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Position No. 237



White to play.

USSR RETAINS WORLD STUDENT TEAM TITLE

The World Student Team Championship remains where it was when the 1958 Tournament started—in the hands of the power-packed team from the USSR. Winning nine of the ten matches played in preliminaries and finals, the defending champions conceded a drawn match 2-2 with Czechoslovakia, but extracted 19½ game-points from a possible 28 to win going away, 2½ points ahead of second-place Bulgaria. Of 40 games played in the preliminaries and finals, the USSR team lost only 1, when Gipslis, playing Board 4, lost in the first preliminary round to Juttler of East Germany.

Final Standing of The Finalists

1. Russia	19½-8½
2. Bulgaria	17-11
3. Czechoslovakia	14-14
4. Hungary	14-14
5. Yugoslavia	14-14
6. United States	12½-15½
7. Argentina	11½-16½
8. East Germany	9½-18½

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It may hearten our readers to learn that in the match with the USSR Team, Lombardy drew with Tahl, Mednis with Spassky, and Saïdy with Gurgeniș, with the USSR's only win coming on Board 4.

Official Report of the 1958 U. S. Junior Chess Championship

By: Tournament Director Bob Eastwood

By the slender thread of secondary tie-breaking points, Raymond A. Weinstein, 17, of Brooklyn, N. Y., became the new U. S. Junior Chess Champion, in a 9 round Swiss System tournament held July 8-12, 1958, at the Homestead Jewish Center, and the National Guard Armory in Homestead, Fla.

Weinstein, who became a master as a result of his excellent performance, and Larry Remlinger, 16 year old master from Long Beach, Calif., each scored 8-1 to tie for the title and eclipse the field by two full points. Median points left the two young masters still tied for first, but the Solkoff points of each master's lowest ranking opponent finally decided the title in Weinstein's favor.

It is ironic that the tie-breaking should give the title to one, although the ratings favor the other. Weinstein earned a performance rating of 2288, and Remlinger, 2363. However, lest anyone take this too seriously, it should be pointed out that the new champ defeated the runner-up in their individual game, and thus earned first place. Ray was undefeated and drew only with third and fourth place finishers, Stephen Jones, 15, Austin, Texas, and John Freeman, 17, El Paso, Texas.

In winning the title, Weinstein achieves the desired entry into the next U. S. Men's Championship, a trophy, and a \$100 savings bond as a scholarship. Remlinger, who may be the victim of a jinx, having finished second for the third time, also earns a \$100 savings bond as a scholarship.

Stephen Jones, the new Texas Junior champion, and runner-up for the state title in a round robin in which he placed ahead of a master, scored 6-3 for a clear third.

(See page 4 for more Junior Championship)

HANDS ACROSS THE BORDER

Two small but powerpacked invitational international events were recently contested in the upper and lower lefthand corners of our map. In Olav Ulvestad's Chess Center in Seattle, an eight-board match was bitterly fought out between various masters and experts from Washington and British Columbia. In San Antonio, Texas, a similarly qualified group of 12 players from Texas and Mexico battled through a 5 round Swiss. Here are the scores.

In Seattle			
WASHINGTON 5½		B.C. 2½	
Elmars Zengalls	1	Elod Macskasy	0
Olaf Ulvestad	1	Don Murray	0
Jim McCormick	1	Jack Patty	0
Charles Griffiths	0	Frank May	1
G.S.G. Patterson	1	Gerh'd Neufaart	0
Daniel E. Wade	0	Jack Taylor	1
Viesturs Seglins	½	Geo. Zerkowitz	½
Dr. A. A. Murray	1	Kaj Nielson	0

In San Antonio		
Roberto Trevino, Monterrey, Mex.	4-1	
Kenneth Smith, Dallas, Texas	3½-1½	
Blake W. Stevens, Jr., San Antonio	3½-1½	
Alfredo Iglesias, Monterrey, Mex.	3½-1½	
Jorge Aldrete, Monterrey, Mex.	3-2	
Robert Severance, San Antonio	2½-2½	
Ursulo Villarreal, Monterrey, Mex.	2½-2½	
Fern'do Elizondo, Monterrey, Mex.	2½-2½	
John Campbell, Borger, Texas	2-3	
George H. Smith, Houston, Texas	1½-3½	
J. H. Elizondo, Monterrey, Mex.	1-4	
Dr. F. M. Durio, San Antonio	½-4½	

With Senor Trevino topping masters Smith and Stevens, and with five of the first eight places going to the boys from Monterrey, it would seem that their friendly invasion was more successful than the one staged by the Canadians. Since this was a USCF rated event, we now have six new Mexican members, and the promise of a new spirit of friendly international rivalry and cooperation in the promotion of similar future events on both sides of the border. Welcome, Amigos, to the USCF, and congratulations to both promoters and players.

ELIOT HEARST D. C. CHAMPION

An exceptionally strong 9-round Swiss for the Championship of the District of Columbia was won by USCF Master Eliot Hearst—the hard way. The twenty-two entry event ended with Hearst and George Meyer in an unbreakable tie for first place with 7-2 scores, Hearst with six wins, two draws, and one loss (to Avram, who finished in 5th place), while Meyer was undefeated, with five wins and four drawn games. A four-game playoff was arranged, and after losing the first two Meyer conceded the title to Hearst without further play.

Third place was taken by USCF master Hans Berliner who topped fourth-place C. C. Crittenden on tie-breaking points after each had scored 6½-2½. Berliner won six, lost to Hearst and Crittenden, and drew with Meyer. Crittenden lost only one (to Tilles, who finished in 16th place), won five, and drew three, including an important last-round battle with Hearst. Herbert Avram won six and lost three to take fifth place. Other plus scores were tallied by Martin Stark, 5½-3½; George Thomas, 5-4; Jack Mayer, 5-4; L. R. Chauvenet, 5-4.

CHESS LIFE columnist Edmund Nash headed a five-player tie for 10th-14th places, with 4½-4½. Young Larry Gilden, who finished in 15th place with 4-5, faced more high-scoring players than anyone else. Starting off with a bang he won from 6, 9, and 8; then lost to 3 and 2; won from 13; and lost to 4, 5, and 7. We should hear more from this boy.

U. S. Tournament Reminders

- Aug. 23-24—Sixth Annual Panhandle Open, Borger, Texas.
- Aug. 23-Sept. 1—New York State Championship, Cazenovia Junior College, Cazenovia, New York
- Aug. 29-Sept. 1—New Jersey Open Championship, East Orange, N. J. (CL 7-5-58)
- Aug. 30-Sept. 1—Alabama Open, Birmingham, Alabama. (CL 7-5-58)
- Aug. 30-Sept. 1—Fourth Arizona Open, Phoenix, Arizona (CL 7-20-58)
- Aug. 30-Sept. 1—Heart of America Tournament, Kansas City, Mo. (CL 7-20-58)
- 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)
- Aug. 30-Sept. 1—Southwestern Open Championship, Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas. (CL 7-20-58)

OLYMPIC TEAM CHOSEN—ALMOST

In view of the last item in Col. 4, Page 8, of this issue, our readers will be glad to learn that Reshevsky, Bisguier, Evans, and Lombardy have accepted invitations to represent the United States at Munich in October. Fischer and Robert Byrne, although invited, have not yet accepted. George Koltanowski will act as coach. Non-playing Team Captain will be—hold on to your hats—USCF President Jerry Spann, who accepted this new responsibility after Maurice Kaspar of the ACF had been forced to decline for business and family reasons.

Finish It The Clever Way! by Edmund Nash

Position No. 209

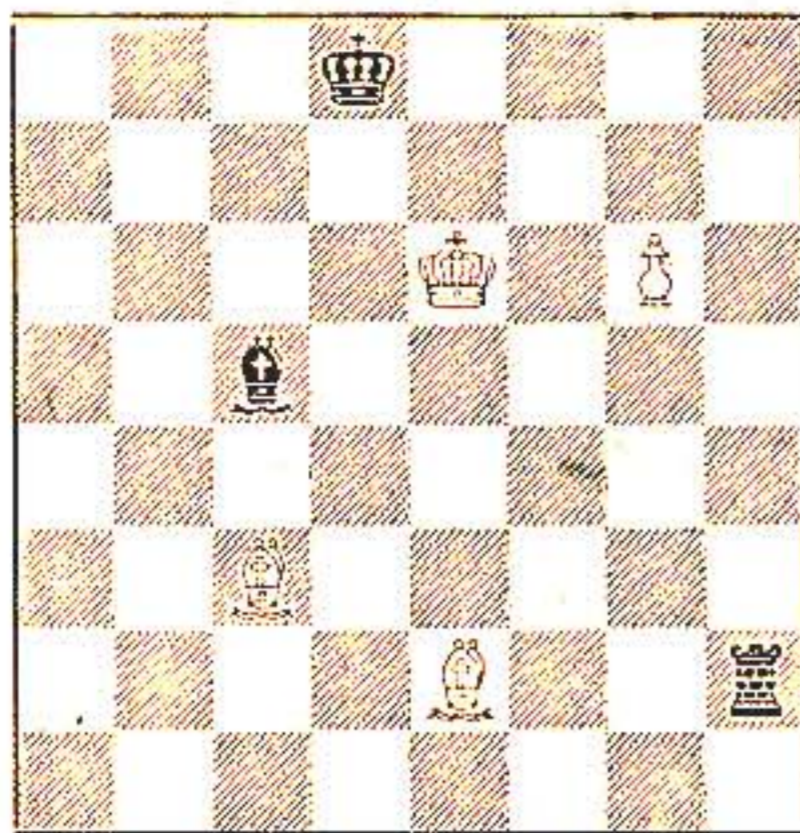
Polugayevsky vs. Petrosian
USSR, 1958



Black to play and win

Position No. 210

A. P. Gulyayev
USSR, 1946



White to play and win

In Position No. 209, Black could have decided the game with one move. However, he did not see the move, and a draw was agreed to after 1., RxRP; 2. R-R6, K-B2; 3. R-R7ch, K-B3; 4. R-R6. In No. 210, White must promote his pawn to a Bishop in order to win! In the main variation, White mates in seven.

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.

REPORT ON WESTERN OPEN, 1958

BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Milwaukee, Wisconsin.—Pal Benko of Cleveland, one of Hungary's great players of the past decade, was declared the winner of the Western Open here, replacing Donald Byrne, Olivet, Michigan, who won the title a year ago. In finishing in front of an illustrious field the former Hungarian champion won six and drew two of his games in the eight round event. The tournament was again sponsored by The Milwaukee Chess Foundation in cooperation with Milwaukee's Municipal Chess Association.

In a surprise finish Milton Otteson, Minneapolis, a former Minnesota champion with an experts rating, finished in front of eight contestants with masters qualifications, to gain second position. Byrne finished third, while Lajos Szedlaczek, Cleveland, and Dr. Paul Poschel, Royal Oak, Michigan, finished fourth and fifth respectively.

The tournament was well attended and the 119 entries came within four of equalling last year's great field. It again added prestige to Milwaukee's popularity as a tournament center which had its inception in 1953, when Milwaukee played host to the U.S. Chess Federation's 182 player Open Championship.

In gaining the title Benko won successively from Richard Fauber, Madison, Wisconsin; Arpad Elo, Milwaukee, and from Dr. Bruno Schmidt, Homer, N. Y. He drew with Dr. Paul Poschel, Royal Oak, Michigan, overlooking the possibility of capturing a piece while both players were in terrific time trouble beginning with the 38th move. He won his 5th and 6th games from Frederick S. Anderson, St. Louis, and from Byrne, respectively, with the latter having an inferior position throughout. In his seventh-round game he was held to a draw by Stephan Popel, Detroit, winner of the North Central Open here last fall, in a game which lasted 65 moves. It was one of the tournaments' finest games. Benko again experienced time trouble with Popel, sacrificing a piece for two pawns and the attack. Popel had the black side of a King's Indian Defense.

His final-round game, which he also won, oddly enough was with an old friend, Geza Fuster, Toronto, another former Hungarian player. It was with Fuster that Benko first tried to escape from behind the Iron Curtain, while participating in a West Berlin tournament in 1956.

Results of the final round proved somewhat dramatic as the gallery anticipated a three-way tie on game points involving Benko, Byrne, and Popel. This prospect failed to materialize as Otteson came up with a fine and solid game to win from Popel, and Dr. Poschel drew with Byrne, to relegate last year's winner to third position. Benko and Otteson received \$250 each from the prize fund and Byrne \$100.

A CHESSPLAYER'S NEMESIS

The chess game begins
With smiles and grins;
I make four moves, no more.
One look at my center
My opponent must rend'er
With Pawn to Bishop Four!

Books on openings tell you
Precisely how well you
The enemy camp may explore;
But masters and all
Throw the books over the wall
With Pawn to Bishop Four.

I plan an attack,
Of good moves there's no lack
Quite sure his King I'll gore;
A sly look askance,
He blocks my advance
With Pawn to Bishop Four!

Oh, the Knights, they may sally;
The Rooks, they may rally;
And Kings may right lustily roar;
But they're really quite weak—
Just a mere pipsqueak—
Compared with Pawn to Bishop Four.

Though well I may plan
A cute strategem
With Pawn to King or Queen Four;
No use to hope,
I'm at the end of my rope,
There's that "P-B4!"

In chess tourneys today
I could easily hold sway
And attain quite a respectable score;
But they all rightly feel
That my Achilles' heel
Is ?&%!!—"P-B4!"

HOMER H. HYDE
Sec.-Treas. Texas C.A.

OLYMPIC DRIVE IN LAST MONTH

By:

USCF PRESIDENT JERRY G. SPANN

With only a month left the USCF Olympic Team Fund Drive is still \$887.00 short of its goal, so the pace will have to quicken or Yours Truly is going to have to dig into his trousers for the difference! Area Fund Committeemen who have not yet mailed in are Edgar T. McCormick, Jerry Donovan, Violet Pavey and Jack Shaw, but local drives are being conducted in their areas so we are hopeful that their contributions will provide a substantial boost to the Fund. Please send your checks to the Committeeman in your area or to Jerry G. Spann, 3011 Paseo, Okla. City 18, Okla., and the Committeeman in your area will be credited. You will receive an Olympic Donor Card certifying that you are an official sponsor. Following is the list of Donors as of July 20.

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HOW CHESS GAMES ARE WON

America's Number 1 Player Illustrates the Technique of Victory
By International Grandmaster SAMUEL RESHEVSKY

Superficial Sacrifice

A. Denker is one of our leading veteran chess masters. His style is refreshing, his personality very pleasant. He loves to be in lively positions; sacrifices are his specialty. He seems to play with the greatest of ease, never giving the impression that he has an inferior game. He has a lot of talent, but is sometimes carried away by his over-optimism. He could have gotten much further in chess, but, like many other American masters, is plagued by a pathetic lack of competition.

In the following game against me, Denker chose the same line against the Reti Opening that I used several times against D. Byrne. On his sixth turn, however, he varied, and found himself in an inferior position. Realizing that he would be committed to defensive tactics for a long time, he decided to take risks. On his 14th move he undertook a combination, which involved the sacrifice of a piece for two pawns. In addition, my king's security would be slightly impaired.

The sacrifice proved unsound. After the game I asked Denker why he sacrificed. His answer was—"it looked good."

RETI OPENING

MCO: Page 348, Column 36

The Rosenwald Tournament
New York, 1957-58

S. RESHEVSKY A. DENKER
White Black

1. N-KB3 N-KB3
2. P-KN3 P-QN3

More usual is 2., P-KN3 or P-Q4. The purpose for the text-move is to steer into the Queen's Indian Defense, if possible.

3. B-N2 B-N2
4. O-O P-K3
5. P-Q3

White is avoiding the usual and well-trodden lines arising from 5. P-Q4, B-K2; 6. P-B4, etc. Instead, the move chosen leads into less familiar patterns. The primary purpose of this move is to help promote P-K4-5.

5. P-Q4

Probably best. In my match against D. Byrne I tried P-QB4 followed by P-Q3, but had considerable difficulty in equalizing.

6. P-B4 QN-Q2

I played 6., B-K2 against Byrne with good results. The QN should be posted at QB3, after P-QB4 is played by Black.

7. PXP NXP

This loses an important tempo. After 7., PXP, however, White replied with 8. N-Q4 with the constant annoying threat of anchoring this knight at KB5.

8. P-K4 N(Q4)-B3

Untempting is 8., N-N5 on account of 9. P-QR3, N-QB3; 10. P-Q4, N-B3; 11. N-B3 with the pleasant choice of P-K5 or P-Q5 with much the better of it.

9. N-B3 B-K2

If 9., N-B4; 10. P-K5, N-Q4; 11. P-Q4, NxN; 12. Pxn(B3), N-K5; 13. Q-B2 with the nasty threat of R-K1.

10. R-K1 O-O

10., P-B4 was better, but after 11. P-K5, N-Q4 (11., N-N5; 12. P-KR3, BxN; 13. QxB, N(N5)xP; 14. QxR) 12. N-K4 White has the better of it.

11. P-Q4

White emerged from the opening with much the better of it. Not only is Black's mobility constricted, but White has control of the center.

11. B-N5

Decides to give up the bishop in order to get breathing space. A wiser course was perhaps 11., R-K1 followed by N-KB1-KN3.

12. Q-B2

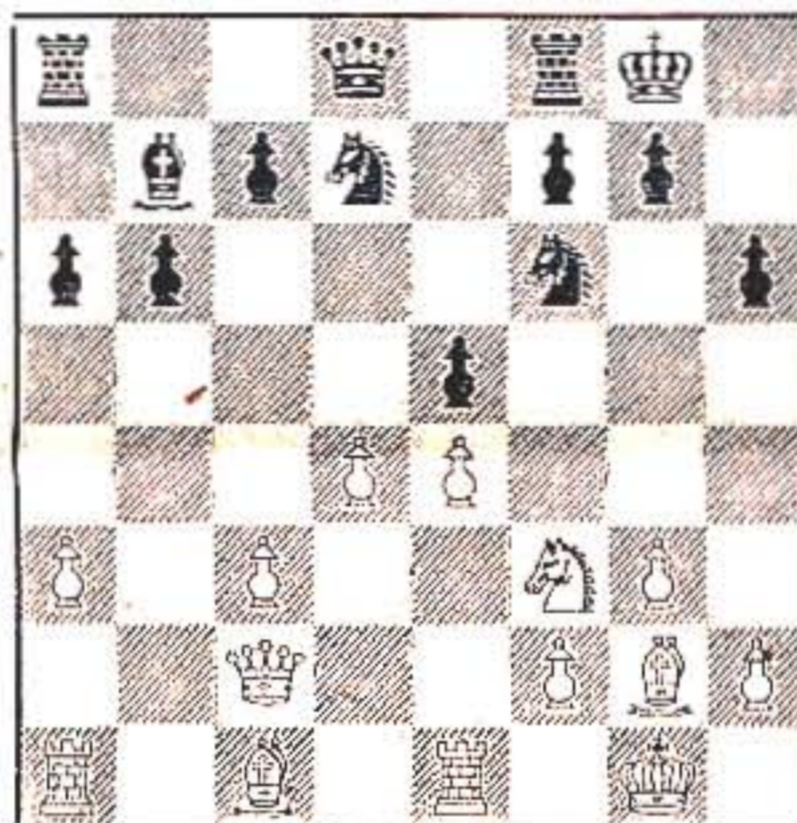
Here the queen protects the queen-pawn, and also threatens P-K5 followed by N-KN5.

12. P-KR3

Preventing B-KN5 or N-KN5.

13. P-QR3 BxN

14. PxB P-K4



Position after 14., P-K4

Denker does not particularly feel comfortable in cramped positions. He, therefore, decided to sacrifice a piece for some attacking chances. I saw this possibility coming, but thought the sacrifice to be completely unsound. A conservative and patient player would have continued with 14., Q-K2 followed by KR-Q1 and P-QB4.

15. NXP

Not as good is 15. PXP, N-N5; 16. B-B4, Q-K2 and Black recovers the pawn with a decent position.

15. NxN
16. Pxn N-N5
17. P-KB4 Q-K2
18. P-R3

The only way to play for a distinct advantage. 18. B-K3, NxN; 19. RxN, Q-B4; 20. Q-B2, KR-Q1 gives Black good fighting chances. Black's control of the queen-file, plus White's inferior pawn position would have been sufficient compensation for the pawn.

18. Q-B4ch

19. K-R1 Q-B7

19., N-B7ch; 20. K-R2, and the threat of B-K3 can not be met.

20. R-K2

20. QxQ, NxQch; 21. K-N1, N-Q6; 22. R-Q1, KR-Q1; 23. B-K3, N-N7 with a playable game. If in this 24. R-Q4, P-QB4; 25. R-Q6, N-B5.

20. QxNP

21. Pxn QR-Q1

(DIAGRAM)

His king being exposed, White must proceed with caution. Should Black succeed in doubling his rooks on the queen-file, White's position might become critical.

22. B-K3 QxNP

If 22., R-Q2; 23. R-Q2, KR-Q1; 24. QR-Q1, and Black is forced to exchange both rooks. This would have simplified White's task.

23. R(K2)-K1
23. R-Q1 looks like the obvious move, but after 23., Q-N6, White has no satisfactory method of getting his pieces on the king-side. 24. K-N1? BxP!

23. P-KB4
The only plausible continuation. For if 23., R-Q2; 24. QR-Q1, KR-Q1; 25. RxR, RxR; 26. Q-K2, Q-R5ch; 27. K-N1 and Black's attack has lost its force.
24. Q-K2



Position after 24. Q-K2

The correct move. 24. PXP is unsatisfactory. There follows: 24., RXP; 25. Q-B2 (25. BxB, R-R4ch) R-R4ch; 26. K-N1, R-R6 threatening R-N6 and if 27. K-B1, R-R6 followed by R-N6. Neither is 24. PXP, e.p. playable on account of 24., RXP; 25. P-B5 (25. P-K5, R-B4 again) R(B3)-Q3 followed by R-Q6, and if 26. P-K5? R-Q7!

24. Q-R5ch

25. K-N1 PXP

26. R-KB1

Better than 26. QR-Q1, R-Q6; 27. RxR, PXR; 28. Q-KB2, Q-N5 with the possibilities of P-KN4 or R-B4.

26. R-B4

With the serious threat of R-R4, but I was anticipating this when I made my 26th move.

27. B-B2

Parries the threat effectively.

27. QXP

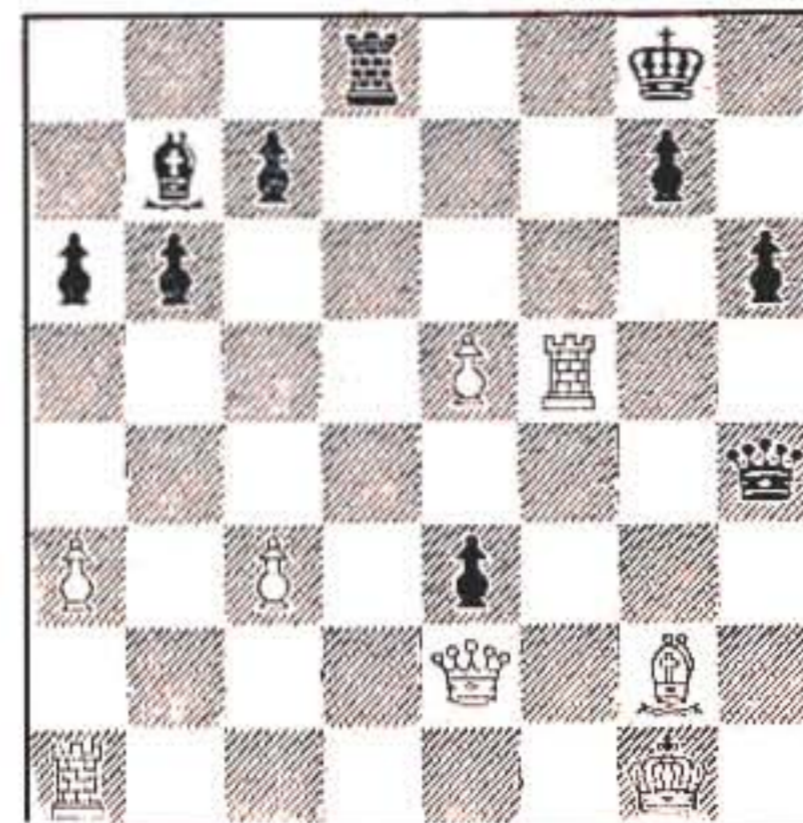
There is nothing better. 27., Q-K2; 28. BxP(K4) ends all hope for Black.

28. B-R4

Winning material by force, but Black still has some fight left.

28. QxB

29. RxR P-K6



Position after 29., P-Q6

Setting a trap. If 30. BxB, R-Q7; 31. QxP (31. B-Q5ch, K-R2) Q-N5ch; 32. K-B1 (32. K-R1, Q-R5ch) QxRch; 33. K-K1, R-Q6 with fairly good chances of surviving.

30. R-Q1

Simplifying by forcing the exchange of rooks.

30. RxR

Otherwise, White plays 31. BxB.

31. QxR BxB

32. KxB Q-K5ch

33. Q-B3

Also sufficient would have been 33. R-B3. There might have followed 33., P-K7; 34. Q-K1, QxP (34., P-KN4; 35. K-B2, P-N5; 36. R-K3) 35. K-B2, Q-QB4ch (Black has no perpetual check with 35., Q-R7ch; 36. K-K3, Q-K4ch; 37. K-Q2, Q-Q4ch; 38. KxP) 36. KxP, QxRP; 37. K-B1 and White would have had no real difficulty in winning, although Black would have had four pawns for the rook.

33. Q-B7ch

34. K-N1

Equally good was 34. K-N3, and if 34., P-K7; 35. K-B2 stops the pawn.

34. Q-B8ch

White was threatening 35. R-B8ch, K-R2; 36. Q-B5ch. 34., P-K7 is of no avail on account of 35. K-B2.

35. Q-B1 QxRP

Preventing R-B8ch.

36. Q-B4ch

White still must not relax. 36. P-K6 would have been more risky. Black would have continued 36., Q-Q3! 37. Q-B4, Q-N6ch; 38. K-B1, Q-R6ch; 39. K-K1? (39. K-K2 would have been correct) QxR; 40. P-K7ch, K-R2; 41. P-K8(Q) Q-KB7ch; 42. K-Q1, Q-Q7 mate.

36. K-R1

37. R-B3

Winning the passed pawn by force. 37. P-K6 was, however, good enough. For if 37., Q-Q3; 38. Q-K4, Q-N6ch (38., Q-Q8ch; 39. K-N2, Q-Q7ch; 40. K-R3 and there are no more checks left) 39. K-B1, Q-R6ch; 40. K-K2, etc. Neither would have 37., Q-B8ch accomplished anything, because of 38. Q-B1, QxP; 39. R-B8ch, K-R2; 40. Q-B5ch, P-N3; 41. Q-B7ch, Q-N2; 42. P-K7.

37. P-QN4

38. Q-B1

Threatening R-B8ch and mate in three moves.

38. K-N1

39. RxP Q-B4

40. Q-B2 P-QR4

41. P-K6 Q-K2

42. Q-B5 P-B3

43. R-B3 Resigns

The threat of 44. Q-B7 convinces my opponent of the hopelessness of continued resistance.

FIRST WEST TEXAS OPEN A GREAT SUCCESS

Thirty-eight players from Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma battled for a \$132 prize fund in a five-round Swiss held June 28-29. Byron Douglas of Dallas, Texas, and Dale Ruth from Midwest City, Oklahoma, tied at 4½ points, splitting first and second prize money with Ruth receiving the nod on points and the first-place trophy. Owen Johnson and Dr. R. S. Underwood with four points shared third prize money. The Texas Chess Association District 4 champion was James Showen, who placed eighth with 3½ points and received the championship trophy.

Others with 3½ points in order of finish were Jerry Milburn losing to Ruth in the last round, Max Burkett, Leon Poliakoff who lost to Byron Douglas in the last round and was a strong contender for top honors, and B. Thurston.

Tenth to seventeenth with 3 points were Robert Wright, George Heimberg, Tom Heldt, Park Bishop, Bob Horne, A. L. Strout, I. Hart, and Tom West, Jr.

The Midland Chess Club President, Dan R. Carter, assisted by Fred Smyth, directed the tournament. The acceptance of this first tournament in West Texas insures that Midland Chess Club will stage it again next year. Nine new USCF members were enrolled.

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Vote Early and Often

From six readers came clippings from the slick SATURDAY REVIEW, issue of July 5, 1958, in which the well-known author and columnist, Cleveland Amory, invites suggestions for a weekly chess column in SR. He indicates that a postcard barrage would have beneficial effect on the editors of the magazine, in whose hands the final decision on the column rests. He says, "Anyway, vote early and often and don't think your individual vote will not count. The only thing moguls (editors) can do is count."

While we shall not bother to comment on Mr. Amory's gratuitous slur upon the editorial profession, we do think that a regular chess column in the SATURDAY REVIEW would be a giant step in the right direction, and we hasten to urge every reader of CHESS LIFE to add his postcard to the barrage which he suggested. Address: Mr. Cleveland Amory, The Saturday Review, 25 West 45th St., New York 36, N.Y. Oh yes—the vote was to be on the question of column content. So when writing to ask that the column be initiated, tell him whether you prefer an annotated "best game" or a chess problem, in each issue, or whether you would prefer a game one week and a problem the next. We have already written to Mr. Amory, casting our individual ballot, telling him in detail how to run his column, and pledging CHESS LIFE's support to the project. So please back us up—write that postcard now—there's just time to make that last mail pick-up today.

Now It Can Be Told

Our "Where Are You Going The Fourth" editorial of June 5, 1958, drew several critical letters from readers in New York, California, Oregon, and other points, most of them asking, "Where can I find a rated tournament anywhere near me?" They pointed out that Milwaukee and Sarasota were the only real open events, since the San Antonio affair was earmarked "invitational." To those who let it go at that, our thanks for their forbearance. To those who added that they thought we were slightly off our rocker, our admission that they were close to the truth. To both groups, this explanation.

The editorial was a despairing attempt at appeasement. Sarasota organizers had complained about the preponderance of favorable publicity which CHESS LIFE had given to the 2nd Western Open, while it had been hinted from Milwaukee that the publicity given to the Major J. B. Holt Memorial and 37th SCA Championship was likely to hurt the Western Open's entry-list. The editorial, therefore, was our declaration of neutrality, as well as our honest personal opinion that no matter which event a player entered, he couldn't go wrong.

With its dozens of masters and experts, and with an entry-list of 118, compared to the 1957 record 122, the Milwaukee event has officially been declared a strong and successful tournament. The SCA event, in turn, with its 85 player enrollment, has been officially called, "the largest and strongest field in the classic's 37 year history." We have, therefore, emerged from our dugout, and we no longer cringe when letters post-marked "Milwaukee" or "Sarasota" arrive.

(JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP—Cont. from Page 1)

Twelve players in the power-packed championship field of 25 tallied 5-4. In order of their finish via Median points they were: John Freeman, 4th; Stephen Sholomson, 17, Los Angeles, 5th; Robert Dickinson, 19, Redwood City, Calif., 6th; Thomas Heldt, 17, Albuquerque, N. M., 7th; Tom Lucas, 19, Tampa, Fla., 8th; David Krasse, 16, the new Southern Champion from Palo Alto, Calif., 9th; Larry Snyder, 16, Philadelphia, 10th; Jorge Lodos, 17, Havana, Cuba, 11th; Anthony Cantone, 19, Philadelphia, 12th; Max Burkett, 19, Carlsbad, N. M., 13th; Leonard Hill, 19, Mountain View, Calif., 14th; and James Bennett, 16, Fort Worth, Texas, 15th.

The U. S. Boys Championship, for boys 14 or younger, was won by David Steele, 14, Raleigh, N. C. Steele topped the field in the ten player round robin Futurity section for players rated 1800 or lower with an outstanding 8½-1½ score. He drew only with Miss Dolly

Teasley. Sam Slona, 13, Lynchburg, Va., and Danny Peskoe, 13, Homestead, Fla., tied for second in the boys, by tallying 3½-5½ in the same section.

Miss Dolly Teasley, 17, Orlando, Fla., won the U. S. Girls Championship and entry into the next U. S. Women's Championship as she scored 7-2 in the Futurity. Miss Teasley is the nation's highest rated girl, and is 15th on the women's list.

Larry Gray, 18, Homestead, Fla., captured the U. S. Futurity title with a 7-2 score. Alan Levinson, 16, Miami, Fla., was next with 6½-2½; and Larry Oversmith, Jackson, Mich., had 5-4.

Steele, Teasley and Gray, each won trophies, a \$25 savings bond as a scholarship, and entry into next U. S. Champions of Champions event. Steele gains custody for one year of the H. A. Dittman Trophy.

Gene Haynes, 17, Homestead, Fla., snared the ten player round robin U. S.



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New Players Championship, by winning a playoff from Alfred Kramer, 16, after both had scored 7-2. Joel Chrycy, 14, defeated Charles Freiburger, 15, in a playoff for third after both had tallied 6-3. All four were from Homestead. Anthony Peluso, 12, of the same city was fifth with 5½-3½.

Larry Brennan, 11, West Miami, Fla., won the U. S. Beginners title by scoring 11½-½ in a 13 player round robin. Kinnie Walden, 8, Homestead, Fla., the youngest player in the program, took second with 11-1. Joe Engelhardt, 9, and Jack Goldenberg, 10, both of Homestead, tied for fourth with 8½-3½.

In the U. S. Sponsors event for adults who helped the juniors compete, Carlos A. Palacio and Ramon Bravo, both of Havana, Cuba, eclipsed the field with 8½-½ in the ten player round robin.

The U. S. Family Team Championship was won by the Killoughs of Russell, Kansas, by the narrow margin of a half-point from the Kramers of Homestead.

California won the state team of four titles with 23 points. Texas was second with 20. Cuba rallied with four big points in the final round to finish third with 17. Florida had 16½; Pennsylvania, 12; New Mexico, 10; and New York, represented only by the new champion, scored 8.

Stephen Sholamson, 17, Los Angeles, won the U. S. Junior Speed Championship with a perfect score, getting 5-0 in the finals. Robert Dickinson and Stephen Jones tied for second with 3-2; Enrique Velasco of Cuba and Alan Levinson had 2-3.

The field in the championship section was reputed to be the strongest for any U. S. Junior ever held. The median rating of the players, after adjustments were made for performances since the last rating list was published, was an incredible 1971. Only three of the 25 were rated below 1800. Ten (40%) were expert or higher. Of these, Remlinger, and now also Weinstein, will be listed as masters. An idea of the strength may be grasped when one realizes that a 2151 player with a national reputation was held to 5-4, and another with 2175 was stopped with a minus score!

A record-breaking total of 68, including ten adult sponsors, participated in the five event program. The highest mark previously was 44, for a single event at Long Beach, Calif., in 1954. Undoubtedly the extra events expanded attendance to a large degree, and a continuation of the multiple event program will enable cities in the near future to really shatter all the old records.

The contribution of Homestead, the smallest city ever to stage a national event, can not be minimized. Scholarship and cash prizes totaled \$370. Trophies, free food, merchandise awards, free housing and recreation and other miscellaneous advantages, brought the total to about \$1,000. When one considers that there was no entry fee, the contribution of Homestead was roughly equivalent to that customarily made by the host city for the U. S. Open Championship. A complete list of donors will be printed and distributed. All players in Championship and Futurity scoring 3-6 or better each received a prize of some kind. Value of free services was estimated at \$25-\$30 each.

Among the interesting features of the tournament were the appearances of five players from our good neighbors in Cuba, and another from Canada. Five traveled all the way from California. Three countries and 12 states or provinces were represented.

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TIDBITS OF MASTER PLAY

By International MASTER WILLIAM LOMBARDY

World Junior Champion

"A Lesson in the Sicilian Defense"

SOME GAMES FROM RUSSIA

Our young champion, Robert J. Fischer, has just departed for the mystic land of Russia. Here he will meet some of Russia's toughest players at exhibition and match play in preparation for his participation in the WORLD INTERZONAL QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT.

For the readers' information I would like to list the players in this tournament.

GRANDMASTERS: M. TAHL, T. PETROSYAN, D. BRONSTEIN, Y. AUERBACH, M. FILIP, L. PACHMAN, S. GLIGORICH, A. MATANOVICH, L. SZAZO, B. LARSEN, F. OLAFSSON, O. PANNO.

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MASTER: JAMES T. SHERWIN.

To meet such formidable opposition as listed above one must have solid practice which I am sure the Russians will be able to give our young Robert. For this reason I am presenting games of his prospective opponents for the readers' enjoyment and enlightenment.

RUSSIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

PRELIMINARIES 1958

SICILIAN DEFENSE

LAPIN White SHAPOSHNIKOF Black

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| 1. P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| 2. N-KB3 | P-Q3 |
| 3. P-Q4 | PxP |
| 4. NxP | N-KB3 |
| 5. N-QB3 | P-QR3 |
| 6. B-KN5 | |

This seems to be the more popular of the various alternatives: 6. B-QB4, 6. B-K2, or 6. P-B3.

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| 6. | P-K3 |
| 7. Q-B3 | |



Position after 7. Q-B3

In recent tournament play the variations more in favor are:

(A) 7. P-B4, B-Q2; 8. Q-B3, N-B3; 9. O-O-O, NxN; 10. RxN, B-B3; 11. B-K2, B-K2; 12. KR-Q1, Q-R4!; 13. Q-N3, P-KR3!; 14. B-R4, P-K4! with equality. Albert vs. Lombardy, MAR DEL PLATA 1957.

(B) 7. P-B4, B-Q2; 8. Q-Q2, N-B3; 9. O-O-O, P-KR3; 10. B-R4, NxP; 11. Q-K1!, N-B3; 12. N-B5, Q-R4; 13. NxPch, BxN; 14. RxB, O-O-O; 15. B-K2; 16. R-Q2! with a slight advantage for White. Korchnoi vs. Auerbach Russian Champ, 1955.

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| 7. | P-KR3 |
| 8. B-R4 | QN-Q2 |
| 9. O-O-O | N-K4 |

This and Black's next few moves demonstrate the value of a central pawn majority.

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| 10. Q-R3 | N-N3 |
| 11. B-N3 | B-Q2 |
| 12. P-B3 | P-QN4 |
| 13. B-K1 | |

Realizing that he cannot leave his queen on R3 indefinitely White decides to relinquish control of his KB4 square in order to move her.

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| 13. | P-K4! |
| 14. N-B5 | N-B5 |
| 15. Q-R4 | |

If 15. Q-N3, BxN followed by P-Q4 gives Black the better of it.

15. P-Q4!!!!

In the Sicilian Defense Black should not play this move unless it is very strong which in this case it is. Usually Black must prepare this counter-thrust 20, 30, or even 40 or more moves before he can play it effectively. This brings up the question: Why has Black been able to essay P-Q4 so early? The answer to this question is obvious.

White has wasted too much time with the pretended attacking manouvres of his QUEEN.

16. Q-B2 P-Q5

17. P-KN3

Necessary else White's position becomes too cumbersome.

17. N-K3

18. N-Q5 R-B1

19. B-Q3 B-B3



Position after 19. B-B3

White is losing the advanced positions for his pieces, and although he is developed his situation in the center is gradually becoming weaker.

20. NxNch QxN

21. P-KB4 P-N3

Did Black overlook 21. PxP; 22. PxP, P-KN3?

22. PxP QxP

23. N-R4 B-K2

24. N-B3 Q-N2

25. K-N1 O-O

26. P-KR4

White went to sleep one night dreaming of a King-side attack.

26. B-B4

27. B-Q2 P-B4!!

28. PxP RxB!

(See diagram top next column) A fantastic sacrifice of the exchange which demonstrates Black's superiority in the center. White must take else he loses a piece.

29. BxR PxB

30. Q-K2



Position after 28. RxB!

Black threatened P-Q6.

30. B-K5

31. B-B4 B-N5

32. R-QB1 Q-N2

33. KR-B1 RxB!!

34. RxB P-Q6

35. Q-K3 PXRch

36. K-B1

Black wins a piece on K-R1 with 36. NxB; 37. PxN, Q-Q4!

36. Q-Q4

Black has handled his attack quite precisely and he now wins swiftly.

37. Q-N3 BxN

38. QxP N-B4

WHITE RESIGNS.

SICILIAN DEFENSE NO. 2

ARATOVSKY White ZAGOROVSKY Black

1. P-K4 P-QB4

2. N-KB3 P-Q3

3. P-Q4 PxP

4. NxP P-QR3

5. N-QB3 P-QR3

6. B-KN5 P-K3

7. Q-B3

Maybe Black has no trouble in equalizing against this move?

7. P-KR3

8. B-R4 QN-Q2

9. O-O-O Q-B2



Position after 9. O-O-O

This seems as good as 9. N-K4 to which White can reply 10. Q-K2.

10. P-KN4

A most unnatural move but has anyone got a suggestion?

10. N-K4

11. Q-K2 P-KN4!

12. B-N3 P-KR4

Either NxNP wins a pawn but obviously Black has a more important positional plan in mind.

13. PxP NxB

14. R-N1

White must not permit himself to be saddled with a backward KRP after 14. NxN.

14. B-Q2

15. K-N1

P-B3 is better.

15. NxB

16. RPxN P-N5!

Black insures his stable against fire, theft and vicious attacks.

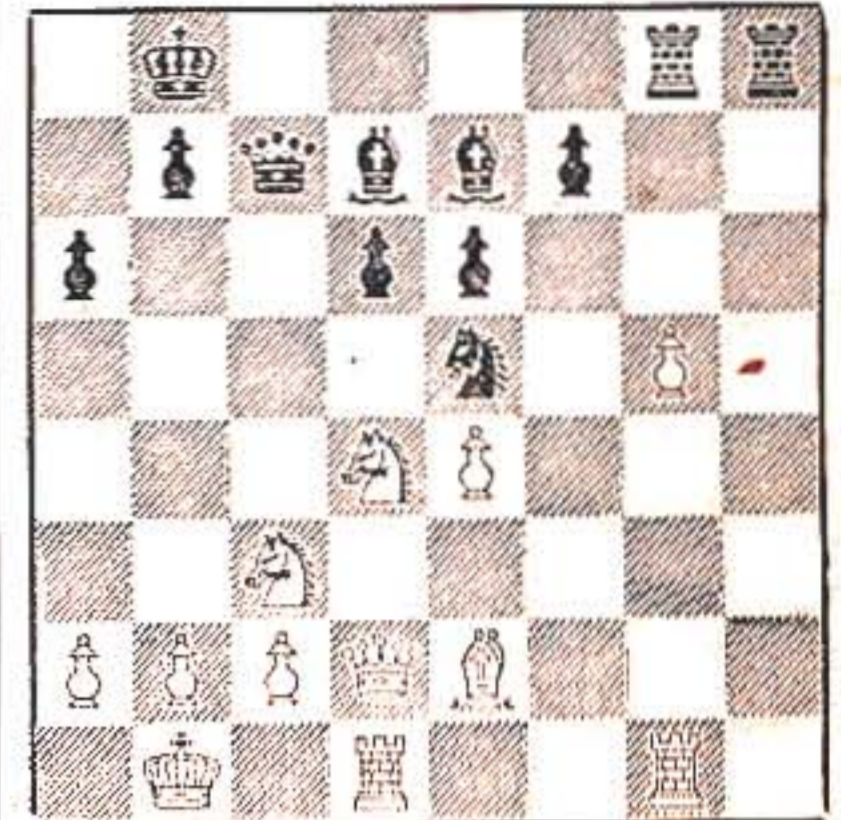
17. P-B4 PxP e.p.

18. NxBP B-N2

19. N-Q4

19. NxN; 20. QxN, BxN was menaced.

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| 19. | O-O-O |
| 20. P-KN4 | K-N1 |
| 21. P-N5 | QR-N1 |
| 22. Q-Q2 | B-KB1 |
| 23. B-K2 | B-K2! |



Position after 23. B-K2

Before the game goes any further we should take an assessment of the position.

- (1) Black has a strong square for his knight.
- (2) White has weak pawns.
- (3) Black has the two bishops.
- (4) White has a safe king position.
- (5) Black has the better game!

24. N-B3 Q-B4

25. Q-B4 B-K1

26. NxN PxN

27. Q-Q2 R-N3

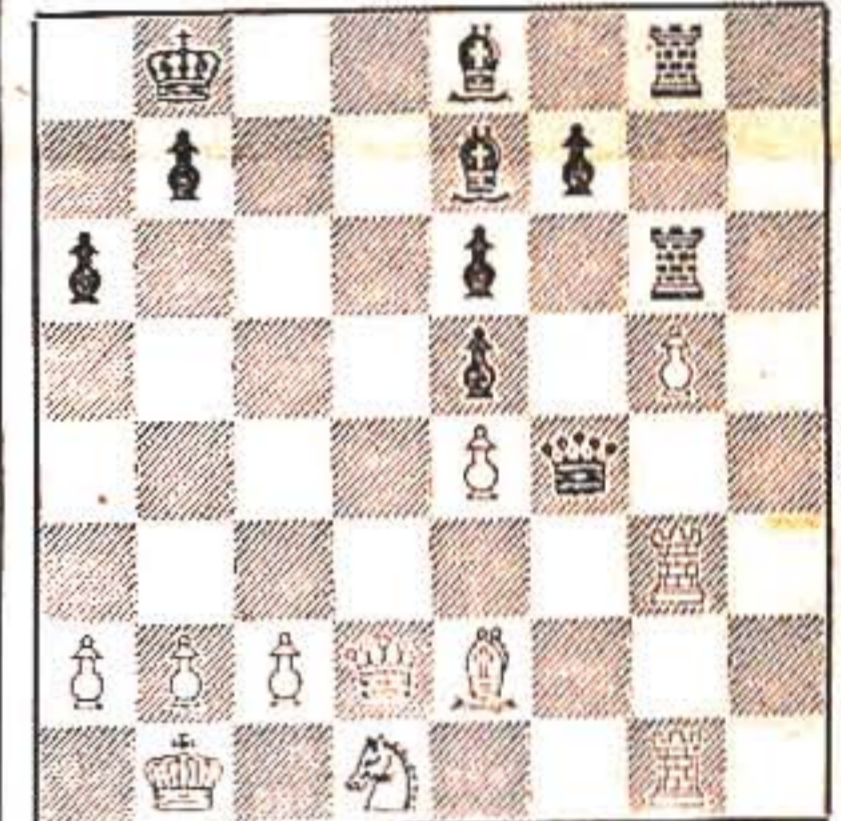
Simple and strong. Isn't that what everybody says?

28. R-N3 R(1)-N1

29. R(1)-N1 Q-B7?!

This gives White his chance. Correct was 29. P-B3!

30. N-Q1! Q-B5?



Position after 30. Q-B5?

If Black plays for the win he should retreat his Queen.

31. Q-R5 RxB

32. R-N3!

Now White forces a draw.

32. B-N4

33. RxB BxR

34. P-R4!

Mate was threatened!

34. BxB

35. Q-N4! P-N4

36. Q-Q6ch

And an exciting draw was agreed!

MONEY TRAIL LEADS NORTH

U.S. masters and experts who don't mind knocking off some cash in addition to the trophies and glory with which many tournaments reward the successful finalists, will be heading for the Second Canadian Open in Winnipeg after the smoke of the U.S. Open has rolled away. With a guaranteed first prize of \$1000, and other prizes to scale, this 10 round Swiss, starting Aug. 23 and ending Sept. 1, will undoubtedly attract a record number of entries. Entry fee \$10. Register at Free Press Building, 300 Carlton St., Winnipeg, before noon, Aug. 23. Bring own sets and clocks. For a run-down on the 1956 event, see CL 9/20/56, and 3/5/58.

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AMATEUR SWATS MASTER

When a Class A player beats a master, that's news. When the Class A player handles a position full of intricacies with finesse and brilliancy, the game becomes doubly interesting. Oliver Huttuff of Wilmington is getting a reputation for knocking off outstanding players. That he does not win tournaments is due to losses to duffers like the annotator.

SICILIAN DEFENSE

MCO (9) p. 153, col. 158
North Carolina Open
Championship
Fayetteville, 1958

Notes by Norman M. Hornstein, M.D.

Oliver Huttuff White Eliot Hearst Black

1. P-K4 P-QB4
2. N-KB3 P-QR3
This move is ascribed to O'Kelly de Galway. The important point is that 3. P-Q4, PxP; 4. NxP, N-KB3; 5. N-QB3, P-K4; 6. N-B3 or N-N3 is answered by B-N5! with a fine game for Black. Eliot Hearst has probably experimented with this opening as much as O'Kelly using a system of his own (see CL Aug. and Dec., 1956).

3. P-B4!
The most aggressive answer. 3. P-B3 may be better but is rarely seen.

3. N-QB3
4. P-Q4 PxP
5. NxP N-B3
6. N-QB3 P-K4
7. N-B5!

7. N-B2 leads to book Maroczy bind variations and equality. Hearst had a fine game in the same tournament against 7. N-B3.

7. P-Q3
According to Euwe, 7., P-Q4!! is the only move and gives Black equality. Then 8. BPxP, BxN; 9. PxP, N-Q5; 10. B-K3. MCO states that the game is now even. However, Euwe gives the fascinating sequence 10., NxBP; 11. Q-R4ch, P-N4; 12. NxP, PxN; 13. BxPch, K-K2; 14. B-B5ch, N-Q3; 15. BxNch, KxB; 16. Q-N4ch, K-B2!; 17. R-Bch, K-N, with a strong plus for Black in a weird position. Other good tenth moves for White are 10. B-Q3 and B-KN5. Hearst's 7th move seems to lead to a loss.

8. N-K3 B-K2
9. B-K2 O-O
10. O-O N-Q5

Both sides can place a Knight on the strong square Q5, but only White is able to keep it posted there.

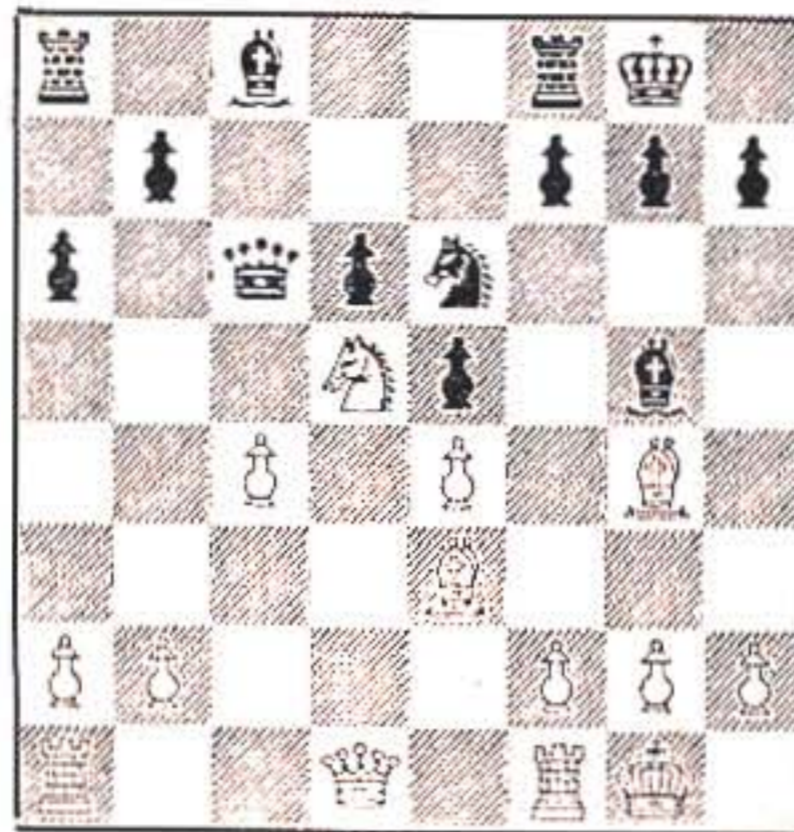
11. N(K3)-Q5! NxN
12. NxN N-K3

Already Black is at a loss for developing moves. After 12., B-K3; 13. B-K3, BxN; 14. BPxN—the advantage of manoeuvre and pawn formation is with the first player.

13. B-K3 B-N4
Hearst is a sportsman and I often wonder whether he doesn't get into these losing positions with amateurs just for the thrill of accomplishing the impossible. Here he starts a series of complications—the only hope.

14. B-N6! Q-Q2
15. B-N4! Q-B3
16. B-K3

Very, very elegant. This position now abounds in traps and counter traps which is well worth study. Huttuff threads his way like a grandmaster.



Position after 16. B-K3

16. B-Q1
The only move.
17. R-B1 K-R1
18. Q-Q2 P-KN3

One cannot find a move worth making, but this one looks especially bad. It only looks that way, however, as a faux pas is always more censurable than a mauvaise pensee.

19. B-R6 R-KN1 25. R-K7! NxP
20. P-B4! Q-B4ch 26. Q-R6 N-B3
21. K-R1 Q-Q5 27. RxQ NxR
22. PxP! QxKP/4 28. Q-R4 NxB
23. RxP B-N4 29. Q-B6ch and
24. BxB NxB wins.

After so much glory, Huttuff was in severe time pressure and took 35 moves to win. The obvious could have caused a Black resignation in 5 moves. However with 27 moves to make in 8 minutes, one can understand the lapse.

WINNER AND RUNNER-UP MEET

Gruenfeld Reversed
MCO 9: Page 346, Column 27, (g)
Marshall Chess Club Championship
New York, 1957-58

Notes by U. S. Master A. E. Santasiere

SANTASIERE White LEVY Black

1. N-KB3 P-Q4
He was expecting and had prepared for the "Folly" (P-QN4); it was good psychology therefore to choose my favorite conservative opening.

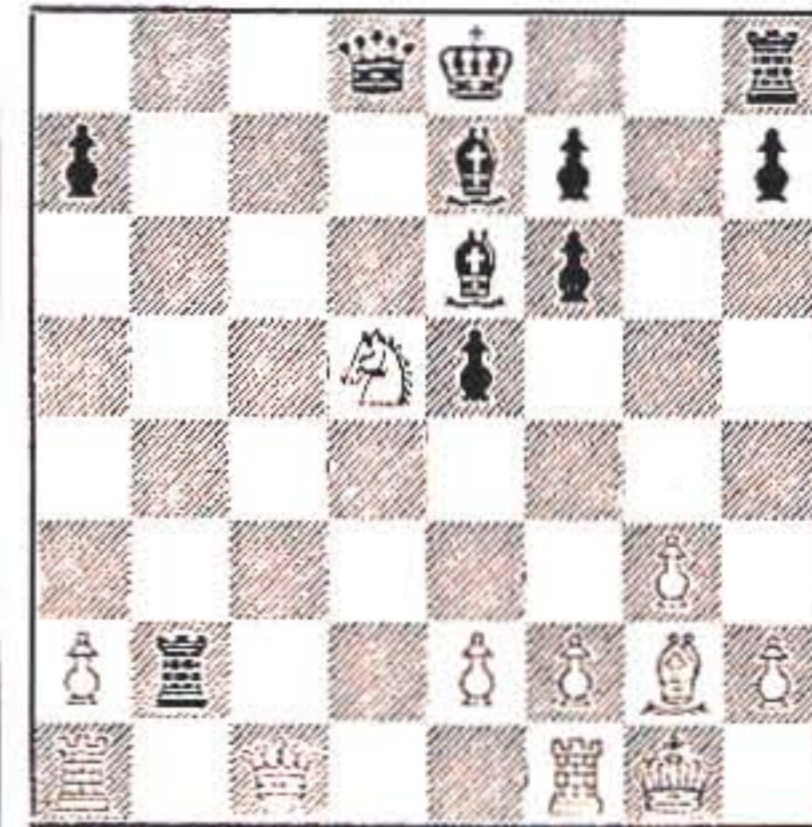
2. P-KN3 P-QB4
3. B-N2 N-QB3
Better to keep this N home for a while. The Reversed Gruenfeld set-up which Levy permits is in White's favor.

4. P-Q4 PxP
5. NxP P-K4
6. NxN PxN
7. P-QB4 N-B3
8. O-O B-K3
9. N-B3 B-K2

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10. PxP PxP
11. B-N5
Now Black can only avoid loss of the QP by the unappetizing P-K5. Instead he gambles on either RxNP or, if permitted, P-Q5.
11. QR-N
12. BxN PxP
13. NxP RxP
14. Q-B1!



Position after 14. Q-B1

A beautiful move which refutes Black's plan. He dare not touch the KP and among other threats, there's the "killer-diller," Q-Q6ch.

14. R-QN1
15. N-B7ch K-B
16. R-Q1 B-Q3
Because he did not care for the alternative, Q-B1; Q-R6ch; K-N; QR-B.
17. NxBch PxN
18. Q-R6ch K-B2
19. B-B3 R-N3
20. B-R5ch K-N
21. R-Q3

Intending simply to double rooks.
21. Q-KB1
22. Q-Q2 B-N5
23. Q-Q1 R-Q3

White was threatening R-Q8.
24. Q-N3 RxR
25. QxPch K-N2
26. PxR Q-K2
27. Q-N4ch K-R3
28. R-N1 P-R4
29. Q-R4 K-N2
30. B-B3

To threaten R-N7.
30. R-Q1
31. Q-N4ch K-R
32. P-QR3 BxP
33. R-N7 Q-B1
34. B-K4 B-K2
35. Q-K6 R-K
36. B-B6 R-B

A last attempt—if 37. RxR, RxR! But White now aims for B-R5 to which there is no defense.

37. B-B3 B-B4
38. B-K4 Resigns
This (final round) fourth successive victory after many disappointing draws vs. some of the weaker players was a thrilling moment.

EL PASO JUNIOR

Sixteen year old John Freeman of El Paso won first place in the Albuquerque Open. His tactical and analytical ability are quite impressive.—JWC.

SICILIAN DEFENSE

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Albuquerque Open, 1958

Notes by John Freeman

JOHN FREEMAN White TOM HELDT Black

1. P-K4 P-QB4
2. N-KB3 P-Q3
3. P-Q4 PxP
4. NxP N-KB3
5. N-QB3 P-QR3

The Najdorf Variation. Other choices are 5., P-K3 (The Modern Paulsen) and P-KN3 or N-B3 which reach positions in the Dragon.

6. B-KN5
About the only move that is not countered by 6., P-K4.

6. P-K3
7. Q-B3
The crossroads. Presently 6. P-B4 is en vogue, but there are no less than five other continuations e.g. B-K2, B-Q3, Q-Q2, B-QB4, and P-QR4.
7. B-K2
Other playable continuations are 7., B-Q2 and P-R3.
8. O-O-O B-Q2?
Inferior, and refuted by the following combination. Better is 8., Q-B2.

9. P-K5! PxP
10. NxP! PxN



Position after 10. NxP!

Instead of the text, Black might try to close the QN file by the speculative 10., P-K5?! 11. NxKP, (not NxQ?, PxQ; 12. NxNP, B-B3!) PxN; 12. NxN ch, BxN; 13. BxB, QxB; 14. QxP and White wins the exchange.

11. QxP! N-B3
12. BxN R-R21
The only try. If 10., BxB; 11. RxR, QxR; 12. QxRch and White wins.

13. BxB QxB
14. Q-N6 O-O
15. N-K4 R-N1
16. Q-B5

Threatening to simplify and forcing Black's Queen away from the impending Queen-side attack.

16. Q-R5
Black must try for something since he faces certain death in the end game.

17. P-KB3
Not fully satisfactory, but if 17. B-Q3, R(2)-N2; 18. P-QN3, N-N5 with some pressure for Black.

17. Q-B5ch
18. K-N1 R(2)-N2
19. P-QN3 N-Q5
20. BxB R-QB1?

Black was apparently under the impression that he would win an additional piece after the exchange of his rooks. However, if 20., R-N3; 21. Q-B7, Q-B2 (B-K1; 22. RxN) 22. N-B5.

21. BxR RxQ
22. NxR B-N4?
Black must prevent the following combination, but the attack is over and Black could resign.

23. P-B3 N-K7 30. R-K1 B-B4ch
24. R-Q8ch K-B2 31. B-K4 BxBch
25. R-B8ch! KxR 32. PxP N-Q5
26. NxPch K-B2 33. K-N2 K-K2
27. NxQ NxN 34. K-B3 N-B6
28. P-B4 B-Q2 35. R-K2 Resigns
29. P-N3 N-K7

August 30-31-Sept. 1

West Virginia Championship, Junior Championship, and Open

Armstrong Hall, West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Va.
Open to all but state titles go to highest-ranking West Virginians.

Juniors must be under 21 as of Aug. 30, 1958.

5 or 6 round SS tournaments, starting at 12:00 noon, Aug. 30. Register anytime before then. Entry fees: W.Va. Championship, \$5.00; Junior, \$2.00; Open, \$3.00; various prizes. Tournament Director Dr. V. J. Lemke. Bring clocks and sets. For advance registration, or further details, write: Richard Lee, P. O. Box 971, Morgantown, West Va. Rated?

College Chess Life

Conducted by
Frederick H. Kerr

As previously reported in CHESS LIFE, William Lombardy, Edmar Mednis, Anthony Saidy, Arthur Feuerstein and Robert Sobel are representing the United States in the World Student Championship in Bulgaria. A debt of several hundred dollars remains as this column is written. Although the drive to raise funds to send an American team to Munich for the Chess Olympics is now under way, your reporter requests readers to contribute to the students travel fund. Checks payable to the Intercollegiate Chess League of America may be sent to the above address. Your donation is an investment in a project which contributes to international understanding and friendly competition. Other forms of such competition which could result from a lack of understanding are much more expensive.

Results continue to be received in the First United States Intercollegiate Correspondence Championship. Charles Musgrove of Northwestern University has taken the lead with 4-0. David Kurland of Antioch College, Ronald Scott Thacker of West Contra Costa Junior College, Virgil Rizzo of the University of Pittsburgh, and John P. Zilic of Northwestern follow with 3-0. Three others remain undefeated with 2-0; they are Michael Cesanek of the Pennsylvania State University, Cadet Richard J. Hervert of the U.S. Military Academy, and Dale Ruth of the University of Oklahoma. If enough interest is expressed, the second such tournament will begin in September.

The Richmond, Indiana, Chess Club visited Antioch College at Yellow Springs, Ohio, for a return match recently. John D. Brattin and Shirley Collins were able to round up a very strong team, and the collegians won 10-4.

If any of the readers of "College Chess Life" would like to do some work for national chess, they are invited to write to this reporter. Volunteers are needed for work in two areas of equal importance. First, at least one student on each campus could promote USCF membership in connection with the campaign organized by our president, Jerry Spann. Second, the ICLA needs the services of as many students as possible for such activities as tournament organization, membership promotion, finance, newsletter editing, writing, typing, and others. Here is your chance to gain valuable experience in the administration and promotion of national organizations. A special invitation is extended to new freshmen and sophomores. Let us hear from you now so that plans can be made before school begins.

Armed Forces Chess

by SFC Robert A. Karch

All chess players and chess clubs in any of the Armed Forces anywhere around the world are invited to send in news items for publication to Robert A. Karch, 1636-46th Avenue, Oakland 1, California.

Competition for Mr. Marry, the Vogelweh Club Champion in Germany, is already shaping up in the form of a Candidates Tournament. The winner of this event will meet Marry in a title match. This seems to be an excellent combination of tournament and match play, patterned after the method used on the international level to qualify the world champion.

In two preliminary matches designed to stimulate interest in the formation of a Sacramento Chess League, a team representing the combined forces of McClellan and Mather Air Force Bases has notched two victories over a team composed of employees of the California State Bridge Department, Capt.

Ed B. Edmondson reports these matches were played at regular Wednesday night meetings of the Capital City Chess Club, Clunie Hall, Alhambra and F Streets, Sacramento, California. Detailed results of the first match follow:

Air Force Team	4 1/2
1. Capt. Ed B. Edmondson	.....0
2. William L. Rebold	.....1
3. N. Don Gold	.....1
4. S/Sgt. Elworth Waddell	.....1
5. Lt. Gerald Sartwell	..... 1/2
6. A/2C Donald A. Haley	.....0
7. Isaiah Primus	.....1
8. A/3C Larry V. Jaekle	.....0
California Bridge Dept	3 1/2
1. Ostap Bender	.....1
2. W. C. Kiedaisch	.....0
3. John Mitchell	.....0
4. Lloyd Lovelace	.....0
5. William A. Chesney	..... 1/2
6. Leonard Hollister	.....1
7. Loren Krueger	.....0
8. Frank Eakes	.....1

On my recent summer trip cross-country, I visited Dick Rees, genial editor of the Chess Correspondent, residing in Sioux City, Iowa. Among other things we talked about, Dick suggested that I should try to contact Claude F. Bloodgood III, an enthusiastic promoter who is also interested in Service chess. Shortly after arriving in Seattle, a report was received from Tournament Director Bloodgood on a special military semi-speed event held in the Norfolk, Virginia USO!

Army Reservist Michael Callahan won the event, scoring 5-1, but was ineligible for the trophy because he was not currently on active duty. Naval Chief Warren Dalton, the only player to win from Callahan, tallied 4-2 and earned the trophy on S-B points. Also scoring 4-2 in the 7-player event were Dr. Angel Acevedo, USN and Bernard Cunningham, USMC.

This tournament had a special rule: Games to end after 30 minutes of play, result to be determined by adjudication. R. Cunningham, Larry G. Robinson, and Andrew Y. Schoene served together on the adjudication committee.

WITH THE CLUBS

The Chess Club of the Convair Recreation Association of San Diego, Cal., sponsored a 6 rd. Swiss open tournament over the July 4-5-6 weekend, which might have drawn more strong entrants, had it been more widely publicized in advance.

USCF Expert Robert Brieger won the title (Convair Open, 1958) with an undefeated 5-1 tally. Experts Alfred P. Coles and Newton Grant tied for 2nd and 3rd places, with 4 1/2-1 1/2, Coles losing to Brieger and drawing with 4th place John Alexander, while Grant drew with Brieger and lost to Coles. John Alexander scored 4-2 for his fourth position. Mabel Burlingame of Phoenix, Arizona led the non-Californian contingent with 3 1/2-2 1/2 for the only other plus scores. Four new USCF members were enrolled when entering this USCF rated event.

"The Pan American Chess Club held its Annual Chess Luncheon on Saturday June 14, at which the winners of the Ladder and Regular tournaments were announced, and to whom trophies were presented. Ambassador Luis Quintanilla and his chess enthusiastic wife, Mrs. Sarah Quintanilla, were hosts to the members at their lovely residence on Massachusetts Avenue. Dr. Quintanilla is representative to the Organization of American States from Mexico.

"Highest rated players in the Ladder Tournament were 1) Osvaldo Chaves (Paraguay); 2) Charles S. Geier (U.S.); 3) Joaquin Feroselle Bacardi (Cuba); 4) Federico E. DeGraw (Cuba); and Mrs. Sarah Quintanilla (Mexico).

"Winners of the Annual Tournament were in the **First Category**: 1) Charles S. Geier (U.S.); 2) Joaquin Feroselle Bacardi (Cuba); 3) Osvaldo Chaves (Paraguay). In the **Second Category**: 1) Daniel E. Matthews (U.S.); 2) Arthur E. Gropp (U.S.); 3) Luis Quintanilla (Mexico). And in the **Third Category**: 1) Domingo R. Castell (Argentina); 2) Rafael I. Gutierrez (Nicaragua); and Ulises Consuegra (Cuba)."

Mate The Subtle Way!

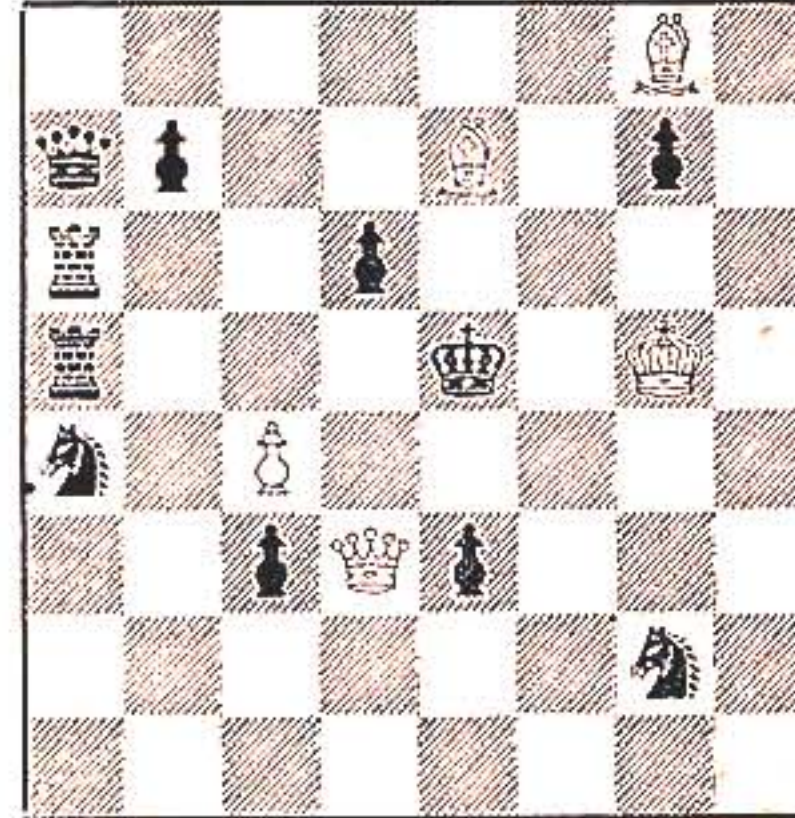
by Nicholas Gabor

All communications concerning this problem-column, including solutions as well as original compositions for publication (two- and three-mover direct mates), from composers anywhere should be sent to Nicholas Gabor, Hotel Kemper Lane, Cincinnati 6, Ohio.

Problem No. 929

By Pedro Fastosky
Argentina

Original for Chess Life

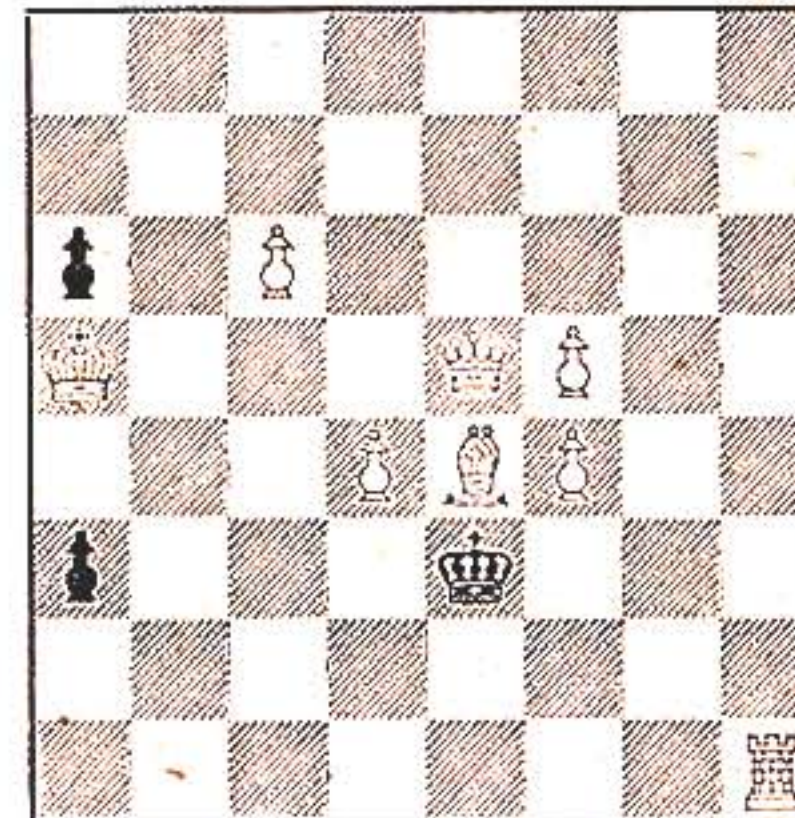


Mate in two moves

Problem No. 931

By Nathan Rubens
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Contest entry
Correction of No. 878

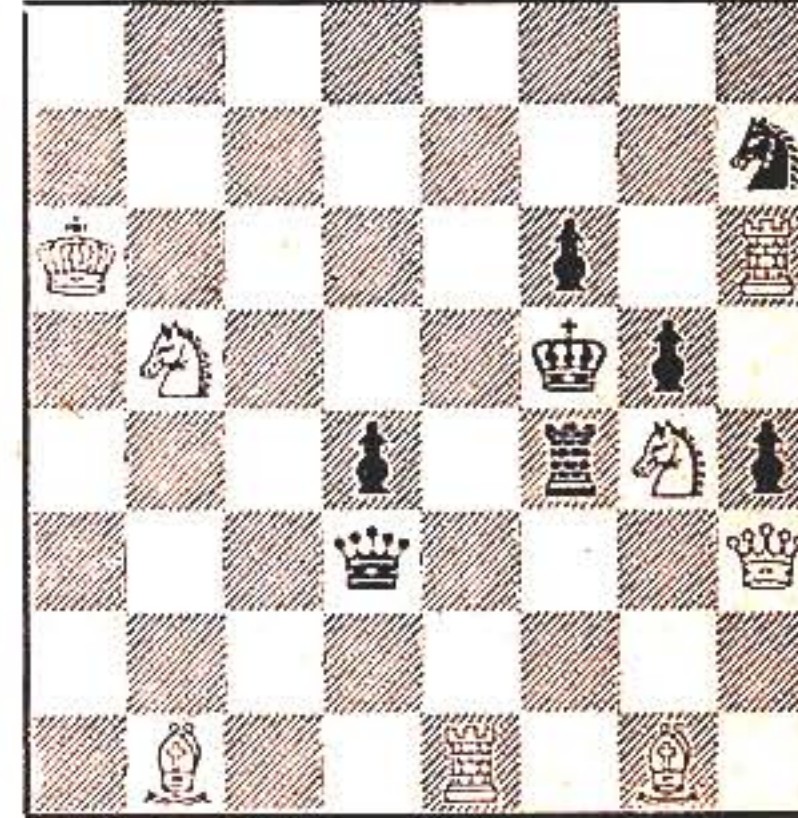


Mate in three moves

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Charlottesville, Va.

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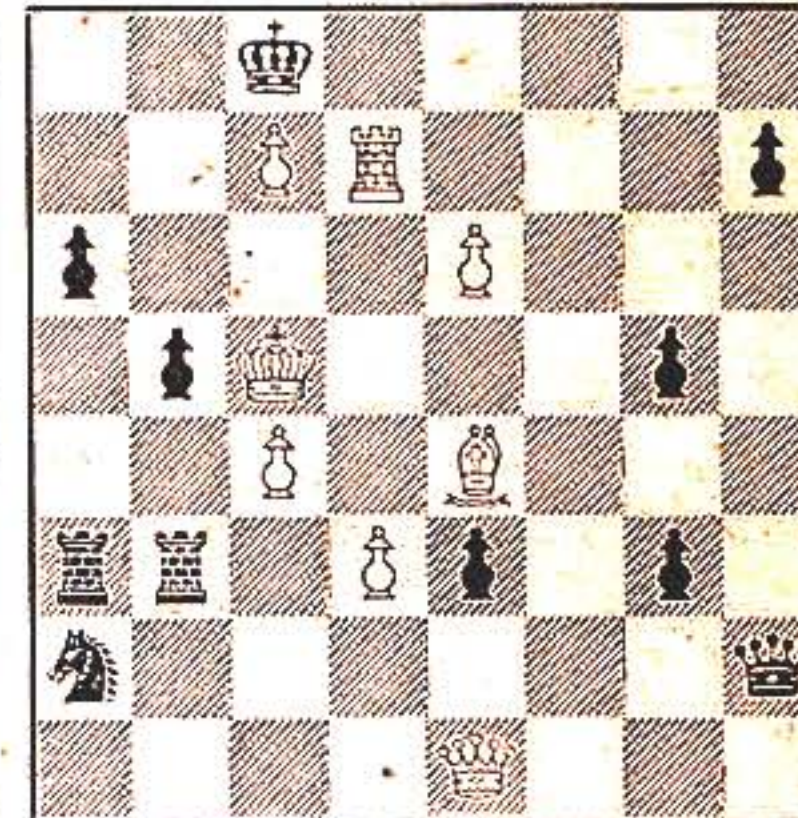


Mate in two moves

Problem No. 932

By Ravenscroft and Hawes
Australia

Contest entry
Correction of No. 872



Mate in three moves

In addition to the 2 original contributions to our column Nos. 929 and 930, we present 2 corrected versions of entries to our recently concluded "Gamage Memorial Contest," both three-movers. As published earlier, they suffered from slight omissions which resulted in unintended solutions (cooks). As usual in such cases, most of our solvers failed to find the real points in them. We think these points make them worthy of repetition.

Solutions to "Mate the Subtle Way" etc. etc.

No. 917 Fournier: intended: 1. R-N5 threat 2. P-Q4 mate. Four fairly good variations after 1., R-N2, R-B3, N-K7 and N-B6. In trying to improve the original setting, we added trouble. Cook 1. N-B3ch! Our fault. Apologies; **No. 918 Cielaki:** key 1. Q-Q2 with 3 threats. **No. 919 Coufure:** key 1. N-B3 threat 2. N-Q2ch! KxR and 3. P-N4 mate. **No. 920 Lussier:** intention 1. P-Q4 short threat 2. RxP mate. At least (?) 1 cook: 1. Q-K3 threat 2. Q or RxP mate etc.

At the Kansas City, Mo. YMCA Chess Club, the Wesenberg Memorial Tournament, a double round-robin, John R. Beitling won 7, lost 1, and drew 2 to top the six-player event with an 8-2 score. After losing 2 and drawing 2 in the first four rounds, Gerald Banker won six in a row, handing Beitling his only loss in the final round, to finish in second place with 7-3. James Wright, who entered the tournament with the highest USCF rating, drew with and lost to both Beitling and Banker, but dropped two games to fifth-place Jack Buckner, to emerge with 6-4, and third place. Don Seifert, (4-6); Jack Buckner, (3-7); and L. E. Graham, (2-8), were the other entrants in this small but strong USCF rated tourney.

MASTERS GIVE SIMULS FOR OLYMPIC FUND

In Arlington, Va., Eliot Hearst, new D. C. Champ., gave a 27 board exhibition, proceeds going to the Olympic Team Fund. Virginia State Champ and CL columnist Irwin Sigmund handed Hearst his only loss, as he scored 25 1/2-1 1/2, and raised \$35 for the Fund.

At Washington U. in St. Louis, Bob Steinmeyer and Jack Ragan did a tandem simul, against some tough opposition, winning 14, losing 3 (Osborn, Hardy, Darrrough) and drawing 4 (Edwards, Hewitt, Matula, Define), and adding \$56 to the Fund.

August 29-30-31-Sept. 1

Florida Open Championship
Suwannee Hotel,
St. Petersburg, Florida

Class A. Open to all members Florida Chess League and USCF. 7 rd. Swiss, 1 rd. Friday, and 2 rds. daily after that. EF: \$5.00 which includes FCL dues, plus \$4.00 for players unable to present proof USCF membership.

Class B. Amateur match.

Class C. Junior Match for players under 21 years of age.

Class D. Ladies.

Play in the B, C, and D events will not be USCF rated.

EF: \$5.00 which includes FCL dues, except that Juniors playing in Class C only shall pay only \$3.00, which will include FCL dues.

Trophies for winners in each class, and several cash prizes to those not receiving trophies. Please bring chess sets.

Special rates for players at hotel. For reservations write to Paul Brown, General Manager, Suwannee Hotel, St. Petersburg, Fla., and for further details of tournament write to R. M. Foster, Chairman Chess Tournament Comm., in care of Mr. Brown.

August 30-September 1, 1958

CALIFORNIA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Hotel Barbara, Santa Barbara Registration: Hotel Barbara, 8:30 to 9:00 A.M., Saturday, August 30, 1958. Entry Fee: \$6.00 plus CSCF membership (\$2.50) and USCF membership (\$5.00). Prizes: Trophy for winner. All entry fee cash returned in cash prizes (First Prize—More than \$100.00). Time Limit: First and second rounds: 30 moves per hour. Subsequent rounds: 40 moves in two hours. Tournament Director: Guthrie McClain, 244 Kearny St., San Francisco 8, Calif. 100% USCF Rated. Entrants are urged: (1) To bring chess sets and clocks. (2) To make hotel reservations immediately, due to other special events taking place in Santa Barbara during the Labor Day weekend.

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August 30-31-September 1
PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Open only to bona fide residents of Pennsylvania, or members of Pennsylvania chess clubs. 7 rd. Swiss. At Penn Alto Hotel, Altoona, Pa. Time limit: 50 moves in 2 hours, adjudications after 4 hours of play. Championship Trophy and \$75 to winner. Prizes to runners-up according to entry receipts. 1st round play begins 2:30 p.m. Saturday. Entry fee: \$5.00 plus USCF dues for entrants not already members. Tournament director: William Buck of Altoona. For housing out-of-town players should write to Penn Alto Hotel, or, if desiring other accommodations, write at once to John S. Seeds, 217 Central Trust Building, Altoona, Pa.

WOODPUSHER'S SCOREBOOK

Our text for today is "Blitz if you must, but don't forget the way back to your own dugout." Before looking over the following game, take a look at the Santasiere-Levy game on page 6. As we were checking it over we actually shouted with glee. At last we had caught two masters in a serious error of omission. For, apparently neither Santasiere nor Collins had seen the forced mate which White could have inflicted by a neat little sacrifice 34. RXPch, KxR; 35. B-K4ch, K-R1; 36. Q-R5ch, and mate on the next move. We bragged about it to the family, one member of which, having learned through the years to be somewhat skeptical about our sudden bursts of positive enthusiasm, asked, "Are you sure? Isn't there any possible way for the other man to get out of it?" We tossed the suggestion contemptuously aside. "Not a chance. The only way he could string it out for a move or two more would be to interpose his queen, give it up for nothing, and then—wait a minute, that gives him B1 as an escape square—let's see." And a half-hour later we had to admit that although our combination would have won, it would have taken longer than Santasiere took to do it. And what a difference in technique! The Woodpusher bludgeoned as compared to the Master's rapier! Although we regret having discovered a sadistic streak in our old friend, as evidenced by the last seven moves of the game, those same moves deserve the study and admiration of every woodpusher. Each one a serious threat, and not a single one of them liable to blow up in your face. Thanks, Tony, for such a graphic demonstration of the irresistible force manipulated by the gentle hand of the master.

The following game, played in the U.S. Amateur at Asbury Park this year, shows that two can play that bludgeon-blitz game.

Radspinner (1962)		Holodny (1864)	
White		Black	
1. P-Q4	P-Q4	12. K-Q2	KxN
2. P-QB4	PxP	13. P-QR3	QR-K1
3. P-K4	P-K4	14. K-B1	Q-B3ch
4. N-KB3	B-KN5	15. K-Q1	QxNP
5. BxP	PxP	16. R-K1	Q-B6ch
6. BxPch	KxB	17. K-Q2	B-B4
7. N-K5ch	K-K1	18. B-N3	RxR
8. BxB	N-KB3	19. KxR	R-K1ch
9. Q-R4	Q-K2	20. K-Q2	R-K7ch
10. B-B4	QN-Q2	21. K-B1	
11. NxN	QxPch		Q-R8 mate

Don't laugh, boys—learn. It happened to White—it has happened to us—it could happen to you!

From the Moscow News (July 12, 1958) comes the following item, proving that the USSR Chess Section doesn't believe in sending a boy on a man's errand:

"The Soviet chess section has selected the following team: M. Botvinnik, V. Smyslov, P. Keres, D. Bronstein, M. Tahl and T. Petrosyan (all of them grandmasters)."

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

Position No. 234

Alekhine-Verlinski, Odessa 1918
Alekhine played 1. Q-Qsq! which meets Black's mate threat while preserving the decisive material advantage. The continuation was 1., Q-R4; 2. QxB, QxN; 3. R-Q5, and Verlinski resigned.

Other tries which meet the mate threat cost White at least a piece and, in view of the Bishops of opposite color, give Black excellent prospects for a draw.

Correct solutions are acknowledged from: Leslie H. Ault, George W. Baylor, John A. Blackstone, M. D. Blumenthal, Joe Bohac, A. Bomberault, A. P. Collins Jr., Ramon Cook, Curtin, K. A. Czerniecki, Carl Dover, A. Dunno, Tom Feeny, George Heimberg, Donald C. Hills, Viktors Ikauniks, John E. Ishkan, D. W. Johnson, E. J. Korpanty, Richard Long, F. D. Lynch, Arthur Mack Jr., Larry Mason, Jack Matheson, Max Milstein, Ed Nash, Jonathan D. Penner, John A. Pranter, Kent Pullen, I. Schwartz, Bob Steinmeyer, H. C. Underwood, F. J. Valvo, Merle Walters, L. E. Wood, Robert Woodworth, and Robert G. Wright.

The solvers' score against this position is 37-18.

* Welcome to new solvers.

**Solutions To
Finish it the Clever Way:**

Position No. 209: 1., B-Q4! and there is no defense to the threat of RxRP and R-R8 mate.

Position No. 210: 1. B-B6ch, K-K1 (if 1., K-B1; 2. B-R6ch, and 3. B-K5ch wins the rook); 2. B-R5! RxB; 3. P-N7, R-N4; 4. BxR, B-B1; 5. P-N8(B!) (if 5. P-N8(N)? B-R6! draws), B-R6; 6. B-B7ch, K-B1; 7. B-R6 mate. If 5., B-N2; 6. B-B7ch, K-B1; 7. B-K7 mate.

Tournament Life

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

August 29-30-31-Sept. 1

Michigan Amateur Championship, 1958

MEA Camp, St. Mary's Lake, Battle Creek, Mich.

OPEN TO EVERYONE FROM EVERYWHERE—EXCEPTING EXPERTS AND MASTERS.

Limited to players without ratings, or whose current ratings are below 2000.

7 round Swiss, beginning 8:30 p.m. Aug. 29. Entry fee: \$23.25, includes three nights lodging and all meals, plus USCF dues, if not already a member.

Trophies to High Class A, B, C, and prizes for high unrated player, high junior, and other events. Title Michigan Amateur Champion to highest standing Michigan resident. Tour. Director: Jack O'Keefe. For further details write: V. E. Vandenberg, Pres. Michigan Chess Ass'n., 505 W. Lenawee, Lansing, Michigan.

Aug. 30- Sept. 1

North Carolina Championship

Place: YMCA, Charlotte, North Carolina. Open to all state residents. 6 Rd Swiss. EF \$4 plus \$2 NCCA and \$5 USCF dues (for non-members). An amateur tourney will be run at the same time with \$3 EF plus \$2 NCCA dues. Cash prizes and trophies. Junior and Woman's Prizes. Register at 11 a.m. Aug. 30. For details write Leo Little, 3214 Forest Road, Charlotte 5, N.C.

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