-B2 NxBch?? It would appear that Q-R5ch! had something too-but Black's evaluation was already in!

24. QxR! PXQ 25. BxPch K-R

26. RxN Q-R5ch? Better is 26., R-K.

QR-QN 27. K-K2 Not purely defensive—as we shall see— White had only about 4 minutes to play 23 moves, so despite the apparent equality the game still looks "Black" for "White."

> 28. K-Q P-N4 P-N5 29. R-N 30. N-K4 R-Q?? 31. N-Q6! *******

On this move Black remarks: "now it is time for me to shake my head" but Black finds an excellent defense that nearly won outright.

> 31, Q-R4ch! 32. K-B R-KB!! 33. R-N3!!!!

The exclamation marks are not representative of what White has done, but what he nearly did (N-B7ch) but didn't do-for 33, N-B7ch, RxN; 34, BxR, Q-B4ch wins rook and game for Black!

> 33. P-KR3

Now starts a series of moves that were simple for White. He grabs everything offered for he had no time to raise an issue!

> Q-N4! 34. R-K3 Q-N8ch 35. R-K7 36. K-B2 Q-B4ch 37. B-B4!!

Only a few seconds left, for 13 moves.

P-QR4 37. P-R5 38. P-QN3 39. PXP R-Q??

Black was getting tired.

40. N-B7ch K-N2

The continuation was not planned but just happened and was discovered "move-by-move."

> 41. NxRch QxR 42. R-N2ch K-R2 43. B-N8ch! K-R 44. N-B7ch Resigns

EDITORIAL COMMENT: Your editor watched the last 20 moves of this game, and asked the winner to annotate it for CHESS LIFE. He demurred, saying he had made a mistake in the opening which gave him a lost game, and that he had pulled through only by luck and a compensating mistake by Black. We insisted, saying this was an AMA-TEUR tournament, that amateur play was not necessarily technically faultless, and that our readers would be interested to see how the defending champion took advantage of his opponent's tactical lapse to turn a lost game into a win. So we have the game, but only on condition that another story be told, which is not indicated by the game moves. Look at the final position again. Had Black played 44. QxN he could have prolonged the game for several moves-moves for which he had time, and for which White had split-seconds. Both players and bystanders agreed that had Black elected to play on, he would have won on time. But he said, "I prefer to lose a lost game, rather than win it on time." Without conjecture as to what might have happened had White played 44. N-B7ch, in master or grandmaster play we think that this game, and the story behind it, show clearly why amateur chess is so popular, and why each U.S. Amateur Tournament breaks previously existing records for attendance, strong competition, and good sportsmanship.

PORTOROZ FORECASTS

We have, so far, received fifteen pre-dictions as to the final standings of the coming Interzonal Tournament at Port-oroz, Yugoslavia. Since it is now definitely decided that Reshevsky will not play, and that Fischer and Sherwin will carry the burden of U.S. representation in that event, some of our prophets may wish to submit amended forecasts. There is still time, as all entries to this informal contest will be accepted up to August 5.

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Armed Forces

by SFC Robert A. Karch

All Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps clubs and chessplayers are invited to forward news items to Robert A. Karch, 1502 North 57th, Seattle 3, Washington.

On the road again is the travelingest army chess club in the United States. none other than the Fort Huachuca Team! The target this time is Phoenix, Arizona, a round trip of 450 miles, according to Eugene B. Hoeflin.

USCF member Robert H. Olander was elected president of the Fort Holabird Chess Club and he immediately announced plans for another tournament to give the newcomers a chance. The event is a 7-player double round robin. Latest reports gave defending co-Champions Bob Karch 4-0, and Gregorio Borrero 2-0.

From Germany, Donald Halgren reports the loss of a leading member of the Vogelweh Chess Club, However, Jim Dodgers will be welcome when he shows up for his first game next September at Fort Huachuca, Arizona!

At Fort Bragg, North Carolina, James A. Hall Jr. gave a simultaneous exhibition for the members of both the Fort Bragg and the Pope Air Force Base chess clubs, scoring 14 wins, 3 losses, and 1 draw. The information was furnished by Sgt. Paul M. Prejean Sr., President of the Fort Bragg Chess Club, who is now attending a short course at Fort Holabird, Maryland.

This columnist is now enroute from Baltimore, Maryland to Seattle, Washington and I ask everyone to be patient until I catch up on the mail. Even the above address is only temporary until the final destination is reached in Oakland, California!

Another USCF Armed Forces Chess Committee member on the move is Captain Edwin F. O'Brien, who rolled up a convincing 161/2-1/2 in a simultaneous just before departing Fort Benning, Georgia. His next stop is Korea!

Report just received on the Fort Huachuca team jaunt, mentioned above. The Elcanto C.C. smeared the visitors on 13 boards in the Phoenix USO, by a 101/2-21/2 score. The hometowners' Phil Luks drew with our correspondent, Eugene Hoeflin on Board 1. Full points were scored on boards 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, and 13 by the following Elcanto players: Oscar Groble, Starr Cook, Mrs. Mabel Burlingame, Charles Gray, Dale Campbell, Frank Kelsey, William Morgan, Robert Baston, Joe Talla, and Elmer Burlingame. On boards 8 and 10 Ralph Durrant and Juris Sliede of Fort Huachuca contributed the Army's only wins. The return match is scheduled for July 27 at Fort Huachuca, with the hosts hinting at classified secret weapons which will reverse the Phoenix scores.

At Holmdel, New Jersey, Pfc. George R. Rialmuto of the 526th AAA Missle Battalion writes that a tournament is in progress. From the tone of his letter, we suspect that he may be winning, but no details were furnished.

WHODUNIT

The WHODUNIT Game No. 4 (CHESS LIFE, June 5, 1958) was correctly identified by: Don Define, of Florissant, Mo.; Clifford Phillips, of Flint, Mich.; D. Scarreta, of Collingdale, Pa.; and at least one other reader whose card has been lost in the editorial shuffle.

The game was NEDORA-KALME, Philadelphia City League, 1953, with the 13-year-old Kalme serving notice of his candidacy for the master's seat which he now occupies.



HOW CHESS GAMES ARE WON

America's Number 1 Player Illustrates the Technique of Victory

By International Grandmaster SAMUEL RESHEVSKY

The Rosenwald Tournament

The Rosenwald Tournament has always been one of the outstanding chess events in this country. The last one was even of greater importance. Not only was it the first time that a youngster of 14 years won the United Chess Championship, but also the first time that this tournament carried with it the U.S. title. In order to accomplish this, the coordinated action of the A.C.F. and U.S.C.F. was necessary. American chess can make great strides, if a closer bond can be effected between the two leading chess organizations.

H. Seidman is a resourceful and dangerous opponent. He likes to avoid well-known variations in the openings. He prefers to play quiet and non-committal openings. In the following game, I managed to obtain a small advantage in the middle-game. It took a long time before any

progress was noticeable. On the 36th move an unusual incident occurred. Being under the illusion that my bishop would be protected at KN3, I lifted the bishop to play it there. Fortunately, I noticed by error before I released my hand, and luckily, there was just one other square left where the bishop could go to safety.

SICILIAN DEFENSE

MCO: Page 156, Column 171, Note (a)

The Rosenwald Tournament Now Vork 1057, 1059

New York,	1957-1958	
H. Seidman	S. Reshevsky	
White	Black	
1 P.KA	P-OR4	

N-KB3 P-K3 3. P-Q3

Usual is, of course, here 3. P-Q4. Seldman prefers to choose a more conservative and less explored line.

N-QB3 3. 4. P-KN3 P-KN3 **B-N2** B-N2 6. 0.0 KN-K2

Better than 6., N-B3, where the knight could be attacked with P-K5.

7. P-B3 P-Q4 8. QN-Q2 0.0 9. N-N3

Of questionable merit; the knight is somewhat out of play here. Wiser was 9. R-K1 followed by N-B1.

9. P-N3 10. PXP PXP 10., NxP is a good alternative.

11. B-B4 B-B4 12. R-K1 Q-Q2 The position is approximately equal.

Both sides have developed their pieces, and neither has any particular weakness. 13. N-K5

White is too anxious to simplify the position through several exchanges of pieces. Better was 13. Q-Q2 followed by R-K2 and QR-K1.

13. N×N 14. BxN P-B3

Avoiding any further exchanges, which would have oversimplified the position.

15. B-B4 15., P-KN4 immediately would have cost Black a pawn: 16. RxN, QxR; 17. BxQPch, K-R1; 18. BxR, RxB; 19. B-K3, and Black would have had insufficient compensation for the pawn, even with the two bishops.

16. P-Q4 P-B5 17. N-Q2 P-KN4 18. B-K3 **B-N5** Provoking White's next move.

19. P-B3 Further weakening his position, but there was nothing better. If 19. B-B3,

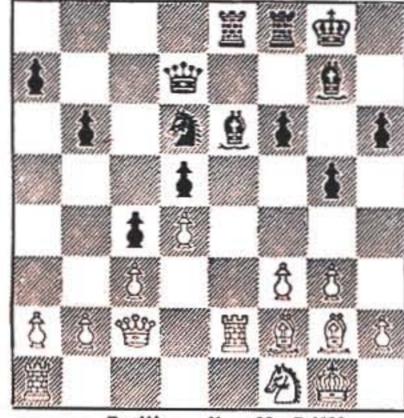
B-K3 followed by N-B4, and if 19. Q-B2, N-B4 followed by NxB. 19, **B-K3** 20. N-B1 N-B4 21. B-B2 N-Q3

22. Q-Q2 P-KR3 Obviously in order to be able to play P-B4-5.

23. R-K2?

(See diagram top next col.)

Apparently underestimating the strength of Black's P-B4-5, 23, P-KR4 was indicated. Although this would have weakened White's king-side pawn position, it would have made it more difficult for Black to have made rapid progress.



Position after 23, R-K2?

P-B4

P-B5

P-N4

R-K2

24. QR-K1 25. P-KN4

As good as any other move, 25, PxP, PxP would open the KN file to Black's pleces. White is reduced to passive resistance only.

25. P-QR4 Black's best chances are on the queen

26. P-KR3 -27. N-R2

27.

A waste of time. The knight belongs on the queen-side for defensive pur-

Intending to double rooks on the king file, in order to effect eventually an exchange or major pieces. I was convinced that if I could accomplish this, I would easily break through on the queen-side.

28. Q-B2 P-N5 29. P-KR4 K-B2 Preventing 30. PxP, PxP; 31. Q-N6 win-

ning the KNP. 30. B-R3 If 30. PxP, PxP; 31. Q-R7, R-KR1; 32.

Q-B2, KR-K1; 33. Q-R7, K-B3 followed by B-N1.

30. R(B1)-K1. 31. K-N2

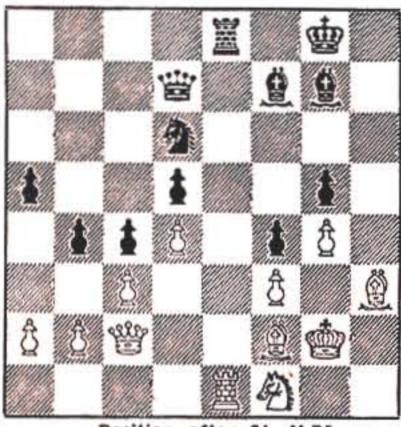
White is marking time, having nothing else to do.

31. K-N1 32. PXP PxP 33. Q-N6 **B-B2** 34. RxR QxR

The move I had in mind, when I made my 31st move. Judging from my opponent's expression, he seemed surprised by this move. Obviously, 34., RxR.... 35. QxP loses a pawn.

35. Q-B2 Not permitting White's queen to occupy his QR4 square, from where it could become active on the queen-side. 36. N-B1 **B-K3**

Here I almost made the fatal error of playing B-N3. One of the few instances where luck played a great part. Correct was 36,, RxR.



Position after 36, N-B1.

37. Q-N6 Q-K2 38. N-Q2 B-B2 39. Q-B2 Q-Q2 40. RXR QxR

Black finally achieved his objectivebeing in a position to place his bishop on the diagonal KN3-QN8. The strength of this becomes more and more apparent as the game progresses. At this point (at adjournment) most experts (including my opponent) conceded that I had a definite edge. None, however, thought that it was sufficient for the point.

41. K-N1 **B-N3** 42. Q-Q1 Q-N4

Threatening PxP followed by Q-N7. A good alternative was 42., N-N4; 43. Q-QB1 (if 43. Q-R4, NxBP! 44. QxQch, BxQ; 45. PxN, PxP; 46. B-K1, P-B7!) P-R5 with the serious threat of P-R6.

Against 43, Q-QB1 Black replies effectively 43., Q-R5; 44. P-R3, PxRP; 45. PxP, N-N4 winning a pawn.

43. Q-R1

43. PXP 44. PXP Q-R5 Threatening Q-B7 followed by N-N4. 45. Q-N2 Q-B7



Position after 45. Q-B7.

If White exchanges Queens the game is hopelessly lost. For instance: 46. QxQ, BxQ; 47. B-K1, N-N4; 48. N-B1, P-R5 followed by B-N8 and the rook-pawn is lost.

46. Q-N6

46.

The only hope for White is to seek complications.

Necessary. 46., QxN; 47. QxN, B-B2; 48. Q-Q8ch followed by QxNP with excellent chances for perpetual check. 47. QXP

B-B1

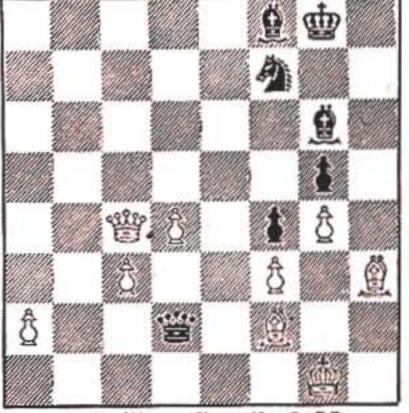
Again the only try. For if 47. N-B1 or B-K1. QxBP is fatal.

47. QXN 48. QxPch N-B2

After 48,, K-R2; 49. QxNP, QxBP; 50. QxP white has too much counterplay.

49. QXBP Usually three pawns are sufficient for a minor piece. Black, however, is going to win a pawn by force.

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Position after 49. QxBP.

B-Q6 49. Q-K7 50. Q-N3 B-B5 51. B-N2 52. Q-N1 QXRP 53. QXQ QxRP

Best. If 53. Q-N6ch, B-N2; 54. P-Q5, Q-R8ch; 55. K-R2, QxP; 56. P-Q6, Q-B3, etc. 53, BXQ

54. B-B1

N-Q3

Were White able to get P-B4 in, it might have been very difficult for Black to win.

N-B5 55. B-K2 56. K-B1 N-Q7ch 57. K-N2

Forced, for if 57. K-K1, N-N8! 58. P-B4, B-N5ch; 59. K-Q1 (59. K-B1, N-Q7ch followed by NxP) N-B6ch; 60. K-K1, Nx Beh; 61. KxN, BxPch.

B-R6 57. **B-B8** 58. B-KT 59. B-R6

There is nothing better. 59. BxN, BxB; 60. P-B4, B-K6; 61. P-Q5, K-B2 and the black king gets to QB4, and White's pawns are doomed.

N-B5 59. N-K6ch 60. K-B1 61. K-K2 **B-N6** 62. P-B4

There is no adequate defense. If 62. K-Q3, B-B7ch; 63. K-K2, B-Q8ch, 64. K-B2, B-N6. Black can repeat this maneuver, preventing White from playing P-B4; at the same time Black would be able to bring his own king into active play, 62. B-Q2 loses a pawn: 62 B-Q8ch; 63. K-K1, BxBch; 64. KxB, BxP.

62. "..... NxBP 63. K-Q3 N-K6 64. B-N7 K-B2 65. B-R5 B-R6 66. K-K4

This loses a piece, but the position was hopeless, anyhow.

B-B7ch 66. 67. K-K5 N-B5ch Resigns

U. S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

August 4-16, 1958 Rochester, Minnesota

ELIGIBILITY: Open to all chess players who are (or become) USCF members.

PLACE: Air-conditioned IBM facilities, Rochester, Minn.

TYPE: 12 rd. Swiss, USCF Tournament Rules; 50 moves 1st 21/2 hours, 20 moves per hour thereafter. Adjourned games played next day.

ENTRY FEE: \$15. to USCF members. \$20. to others (\$5.00 USCF dues)

REGISTRATION: Dining Room, IBM plant in Rochester, starting 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 3, and ending 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 4. Entries by mail must be postmarked not later than July 28, 1958, and submitted to Alden Riley, 635 Eighth Ave. SW, North St. Paul, Minn.

PRIZES: Constantly increasing prize fund (now \$3,200.) guarantees \$1,000. Cash for 1st place, \$500. for 2nd, and more than 20 other cash prizes. (See Chess Life, June 5, 1958 for more details about prizes and trophies)

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The Spassky-Jahl Game

In various chess publications we have seen the annotations of the last-round game played between grandmasters Spassky and Tahl in the 25th Soviet Championship tournament. Almost without exception the annotators have criticized Spassky for trying to win what was at best a draw game, and, also almost without exception, they have ignored the reason for this extraordinary conduct on the part of one of the world's strongest grandmasters. The simple facts of the matter are that he needed a full point to qualify for the Interzonal Tournament, that a halfpoint would not have placed him in the qualifying bracket, and that he preferred to shoot the works playing for a win rather than take the clear fifth place in the Soviet standings by drawing his game with Tahl. He was also probably hoping that the law of averages would catch up with Tahl, who had extracted 7 points from his last 8 games. Unfortunately for Spassky, he made it 8 out of 9 for Tahl, and finished in a tie for fifth and sixth places. His tactics may have been subject to expert criticism, but his purpose, and the fighting way in which he attempted to achieve it, are, in our humble opinion, above criticism of any kind.

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And since the entire profit—if there is any—from the new venture is earmarked for CHESS LIFE, we have more than an academic interest in this promotion. The things we have dreamed of and longed for, such as retirement of the printers deficit, the enlargement and improvement of CHESS LIFE, and, we must admit, a salary for the Editor, can all materialize through the success of this experiment. Please help us, and CHESS LIFE, and chess in general, by supporting USCF CHESS BY MAIL.

W. H. Donnelly, 612 Roosevelt Rd., Valparaiso, Md., writes:

"Visiting the Chicago Chess Club at 64 Randolph St. yesterday I was startled to learn they are holding spirited Revival meetings there once a week or so. I wish I had obtained more particulars now, as an afterthought suggests to me you might want to run an aritcle with some detail as to how it got started, how it carries on, and to what extent it succeeds.

Possibly you already know, but possibly not, they advertised free chess instruction classes once a week or so in Chicago papers and got a good beginning response from both sexes, a good percentage beginners starting from absolute taw.

In a city like Chicago, where to my mind the chess clubs at least in recent years have not flourished excessively, this movement beginning apparently with a bang might lead to who knows what? I think an eye ought to be kept on its further progress and shapeup.

It occurs to me that directors of all tournaments large or small could obtain more valuable newspaper publicity for free, than could possibly be purchased, by sending out to entrants' hometown papers photos and facts not only at the finish but during the progress of the tournament. I am aware Koltanowski is doing some of this sort of thing in the Far West. But surely there is some little vitality and energy left in the country east of the Rockies. True enough, volunteer effort and some postage would be required, but there is some likelihood it only needs to be asked for.

I am quite convinced this idea has unbelievable potentialities in the small town newspapers, and they alone in the aggregate would be considerable. Such stories need not confine themselves to personalities only or the current chess news but can bring in a bit about chess in general with emphasis on its recently increasing popularity throughout the United States. When the paper in my town of about 20,000 pop., learned I was second place in the Indiana State Tournament they wanted a photo and "Saturday Feature Story" to which they gave over one and a half columns. I don't say for sure by this any new chess addicts have been created, but a few more chess stories in this paper that had never carried any chess news are likely to. In any event if there is any hope of stirring widerspread chess interest such newspaper space ought to be worth a "try."

If the newspaper idea above doesn't work I have a second one up my sleeve. Get a Prohibition Law passed and see how many speakeasies open up."

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WOODPUSHER'S SCOREBOOK

While attending the U.S. Amateur Tournament at Asbury Park recently we were impressed by the pleas of several Class B and C players for the publication of games in CHESS LIFE of a category not considered worthy of publication by our master and expert annotators. They said, in effect, "The annotated games we get from Reshevsky, Lombardy, Evans, Collins, Marchand, etc., are fine, and we love them as texts. But they are not the kind of games which we play, and they are not the kind of games played against us by our Class B and C opponents in tournaments. Let's have a few of those, mistakes and all, just to see how the boys in our own classes in various parts of the country have fared in tournament play. Never mind the annotations-let us dig out the mistakes in strategy and tactics, ourselves."

O.K. boys. We'll try to give you a few now and then, as space permits, Readers with ratings of 1900 or better, stand well back, please, for, although you might find an occasional interesting game, this column is definitely not for you. It is for players either unrated, or with ratings below 1900, and for the games which they consider good or exciting or both. When submitting games for this column please observe the following requirements: To be considered for publication games must be typed, either double-spaced on plain paper, or on regular score sheets. Give names and ratings of both players, and name, place, and date of event in which game was played. All right, fellows, you asked for it, so start the games coming to your editor. And, after you have played over a few of them, let us know whether you like the column well enough to justify its regular appearance in CHESS LIFE.

Just to start the ball rolling, here is the game mentioned in the June 20 CHESS LIFE. (Page 2, column 2).

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U. S. Amateur Championship—1958 Asbury Park, New Jersey

. Stetze	r :	G. Raich (187
White		Black
1.	P-K4	P-K4
	N-KB3	N-QB3
	B-B4	B-B4
	P-B3	N-B3
	P-Q4	PxP
	PxP	B-N5ch
	N-B3	NxKP
	0.0	BxN
	P-Q5	N-K4
	PXB	NxB
	Q-Q4	N(B5)-Q3?
	Q-NP	Q-B3
	QxQ	NxQ
	R-K1ch	K-Q1
	B-N5	N-K1
	RxNch!	KxR
	R-K1ch	K-B1
	B-R6ch	K-N1
	R-K11	P-Q3
	R-N5 mate	

August 23-September 1

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Chess Life Swap Shop

This column, which will be conducted by your editor, will offer to CHESS LIFE readers an opportunity to swap-not to sell-chess material which they do not need, for other material which they would like to have. Maybe you have a book which you have no more use for, or an old clock which you have not used since you bought the new one, or an old set tucked away on a shelf. You couldn't get five dollars for the whole lot if you tried to sell them. BUT, in Seattle, or in East Orange, or in Miami, there may be another reader who will be glad to make an exchange with you for one or all of your unwanted items. We, personally, have just exchanged a 25 year old clock for a book which we wanted, with the editor of CHESS IN ACTION, from whom the idea of a Swap Shop column for CHESS LIFE was shamelessly lifted.

So, send in your letters. Please have full name and address either printed or typed in the letter. State what you offer to swap, and what you would like to receive in return, if you have something definite in mind. If not, simply use the old Yankee swapping phrase, "What have you?"

To start things going while your letters are coming in, your editor offers the following books, which happen to be duplicated in his library:

ALEKHINE-EUWE, 1937 Match, by B. H. Wood

CHESS STRATEGY by Edward Lasker

CLASSIFIED CHESS GAMES by C. T. Blanshard (Vol. 1)

To exchange for books on combinations or what have you?

SICILIAN DEFENSE Mar Del Plata, 1958

Black White PANNO **EMMA** Argentina Argentina Q-Q P-QB4 23. R-Q2 1. N-QB3 Q-B N-QB3 24. P-QN4 P-K4 P-KN4 P-KN3 25. P-R5 P-KN3 Q-K **B-N2** 26. P-B4 B-N2 N-Q5 27. P-N5 P-Q3 P-Q3 PXR KN-K2 P-K4 28. RxN BxN KN-K2 29. QXP N-Q5 P-QN3 P-KR3 30. KPxB B-N5 R-Q3 **B-B6** 31. Q-N4 BxB QXRP 32. Q-B5(?) 10, NxB ch K-B R-KR 11. P-KB4 K-N2 33. B-K4 Q-K 12. PxP PxP 34. P-N4 P-KR4 **B-K3** 35. R-K 13. Castles PxP 14. N-B3 P-B5 36. R-K2 Q-R4 37. B-Q3 15. QN-Q5 PxP K-B 16. QXP N-KN 38, R-K7ch KxR 17. NxN 39. Q-B8ch RxNR-Q2 R-KB 40. Q-B7ch 18. QR-Q 41. P-Q6ch K-K3 Q-R4 19. Q-K3 42. B-B5ch KxB 20. P-QR3 QR-Q K-N3 21. P-KR4 P-B3 43. QxRch R-Q2 Resigns 22. P-B3

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TIDBITS OF MASTER PLAY

By International MASTER WILLIAM LOMBARDY

World Junior Champion

THIS LATIN, HE DOESN'T PLAY MUCH CHESS!

A giant of a man, over six feet, five inches tall, Joaquin Gutierrez possesses a mellow and unassuming pose. He was born in Costa Rica 39 years ago, but when he went to Argentina to represent his country in the World Chess Olympics in 1939, he was invited to a small tournament in Chile, where he met his future wife and decided to settle down for good. Senor Gutierrez has done quite well for himself, and is now the proud father of two beautiful young daughters.

Besides being a much better than average player, Joaquin is a well known Spanish novelist, and his books have also been translated into German and French. El Senor says his novels have not been published in English mainly because of the difficulty in getting a writer who can do a good interpretation. There are some poor translations of his works in English, and for one obvious reason they are not too popular.

With all the time he spends writing it's a wonder that he's still able to find some time for chess, but he does! After playing in Mar del Plata last year, Keres and Kotov were invited to participate in a small tourney in Chile, and here they were to meet with trouble in the form of Joaquin Gutierrez.

Gutierrez placed third in this tourney, but do not be deceived by the result. He had Keres all but beaten when he left a piece en prise in time pressure. However, he took his revenge when he smashed Kotov in the following brilliant and delightful game.

SLAV DEFENSE

International-1957 Santiago, Chile

(USSR) White		Costa Rica (Chile		
				Black
		1.	P-QB4	N-KB3
2.	N-QB3	P-B3		
3.	P-Q4	P-Q4		
4.	N-B3	P-K3		
5.	P-K3	QN-Q2		
6.	B-Q3	PxP		
7.	BXBP	P-QN4		
8.	B-Q3	P-QR3		
9.	P-K4	P-B4		



Position after 9., P-B4

Here we have arrived at a well known position of the Meran Defense. The usual continuation is: 10, P-K5, PxP; 11, NxNP, NxKP; 12. NxN, PxN; 13. Q-B3, B-N5ch; 14. K-K2, R-QN1 and after many years of analysis it still has not been decided who stands better.

10. P-Q5

This move has fallen out of favour because Black was able to blockade the central black squares and work with his Queen side majority thereby giving White almost no play. However White has something up his sleeve.

10. P-K4 11. P-QN3!

This is the new move which White had in mind. The idea is to stop the immediate advance of Black by P-B5, and give White time to develop his king-side attack. The merits of the move have not been thoroughly investigated.

> B-Q3 11. 12. 0-0 0.0 13. P-QR4?! *******

This move is inconsistent with White's plan. However it takes an ingenious pawn sacrifice to refute White's play. P-B5!



Position after 13,, P-B5!

14. NPxP

If White refuses the offer, Black secures a very strong protected passed pawn on the sixth rank.

14. P-N5! 15. N-K2 N-B4

If one looks quickly at the position he thinks: "Well, White has two connected passed pawns as against Black's one." However, one must consider that both White's pawns are thoroughly blockaded whereas Black's pawn is free to advance to spread destruction. Black's pieces are also more actively posted, while White's are mainly defensive.

> 16. N-N3 Q-B2!

Avoiding the pin from White's Queen Bishop, and placing indirect pressure on the Queen Bishop Pawn. 17. B-N5 N-KT

18. N-R4? White decides to carry out his plan to attack the king side. But now there is no time for this, and he should with

blockade Black's dangerous pawn. 18. P-B3 White is forced to retreat his pieces

the manouver B-B2-N-Q2-B-K3-N-N3

anyway. The move 18. N-R4? only served to lose valuable time. 19. B-K3 The move shows the folly of White's

plan. Not only can White not enter on KB5, but he is prevented from playing the normal break P-KB4. 20. P-R5 R-N1

21. B-N1 B-K2! "Changing the Blockade!" a la Nimzowitsch, and threatening P-B4.

With this move White only weakens his position further, but he is already in great difficulties.

22. N-Q3 23. PxP PXP 24. RxRch BxR 25. Q-B2 P-N6!

"The passed pawn's lust to expand!" Remember Nimzowitsch! P-N7!? 26. Q-K2

More forceful was 26., R-N5!; 27. N-B3, NxBP; 28. N-Q2, NxB; 29. QxN, N-K3!!; (threatening B-QB4) 30. NxNP, RxN; 31. QxR, Q-B8ch; 32, K-B2, B-B4ch followed by N-Q5ch winning the Queen. 27. R-R2 N(4)xP!!



N(4)xP!! Position after 27.

> 28. NxN 29. B-N6

NxN

If 29. BxN, P-N8(Q)ch; 30. BxQ, RxBch; 31. K-B2, P-K5; 32, B-KR6 and White cannot defend against the attack.

29. RxB! Q-B4ch! 30. PxR 31. K-B1

Or 31, K-R1, N-B7ch; 32, K-N1, N-R6ch; 33. K-R1, Q-N8 mate! N-B6

31. 32. P-N7?



Position after 32. P-N7?

A longer resistence may be offered with: 32. Q-Q3, NxR; 33. BxN, QxNP; 34. P-B5, QxP; 35. P-Q6ch, K-R1; 36. P-Q7, P-N8(Q)ch; 37. BxQ, BxP; 38. QxB, Q-B8ch; 39. K-K2, QxB; however Black should win the ending.

32. NXQ 33. P-N8(Q) QXBP N-N6ch! 34. R-R4 35. K-B2 N-R8ch!! A little joke! 36. K-N1, Q-B8 mate. 36. K-K1 QxR 37. QxB QxNch

With a piece and two pawns more, there is usually no trouble in winning! 38. P-N3 Q-N5ch

39. K-B1 Q-N3 How that cornered knight works! 40. K-N2 Q-B7ch 41. K-R3 Q-B8ch

White resigns, A remarkable game from an almost unknown player, but quite well known Spanish author! It's a pity he doesn't write chess books!

Chess Life July 5, 1958

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.

During the last month of the school year the fantastic team representing the University of Pittsburgh won both the Gannon Invitational Tournament and the Tri-State Intercollegiate Tournament. At Eric they went undefeated to finish well ahead of host Gannon and Penn State. In the Tri-State at Pittsburgh the Panthers repeated their performance to top Carnegie Tech and Penn State. From there they traveled to University Park to win the Pennsylvania Intercollegiate Championship, an event reported in the news columns of this paper. According to Virgil Rizzo the same boys will be back at Pitt next year after a summer of hard training.

In a return match at Jersey City, Long Island University defeated St. Peter's College 5-4. A. Markowsky, N. Rubinstein, A. Berkowitz, S. Schlosberg, and A. Burns won for the New Yorkers. Arnold Berkowitz, president of the L.I.U. group has organized a new New York Intercollegiate Chess League. Once again an active year of chess is assured for colleges in the New York area.

Peter Andrews topped a field of eight to win the Second Annual Championship of Dartmouth College, The winning score of 51/2-1/2 was almost equalled by Harvey Lambert with 5-1. Maurice Hanauer and Robert Rundel finished next. The final two matches of the year for Dartmouth were against the University of New Hampshire and the Claremont, N.H., Chess Club. Dartmouth defeated the University 9-3, but lost to Claremont 10-6. This loss was the only one of the season for Marvin Bender's boys.

Now that the summer is here, college organizers have a chance to plan for the new school year. Students wishing to organize a club at their college are invited to contact the ICLA for assistance. New freshmen are to consider themselves members of the chess fraternity now, The ICLA needs them and continuing students as well to offer to help with the growing task of coordinating college chess. If you would like to help, please let us know.

(Just as this issue of CHESS LIFE was being wrapped up, we received a telephone call from Mr. Kerr, asking that the following information and plea be passed along to our readers.

By the time you read this, our Student Team will be in Europe representing us in the Fifth World Student Championship Tournament in Bulgaria.

Although they were about \$1000 short of their estimated travel expenses, they floated a loan to cover the deficit, and departed, hoping that additional funds would eventually be contributed by the American Chess Public.

If you haven't already donated to the Student Team Travel Fund, (see Page 1, May 20 CHESS LIFE) please send contributions of any size to Mr. Kerr at the address given at the top of this column. If you have already contributed, but can spare a bit more for these nervy boys, please help lighten their burden of financial responsibility which they have assumed in an attempt to give us the best possible representation in this important international event. The Editor.)



GAMES BY USCF MEMBERS

Annotated by Chess Master JOHN W. COLLINS

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

RAYMOND WEINSTEIN

Raymond A. Weinstein, 17, a freshman at Brooklyn College, is high on the list of favorites to take the U.S. Junior Championship at Homestead, Florida, in July. One of the most promising young players in the Metropolitan area, he has already captured the Marshall C. C. Junior (twice) and the Long Island Amateur Championships. His style is both knowledgeable and precise.

BUDAPEST (COUNTER) GAMBIT MCO 9: page 232, column 35

Long Island Amateur Championship Brooklyn, 1957

Notes by John W. Collins

R. A. WEINSTEIN	E. SCHE
White	Black
1. P-Q4	N-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K4
3. PxP	N-K5

This is the Fajarowicz Variation. If one must gamble with the Budapest Gambit, 3., N-N5 is probably the best bet.

4. P-QR3!

An important refinement which prevents the helpful 4., B-N5. N-QB3

Collins-Harvey, U. S. Open, Cleveland, 1957, continued: 4., P-Q3; 5. Q-B2, B-B4; 6. N-QB3, N-N6; 7. P-K4, NxR; 8. PxB, and White won.

5. Q-B2 N-B4 6. N-KB3 P-QR4 **B-B4** N-K3 **B-N3 B-B4** P-K3

Black is given no play on Q5 and no compensation for his Pawn.

9. If 9., O-O (9., P-B3; 10. PxP QxP; 11. N-B3, followed by 12. N-Q5 or 12, N-K4) 10, B-Q3, P-KN3; 11, P-KR4 and White has a ready made attack. 10. N-B3 B-N2

11. B-Q3 N-N4 12. NXN B-R4?? NxN ch wins the QB. 12. QXN 13. 0.0 0-0-0

Black loses a piece on 13., NxP?? 14. P-B4.

14. N-Q5! White prepares to open the QN file. 14. N-K2

15. P-N4 PxP On 15,, NxN; 16. PxB, N-K2; 17. PxP, PxP; 18, QR-N1, K-B2; 19, P-B5, breaks through.

16. PXP NxN 17. PxN If 17. PxB? N-N5 and 18., NxB.

17. BXNP Or 17., B-B1; 18. P-Q6, P-QB3; 19. Q-R4 and White wins quickly. 18. B-R6

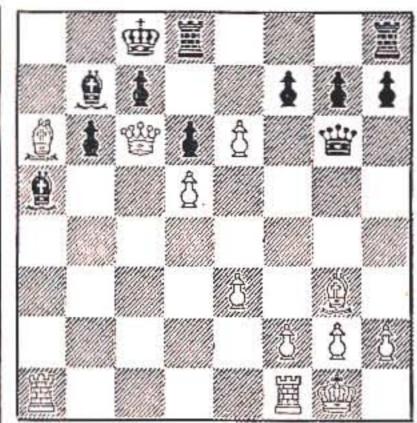
Threatening, among other things, 19. BxB ch, KxB; 20. Q-B4, B-R4; 21. RxB, PxR; 22. R-N1 ch and mate in 2. 18. Q-N3

Black is lost. If 18., B-R4; 19. P-K6! P-QB3 (19., P-Q3; 20. Q-B6! wins); 20. PxP ch, RxP; 21. QxP ch, wins. And there are other ways to win.

19. Q-B4 Threatening 20. QxB, as well as 20. BxB ch, KxB; 21. Q-R6 ch, K-N1; 22. Q-R8 mate.

19. B-R4 20. P-K6! P-Q3 If 20., P-QB4 (White threatened mate at QB7); 21. RxB, PxR; 22. QxP mate. 21. Q-B6! Resigns

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Position after 21. Q-B6!

If 21., BxB; 22. Q-R8 mate. A clever finale to systematic, powerful play by White.

> CARO-KANN DEFENSE MCO: Page 88, Column 23e(A) 2nd South Jersey Open Championship Hammonton, 1957

Notes by U. S. Expert Don Define

E. Haile R. Horner White Black 1. P-K4 P-QB3 P-K5 P-Q4 4. P-KN4 P-Q4 4. B-Q3, BxB; 5. QxB, P-K3 is an alternative. MCO-9 now suggests 6. P-KB4 (Adams). The game Adams-Morris (Log Cabin C.C. vs North City C.C. 1951) continued 6, P-KB4, N-KR3; 7, P-KR3, N-B4; 8. P-KN4, Q-R5ch and now 9. K-Q2!, N-N6; 10. N-KB3 (Kmoch) instead of the game continuation 9. K-Q1, N-N6; and now 10. N-KB3, is not available (10., NxR!, 11. NxQ, N-B7ch). 4. B-N3 6. P-R5 B-R2 5. P-KR4 P-KR3 7. B-Q3 7. P-K6!?, PxP; 8. B-Q3, N-B3; 9. BxB

NxB; 10. Q-Q3, N-B3; 11. Q-N6ch, K-Q2; 12. N-KB3, R-R2?; 13. P-N5, PxP; 14. BxP, Q-K1; 15. N-K5ch, K-B2; 16. BxN, QxQ; 17. NxQ and wins. (Maxwell-Alekhine British Team Match 1949). 7. BxB 9. B-Q2 N-Q2 B. QXB P-K3 10. N-QB3 P-QB4 The position is now similar to a French Defense with the exception that Black

has solved the problem of his Queen Bishop. 11. P-B4 PxP 13. Q-Q3 N-K2 12. QXP B-B4 14, N-B3 14. N-R4 challenging the Bishop seems preferable. 14. N-QB3 16. P-N3 Q-Q2

15. P-R3 N-N3 17. P-N4 White's 15th and 16th moves were defensive, after an aggressive beginning. Again he changes plans but leaves a hole at his QB4.

17. B-K2 21. PxP P-QB4 18. N-Q4 N-85 22. Q-Q3 NxP(R6)! 19. NXN PxN 23. N-K2 P-B5 20. Q-Q4 P-R4! 24. Q-QB3 N-N4?

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Position after 24, Q-QB3

Better is 24., P-Q5; 25. NxP, QxN; 26. QxQ, NxPch would win and 26. RxN loses to 26., Q-K5ch. On 25. Q-N2 (to protect against NxPch) P-B6. 25. Q-B3 O-O 29. P-B5! PXP 26. P-N5 P-Q5 30. BxP R-KN1 27. PXP PXP 31. RxRch 28. R-N1ch K-R1

Plays into Black's hands. Instead 31. B-N7ch, K-R2; (31., RxB; 32. QxRch) 32. P-R6 (or 32. R-N1, N-R6?; 33. R-N7 and 34. RxB but on 32., N-B2 or 32,, QR-N1 then 33. P-R6).

RxR 31, 32. B-B4 P-Q61 And now Black's onslaught becomes overwhelming.

33. PxP P-B5 PxP 37. R-QT 34. N-N3 B-N5ch 38. N-K4 R-N7ch 35. B-Q2 BxBch 39. K-K1 36. KxB Q-Q5

39. QxR, Q-K6 mate although the bloodthirsty would probably prefer 39. Q-N7ch.

39. Q-N8ch 40. Q-B1 R-K7 mate

WITH THE CLUBS

American Legion Post 388 of Philadelphia has just completed its club championship, with 9 players contesting a round robin, Arnold Rubin conceded a single draw to win with 71/2-1/2. Henry Horn won six, lost one, and drew one, to take second place with 61/2-11/2. John Davies, who accounted for both the draws mentioned above, lost two games by forfeit, and still placed third on Solkoff points, above William Cohen and Andrew Pauluch, after each had scored 5-3.

Whenever the Manhattan and Marshall Chess Clubs of New York meet in match play the fur is bound to fly, and the names of the players involved makes up a fair list of "Who's Who in Eastern Chess." 1958 was no exception to the general rule-but for the first time in years (some say 14-others 15) Marshall players furnished the claws, and Manhattan, the fur. With 19 of 20 players holding USCF Master ratings, or better, the lineup and results are newsworthy. Manhattan played White on odd-numbered boards.

MARSHALL (6) MANHATTAN (4)

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	Mednis	1	Horowitz	
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4	Seidman	1	Denker	
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7	Hearst	î	Sussman	
8	Levy	1	Shainswit	
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The championship of the Portland, Maine, Chess Club has just been won for the second year in succession by 16-year-old Stanley J. Elowitch, a student at Deering High School. In a triple playoff he scored 4 of a possible 6 points, with Dr. Edward Blumberg taking second place with 31/2, and William J. Lutz, third, with 11/2. The Portland Club meets every Friday night at the YMCA, and welcomes traveling pawn-pushers who play chess for fun.

The Independent Chess Club of East Orange, N.J. recently promoted the New Jersey State Speed Tournament. Wachs led the 10 second boys with 151/2 out of a possible 17 points. Green came second with 15, Dubeck, third, with 121/2, Leroy Ault fourth with 111/2, and Bob Durkin fifth with 11. Other plus scores were: MacDonald, 101/2; H. Jones, 10; and Benham, 9.

The Pittsburgh Chess Club (Downtown YMCA) has just concluded its 1958 Club Championship Tournaments. In Class A, Bob Bornholz, who has been club champion for the past four years scored 8-3 in a twelve-player round robin, in his bid for another club title. But Bill Byland rolled up a similar score, defeating Bornholz in their individual game, and the result was an 8-3 tie for top honors, with agreement to share the title rather than play off the tie. Bornholz and Byland each won 7, drew 2, and lost 2. Glenn Waltz finished third with 71/2-31/2, handing Bornholz his other loss, and losing to Byland. Fred Foreman with 61/2-41/2 took fourth place, while Alexander Spitzer and Luther Henry tied for 5th and 6th by scoring 6.5 for the only other plus scores.

In the Class B Section, T. L. Garmon was undefeated in a six-man round robin, scoring 41/2-1/2 to win the Section title, J. H. Creps was second with 41, for the only other plus score, with F. H. Beer and F. Thompson tied for 3rd and 4th with 2-3.

The Connecticut Team Class A Championship has just been decided, with The New Haven Chess and Checker Center emerging undefeated to win one year's possession of the new rotating trophy with a 51/2-1/2 score. Bridgeport captured second place with 41/2-11/2. New Britain scored 4-2 for third place, New London broke even with 3-3. Hartford scored 2-4. The collegians did not fare too well in this tournament, with the University of Connecticut and Yale tieing for 6th and 7th places with 1-5 scores.

In Class B Team competition, Hartford came out on top with a 4-1 score.

UP AND DOWN THE FILES

The "Deseret News" (Salt Lake City) informs us that six high school teams of the city have just completed a five round tournament, with East High School taking the event with 131/2 points from a possible 15. Bryant Junior High came second with 101/2, followed by Highland High (7), West High (51/2), Horace Mann Junior (41/2), and South High (4).

Our thanks to Grandmaster Isaac Kashdan for a complete file of his weekly columns "CHESS", in the Sunday edition of the "Los Angeles Times" from March 9 to May 18, 1958, in which every game of the recent Smyslov-Botvinnik match appeared. The veteran internationalist certainly puts out a terrific column, with news and games from all over the world, andwell, here's a run-down of the May 18 column: news item re 39 board match in Los Angeles, with lineups, names and scores (Revise of Rebels won from Borochow of Yankees on Board 1); news of Botvinnik's final victory, with 23rd game, and comment on game and man; news of proposed Expert Candidate Tournament (for players rated below 2000 USCF-winner to be rated USCF Expert); news and 2 games from Larsen-Donner playoff for spot in Interzonal; news of Morphy Day Festival at Hermosa Beach; two games from USSR Championship, 1958; all this in addition to the two problem diagrams which appear in each column, with solutions to previous problems and solvers' credit lists. Isn't that something? Three to seven games, two problems, and local and international chess news every week. Write to Chess Editor, L. A. Times, Los Angeles 53, Cal. if you don't believe us.

UP AND DOWN THE FILES (continued)

From the "California Chess Reporter" we learn that Phil Smith of Fresno won the individual championship of the Central Cal. League for the third time (previous 1955 and 1957) to gain a place in the finals of the State Championship to be played in San Francisco in November. Smith also took the Fresno Club title with a perfect 5-0 score, two full points above Bob Baker, 1957 champ.

A fine editorial in the "Reporter" advises continued and increasing support of the USCF as a matter of immediate and practical importance to California chess. As Editor Guthrie Mc-Clain says: "There is a simple, selfish interest: our stars are being left out, Kashdan, Evans, Konig and Benko head the list of California players who should be under consideration in choosing the next team to face the Russians. Sonja Graf is qualified to play in the women's candidate tournament. Gil Ramirez, Bobby Cross, and Larry Remlinger are prospects for students' and junior events." Then, "It is not only in the star category that the lack of a financially strong national body hurts -it is a drawback in all chess promotion. Regional tournaments, team matches, better ratings, teaching and exhibitions by masters-these and many more things would come from a strong USCF, If all our readers would join the USCF, it would help our national organization to become big enough and strong enough to guarantee these events." With every item of which we are in complete agreement. Thanks, Bro. McClain.

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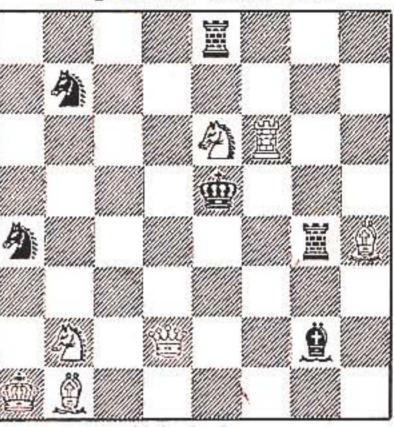
Mate The Subtle Way!

by Nicholas Gabor

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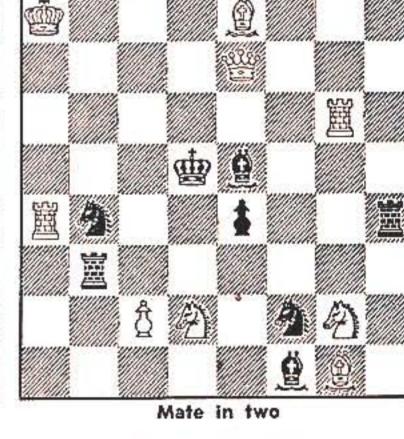
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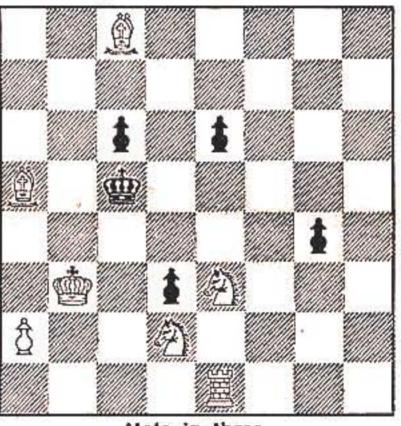
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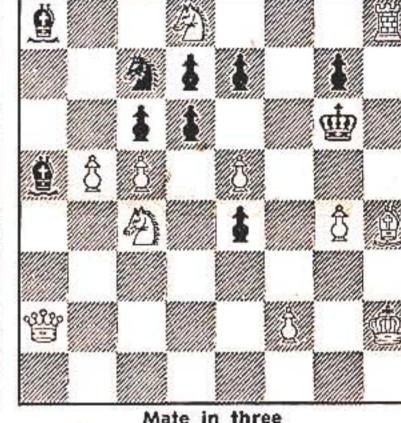
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Mate in three



Mate in three

No. 921 is a pawn-free position, often an asset. No. 922 claims a combination of the so-called "Mary theme" with the "Herpal theme." We shall try to explain it in the "Solutions." No. 923 is by a distinguished Ohio-Chess-personality. No. 924 is not quite pawn-free, but all are needed for the demonstration of the main idea. This work is the first-one published in this column and composed by its editor since he conducts it. (4 years.)

The quarterly "Solvers' Ladder" will come in our next column.

Solutions to "Mate the Subtle Way!"

No. 909 Stevenson: key 1. R-B4 threat 2. P-K4. 4 good variations. No. 910 Taffs: key 1. Q-Nsq. waiting! Added flight-capture check, with a variety of variations following the bl qu-s moves. No. 911 Turner: key 1. N-R6 waiting. 1., K-K6, 2. N-B7 with 3 sub-variations. 1., K-K4, 2. N-B7ch! etc. 1., K-B4, 2. QxNch. etc. No. 912 Stevenson: key 1. R-KB4, threat 2. P-N6 disc. ch! etc. 1., N-B2, 2. N-K with 3 sub-variations. 1., N-B6, 2. N-QN4 with 2 sub-variations. (Decoys of N and R.) After 1., R-KB2, 2. QxBch! etc.

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Solution To What's The Best Move?

Position No. 232 Lipnitsky-Kotlerman, Ukrainian Championship 1950

Lipnitsky played 1. B-B4! with the main threat of 2. Q-N2, If 1., KxP; 2. Q-N2, R-Nsq; 3. Q-N6ch, K-Rsq; 4. QxBP, etc. Both 1., PxB and 1., R-N3 are also too slow to meet the main threat. If 1., Q-N3; the sixth rank can be closed by 2. P-K6, but closing the rank with the knight seems even stronger; for example, 2. N-Q5, Q-K3; 3. N-B6, Q-B4; 4. R-Bsq, etc.

Kotlerman tried 1., R-Qsq with the idea of defending his KN2 by retreating his bishop, but Lipnitsky continued with 2. RxP! immediately. The rook is immune from capture because 3. R-Nsq ch followed by Q-N2 leads to a quick mate. The concluding moves were 2., PxB; 3. R(Rsq)-Nsq, B-Bsq (if B-N2; 4. R-N8ch forces mate); 4. Q-R6, and Kotlerman resigned.

Several of our solvers tried to carry out the same idea by 1. RxP, but Black then seems to have adequate defensive resources after 1., KxR; 2. R-Nsq ch, KxP; 3. B-Q3, B-N2; 4. Q-B4, QxB. If White tries B-B4 in this line at either his second or third moves, Black answers B-N2 preparing to contest the KN file.

Other tries also seem ineffective.

1. P-R6 is met simply with 1., P-N3;
and both 1. B-N5 and 1. R-N5 are refuted by 1., QxB.

Correct solutions are acknowledged from: Leslie H. Ault, Joe Bohac, Abel Bomberault, George H. Chaney,* Robert Cohen, A. P. Collins Jr., Ramon Cook, K. A. Czerniecki, Richard Gibian, Oliver Goddard, Andy Kafko, Harry Kaye, Larry Mason, Jack Matheson, Jack Miller, M. Milstein, Ed Nash, George W. Payne, Edmund Roman, Frank Rose, George Ross, Frank C. Ruys, Max Schlosser, I. Schwartz, W. E. Stevens, F. W. Trask, H. C. Underwood, M. F. Walters, Joe Weininger, and William B. Wilson. The solvers score a 30-14 victory.

Welcome to new solver.

Solutions To Finish it the Clever Way:

Position No. 227: 1. NxRP! PxN; 2. RxKP!! QxR (if RxR; 3. Q-N6ch and mate follows); 3. R-N6, and the Queen mates. Had White played 2. R-N6, Black would have QxBPch in reply.

Position No. 228: 1. P-B4, K-K6; 2. KxP, KxP; 3. K-Q3, P-N4; 4. K-K2, K-N6; 5. K-B1, K-R7; 6. P-N4. Draw.

CHESS NEWS FROM USSR

With Bobby Fischer now in Moscow, and the U.S. Student team in Bulgaria, the following items, as printed in the "Moscow News" of June 11, 1958 (Columnist V. Lyublinsky) will be of interest to our readers.

"In less than a month the students' world team championship is due to begin in Sofia. Last year's championship, held in Iceland, was won by the Soviet team. The members of the team to go to Sofia are Grandmaster Boris Spassky (Leningrad University), and Chess Master B. Gurgenidze (Tbilisi Polytechnical Institute), Alexander Nikitin (Moscow Power Institute) Aivar Gipslis (Riga University), Anatoly Volovich (Moscow Oil Institute) and Yuri Nikolaevsky (Kiev University).

Another event chess enthusiasts are eagerly awaiting is the arrival in the U.S.S.R. of the young U.S. champion, International Chess Master Robert Fisher. He is to play against the youngest Grandmaster in the world Boris Spassky, an ex-world youth champion, Chess Master Evgenv Vasyukov, of Moscow, and German Khodos, a Candidate Master from Rostov-on-Don. It is also planned for the champion of the United States of America to visit a number of Soviet towns to present simultaneous performances."

Tournament Life

Send to CHESS LIFE, Gove House, Perry Maine, for application form for announcing tournament in this column.

July 26-27

GATEWAY OPEN TOURNEY

Open to USCF members. Sponsored by Pittsburgh Chess Club, Downtown YMCA, 304 Wood St., Pittsburgh, Pa. 5 rd. Swiss. New event, and details not yet settled, but indications are that Bill Byland will be TD, that there will be a trophy for the winner, that time limit will be 50 moves in 2 hours, and that entry fee will be modest. Write to Bill Byland or Glenn Waltz at address above if interested in details, or if wishing to enter.

August 23 and 24

PANHANDLE OPEN

Place: Public library club room, Seventh and Weatherly Streets, Borger, Texas.

Tournament: Five round Swiss, open to all entrants.

Tournament Director: International master, George Koltanowski.

Registration: Saturday, August 23, 12 noon till 1 P.M.

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August 29-September 1

NEW JERSEY OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Open: at Independent Chess Club, 102 N. Maple Ave., East Orange with additional playing space at nearby Palmer House, 7 round Swiss starting 7:30 p.m. Friday, entries close 7 p.m. Fee \$8.00 seniors, \$4.00 juniors (under 20), USCF (\$5) and NJSCF (\$2, juniors \$1) membership required. \$400.00 in prizes; 1st \$125, 2nd \$75, 3rd \$50, 4th \$25, 5th \$20, with \$20 each to highest expert and Class A, \$10 each to highest Classes B and C, \$20 to highest junior under age 20, \$15 under age 18, and \$10 under age 16. Prizes divided in case of ties and one prize only to a player. Play 48 moves in 2 hours and 12 moves each 1/2 hour thereafter. Adjudication if necessary. Director, E. McCormick. Bring clocks and sets.

August 30-September 1

SOUTHWESTERN OPEN

Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas. Open to all, with the first round beginning at 1 p.m. on August 30. 7 round Swiss, with a time limit of 45 moves in 2 hours. Entry fee is \$6. An additional fee of \$5 for non-members of the USCF and the Texas Chess Association. First prize of \$150 is guaranteed, others according to entries, trophies for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th. Separate women's section and optional junior section. Director: George Koltanowski. Entries and inquiries to George H. Smith, 1745 Norfolk, Houston 6, Texas.

August 30-September 1

ALABAMA OPEN

Birmingham Central YMCA, 526 No. 20th St., Birmingham, Ala. Seven round Swiss, open to all. With a time limit of 45 moves in the first 2 hours. Entry fee is \$7.50, with non-members of the USCF paying an additional fee of \$4. Prizes include a trophy for the Junior Champ, 1st prize is 60% of the net proceeds, 2nd 30%, 3rd 10%. Title restricted to residents only. For inquiries and advance entries write to Fred W. Kemp, 114 No. Valley Road, Palmerdale, Ala.



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July 26-27-Arkansas Open, Hot Springs Nat'l Park, Arkansas, (CL 6-5-58)

July 31-Aug. 1-2-Carolina Open, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina (CL 6-5-58)

Aug. 9-10-Cincinnati Open, Central YMCA, Cincinnati, Ohio. (CL 6-20-58)

Aug. 30-31-Sept. 1—Southwestern Open Championship, Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas. (CL 6-20-58)

Aug. 30-Sept. 1-Ohio Chess Championship, Seneca Hotel, Columbus, Ohio. (CL 6-5-58)

Aug. 30-Sept. 1-Ohio Junior Championship, Seneca, Hotel, Columbus, Ohio. (CL 6-5-58)

DAKE TAKES GOLDEN ROSE OPEN

Arthur Dake of Portland entered his first serious chess tournament in five years and edged out Olav Ulvestad of Seattle on tie-breaking points after each had scored 4½-½ in the 5 round Golden Rose Open at Portland, Oregon. Dake and Ulvestad each won four and drew their individual game. Jim McCormick and Duane Meador each won four and lost one (McCormick to Dake, and Meador to McCormick) to score 4-1, with tie-breaking points placing McCormick in third place, and Meador fourth.

Other plus scores were: Vincent Bricher, 3½-2½; and the following six who tied for 6th-11th places with 3-2: Harry Hindman, Fred Byron, Clark Harmon, Dr. A. A. Murray, Charles T. Geary, and Gary Feuerberg, who thus won the Class B Title.

Features of this experiment in combining a strong chess tournament with an annual civic festival were: Dake's return to the chess wars; a welcoming address by His Excellency, Harry Buckley, Prime Minister of The Rose Festival; the crowning of pretty, 18-year-old Marilyn Ritchie as "Queen of the Game of Kings" and the kiss which each tournament trophy-winner collected from her.

SEATTLE SEA FAIR OPEN

The Seattle Sea Fair Open Chess Tournament will be held on August 2 and 3, at the YMCA, 4th and Madison Sts., Seattle, Washington. Play begins 9 a.m. Saturday; 8:30 a.m. Sunday. 40 moves in 1½ hours. Adjournment and adjudication after 3 hours. Solkoff tie breaking. Entrance fee: \$3.00, Juniors, \$2.00.

LARRY EVANS' PROBLEMS

We have to admit that we were all wet when we thought that Larry was a bit optimistic when he said that any master would not spend more than 20 seconds on the solution to any one of the problems he gave us in the June 5 issue of CHESS LIFE.

Several report all five solved in less than 100 seconds, even with the faulty No. 2 diagram. Others, from 3 to 4 minutes on average. More about this next issue.