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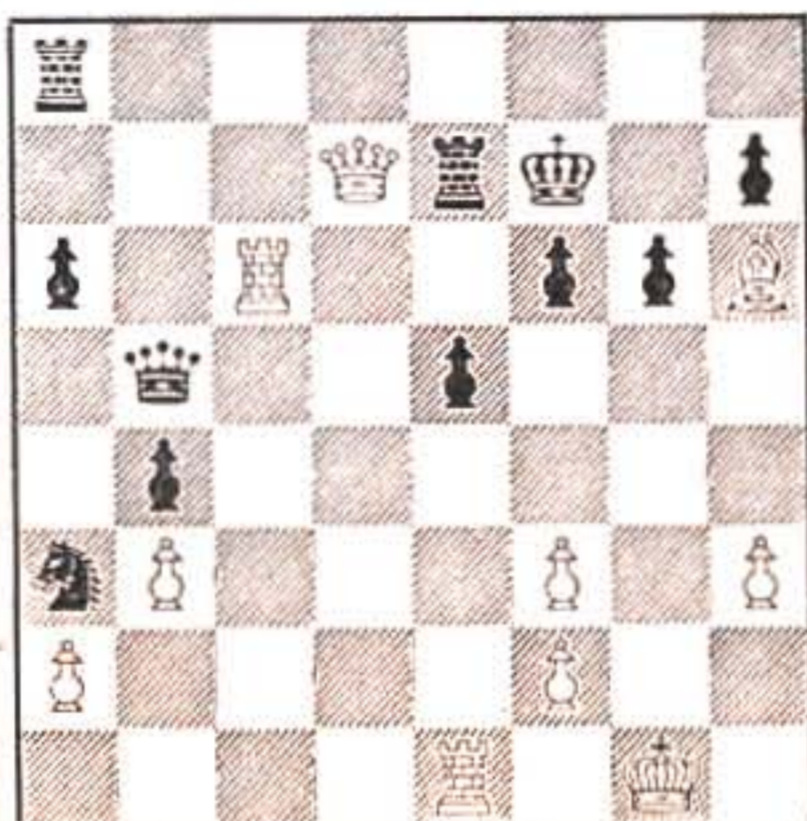
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Position No. 240



White to play

Operation M

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NEW MEMBERS

Liberal prizes and awards will spark the new USCF membership drive, according to the latest committee announcement. Every USCF member is eligible for committee membership and these awards, as well as for even finer special prizes not yet announced.

"The prize list is a dandy," Jerry Spann, USCF President, says, "but we hope our members will work for the deeper objective of giving organized chess its rightful place in the sun, of advancing the status of our wonderful game. Every USCF member—in fact, every chess-player and friend of chess—if he gets pleasure and satisfaction from his game, will want to do a little something in return. Helping this membership drive is what will do the most good."

The membership committee has been organized nationally in three echelons: Local Committeemen, Local Chairmen, and State Chairmen. Duties and awards for each position, as announced by Fred Cramer, USCF Director from Wisconsin and General Membership Chairman, are as follows:

LOCAL MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEEMEN

Duties: 1. To explain the needs and purposes of organized chess, and to outline the advantages of USCF membership, to his friends, acquaintances, and to any prospective members: to sign up new members.

2. To mail new membership applications and fees direct to the USCF Business Manager, 80 East 11th Street, New York 8.

3. To report news and suggestions which may help other committeemen. Reports should be sent to Fred Cramer, 1661 North Water Street, Milwaukee 2.

Awards: 1. For the first 5 new members obtained before July 1, 1959, listing on the "Honor Roll" and an honorary one-year sustaining membership, evidenced by a certificate of appreciation signed by President Spann.

2. For each additional 5 members, one additional year of sustaining membership. (Ten years equals life membership!)

3. For special competitive achievements, special awards to be announced in this column soon by the Deputy Chairman, E. Forry Laucks.

Appointment: Committeemen will be appointed by Local Chairmen, but any USCF member may appoint himself and start working now. Use the coupon on page 12.

LOCAL CHAIRMEN

Duties: 1. All those of Local Committeeman, above.

2. To contact each USCF member in his club or area (using membership list he will get from his State Chairman) and to enlist him in the Membership Committee, and to give these members all the verbal and printed ammunition and inspiration needed to make the Honor Roll.

Awards: 1. All awards offered to Local Committeemen, above.

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BOBBY FISCHER

GRANDMASTER AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CANDIDATE!

Last week the chess world gasped when the final results of the Interzonal Tournament at Portoroz, Yugoslavia, were computed. Bobby had finished in a tie for 5th place with Olafsson, with a 12-8 score, only 1½ points behind the tournament winner, Grandmaster Tal, the USSR champion, 1 point behind second-place Grandmaster Gligoric of Yugoslavia, and ½ point behind Benko and Grandmaster Petrosian, who tied for 3rd and 4th places. These six qualified for the 1959 Candidate Tournament, the winner of which also wins a 24 game match with World Champion Botvinnik for the supreme title of chessdom. Of the fifteen players who finished below Bobby in the final standing, seven were international grandmasters (Bronstein, Auerbach, Matanovic, Pachmann, Szabo, Panno and Larsen) at least three of whom were pre-tournament favorites to win the event.

Bobby won six games (Fuster, DeGreif, Cardoso, Sherwin, Larsen, Sanguinetti) lost two (Benko, Olafsson) and drew twelve (Tal, Gligoric, Petrosian, Auerbach, Bronstein, Matanovic, Pachman, Szabo, Filip, Panno, Neikirch, Rosetto). This fantastic performance by a fifteen year old boy resulted in the following cablegram, from FIDE President Folke Rogard to USCF President Jerry Spann: SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS ON THE MARVELOUS RESULTS OBTAINED BY FISCHER WHOM I AM REGISTERING TODAY AS INTERNATIONAL GRAND MASTER OF F.I.D.E.

To the kid who literally worked his way to Europe to give us this superb representation, CHESS LIFE extends hearty congratulations and thanks.



Representatives at FIDE meeting, Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia. L to R: Golembek, England; Hindstron, Finland; Lombardy, USA.

DARK HORSE TAKES CANADIAN OPEN

Dr. Elod Macskasy, 39-year-old mathematics instructor at the University of British Columbia, went undefeated through ten rounds of play at Winnipeg, to win the 2nd Canadian Open, and the \$1000 first prize. Dr. Macskasy, a former member of the Hungarian national team (He once beat Smyslov in an international match) came to Canada 16 months ago. His first invasions of the U.S.-Canadian chess field were not successful. He lost to Zemgalis in a recent Seattle event, and to Henry Gross, Cobo-Aretaga, Otteson, Avram and Ulvestad in the US Open at Rochester, where he finished in 34th place with 7-5. In Winnipeg it was different. He defeated former Canadian champions Abe Yanofsky and Vaitonis, and USCF expert, Charles Henin, who had finished above him at Rochester. He drew with Larry Evans and Harry Yanofsky, and topped the 44-entry event with a 9-1 score.

Larry Evans, the defending champion, took second place, a half-point behind Macskasy, with 8½-1½, and second prize of \$600. He also took sweet revenge on Abe Yanofsky for the latter's win over him at Dallas last winter, by winning a 74 move battle with the Canadian master.

Evans' only loss came at the hands of Paul Vaitonis who scored 7½-2½ to win third money of \$400.

Fourth and fifth prizes (\$150 each) were won by Abe Yanofsky and Curt Brasket, each of whom scored 7-3.

Sixth, seventh, and eighth prizes (\$50 each) went to Harry Yanofsky, Robert LeBel, and H. Rideout, after each had scored 6½-3½.

(See Larry Evans' article on page 3 for more highlights of this strong event).

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

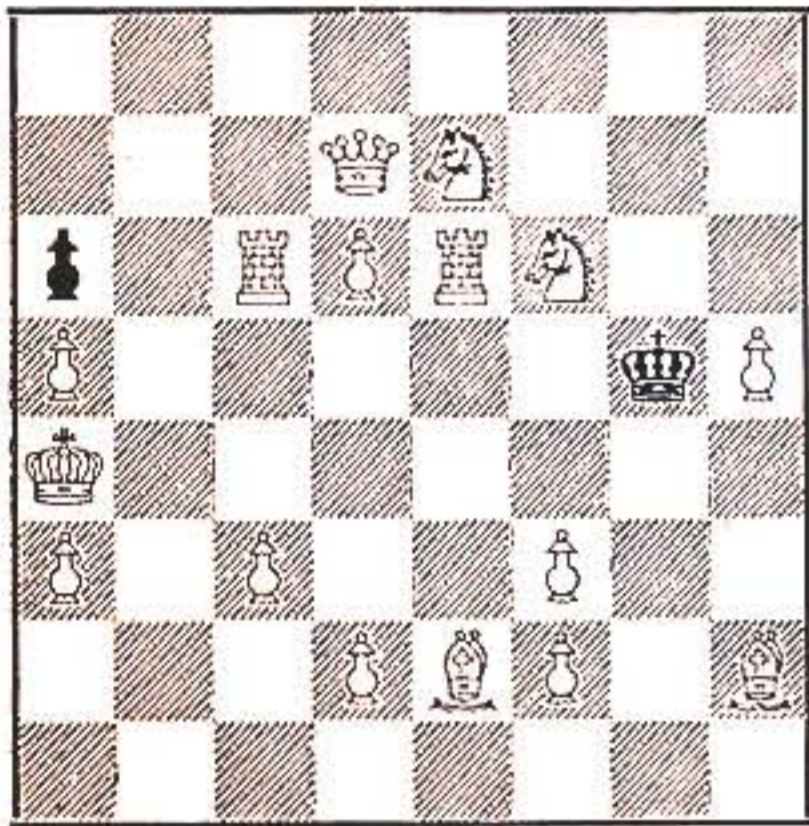
Mastering the End Game

By WALTER KORN, Editor of MCO

Suicide Candidate's Excessive Generosity

On a birthday gesture, we have decided upon an aberration from tedious endgame analysis. The other day we came across a position which was so utterly lost that the only sensible course to continue was returning material, forcing and forced, thus:

Diagram 56



Some Round by Round Details From Rochester

Round 1. A remarkable demonstration of the accuracy of the Harkness Pairing System, which pits the upper half of the field against the lower half, in the order of their USCF ratings, unrated players being placed at the bottom of the list. In the 69 games played in the first round, the System picked 62 winners. Two unrated players, who later demonstrated their master strength, (Cobo-Arteaga and Ballb e) won, and two other unrated players (Bruzza and Matheson) drew. Mrs. Slater (1885) won from Semb (1893). Mrs. Kaufman won from higher rated Nowak, while Rosenstien drew with Byland. In the 62 other games in which rated players were involved, the higher-rated ones scored 62-0.

Round 2: Time scrambles begin. Donald Byrne had 3 minutes for his last 25 moves. With a minute left he offered O'Keefe a draw on the 36th move. Offer accepted. Allan Kaufman handed Cobo-Arteaga what was to be his only loss of the tournament. Wife, Sara, took Pamijens for her second straight win. Kathryn Slater defeated California ace, Harry Borochoy. U.S. Amateur Champ Marchand lost to Suracl. All other pre-tournament favorites advanced.

Round 3: Favorites advance. Time trouble fatal to Hudson and Mednis. It is reported that Mednis' flag dropped first, Hudson's immediately afterward. Neither had kept score for several moves, and each was charged with a lost game.

Round 4: Evans draws with Di Camillo. Santasiere, Popovych, Kaufman and Gross take first defeats from Avram, Bisguler, Steinmeyer, and Popel respectively. Robert Byrne wins from Brasket.

Round 5: Bisguler steps out in front with win over Popel, and score 5-0. Steinmeyer and R. Byrne draw. Avram lost to Di Camillo. Evans beats Collins.

Round 6: Bisguler and Steinmeyer draw, as do Evans and D. Byrne. R. Byrne beats Di Camillo to tie Bisguler for lead—each with 5½-½

Round 7: Evans defeats Popel. Steinmeyer beats Avram. D. Byrne draws with Ulvestad. Bisguler-R. Byrne draw. Cobo-Arteaga wins from Theodorovitch, and stands with the leaders—Evans, Steinmeyer, D. Byrne, R. Byrne, and Bisguler—all with 6-1 scores.

Round 8: Evans-Bisguler draw. D. Byrne-Ballb e draw. Steinmeyer defeats Brasket, to remain tied for lead (7-1) with Cobo-Arteaga, who wins from R. Byrne.

Round 9: Evans beats Ulvestad and Bisguler trims Santasiere, to join Steinmeyer and Cobo-Arteaga in tie for lead with 7½-1½, after the two last-named had drawn their game.

Round 10: Evans hands Steinmeyer his first defeat, and takes tournament lead with 8½-1½, when Cobo-Arteaga and Bisguler draw.

1. N-B5!; KxN(best); 2. B-KB4!; KxB(best); 3. R-K5!, KxR(best); 4. N-Q5!, KxN(best); 5. R-B5ch!, KxR(best); 6. B-B4, KxB(best); 7. Q-N5 ch! Guess Black's next move.

Round 11: Cobo-Arteaga defeats Evans, to stand 9-2, even with Bisguler, who defeated DiCamillo. Evans and Steinmeyer tied at 8½-2½.

Round 12: Cobo-Arteaga wins from Avram while Bisguler loses to D. Byrne. Evans wins over R. Byrne. Steinmeyer beats Hudson. And it's all over until next year at Omaha.

(For the Champ's last two games see page 11).

Rapid Transit Championship To Donald Byrne

Donald Byrne topped a field of 21, scoring 7½-½, to win the national speed championship at Rochester. Larry Evans, with 6-2, was second, while Robert Byrne took third place with 5½-2½. A six-round consolation tournament was won by Edmar Mednis, 5½-½.

WITH THE CLUBS

The Bristol (Conn.) Chess Club's 1958 Championship Tournament produced co-champions Eugene Duhaime and V. M. Kimm, each of whom scored 4-1 in a six-player round robin event. Alfred Palcich took third place with 3½-1½. The other players in the order of finish were: William Burroughs, Martin Chandler, and Frank Gallagher. Kim lost to Duhaime, and Duhaime lost to Palcich, who, in turn, lost to Kimm and drew with Burroughs.

At the Dayton (Ohio) Chess Club Expert Arthur Spiller recently took on 48 opponents in a simultaneous exhibition, accepting the black pieces on even numbered boards. He impressed both players and spectators by the speed with which he won 40, drew 2, and lost 6, again tough opposition. Since Mr. Spiller is being transferred to McGuire Air Force Base in Trenton, N. J., he will probably be competing frequently in Eastern Seaboard chess events.

The annual business meeting of the South Jersey Chess Association was held on Sept. 3, 1958 at the Midway Diner in Hammonton, N.J.

The newly elected officers were as follows: President, E. F. Daigle, Atlantic City, N. J.; Vice Pres., Mike Meyerson, Haddonfield, N. J.; Secretary, Alan Spielman, Atlantic City, N. J.; Treasurer, William O'Donnell, Camden, N. J.; Chairman of League and Tournaments, Lew Wood, Haddon Heights; Ratings and Interclub Affairs, Paul Tannen, Moorestown; Publicity and Promotion, Leonard Streitfeld, O. D., Hammonton, N. J.

Several Tournaments are being planned:

(1) South Jersey Open Amateur Oct. 17, 18 and 19. 5 Rd Swiss in Hammonton, N. J.

(2) New Jersey Open Amateur April 4, 5 and 6 (dates tentative) Hammonton, N. J. 5 Rd Swiss.

(3) South Jersey Chess Association Individual Tournament 7 Rd Swiss held in Spring '59.

(4) South Jersey Invitational Tournament also planned for the spring of '59.

(5) South Jersey League Tournament with clubs from Atlantic City, Hammonton, Wildwood, Woodbury, Camden, Moorestown and Haddonfield.

OPERATION M—

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2. Special awards for competitive achievement, and for performance against local quotas, to be announced by the Deputy Chairman.

Appointment: Local Chairmen will be appointed by the State Chairman, but volunteers are wanted everywhere. Use the coupon if you don't know who your state chairman is. (Coupon and list—page 12)

STATE CHAIRMEN

Duties: 1. All those of local committeemen, above.

2. To appoint Local Chairmen for each club or local area in the state and to help and encourage him in his duties.

3. To receive the state membership list from the General Chairman, to safeguard it, and to divide it and pass it on to his Local Chairmen.

4. To procure printed materials from the Business Manager and to keep his Local Chairmen supplied.

Awards: 1. All awards offered to Local Committeemen, above.

2. Special awards for performance against state quotas, to be announced by the Deputy Chairman.

Appointment: State Chairmen are appointed by the area supervisors (East: Walter Shipman; South: Dr. Norman Hornstein; North-Central: Tom Jenkins; South-Central: Jerry Spann; West: Guthrie McClain). Fourteen appointments were announced in the preceding issue of Chess Life, but many important states are still open. Contact the supervisor for your area or use the coupon on page 12.

THE SARASOTA STORY

David Krause, a 16-year-old expert from Palo Alto, Calif., won the 37th annual championship of the Southern Chess Association in a seven round tournament July 3-6 at the Lido Biltmore Club, Sarasota, Fla. He won six games and lost only one.

The tourney was dedicated to the memory of the late Major J. B. Holt of Sarasota, co-founder and long time Secretary-Treasurer of the Association.

Dr. Jose Fernandez of Victoria de Las Tunas, Oriente, Cuba with 6-1 was runner-up in the powerful 50 player field. Including entries in two supplementary events a record breaking 85 persons attended.

Dr. Steven J. Shaw, Columbia, S. C., the defending champion, was third with 5½-1½. Glen Hartleb of Tampa, Fla., was fourth, also with 5½-1½.

Fifth to eighth, each with 5-2, were: Dr. R. A. Carlyle of St. Petersburg, Fla., the 1956 champion; Frank Rose of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; A. C. Otten, Miami, Fla.; and Robert Dickinson, 19, Redwood City, Calif., the runner-up for junior honors.

The scores of the other prize winners in order of their finish were: 4½-2½—Bob Eastwood Homestead, Fla., who served as tournament director; Leonard Hill, 19, Mountain View, Calif., third highest junior; Charles Wisch, Miami; M. G. Cohen, Miami; with 4-3, Frank Chavez, New Orleans, La.; Phil Knox, Deland, Fla.; F. W. Kemp, Birmingham, Ala.; Charles Shaw, Miami; Andrew Lockett Jr., New Orleans, La.; Tom Lucas, 19 Tampa, fourth junior; R. S. Scrivener, Memphis, Tenn.; Robert Jacobs, 13, Louisville, Ky., fifth junior.

Ned Hardy, 19, Bradenton, Fla., was the highest scorer among the local players. He won four and lost three.

Also with 4-3 were Carl Dover, 17, Orlando, Fla., and Prof. L. L. Foster, Columbia, S.C. president of the association.

Among the prize winners with 3½-3½ were George Banks of Sarasota and Col. F. D. Lynch of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Drew Downey of Arlington, Va., won seven straight games to annex the Southern Amateur Championship held concurrently.

Larry Gray, 18, Homestead, Fla., was second in the 28 player field. Clifford Anderson, Naples, Fla., was third. Both had 5½-1½.

Warren Tierney of Bradenton, Fla., was fourth with 5-2.

Fifth to eighth, each with 4½-2½, were Col. H. A. Hatch, Sarasota, Fla.; Richard Resler, Sarasota Fla.; Herry Galvin, Terra Geia, Fla., and Charles Marches, 15, of New Haven, Conn.

Clyde Eagleton, Sarasota, and Merrill Goddard of Miami, scored 4-3.

Mrs. Kama R. Hartin of Sarasota, Fla., won the southern Ladies Championship. Mrs. Katherine Malcolm of Bradenton was second, and Mrs. R. A. Carlyle of St. Petersburg was third.

Danny Peskow, 13, Homestead, Fla., won the Southern New Players Tournament. Anthony Peluso, 12 was second, while Gene Haynes, 16, and Charles Freiburger, 15, all of Homestead, tied for third with Miss Phyllis Dutrow, Bradenton.

The Speed Championship, played at 10 seconds per move, was won by Krause; with Dr. Arthur Montano, Tampa, second; and Constantine Rasis of Miami, third.

The Carlyles of St. Petersburg won the Southern Family title.

The city team title was won by Miami with 30 points, Tampa was second with 26; Atlanta, third with 22, Bradenton, fourth with 21½; Sarasota, fifth with 19½; Orlando 18½; St. Petersburg, 17½; Homestead, 18½.

South Florida nipped North Florida for the state team title by a slender half-point, 32 to 31½. California was third with 24½. South Carolina 23½, Alabama 23, Georgia 22, Mississippi, 22, Louisiana 19½.

W. VA. CHESS CONGRESS—1958

Dr. S. Werthammer of Huntington successfully defended his title with 5-1. Werthammer lost to John Hurt of Charleston in a brilliant game. Tied for second were Hurt and Edward M. Foy, also of Charleston, with 4½-1½. A curious series of wins and losses developed in the championship event: T. Bergquist, of Huntington, beat Charles Morgan, of Philippi, who beat Hurt, who beat Werthammer, who beat Bergquist.

In the Open, held simultaneously, Don McKee, of Wheeling, went undefeated but drew with Robert O'Dell of Beckley. Runner-up was Otto Zwicker, also of Wheeling, with 4½-1½.

Harry McKinney of South Charleston and Paul Styles, Jr. of Morgantown were declared W. Va. Junior Co-Champions after tying for first with 4½-1½. Ten year old Neil Cohen of Morgantown was second with 4-2.

The host of the record breaking Congress—44 entrants in three tournaments—was the West Virginia University Chess Club of Morgantown. Dr. Victor J. Lemke of the German Department capably directed the events.

Newly elected officers were: Edward M. Foy, President; Phillip Gallo, Morgantown, Vice-President; Charles T. Morgan, Secretary-Treasurer.

BOOST AMERICAN CHESS

Join the USCF! It is always a sound opening move.



LARRY EVANS ON CHESS

By International Grandmaster LARRY EVANS

Highlights 2nd Canadian Open—Winnipeg, 1958

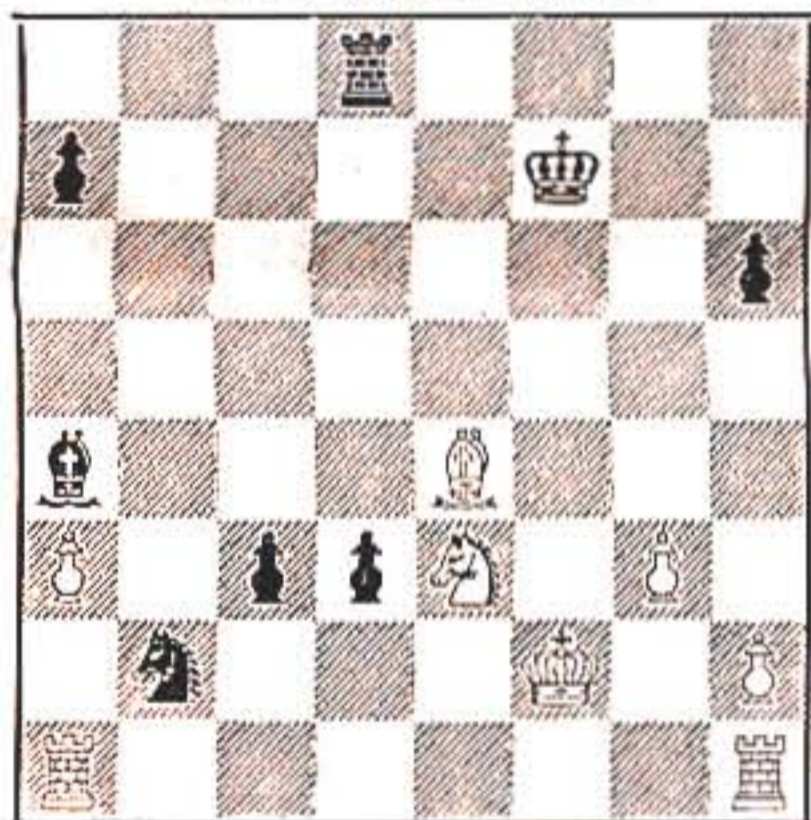
Dr. Macskasy, a Canadian resident who migrated from Hungary sixteen months ago, scored a surprise victory in the powerful 44 player Canadian Open Championship with a score of 9-1, comprising two draws with Evans and H. Yanofsky. He was hotly pursued by Evans (8½-1½), Vaitonis (7½-2½), A. Yanofsky and Brasket (7-3).

Macskasy is a professor of mathematics whose style is reminiscent of his occupation. He plays careful, solid chess. After scoring a lucky win over Vaitonis in an early round he never relinquished the lead, turning in fine triumphs over Abe Yanofsky and Curt Brasket. His victory is all the more remarkable inasmuch as he had just finished 34th in the U.S. Open at Rochester! He tells me that he won an 18 all-Hungarian master tourney in 1952 and once bested Smyslov (1946) in a seven hour clock game.

The tournament was well-organized and the prize fund a treasure trove, thanks to the Winnipeg Free Press which also donated ample playing quarters. Phil Haley is a brilliant tournament director. Especially noteworthy is his handling of time-pressure situations. No double forfeits are ever administered, nor can the occasion even arise. The director or a deputy keeps a private score of the game and forfeits the first player whose flag falls, regardless of whether his opponent can present a record. This deputy does not inform the contestants how many moves remain to the time-control—that is their only penalty for failing to keep up-to-date. Both flags can never fall. It is considered the tournament director's duty—and not the player's—to claim the forfeit. This principle is valid, and it works without a hitch in practice.

Nuggets & Nougats

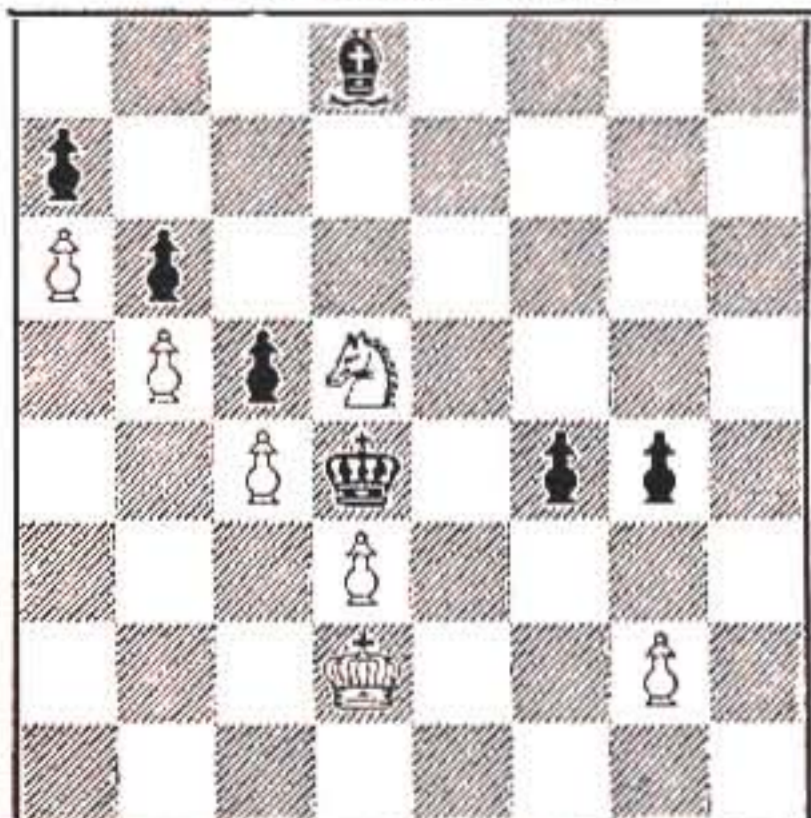
Litwinczuk-Fischheimer



White to play

Fischheimer from Chicago has the capacity for getting into the wildest positions. Black is a Rook down but his two connected Pawns on the sixth rank are powerful. The game continued: 1. N-Q1, NxNch; 2. KRxN, P-Q7; 3. K-K3, R-K1; 4. K-Q3, RxB; 5. KxP, BxR; 6. RxB and the game should have been drawn, though White, no doubt wearied by his defensive labors, succeeded in finding a way to lose.

Fischheimer-Macskasy



White to play

This endgame was of considerable importance, and by winning it Macskasy consolidated his lead. It is virtually a problem and the game ran a remarkable course.
1. NxBP, B-N3; 2. P-N3, K-K4; 3. K-K3, B-R3?

(This permits White to draw. Correct is 3., K-B4! 4. P-Q4, PxPch; 5. KxP, BxN; 6. PxP, P-N6!; 7. K-K3, K-N5!; 8. P-KB5, K-R6; 9. P-B6, P-N7 and wins).

4. P-Q4ch, PxPch; 5. K-K2?

(The losing move. Correct is 5. K-Q3, BxN; 6. PxPch, KxP; 7. P-B5! Relatively best for Black is 6., K-B4; 7. P-B5, P-N6; 8. PxP, P-N7; 9. P-N7, P-N8(Q); 10. P-N8(Q)—and the game should end in a draw by perpetual check.)

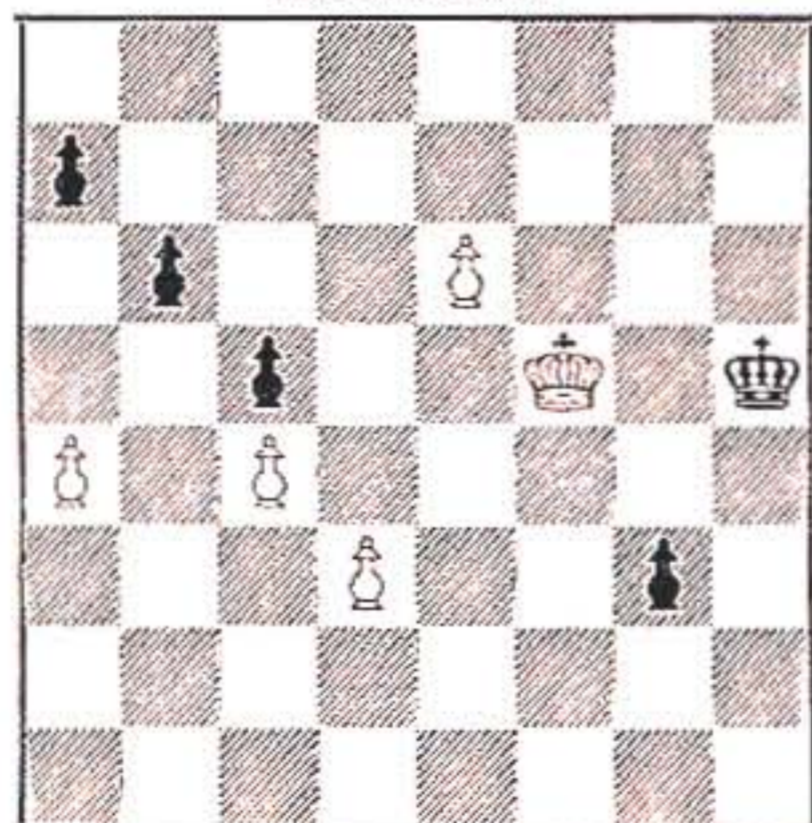
5., BxN; 6. PxPch, K-Q3!

(White had not counted on this resource.)

7. P-B5, P-N6; 8. P-B6, P-N7; 9. P-B5ch, K-K3; 10. K-B2, P-Q6; 11. P-B6, P-Q7; 12. P-B7, P-N8 (Q)ch; 13. KxQ, P-Q8 (Q)ch and Black wins.

Here is an ending for the next edition of Basic Chess Endings!

Lebel-Madlener



Black to play—he resigned!!

Our young friend from Holland suffered this humiliating experience—resigning in a drawn position. In time-pressure he had an optical illusion, thinking that White wins his Queen after they both rush Pawns to the queening squares. The drawing line is:

1., P-N7; 2. P-K7, P-N8(Q); 3. P-K8(Q)ch, K-R5; 4. Q-R8ch, K-N6; 5. Q-N7ch, K-B7; 6. QxQch, KxQ; 7. K-K5, K-B7; 8. P-Q4, PxP; 9. KxP, K-B6; 10. P-R5, K-B5; 11. P-R6, K-B4; 12. K-Q5, K-B3; 13. K-B6, K-K4; 14. K-N7, K-Q2; 15. KxP, K-B2. DRAW.

If 11. PxP (instead of P-R6), PxP; 12. K-Q5, K-B4; 13. K-B6, K-K3; 14. KxP, K-Q2. DRAW.

Vaitonis-Henin



White to play

Who says there is no luck in chess? Here is a time-pressure "nougat."

1., R-N8? (Correct is 1., R-K8, winning easily).

2. P-K5! Black Resigns.

There is no satisfactory way to prevent R-N7 mate.

H. Yanofsky-Vaitonis



Black to play—he is lost

This curious predicament arose out of the following moves: 1. P-K4, P-QB4; 2. N-KB3, N-QB3; 3. P-Q4, PxP; 4. NxP, Q-B2; 5. P-QB4, Q-K4; 6. N-N5, QxPch; 7. B-K2, Q-K4; 8. N(1)-B3, N-B3; 9. P-B4, Q-N1; 10. B-K3, P-QR3?; 11. B-N6!, PxN; 12. NxP. The game continued: 12., QxP; 13. N-B7ch, QxN (if 13., K-Q1; 14. NxR dis.ch. leaves Black helpless. Incidentally, if 12., P-Q3 in the diagrammed position, then 13. B-B7 wins the Queen); 14. BxQ, P-KN3.

Naturally, White, being a Queen ahead, lost!

Evans-Brasket



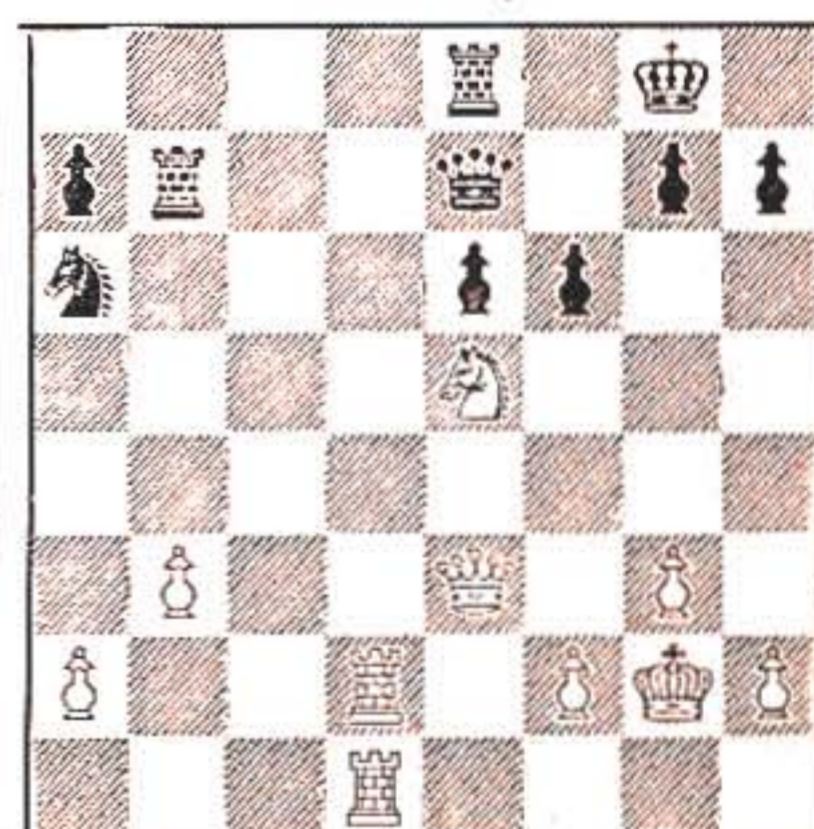
White to play

Revenge is sweet! I had not played Brasket since he defeated me in the U.S. Open, Milwaukee, 1953. White has a space advantage, but it is not clear how he can exploit it. Black threatens to unleash his K-Bishop with,

P-KB3 if he is given so much as a free move. If 1. BxB, NxR; 2. BxR, NxB White retains an advantage, but not a decisive one. If 1. R-Q2, BxB; 2. RxB, N-B2 followed by N-K3 and P-KB3 and Black has a good game.

White is confronted with the dilemma posed by all superior positions: how to make progress? If he does not play energetically he will be punished by the loss of his advantage. Hence he essayed the speculative sacrifice of an exchange: 1. RxPch!, RpxR; 2. BxB, R-B2; 3. B-R3, N-R3 (not 3., P-KB4; 4. PxP, PxP; 5. P-N6 with two connected passed Pawns; if 3., P-B3; 4. B-K6ch); 4. R-Q1, P-N5 (Black should not weaken his position by this push); 5. N-R4, P-B4; 6. R-Q8 (better is N-N6!, threatening N-Q7—the text permits Black counterplay), R-R2; 7. N-N6, N(1)-B2; 8. R-Q6, N-4; 9. R-Q5, N-Q5; 10. NxN, BpxN; 11. B-Q2, R-B2ch; (this is all in extreme time-pressure on both sides); 12. K-Q1, R-N2; 13. N-B4, P-B3; 14. K-K2, PxP; 15. R-Q6, N-B4; 16. RxPch, K-B2; 17. R-B6, P-Q6ch; 18. K-K3, P-N5; 19. BxKNP, Black Resigns.

Evans-Zalys



Black to play

Aside from control of the open Q-file White does not appear to have much of an advantage. However he has a little combination which permits him to win a Pawn, and it is amazing how quickly Black's position then falls apart.

1. R-Q7 RxB
2. RxB Q-B4
3. RxBP!

This is the only way to gain an advantage. One often asks how many moves I see ahead. In this case the answer is from the very beginning of the combination to the very end. With 1. R-Q7 the play is all forced, and calculation at that point has to be very accurate. White stakes everything on there being no flaw in his analysis.

3. PxN
4. RxN

White has to exercise great care that he doesn't lose his Rook due to a working check on the QR8-KR1 diagonal.

4. Q-Q4ch
5. Q-B3 P-K5
6. Q-K3 R-KB1
7. R-R4 and wins a second Pawn.

It was when I saw 7. R-R4 that I decided to play 1. R-Q7. Without this move Black threatens R-B6 followed by P-K6 in the final position.

NORTH CAROLINA CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIP

The North Carolina Closed Championship, held in Charlotte, N. C. over Labor Day weekend, was won by William C. Adickes, Jr., of Asheville, N. C. Mr. Adickes took first place with a score of 5-1, losing to Dr. Norman M. Hornstein, who came in second with 4½-1½. Tied for third place were Mr. Paul Newton of Raleigh, Henry Stockhold of Chapel Hill, and Oliver Hutaff of Wilmington. David Steele, U. S. Boy's Champion, took the Junior prize. Vernon Robinson of Charlotte took the Amateur prize. The tournament was directed by Mrs. Gilliam McMahon.

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Those Rating Regulations - Remember?

The "new" rating regulations, requiring every participant in a rated tournament to be a member of the USCF, have now been in effect for about six months. Long enough for an objective evaluation of their effects upon attendance figures at several of the country's major chess fixtures. Those officials of various local clubs and state and regional organizations who feared that mandatory membership requirements would keep players away from their favorite events may now resume breathing, for it is obvious from the results that players in every part of the country want to play in tournaments, that they want their performances rated, and that they are willing to become USCF members in order to obtain that privilege.

From Midland, Texas (the new West Texas Open) to Boston, Mass. (the New England Championship); from Seattle, Washington (the new Golden Rose Open) to Sarasota, Fla. (the 37th SCA Championship); from Jackson, Mich. (the 28th Michigan State Open) to Jackson, Miss. (Mississippi State Championship): the reports are almost unanimous to the effect that the new regulations have resulted in larger and stronger entry lists.

News from several events of the Labor Day weekend put the cream on the cake. From the California Open at Santa Barbara (the first time this event has been USCF rated), "A record-breaking total of 114 players." From the New Jersey Open, "A record 100 players, including 12 masters." From West Virginia Chess Congress, "Record-shattering attendance at 3 tournaments conducted concurrently." From Cazenovia, New York, "The New York State Association has voted to have the 1959 Championship Tournament USCF rated."

With California in the fold, and apparently happy about it, and with New York's entrance certain next year, it can be safely stated that at least 90% of the country's major chess events of 1959 will be USCF rated.

Too Many Tournaments?

When the New York City Amateur Championship event was announced for the Labor Day weekend, fears were expressed in several quarters about the effect which it might have upon the attendance at the New Jersey Open and at the New York State Championship events. Such fears were groundless. As indicated above, the New Jersey Open had record attendance. Reports from Cazenovia indicate the strongest entry list in years at the NYSCA event. And reports from the new Times Square Amateur (page ? col ? this issue) show that 62 players had an opportunity to play in a strong and interesting event as near to their homes as the nearest subway entrance; an event which added 27 new members to the USCF rolls.

FINAL STANDINGS AT PORTOROZ

1. TAL (USSR)	13½ - 6½
2. GLIGORIC (Yugoslavia)	13 - 7
3. BENKO (Hungary/USA)	12½ - 7½
4. PETROSIAN (USSR)	12½ - 7½
5. FISCHER (USA)	12 - 8
6. OLAFSSON (Iceland)	12 - 8
7. AUERBACH (USSR)	11½ - 8½
8. BRONSTEIN (USSR)	11½ - 8½
9. MATANOVIC (Yugoslavia)	11½ - 8½
10. PACHMAN (Czechoslovakia)	11½ - 8½
11. SZABO (Hungary)	11½ - 8½
12. FILIP (Czechoslovakia)	11½ - 8½
13. PANNO (Argentina)	11 - 9
14. SANGUINETTI (Argentina)	10 - 10
15. NEIKIRCH (Bulgaria)	9½ - 10½
16. LARSEN (Denmark)	8½ - 11½
17. SHERWIN (USA)	7½ - 12½
18. ROSSETTO (Argentina)	7 - 13
19. CARDOSO (Philippines)	6 - 14
20. DeGREIF (Colombia)	4½ - 15½
21. FUSTER (Canada)	2 - 18

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It Couldn't Have Been That Long Ago!

We remember as if it were yesterday the blustery, winter day, nearly twenty years ago when a shivering kid came to our door in Halifax, Nova Scotia. He had heard your editor speaking over the radio on chess a few nights before, and he had traveled about 60 miles to see if we would condescend to play a few games with him, and, possibly, to help him improve his game. We obliged with a few games and a lot of advice. He thanked us and left the house, and we haven't seen him since.

We have, however, heard from him, or about him, on various occasions. He has played in US Opens in Tampa, Milwaukee, and Cleveland; in three Michigan Opens; in various Canadian tournaments, large and small. He is a life-member of the USCF. He has been both Secretary and Vice President of the Chess Federation of Canada. He established the Canadian Rating System, with the help of Ken Hrakness, and was official rating statistician of the CFC for several years.

The foregoing information partially explains our extreme gratification at reading the 3rd paragraph of Larry Evans' article on page 3 of this issue. For the kid of yesterday is the efficient tournament director of today—Phil Haley. It is nice to know that Larry, the ousted defending champion, has nothing but praise for the administration of such an important event. It is gratifying to learn that our original opinion of Phil Haley's latent talent has been confirmed. But most gratifying of all was the practical refutation of the fallacious theory that tournament directors cannot be responsible for time forfeits. We knew that they should be responsible—as B. H. Wood said, "That's what they are there for!" But could it be done in an important masters' tournament? Just as we thanked Mr. Wood editorially in our June 20 issue, for charting the only navigable course, we now thank Phil Haley for piloting the 2nd Canadian Open over that course in a manner which can serve only as a shining example to all officials responsible for tournament administration.

WANNA HELP BUY A DEAD HORSE?

By

KENNETH HARKNESS

Nobody wants to buy a dead horse! At least, that's what Jerry Spann told me out at Rochester, Minnesota. Sure, it's easy to get funds for sending a team to Munich—well, not too difficult, anyhow—but who wants to put up cash for a printer's bill more than six years old?

Well, there are some people who are just crazy enough to believe that the credit of the U.S. Chess Federation is almost as important as sending a team to the Chess Olympics. Quite a few people, in fact. During the past couple of years, members have sent in no less than \$786.15 to help pay our long-suffering printer for bringing out Chess Life during the dark ages of the USCF from 1946 to 1952.

Believe it or not, the U.S. Chess Federation succeeded in running up a debt of almost six thousand dollars during those years prior to 1953. The printer must be a chess-player or something.

Since 1953, we have paid all our bills to the printer for bringing out Chess Life, and have whittled away at that big debt. On July 31st, 1958, it was down to \$2,616.21. That's just a little more than the amount raised by the USCF to send a team abroad this year. One big push and we could clear off that old debt and breathe again. Talk about a monkey on your back—a dead horse is heavier.

So how about chipping in a few bucks to get rid of that dead horse? Send anything from one dollar up to the U.S. Chess Fed-

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Unknown or Underestimated?

The country's press announced Cobo-Arteaga's victory in the U.S. Open as an upset on the part of "an unknown Cuban player." Unrated—yes, for this was his first participation in a USCF rated event. Unknown? Hardly. His draws with Reshevsky and Evans in the Havana International Tournament of 1952, in which he finished with a 12½-10½ score (on a par with Horowitz, Pomar, Toran and Prins, and ahead of such seasoned campaigners at Guimard, Jiminez, Edward Lasker and Herman Steiner) should have placed the boys at Rochester on notice that he was no novice. And his 8-6 score, compiled while playing Board 3 for the Cuban Team at Helsinki, should have placed him in the "man-to-be-watched" category at Rochester.

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ALL MEETINGS HELD IN THE IBM AUDITORIUM, ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA

MEMBERSHIP MEETING August 6, 1958

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Jerry Spann. It was moved that the Minutes of the previous meeting be approved as published previously in Chess Life. Motion passed.

The Credentials Committee made its report, and proxies were assigned. There were 83 present at the meeting. The following were named Directors for 1958-1959:

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Directors for other states will be assigned later.

The following tabulation had been compiled as of June 5, 1958, and had been used as the basis for computing the number of Directors entitled by each state:

State	Members	Chapters
ALABAMA (1)	13	1
ARIZONA (1)	16	1
ARKANSAS (1)	7	2
CALIFORNIA (5)	244	14
COLORADO (1)	17	1
CONNECTICUT (2)	80	3
DELAWARE (1)	5	0
DIST. of COL. (1)	19	3
FLORIDA (2)	55	3
GEORGIA (1)	12	2
IDAHO (1)	3	0
ILLINOIS (3)	136	6
INDIANA (1)	40	5
IOWA (1)	14	0
KANSAS (1)	35	2
KENTUCKY (1)	19	3
LOUISIANA (1)	27	1
MAINE (1)	8	0
MARYLAND (1)	42	2
MASSACHUSETTS (2)	75	6
MICHIGAN (3)	125	6
MINNESOTA (1)	37	2
MISSISSIPPI (1)	8	2
MISSOURI (1)	30	3
MONTANA (1)	4	0
NEBRASKA (1)	11	2
NEVADA (1)	8	1
NEW HAMPSHIRE (1)	4	0
NEW JERSEY (4)	180	14
NEW MEXICO (1)	30	1
NEW YORK (8)	354	18
NORTH CAROLINA (1)	38	4
NORTH DAKOTA (1)	6	0
OHIO (4)	167	7
OKLAHOMA (1)	33	1
OREGON (1)	11	1
PENNSYLVANIA (4)	169	9
RHODE ISLAND (1)	7	2
SOUTH CAROLINA (1)	9	0
SOUTH DAKOTA (1)	7	0
TENNESSEE (1)	12	2
TEXAS (5)	201	9
UTAH (1)	13	1
VERMONT (1)	3	0
VIRGINIA (1)	33	1
WASHINGTON (1)	21	1
WEST VIRGINIA (1)	14	0
WISCONSIN (2)	64	3
WYOMING (1)	4	0
APO & FPO	15	0
ALASKA (1)	1	0
PUERTO RICO (1)	3	0
CANADA	18	0
FOREIGN	15	1
TOTALS	2,522	146

Mr. Henry Gross (Calif.) moved that the number of members for each state be compiled by the Business Manager one month before the Membership Meeting for purposes of certifying the number of Directors for each state, and that the number of members added at a U. S. Open be included in this count. Motion passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Spann gave his report which has been published in the August 20th issue of Chess Life.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Harkness distributed the financial statements (published in the August 20th issue of Chess Life) to the members present, and reported that the financial condition of the USCF was relatively good. Not only has the USCF paid all its current debts and finished in the black for the fifth successive year, but its deficit has been reduced from \$4680 in 1952 to \$1205 at present. Mr. Harkness mentioned the rise in the cost of printing Chess Life from year to year; in 1949 it cost \$4000, in 1957 it cost \$7182, and in 1958 will cost \$8780. The fact that the USCF has been able to pay its debts in the face of these price rises is most heartening. Mr. Harkness credited the increase in membership for this financial success, and spoke warmly of the fact that the USCF had emerged from its prolonged period of internal dissension, and that good will and cooperation now prevail within the USCF. USCF membership has increased from 2200 last year to 2700 this year. Of this increase, 430 were directly traceable to the new rating regulations.

Mr. Harkness apologized for the delay in the publication of the new rating list, and recommended that for smoother business operations, this list be prepared semi-annually instead of quarterly.

Mr. Phillips (NY), past President, criticized the commercial aspects of the USCF, and warned against undue optimism, adding that Chess in general had received a great impetus throughout the world.

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TOURNAMENT ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Koltanowski, the Tournament Administrator, gave a glowing account of the future sites for future U. S. Opens: in 1959 Omaha will be host, in 1960, St. Louis, in 1961, San Francisco, and perhaps Atlanta in 1962. He announced that next year's U. S. Junior would be held in Omaha, and in 1960, some city in Texas.

EDITOR'S REPORT

The Editor's Report was read by Dr. Erich Marchand. In the report Mr. Fred Wren gave an account of the many techniques he had learned during his tenure as Editor.

Mr. Goetz (Iowa) moved that the Secretary submit to Mr. Wren our formal thanks and recognition for the fine job he has done with Chess Life. Motion passed.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

The International Committee Report, submitted by the Chairman, Mrs. Violet Pavey, was read by Mr. Jenkins. The report covered the period July 1957 to July 1958. The committee worked to have the USCF represented at International Chess Events, which included the following:

1. WOMEN'S INTERNAT'L TEAM TOURNAMENT—held in Sept. 1957 at Emmen, Holland. Our representatives which included Mrs. Gresser and Mrs. Platigorsky placed first in the first consolation section.
2. WORLD JUNIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP—Aug. 1957, Toronto. Our representative, William Lombardy, won with a score of 11-0.
3. FIRST TOURNAMENT OF THE AMERICAS—Jan. 1958, Bogota. Lombardy tied for 2nd, Bisguier tied for 4th.
4. MAR DEL PLATA INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT—Argentina, March 1958. William Lombardy placed 2nd.
5. LADIES ZONAL TOURNAMENT—California, Nov. 1957 in connection with U. S. Women's Championship. Mrs. Gresser and Mrs. Stevenson tied for first place.
6. MEN'S ZONAL TOURNAMENT—Dec. 1957 to Jan. 8, 1958. Held in conjunction with U. S. Championship and Rosenwald Trophy Tournament. R. Fischer-1st; S. Reshevsky-2nd; J. Sherwin-3rd.
7. MEN'S INTERZONAL TOURNAMENT—Portoroz, Yugoslavia, August 1958; U. S. Representatives are R. Fischer and J. Sherwin.
8. WORLD STUDENT TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP—July 1958 in Bulgaria. W. Lombardy, E. Mednis, A. Feuerstein, A. Saldy, R. Sobel.
9. MEN'S OLYMPIC TEAM—Munich, Germany, Sept. 30, 1958. Thanks to the energy and ingenuity of President Jerry Spann, we plan to send a team to this event this year. The details of organization and financing are being worked out by a committee consisting of members of the USCF and the American Chess Foundation.
10. INTERZONAL TITLE AWARDS—Arthur Bisguier and Larry Evans were awarded title of International Grandmaster and William Lombardy the title of International Master by FIDE Congress in August 1957. Since then, Bobby Fischer was awarded title of International Master based on fact that he placed first in U. S. Zonal Tournament.

The report concluded with a discussion of miscellaneous other matters and a survey of forthcoming events.

Mr. Green (N.J.) moved that the USCF commend Mrs. Violet Pavey for her work on the International Affairs Committee. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion centered on the effects of the new Rating and Affiliation regulations. Mr. McCormick (N.J.), Mr. Cramer (Wis.), and Mr. O'Keefe (Mich.) gave favorable accounts of the new

regulations from their experiences in their home states.

Discussion was raised on the mechanics of the Rating System and its operation. Mr. Harkness, Rating Statistician, answered some of the questions and referred others to the Blue Book and Encyclopedia of Chess. Mr. Harkness added that he now had an assistant.

Mr. Rein (Minn) moved that the Rating System remain as it now stands. After much discussion concerning the advisability of appointing a committee to oversee the Rating System, and to search for and to recommend possible improvements, the matter was concluded, and the Rein motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Henry Gross (Calif.) moved that "We the membership of the USCF realize and appreciate the time and money expended by President Spann during the past year on behalf of the USCF, and wish to go on record with the expression of our thanks and confidence." Motion Passed.

Mr. Treblow (Pa.) moved "That we, the members of the USCF, hereby commend and give a vote of gratitude to the officers of the Federation, especially President Jerry Spann, Business Manager Kenneth Harkness, and Chess Life Editor Fred Wren, for excellent progress they made in American Chess in the past year." Motion passed.

Respects and expressions of gratitude were paid to the late Max Pavey, one of our loyal compatriots and masters, who passed away since the last meeting.

Mr. Shaw (N.Mex.) moved "that the USCF express our deep thanks to the Minnesota State Chess Association, the members of the Tournament Committee, and the IBM, for the fine work they have done in conducting the 1958 U.S. Open Tournament." Motion passed. Mr. Cramer (Wis.) suggested that the IBM be thanked with an appropriate letter from the Secretary.

Mr. Hiers (Minn.) moved "that the USCF bestow the title of Lifetime Master on anyone maintaining a master's rating for ten years, not necessarily successive." The motion was tabled.

The meeting was then adjourned.

FIRST DIRECTORS MEETING

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Jerry Spann.

The first order of business was the tabulation of the ballots for the election of Vice-Presidents and Secretary. Mr. Spann appointed the following as tellers: Mr. Van Gelder (Calif.), Mr. Borochow (Calif.), and Mr. Shaw (N.Mex.). The tellers reported that Mr. Rohland had been reelected Secretary 70-1, and that in the balloting for Vice-Presidents Mr. Shipman and Dr. Hornstein had received the first and second highest number of votes, but that a tie occurred between Mr. Eastwood and Mr. Rivise for the third Vice-President. Mr. Spann declared Mr. Shipman and Dr. Hornstein duly elected, and said he would consult the By-laws to solve the problem of the third Vice-President.

The President, Mr. Spann, elaborated on his report given in the Membership Meeting, and summarized the possibilities of seeding players for the U. S. Championship. He mentioned that the possible seeding of certain Regional Tournament winners had not been finally established, and that consideration would be given to other Regional Tournaments in the future. Mr. Spann believed that in recognizing certain Regional Tournaments as possible "qualifying" tournaments, it was best to consider Regional Tournaments that already exist. Mr. Cramer (Wis.) mentioned the conflicts of dates between tournaments, and the competition for players that presently exists among Regional Tournaments, and suggested that a committee be formed to set up a suggested calendar program for distribution to organizers. Mr. Eastwood (Fla.) reminded the group that it was the local "grass roots" organizers who did the work connected with these tournaments, and who knew date possibilities better than anyone else, and that the USCF was not in any position to tell them what to do.

Discussion then centered on the validity of these Regional Tournaments. Mr. Harkness told the group that Regional Qualification Tournaments for the U. S. Championship had been tried in the past but were unsuccessful. The difficulties of organization had proven too great, so the project was abandoned. However, Mr. Harkness asserted that the idea was sound, and that there were two reasons why the USCF should hold its own tournaments:

- (1) It would meet the objection (which is justified in some cases) that the USCF does not go into any section of the country and really do something for that section.
- (2) Although the regional tournament qualification project had been unsuccessful in the past, the present stronger organizational structure of the USCF has put us in a position to consider it again with greater prospects for success.

Mr. Harkness spoke of the growth of Regional Tournaments, and noted, in particular, the U. S. Amateur Tournament which attracted 142 players, yet offered no money prizes.

Mr. Phillips (N.Y.) and Mr. Hays (N.Y.) warned against the consideration of Amateur Tournaments in any connection with Regional Qualifying Tournaments, saying that the really strong players will play only in tournaments where there are cash prizes. Regions which hold tournaments in which this is not taken into account will not produce strong winners properly representative of the region.

Mr. Cramer (Wis.) and Mr. Eastwood (Fla.) and several other Directors agreed in a discussion that it would be better to retain present Regional Tournaments and qualify the winners. They cautioned the USCF against doing anything which localities might construe as competition, and reminded the group that while the regional organizers would be happy to have the USCF as co-sponsor, it is still the regional people who must do the work.

Mr. Goetz (Iowa) made the following motion which was passed: "RESOLVED: that in accord with the policies of the U. S. Chess Federation an invitation to hold the U. S. Open be accepted only on the condition that the sponsors can guarantee that all members of the Federation, or those who wish to become members, be allowed to play, regardless of color and race."

Mr. Rohland (Wis.) explained that the USCF had always maintained this policy in the past, and cited the only instance where the USCF was embarrassed due to circumstances beyond its control: the 1954 U. S. Open at New Orleans. Mr. Rohland explained that although all parties were amenable to this policy, the Louisiana State Legislature had, shortly before this tournament, passed an ordinance against the mingling of races in social contests.

Mr. Collins (Texas) put forth a motion requiring U. S. Open Tournaments to hold a Class B Tournament in conjunction with the Open Tournament. The Directors felt that such a motion could not be enforced, and would infringe upon the organizers and promoters of a U. S. Open Tournament, and consequently, tabled the motion.

Mr. Laucks (N.J.) suggested there be Amateur Tournaments held in other sections of the country besides New Jersey. Mr. Treblow (Pa.) and Mr. Jenkins (Mich.) told of the forthcoming Philadelphia and Michigan Open Amateur Tournaments, and explained that the problem of holding Amateur Tournaments in other sections of the country hinged on finding willing workers in these sections.

After a discussion about choosing personnel for World Student Team Tournaments, the meeting was adjourned.

SECOND DIRECTORS MEETING

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Jerry Spann.

Mr. Jenkins (Mich.) read a statement composed by Mrs. Kathryn Slater concerning the Women's Prize Fund. In the

statement Mrs. Slater deplored the fact that the Women's Prize Fund was less than half the amount taken in by the Women's entry fees, and that the Women's Prize Fund had been reduced from a previously announced amount. After some discussion Mr. Treblow (Pa.) moved that the USCF recommend to Tournament Directors of U. S. Opens that the total prize fund for Women be not less than \$100. The motion was passed unanimously.

A discussion was held concerning the operations and supervision of the Rating System. Mr. Ulvestad (Wash.) suggested that a committee or an assistant be procured to lend assistance to the Rating Statistician. Mr. Harkness informed the group that an assistant had already been obtained, and though he appreciates help in the laborious work involved in the ratings, it was most difficult to find an adequate committee.

Mr. Green (N.J.) moved that the USCF create a committee to explore the possibilities of laying out a program to introduce Chess into the schools with the formation of clubs, leagues, etc. Motion passed.

Mr. McClain (Calif.) proposed an amendment to the By-laws allowing prospective members to obtain an "Associate Membership" for two dollars per year without the subscription to Chess Life. Mr. Harkness and Mr. McCormick (N.J.) spoke of the difficulties and complexities involved in such a proposal, and showed that it would undercut the new rating and affiliation regulations, and that it would actually hurt the USCF in its growth. The proposal was tabled.

Mr. Green (N.J.) moved that a Tournament Rules Committee be appointed to promulgate a uniform set of tournament playing rules. Motion passed.

Mr. Cramer (Wis.), who was recently appointed Chairman of the Membership Committee, outlined his methods for increasing USCF membership. The plan includes the use of existing members as campaigners, a regular series of articles in Chess Life outlining recruiting techniques and instructive schemes, and the use of committee organization on all levels in respective areas. Mr. Cramer prepared tables on the blackboard, assigning groups of states under each Area-Alde, with the number of members after each state, followed by the number of members per million population for each state. Various state membership campaign chairman volunteered and were chosen.

Mr. Goetz (Iowa) moved that the USCF shall support the USCF Membership Campaign wholeheartedly and work for its success. Motion passed.

Mr. Spann told the group that only about \$500 had yet to be raised for "Operation Shoestring," the project to send a U. S. team to the Chess Olympiad in Munich. Upon hearing this, the Directors present voluntarily contributed a sum of \$186, including \$50 from Mr. Harkness and \$50 from Mr. Laucks. Mr. Laucks and Mr. Spann made additional pledges of \$50 each.

Mr. McCormick (N.J.) informed the group that he had initiated a system of cumulative master points like those used in Bridge, and that it had worked well in New Jersey. He stated that he would explore the possibilities for its use throughout the country, and would report his findings to the Executive Committee.

Mr. McCormick (N.J.) moved that the USCF thank the three outgoing Vice-Presidents, Mr. Jenkins (Mich.), Mr. Hamilton (Pa.), and Mr. C. F. Tears, Jr. (Texas) for their services. The motion was passed.

Respectfully submitted,
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Secretary, USCF

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PLAYER		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12			
1.	E. C. COBO-ARTEAGA	W-61	L-6	W-44	W-35	W-24	W-34	W-22	W-7	D-3	D-5	W-2	W-12	10.0	63.5	95.5
2.	L. EVANS	W-38	W-18	W-27	D-9	W-19	D-4	W-8	D-5	W-13	W-3	L-1	W-7	9.5	67.0	101.0
3.	R. H. STEINMEYER	W-89	W-50	W-24	W-6	D-7	D-5	W-12	W-16	D-1	L-2	W-13	W-20	9.5	65.5	96.5
4.	D. BYRNE	W-98	D-60	W-66	W-22	W-51	D-2	D-13	D-10	W-15	W-11	D-7	W-5	9.5	62.5	92.0
5.	A. B. BISGUIER	W-102	W-63	W-48	W-14	W-8	D-3	D-7	D-2	W-41	D-1	W-9	L-4	9.0	65.5	96.0
6.	A. KAUFMAN	W-88	W-1	W-49	L-3	L-17	W-37	W-48	L-8	W-62	W-35	W-16	W-18	9.0	58.0	89.0
7.	R. E. BYRNE	W-77	W-64	W-33	W-16	D-3	W-9	D-5	L-1	W-12	W-8	D-4	L-2	8.5	67.5	99.0
8.	S. A. POPEL	W-112	W-37	W-29	W-21	L-5	W-20	L-2	W-6	W-10	L-7	D-18	W-28	8.5	64.0	94.0
9.	A. DI CAMILLO	W-52	W-32	W-10	D-2	W-12	L-7	D-23	D-20	W-17	W-33	L-5	W-22	8.5	63.0	95.0
10.	F. B. BALLB E	W-59	W-35	L-9	W-81	D-41	W-64	W-18	D-4	L-8	W-30	D-11	W-25	8.5	59.5	89.5
11.	E. MEDNIS	W-84	W-53	F-20	W-79	W-29	W-33	D-16	D-41	W-23	L-4	D-10	W-17	8.5	58.0	87.0
12.	H. M. AVRAM	W-78	W-26	W-45	W-41	L-9	W-18	L-3	W-27	L-7	W-34	W-21	L-1	8.0	60.5	92.5
13.	O. ULVESTAD	W-91	D-47	W-117	D-17	W-21	W-27	D-4	W-14	L-2	D-16	L-3	W-34	8.0	60.5	88.5
14.	O. POPOVYCH	W-83	W-82	W-79	L-5	L-18	W-63	W-24	L-13	W-46	L-21	W-50	W-33	8.0	54.0	82.0
15.	R. A. WEINSTEIN	W-93	L-79	W-98	W-76	D-36	D-19	W-80	W-26	L-4	D-25	D-33	W-35	8.0	53.0	79.5
16.	C. J. BRASKET	W-115	W-68	W-43	L-7	W-62	W-17	D-11	L-3	W-22	D-13	L-6	D-21	7.5	60.5	89.5
17.	R. GROSS	W-107	D-19	W-31	D-13	W-6	L-16	W-42	D-33	L-9	W-36	W-44	L-11	7.5	59.5	89.0
18.	B. W. SCHMIDT	W-132	L-2	W-57	W-69	W-14	L-12	L-10	W-55	W-63	W-23	D-8	L-6	7.5	59.5	87.0
19.	J. W. COLLINS	W-81	D-17	W-54	W-23	L-2	D-15	D-21	D-36	W-24	D-44	D-25	D-32	7.5	58.5	88.0
20.	J. HUDSON	W-42	W-95	F-11	W-45	W-26	L-8	W-79	D-9	L-25	W-39	W-41	L-3	7.5	58.5	87.5
21.	H. GROSS	W-90	W-109	W-34	L-8	L-13	W-59	D-19	D-46	W-37	W-14	L-12	D-16	7.5	58.0	83.0
22.	J. THEODOROVITCH	W-44	D-66	W-55	L-4	L-38	W-28	L-1	W-43	L-16	W-47	W-29	L-9	7.5	57.5	89.0
23.	L. SZEDLACSEK	W-94	W-76	D-51	L-19	W-55	W-36	D-9	W-30	L-11	L-18	D-24	W-46	7.5	56.5	85.0
24.	E. T. MC CORMICK	W-99	W-39	L-3	W-47	L-1	W-133	L-14	W-54	L-19	W-37	D-23	W-43	7.5	56.0	87.0
25.	P. P. LAPIKEN	W-75	L-43	D-38	W-31	W-49	W-93	L-41	W-82	W-20	D-15	D-19	L-10	7.5	55.5	82.0
26.	G. A. KOELSCHE	W-126	L-12	W-118	W-30	L-20	D-29	W-89	L-15	W-59	L-28	W-45	W-52	7.5	55.0	78.5
27.	M. ROGAN	W-72	W-85	L-2	W-46	W-43	L-13	W-53	L-12	W-48	D-41	L-28	W-42	7.5	54.5	83.5
28.	E. W. MARCHAND	W-110	L-51	W-52	D-56	W-37	L-22	W-81	W-47	L-33	W-26	W-27	L-8	7.5	54.5	80.5
29.	D. H. KRAUSE	W-129	W-57	L-8	W-85	L-11	D-26	W-58	L-50	W-49	W-56	L-22	W-44	7.5	54.0	80.0
30.	M. OTTESON	W-116	W-133	L-41	L-26	W-57	W-69	W-34	L-23	W-64	L-10	D-31	W-56	7.5	53.5	80.0
31.	S. BRUZZA	D-92	W-80	L-17	L-25	W-102	W-52	L-36	W-109	D-43	W-62	D-30	W-41	7.5	50.5	74.5
32.	M. R. ROHLAND	W-125	L-9	W-88	L-34	W-84	L-42	W-110	L-44	W-95	W-53	W-79	D-19	7.5	48.0	72.5
33.	C. HENIN	W-111	W-69	L-7	W-58	W-53	L-11	W-35	D-17	W-28	L-9	D-15	L-14	7.0	59.5	87.5
34.	E. MACSKASY	W-67	W-46	L-21	W-32	W-60	L-1	L-30	W-68	W-53	L-12	W-63	L-13	7.0	56.0	86.0
35.	M. GREEN	W-120	L-10	W-133	L-1	W-39	W-85	L-33	W-42	W-50	L-6	W-54	L-15	7.0	56.0	84.5
36.	R. F. SPRAGUE	W-96	L-41	W-115	W-42	D-15	L-23	W-31	D-19	D-39	L-17	W-58	D-38	7.0	56.0	81.5
37.	G. MAUER	W-106	L-8	W-120	W-117	L-28	L-6	W-84	W-74	L-21	L-24	W-66	W-63	7.0	51.0	76.5
38.	F. R. GLOVER	L-2	W-123	D-25	W-66	L-22	L-89	W-52	L-56	W-94	W-91	W-64	D-36	7.0	49.5	76.0
39.	B. MORAN	W-113	L-24	L-62	W-111	L-35	W-94	W-86	W-79	D-36	L-20	D-40	W-65	7.0	49.5	74.0
40.	B. GARFINKEL	W-119	L-45	L-83	L-73	F-96	W-135	W-118	W-71	W-111	D-43	D-39	W-62	7.0	44.0	63.5
41.	A. SANTASIERE	W-73	W-36	W-30	L-12	D-10	W-51	W-25	D-11	L-5	D-27	L-20	L-31	6.5	61.5	92.0
42.	A. KRAUS	L-20	W-70	W-61	L-36	W-45	W-32	L-17	L-35	W-92	D-50	W-80	L-27	6.5	54.5	80.5
43.	R. HAYS	W-131	W-25	L-16	W-71	L-27	D-82	W-93	L-22	D-31	D-40	W-85	L-24	6.5	54.5	77.0
44.	R. C. GOVE	L-22	W-136	L-1	L-80	W-128	W-61	W-76	W-32	W-82	D-19	L-17	L-29	6.5	53.5	76.0
45.	J. R. BEITLING	W-65	W-40	L-12	L-20	L-42	W-72	L-92	W-61	D-68	W-51	L-26	W-82	6.5	52.5	79.0
46.	L. J. ISAACS	W-114	L-34	W-138	L-27	W-67	D-109	W-51	D-21	L-14	D-64	W-59	L-23	6.5	52.5	76.5
47.	D. SATTERLEE	A-139	D-13	D-60	L-24	W-112	D-62	W-91	L-28	W-51	L-22	L-56	W-85	6.5	52.0	77.0
48.	J. SULLIVAN	W-86	W-71	D-5	D-49	W-56	D-80	L-6	W-69	L-27	L-54	W-76	D-55	6.5	51.5	80.5
49.	K. SLATER	W-105	W-62	L-6	D-48	L-25	L-68	W-67	W-90	L-29	D-57	W-71	D-50	6.5	51.0	77.0
50.	P. MUTO	W-128	L-3	W-67	L-51	D-89	W-73	W-109	W-29	L-35	D-42	L-14	D-49	6.5	51.0	75.5
51.	A. SURACI	W-121	W-28	D-23	W-50	L-4	L-41	L-46	W-85	L-47	L-45	W-91	W-82	6.5	50.5	76.5
52.	G. D. JOHNSON	L-9	W-106	L-28	D-121	W-70	L-31	L-38	W-122	W-77	W-81	W-74	L-26	6.5	50.5	74.5
53.	G. S. BARNES	W-122	L-11	W-89	W-83	L-33	W-92	L-27	W-80	L-34	L-32	W-73	D-61	6.5	50.0	75.5
54.	W. M. BYLAND	D-80	W-74	L-19	L-75	W-77	D-65	W-120	L-24	W-73	W-48	L-35	D-57	6.5	50.0	74.5
55.	S. REIN	D-74	W-92	L-22	W-65	L-23	D-90	W-95	L-18	D-84	D-67	W-78	D-48	6.5	48.5	73.0
56.	J. A. NOWAK	L-117	W-129	W-109	D-28	L-48	L-91	W-70	W-38	W-58	L-29	W-47	L-30	6.5	48.5	70.5
57.	S. VAN GELDER	W-138	L-29	L-18	W-97	L-30	W-115	W-100	L-62	D-91	D-49	W-95	D-54	6.5	47.0	71.5
58.	J. A. PAMILJENS	W-123	L-117	W-94	L-33	D-73	W-75	L-29	W-66	L-56	W-89	L-36	W-80	6.5	47.0	70.0
59.	D. W. RUTH	L-10	W-119	W-111	L-62	W-105	L-21	D-90	W-75	L-26	W-84	L-46	W-83	6.5	46.5	71.0
60.	J. O'KEEFE	W-97	D-4	D-47	W-95	L-34	D-81	L-82	D-93	L-65	D-72	W-110	W-79	6.5	44.5	70.0
61.	E. ARONSON	L-1	W-99	L-42	L-119	W-106	L-44	W-103	L-45	W-117	W-90	W-109	D-53	6.5	43.5	68.0
62.	H. BOROCHOW	W-118	L-49	W-39	W-59	L-16	D-47	D-68	W-57	L-6	L-31	W-92	L-40	6.0	53.5	78.5
63.	G. E. HARTLEB	W-130	L-5	L-81	W-72	W-120	L-14	W-83	W-92	L-18	W-65	L-34	L-37	6.0	49.5	73.5
64.	E. GODBOLD	W-101	L-7	W-84	D-93	W-90	L-10	D-74	W-91	L-30	D-46	L-38	D-67	6.0	48.5	74.5
65.	G. MADLENER	L-45	D-86	W-91	L-55	W-66	D-54	D-85	D-81	W-60	L-63	W-75	L-39	6.0	48.5	72.5
66.	W. KAISER	W-136	D-22	L-4	L-38	L-65	W-114	W-78	L-58	D-72	W-98	L-37	W-90	6.0	48.0	71.5
67.	M. SOKOLER	L-34	W-125	L-50	W-100	L-46	D-78	L-49	W-114	W-87	D-55	D-68	D-64	6.0	48.0	70.0
68.	G. V. TIERS	W-137	L-16	D-75	L-90	W-121	W-49	D-62	L-34	D-45	D-74	D-67	D-77	6.0	47.5	67.5
69.	W. H. DONNELLY	W-103	L-33	W-97	L-18	W-116	L-30	W-87	L-48	L-79	L-71	W-119	W-108	6.0	47.0	70.5
70.	L. LANE	L-133	L-42	W-106	D-88	L-52	W-77	L-56	L-72	W-125	W-120	W-81	D-86	6.0	46.0	67.0
71.	R. C. EASTWOOD	W-100	L-48	W-116	L-43	L-80	L-86	W-102	L-40	W-96	W-69	L-49	W-97	6.0	45.5	69.0
72.	W. SLATER	L-27	W-103	L-76	L-63	W-123	L-45	D-112	W-70	D-66	D-60	D-104	W-92	6.0	45.5	68.5
73.	M. SELENSKY	L-41	L-122	W-135	W-40	D-58	L-50	W-107	D-89	L-54	W-112	L-53	W-104	6.0	45.5	66.0
74.	J. D. MATHESON	D-55	L-54	L-90	W-114	W-113	W-105	D-64	L-37	D-81	D-68	L-52	W-95	6.0	45.0	67.5
75.	L. KELLNER	L-25	W-124	D-68	W-54	L-93	L-58	W-122	L-59	D-98	W-100	L-65	W-101	6.0	44.5	66.5
76.	W. GROMBACHER	W-124	L-23	W-72	L-15	L-110	W-119	L-44	W-97	D-89	D-82	L-48	W-105	6.0	44.0	67.5
77.	G. RAICH	L-7	D-90	D-96	D-113	L-54	L-70	W-127	W-124	L-52	W-94	W-84	D-68	6.0	43.5	66.5
78.	J. R. EVANNS	L-12	L-138	W-131	L-82	W-125	D-67	L-66	W-113	D-83	W-93	L-55	W-107	6.0	42.5	64.0
79.	W. R. JONES	W-127	W-15	L-14	L-11	W-83	W-110	L-20	L-39	W-69	D-80	L-32	L-60	5.5	54	

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12			
120. W. M. REBOLD	L-35	W-114	L-37	W-123	L-63	W-97	L-54	D-87	L-85	L-70	D-125	L-103	4.0	44.0	66.5
121. B. EDDY	L-51	L-118	W-132	D-52	L-68	L-107	D-99	L-105	W-103	L-101	L-96	W-134	4.0	42.5	62.0
122. F. COLLINS	L-53	W-73	L-95	L-84	D-124	W-88	L-75	L-52	L-107	L-125	D-135	W-126	4.0	41.0	60.5
123. D. ALLEN	L-58	L-38	W-136	L-120	L-72	W-124	D-88	D-117	W-105	L-95	L-86	F-93	4.0	39.5	59.0
124. W. H. WOOD	L-76	L-75	W-129	L-86	D-122	L-123	W-116	L-77	W-113	L-110	D-114	L-96	4.0	39.5	58.5
125. E. F. LAUCKS	L-32	L-67	L-113	W-136	L-78	D-116	L-114	W-127	L-70	W-122	D-120	L-98	4.0	38.5	58.0
126. H. E. ROCK	L-26	L-94	L-119	L-106	W-137	L-103	W-131	W-134	L-97	L-105	W-136	L-122	4.0	36.0	52.5
127. E. ANDERSON	L-79	L-93	D-99	L-102	W-129	L-87	L-77	L-125	D-131	W-135	W-130	L-100	4.0	35.5	52.5
128. P. WAGNER	L-50	L-81	W-87	L-105	L-44	L-106	L-130	W-116	W-134	L-119	L-102	L-113	3.0	40.5	60.5
129. W. KNIEVAL	L-29	L-56	L-124	L-107	L-127	L-130	W-137	W-136	W-116	L-113	L-134	L-132	3.0	33.5	51.0
130. R. G. HOUGHTON	L-63	L-89	L-100	L-131	L-103	W-129	W-128	L-119	W-132	L-117	L-127	L-137	3.0	33.0	51.0
131. L. HENDERSON	L-43	L-83	L-78	W-130	L-111	L-98	L-126	L-135	D-127	W-136	D-137	L-115	3.0	33.0	49.0
132. K. R. MARTIN	L-18	L-98	L-121	L-135	W-136	L-104	L-134	W-137	L-130	L-102	L-116	W-129	3.0	32.0	48.5
133. T. BULLOCKUS	W-70	L-30	L-35	W-118	W-119	L-24	F	F	F	F	F	F	3.0	20.5	35.5
134. W. OTTESON	F	F	F	F	F	W-137	W-132	L-126	L-128	L-103	W-129	L-121	3.0	14.5	23.5
135. W. F. GOETZ JR.	L-82	L-88	L-73	W-132	L-115	L-40	L-108	W-131	L-118	L-127	D-122	L-116	2.5	37.5	57.5
136. J. BERG	L-66	L-44	L-123	L-125	L-132	B	L-101	L-129	W-137	L-131	L-126	F-118	2.0	30.0	44.0
137. I. LYNNE	L-68	L-115	L-104	L-87	L-126	L-134	L-129	L-132	L-136	L-116	D-131	W-130	1.5	32.5	49.0
138. D. ROSKOWSKI	L-57	W-78	L-46	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	1.0	6.0	19.0
139. J. C. LONGSTREE	F-47	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	0.0	0.0	06.0

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Chess Life In New York

By Morton Siegel

One of the most characteristic traits of New York is its action as a sort of talent magnet. There is a constant stream of immigration into the city of aspirants for success in almost any field one might care to name from the crass commercial to those consecrated to the artistic.

We are familiar with this phenomenon in chess primarily in relation to chess players. I would like to focus on it in relation to the field of chess organization or promotion. Traditionally this is a field in which we are weak. There have been many discussions on how to remedy a condition in which our masters withdraw from chess, our teams and individual master's participation in international events is problematic, and we are actually compelled to turn down international events in which foreign teams would want to come to the U.S. and bear the major financial burden themselves!

Our way of life has relied upon the creative hard-working individual as the answer to such problems. I would like to introduce you to such a person who has not yet been tapped by the Federation, the Foundation, or the major clubs. He is Private Frank Fink. He is from my home town and is now serving in the U.S. Army, stationed in N. Y. City. His coming here was not exactly voluntary, but the reason for his being stationed here is certainly related to the question of talent. He is a mild mannered, pleasant young man who graduated from the University of Buffalo with a major in Psychology.

When he came to New York he visited the major clubs but did not rest content with this. He organized a tournament on post and obtained a fair entry. He then decided to try to secure prizes, so he visited the local merchants. From one he obtained the pledge of a free uniform and pressing, records from another, books from a third, and so on, until he had obtained seven or eight prizes, each in the form which could be most readily donated by the merchant. To my knowledge, this was a new step for chess promotion in the city.

Frank has had enterprising ideas before. While at the University of Buffalo, he played a major part in obtaining more support from the student union than had even been given to chess before. He is not always successful. He attempted to organize a radio match between Cambridge and the U. of Buffalo. This fell through because of poor organization on the part of the English team, so that the sponsor withdrew. The most striking thing about the affair is that Frank had obtained the financial support of a local supermarket chain.

His is the kind of talent which conceives fresh ideas out of the normal rut, and then has the drive to see them through to accomplishment. Chess organization should be ever alert to discover and nurture this most pre-

vious type of human resource. I have an idea that if we did, our financial resources would also be augmented, and the burden on our Spans and Harknesses would be materially relieved.

EDITORIAL COMMENT: We don't know how a 1958 private will react to orders from a 1918 sergeant, but let's try it out. Private Fink—Front and center. At ease. Report to SFC Karch, or to USCF President Jerry Spann, or to the Editor of Chess Life, any suggestions you may have for increasing USCF membership, or for the improvement of U.S. Chess. Tention! Dismissed! And thanks, Mort, for introducing us.

HEITNER WINS NEW YORK CITY AMATEUR

Competing in a field of 62 players, Irving Heitner of Rego Park, N. Y. won the first Golden Kings New York City Amateur Championship, conducted by the USCF at the Chess and Checker Club of New York, 212 W. 42nd St., over Labor Day weekend. The new titleholder, a former Pennsylvania state champion, received an engraved trophy as the first prize award. Heitner's score of 5½-½ was not matched by any other contestant.

Equal scores of 5-1 were turned in by John Evans of Brooklyn, R. L. Benedicto of Elmhurst, N. Y., and Harry Baker of Brooklyn. Under the tie-break rules, second and third-place USCF Golden Kings medals went to Evans and Benedicto respectively. Heitner defeated Baker in the fourth round, Evans in the fifth, and drew with Benedicto in the sixth.

Class B medals went to H. M. Polstein of Brooklyn, who scored 4 points, and James D. Davis of New York, who took 3½ points. Book prizes were awarded to all trophy and medal winners, and to the top two unrated players—Baker and Abraham Zimmerman of the Bronx. Baker has not taken part in competitive chess for many years, but played in U. S. Championships in the forties.

This first big tournament to be held at the "crossroads of the world" — Broadway and 42nd Street, New York — was directed by Kenneth Harkness, assisted by Frank Brady. All contestants had to be members of the U. S. Chess Federation. As a result, twenty-seven new names were added to the roster of USCF members.

SIGMOND REPEATS IN VA.

The annual tournament for the State Championship of Virginia was conducted over the Labor Day week end at the Hotel Roanoke in Roanoke, Virginia. Nineteen players competed in the 7-round Swiss system tourney, and Irwin Sigmond successfully defended his state title, scoring 5½ points. Walter Muir, Richard Callaghan, and Andrew Schoene, each of whom scored 5 points, were 2nd, 3rd, and 4th respectively, ties being broken under the S-B system. Peter Henderson and Colonel John D. Matheson with 4½ points were 5th and 6th respectively. Jesse Burke with 4 points was the only other player with a plus score.

Sigmond lost to Henderson and drew with Matheson. Muir lost to Sigmond and to Spencer Mathews. Callaghan and Schoene lost to Sigmond and drew with each other. Callaghan also drew with Burke; and Schoene, with Clifford Roberson. Henderson lost to Muir and to Schoene. Matheson lost to Muir and to Callaghan. Burke lost to Muir and drew with Callaghan, Henderson, Leonard Morgan, and Larry King.

While the championship tournament was in progress, 17 other players competed in a second 7-round Swiss tournament for the Virginia Amateur Championship. Fred Taylor, losing only to Philip Rice, scored 6 points to win the new title. Second prize went to Peter Paul Kerr who also scored 6 points, losing only to Taylor. Rice, losing to Kerr and to Robert Bonwell, was the only player scoring 5 points and won third prize. Three prizes were also awarded to the highest ranking junior players, and these were won by Rocky Traylor, B. Callaghan, and Tony Frye in that order.

Both tournaments were ably conducted by Harold Stultz. At the business meeting of the Virginia Chess Federation, Colonel Matheson was elected President for the coming year and an invitation from Arlington to conduct the 1959 championship tournaments was accepted. Colonel Matheson was also reelected USCF Director for the State of Virginia.

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REVISE CALIFORNIA OPEN CHAMP

Irving Rivise of Los Angeles won the 1958 California Open title on tie-breaking points over Joe Mego and Ray Martin, both of Los Angeles. The three players tied in game points, 6-1. Rivise thus becomes the Far West's first seeded entry in the U. S. Championship tournament for the Lessing J. Rosenwald Trophy in December in New York.

The following prize-winners placed 4th-10th in the order listed, all with 5½-1½ scores: Louis Spinner, Robion Kirby, Robt. Cross, W. Pafnutieff, W. G. Addison, Donald Foley, and Erik Osbun. Roger Smook, Phil D. Smith, and Newton Grant, each with 5-2, placed in that order, to complete the list of major prize winners.

In the "Reserves" flight the winner was Ostap Bender of Sacramento, who tied with Carl Bitzer of China Lake, 4½-2½, and won the trophy on tie-breaking points.

A total of 32 prize winners divided \$570, with Rivise, Mego and Martin sharing the first three prizes of \$125, \$90 and \$65 for \$93 each.

Tournament Director, Guthrie McClain, was assisted by Robert A. Karch (in charge of Reserves Section) and Newton Grant.

A record-breaking total of 114 players competed in the tournament, in which for the first time membership in the U. S. Chess Federation was required, and over forty new members were enrolled.

HEARST WINS D.C. 30-30

Eliot Hearst, the D.C. Chess Champion for 1958, won the \$150 first prize at the first annual National Capital 30-30 Open Chess Tournament at the Jewish Community Center, in Washington.

Hearst, rated a chess master, is stationed with the Army at Walter Reed Hospital. He competed against 34 other players. Second prize was won by Hans J. Berliner, 29, an engineer with the Naval Research Laboratory.

Five members of the Washington Chess Divan, which sponsored the tournament, tied for third place. They are: George T. Meyer, Ivan Romanenko, Jack Mayer, Herbert M. Avram and Norman T. Whitaker.



CHESS TACTICS FOR BEGINNERS

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

(1958 U.S. Amateur Champion)

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

1. A Game from the U. S. Open Tournament

RETI OPENING

U.S. Open Tournament
Rochester, Minn., 1958

White Black
G. MAUER E. MARCHAND

1. N-KB3 P-Q4 2. P-B4 P-Q5
On 2., PxP; 3. Q-R4ch White can recover his Pawn at once. Pushing the Pawn to Q5 (the Tarrasch Defense) was thought at one time to be refutation of the Reti, the followup being P-KB3 and P-K4 by Black. Today players of the White side circumvent this plan by attacking Black's center before it gets organized.

3. P-K3 N-QB3
On 3., P-QB4 White can play a promising gambit: 4. P-QN4, QPxP; 5. BPxP, PxP; 6. P-Q4.
4. PxP NxP 8. B-K3 Q-Q3
5. NxN QxN 9. B-K2 B-B4
6. N-B3 P-QB3 10. O-O N-B3
7. P-Q4 P-K4

White is ahead in development since Black has yet to develop his KB and castle, but White must take time to improve his slightly backward center.
11. P-Q4 PxP 14. KR-K1 B-K3
12. QxP QxQ 15. B-B3 BxP
13. BxQ B-K2

Black felt that the gift Pawn should be accepted since there appeared to be no clear reason for not doing so. Such decisions require careful judgment. One must not grab a Pawn if it means too much suffering afterwards. At the same time, when a sacrifice appears to be unsound, one must adopt the "I'm from Missouri; show me" attitude and accept the offer. Don't decline just because you think the opponent has something in mind. If you cannot see it, maybe it is not there. In the present case White had indeed erred.

16. BxN PxB 18. B-R5 K-B1
17. R-K4 B-K3
Not 18., P-KB4; 19. RxB winning a piece and not 18., O-O-O; 19. BxP! Playable is 18., O-O; 19. BxPch! RxB; 20. QR-K1, BxP!

19. QR-K1 P-KB4 21. N-R4 R-Q1
20. R(4)-K2 B-B3 22. N-B5 B-B1
Dubious is 22., BxRP; 23. R-R1, etc.
23. P-KN3 P-N3 26. N-B1 B-R3
24. N-N3 K-N2 27. R-B2
25. B-B3 P-B4

More attractive would be 27. R-K3, BxP; 28. R-K7 and RxRP, after which Black's Rook on the 7th rank would have some future.
27. KR-K1 29. N-K2 B-KN4
28. RxR RxR 30. P-KR4 B-Q6
Analyzing games in the quiet of one's study is far different from planning moves in a tournament with an opponent glaring at you, the time-clock ticking away, and the scoreboard pressing you to add another point.

In the present game White had fallen into a fairly common error (besides giving away a Pawn): he had used up large amounts of time in spite of the relatively quiet nature of the early part of the game. But now, curiously enough, with White in time trouble, Black tries to move rapidly, feeling that White will thereby more likely go astray (a difficult idea to justify). The result is that Black gives up the advantage of the two Bishops and also drifts into a R and P ending, in which, as so often is the case, his extra Pawn loses much of its significance.

31. R-B3 BxN 34. R-QR3 R-K7
32. PxB BxB 35. RxP RxNP
33. RxB K-N3 36. K-N2 P-N4

Still trying to press his opponent into a time pressure blunder, but actually letting the advantage nearly slip away.

Better is 36., KxP; 37. RxP, RxP; 38. RxP since the two connected passed Pawns would be very strong.

37. P-R3 P-QB5 41. R-B5 R-N7
38. R-B7 KxP 42. P-R4 PxP
39. RxP(B7) K-N3 43. RxQB P-R6
40. R-QB7 R-R7 44. R-QR4 P-R7
White has played well considering the speed with which he had to move but still has 6 moves to make in a very short time.

45. R-R6ch K-N2
The war of nerves tells on Black too.
45., K-B2 makes more sense since the King must cross over to the Q-side.

46. K-B3 K-B2 49. K-N2 K-B2
47. K-N2 K-K2 50. R-R7ch K-N3
48. K-B3 K-Q2 51. R-R4

It was surprising that White was able to complete the 50 moves within the time limit. Actually he made the 51st move also in haste, having lost track of the exact number of moves. However, the game was hopeless in any case.

51. K-N4 53. K-B3
52. R-R7 K-N5

Losing at once since now Black can check and get his R behind the passed Pawn. But in any case Black's K can go to QN8 to force in the RP.

53. R-N6ch 54. Resigns.

2. A Brevity from the N. Y. State Tournament

ENGLISH OPENING

N.Y. State Championship
Cazenovia, 1958

White Black
E. MARCHAND J. BATTELL

1. P-QB4 P-K4 3. N-KB3 P-Q3
2. N-QB3 P-KB4 4. P-Q4 N-Q2

Less good than 4., P-K5.
5. PxP PxP
5., NxP; 6. NxN, PxN; 7. QxQch gives White a definite edge.

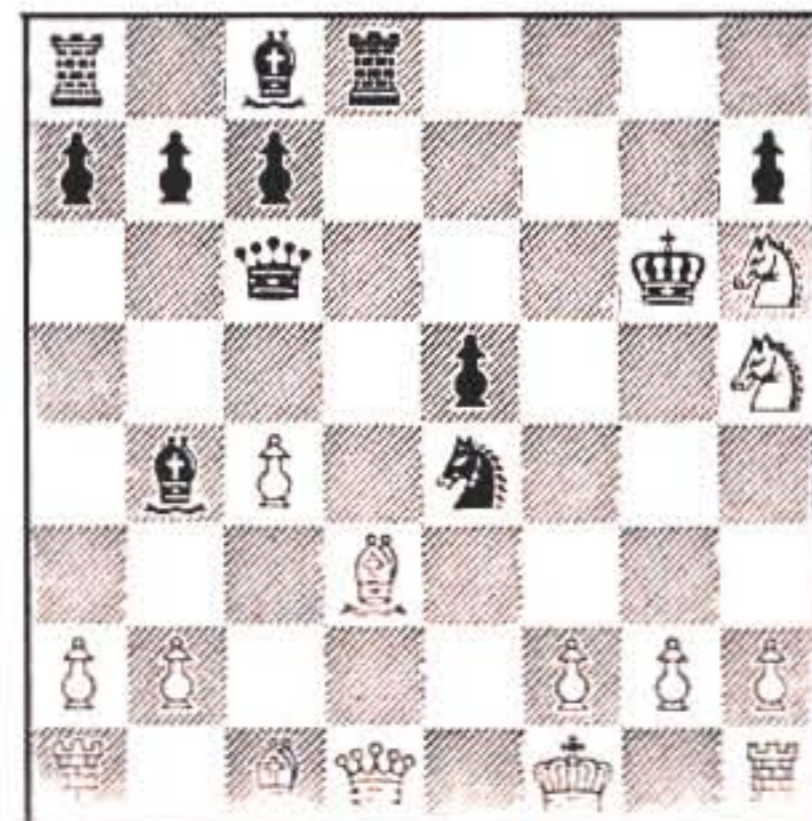
6. N-KN5 Q-B3?
The only adequate defense against the threat of N-K6 was 6., B-Q3; 7. P-K4 with a slight advantage for White. Not 6., QN-B3; 7. QxQch, KxQ; 8. N-B7ch.

7. N-Q5 Q-B3 8. N-KN1 B-Q3
Of course not 8., QxN(K3); 9. NxP ch (the family check).

9. NxNPch K-B2 11. P-K4 N-B4
10. NxKBP KN-B3

11., NxP; 12. Q-R5ch leads to Mate.
12. N-R6ch K-N2 13. NxN NxP
13., KxN; 14. Q-B3 ch leads to Mate.

14. N-R5ch K-N3 16. K-B1 R-Q1
15. B-Q3 B-N5ch



Position after 16., R-Q1

Laying a little trap before giving up.
17. Q-B3
Not 17. BxNch, QxB; 18. QxR, Q-K8 Mate.
17. Resigns

WEINBERGER TAKES 1958 N.J. OPEN

The New Jersey Open, held over the Labor Day weekend at the Independent Chess Club in East Orange, was won by Tibor Weinberger of New York with a fine 6½-1½ score, and he thus takes over the title from Bobby Fischer, now playing in Yugoslavia. The field consisted of a record 100 players including 12 masters.

Runner-up was Intercollegiate champ Charles Kalme of Philadelphia with 6-1. Solkoff points gave Weaver Adams the edge over Larry Friedman, both with 5½-1½, and Adams thus won the state closed title.

Weinberger drew only with Adams, and beat Kalme in their game. Attilio DiCamillo accounted for both Adams' and Friedman's losses, while Leroy Dubeck split a point with Friedman.

Fifth through eleventh on Solkoff with 5-2 each were DiCamillo, Dubeck, Saul Wachs, Lev Blonarovych, Matthew Green, Morton Siegel, Ray Weinstein, and Brian Owens.

Dubeck and Weinstein took the top junior prize, and other junior prizes were won by Alan Spielman, Leslie Ault, Mike Spalding, and 13-year-old Ray Fasano, all with 4-3 scores.

COLORADO STATE ASSOCIATION FORMED

In the Colorado State Tournament at Colorado Springs, George Pipirigos of Denver topped a field of 27, including three former state champions, to win the 1958 title.

Sam Priebe, Charles Sponagle, and Vic Traubush, the above-mentioned ex-champs, finished in second, third, and fourth places respectively.

During the progress of the tournament, the Colorado State Chess Association was organized with the Colorado Springs Chess Club, the Denver Y.M.C.A. Chess Club, and the Pueblo Y.M.C.A. Chess Club as charter members. Representatives from the Boulder and Fort Collins Chess Clubs indicated their clubs would join as soon as formal approval is given.

The officers of the Association are: Juan Reid, Colorado Springs, President; Giles Paull, Pueblo, Vice-President; and Alfred Hulmes, Denver, Secretary-Treasurer.

One of the by-laws of the new Association is that the Association be a member of the United States Chess Federation. The secretary, Al Hulmes, will correspond with the USCF regarding affiliation, as well as the advantages of individual memberships.

The Association assumed authority to plan, stage and direct the Colorado State and the Colorado Open. In addition, tentative plans call for inter-club matches between member clubs. The Colorado Springs Chess Club has sponsored appearances by Reshevsky and Horowitz the past four years, and the Association hopes to arrange for appearances in other cities in the state.

GOOD NEWS FROM PORTOROZ

1. At the FIDE meeting in Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia, we were represented by William Lombardy, who has been acting as Fischer's second in the Interzonal at Portoroz. From him comes news that the meeting decided to seed the players finishing 1-6 at Portoroz into the Candidates Tournament next year, instead of the previously-announced 1-5 players. This gives Fischer added opportunity to qualify. The FIDE meeting also decided that no country could qualify more than three players for the Candidates Tournament. Since the USSR had nine players in the Zurich, 1953, event, and six in Amsterdam, 1956, this decision must be a bitter one for the USSR Chess Section. Presumably it refers only to those who may qualify from the Portoroz Interzonal, but the reports are not clear on that point.

2. As this is written, Fischer stands tied with Bronstein for 5th-6th places at Portoroz, after 19 completed rounds, and only one round to play. Victories over De-Greif and Cardoso, plus draws with Matanovic and Panno and Pachman pulled Bobby to a score of 11½-7½. Tal leads, and qualifies for 1958 Candidates, with 13-6. Gligorich and Petrosian are tied for 2nd-3rd places with 12½-6½ each. Benko is 4th with 12-7. Then Fischer and Bronstein, ahead of Auerbach, Szabo, Olafsson, and Pachman who are tied with 11-8.

3. Pal Benko, a legal resident of the United States, has volunteered to act as coach for the United States Olympic Team at Munich, in place of George Koltanowski who is unable to make the trip. His offer has been accepted gratefully by the U. S. Olympic Committee, and he and Lombardy will meet the other Team members at Munich.

NUMBER ONE SON REPORTS

From your editor's favorite and only son, who labors daily in an office just across the square from Chiang Kai-shek in Taipei, Formosa, comes the following: "The latest issues of CHESS LIFE caused great interest in the office (US Mission to China) and I was informed that the Bank of Taiwan, across the street, operates a thriving chess club, which includes among its members numerous generals and the Governor of Taiwan. I rushed over to sign them up for the USCF and CHESS LIFE, only to find that what they call Chess isn't chess at all. It's an ancient, complicated Chinese game which bears about the same relationship to chess as their Chinese checkers bears to our game of checkers or draughts. Incidentally, although you can't get Swiss steak in Switzerland, French toast in France, or hamburgers in Hamburg, they do play a lot of Chinese checkers in China."

Thanks, Bill, for trying to put Operation M across in Formosa. Could the game which they play be Edward Lasker's favorite "GO"?



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Annotated by Chess Master JOHN W. COLLINS

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This is one of the two adjourned games which decided the Big Match.

DUTCH DEFENSE

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Metropolitan Chess League Match
New York, 1958

Notes by U. S. Master Carl Pilnick

White **BISGUIER** (Manhattan C.C.)
Black **PILNICK** (Marshall C.C.)

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| 1. P-Q4 | P-Q4 |
| 2. P-QB4 | P-K3 |
| 3. N-QB3 | P-KB4 |

Sneaking into the Dutch Defense by the back door. Aside from the psychological effect, gambits and inverted Indian variations are avoided.

4. B-B4
The first of a series of unorthodox moves by both sides.

4. N-K2
This Knight heads for KN3, both to irritate the White Bishop and also to prepare for possible future breaks at K4 or KB5.

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| 5. N-B3 | P-B3 |
| 6. P-K3 | N-N3 |
| 7. B-Q3 | |

Best. The exchange by Black of Knight for Bishop at this point is unfavorable because of the open King's file bearing upon the weak KP.

7. B-Q3
Renewing the question. If White now exchanges, Black retains control of his K4 and KB5.

8. B-N5 Q-Q2
If Q-B2; 9. R-QB1 is annoying. White must now take action to secure a haven for his embattled Bishop, which he does very cleverly.

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| 9. N-KR4 | Q-KB2 |
| 10. O-O | |

A trap avoided was 10. Q-R5? N-K4!; 11. QxQch, NxQ; 12. B-B4, P-KN4; 13. BxB, NxB; 14. N-B3, PxB; 15. B any, P-N5 and Black wins a pawn.

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| 10. | O-O |
| 11. P-B4 | |

White makes a sound decision to contain the scope of Black's King-side activity, maintaining a slight advantage.

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| 11. | P-KR3 |
| 12. NxN | QxN |
| 13. B-R4 | N-Q2 |
| 14. P-B5 | |

Increasing the restraint.

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| 14. | B-B2 |
| 15. P-QN4 | N-B3 |

Intending, if BxN, to recapture with the P and prepare a future assault.

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| 16. R-N1 | P-R3 |
| 17. P-KR3 | B-Q2 |
| 18. R-N2 | |

A very strong move with the idea of P-N4 and R-N2 in mind. Black is forced to simplify to maintain the balance.

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| 18. | Q-R4 |
| 19. QxQ | |

If 19. Q-K1, then P-KN4 is good for Black.

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| 19. | NxQ |
| 20. P-N4 | N-B3 |
| 21. R-N2 | N-K5 |
| 22. NxN | BPxN |
| 23. B-K2 | P-QR4 |

This Queen-side diversion comes in the nick of time since White, if allowed sufficient time, will work up a menacing King-side attack.

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| 24. PxB | RxRP |
| 25. B-Q1 | R-R6 |

On the theory that White's KB is less useful on QN3.

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| 26. B-QN3 | R-B2 |
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Avoiding 26. P-QN3?; 27. PxB, BxNP; 28. B-K7 winning the exchange.

27. B-K1
With this move, White relinquishes the advantage, allowing Black to achieve full equality.

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| 27. | P-KN4 |
| 28. B-Q2 | R-R1 |
| 29. R(2)-B2 | R(1)-KB1 |

At this point, Black offered a draw but since the Manhattan team's prospects at the time were unclear, White elected to play on.

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| 30. K-N2 | K-N2 |
| 31. K-N3 | K-N3 |
| 32. P-KR4 | PxRPch |
| 33. KxB | B-Q1ch |
| 34. K-N3 | P-R4 |
| 35. PxBch | K-R3 |

This move comes as an unpleasant surprise, since Black simultaneously clears the KN file for action and removes his own King to a friendly sanctuary behind the White Pawn.

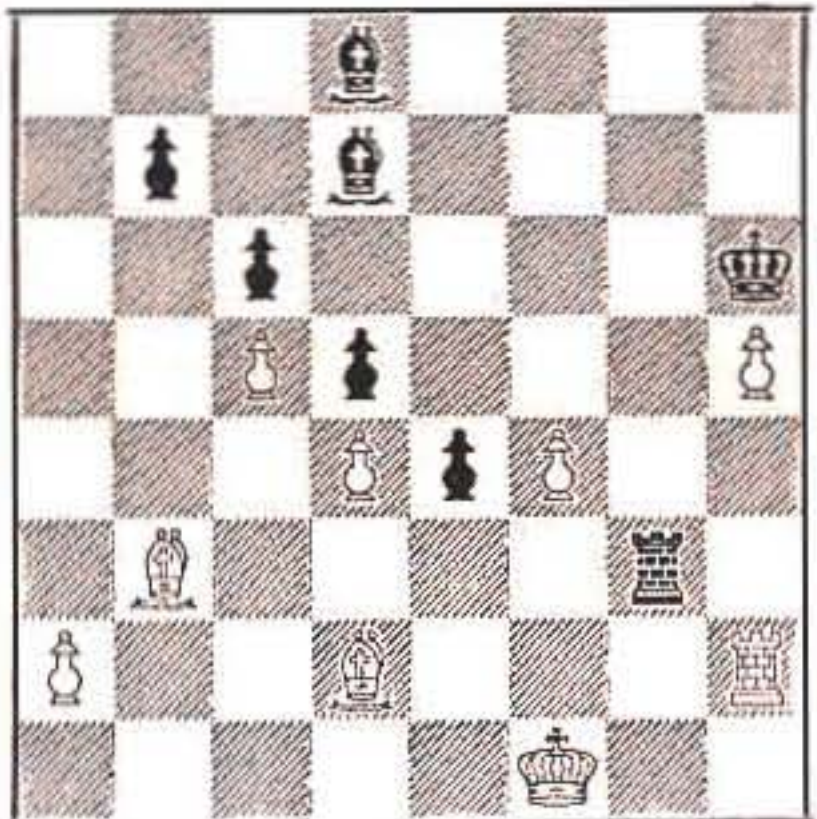
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| 36. K-R2 | R-N2 |
| 37. R-KN1 | RxR |
| 38. KxR | R-N1ch |
| 39. K-B1 | |

Opposing Rooks would lead to a hopeless draw. White, in his anxiety to retain winning chances, allows a powerful freeing move.

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| 39. | P-K4 |
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If this Pawn is captured, B-R6ch; 41. K-K2, B-N5ch draws immediately as White's King square is forbidden because of B-R5.

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| 40. R-R2 | PxQP |
| 41. PxB | R-N6 |



Position after 41., R-N6

At adjournment (which incidentally was complicated by the fact that Black's flag fell at his 40th move while his clock still showed almost two minutes to go), this move looked strong enough to draw easily. Analysis indicates, however, that Black wins in all variations. For example, 42. K-B2, R-B6ch; 43. K-N1, B-B3! (Or 43. K-K1, P-K6!, or 43. K-K2, B-N5! or 43. K-N2, R-Q6!). Or 42. B-Q1, B-R6ch! Or 42. B-K1, again B-R6ch. White chooses the line giving most complications.

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| 42. P-B5ch | |
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Allowing Black the opportunity to go wrong.

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| 42. | P-K6 |
| 43. B-K1 | R-N5 |

This is the critical move. The main point is that after 44. K-K2, RxP; 45. KxB? loses to R-K5ch; 46. K-B2, B-R5ch (or 46. K-Q2, B-R4ch). White pawns begin to drop while the Black pawn at K6 remains inviolate.

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| 44. B-QB2 | RxB |
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..... BxB; 45. BxB, P-B5ch is sufficient to draw, but at this point Black will have none of draws.

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| 45. K-K2 | B-N4 |
| 46. R-N2 | |

Inadequate but White is helpless. If 46. P-B6, B-N5ch or 46. B-B3, R-QB5.

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| 46. | B-K1 |
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The killing threat of BxBch forces White to sacrifice.

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| 47. RxB | KxR |
| 48. KxB | R-KN5 |

Avoiding White's last major trap, R-QB5; 49. B-N3, RxP?; 50. K-Q4!

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| 49. B-R5 | BxB |
| 50. B-Q8ch | K-R3 |

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| 51. P-B6 | P-Q5ch |
| 52. K-B2 | R-B5ch |

Even quicker was 52. P-Q6!; 53. B-Q1 (if BxB, R-Q6), R-Q6.

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| 53. K-K1 | B-N3 |
| 54. B-N3 | P-Q6 |
| 55. B-K7 | R-K5ch |
| 56. K-Q1 | R-K7 |
| 57. B-Q6 | |

If 57. P-B7, BxB; 58. B-B8ch, K-N3 or 58. BxB, RxB.

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| 57. | R-KB7 |
| 58. B-K7 | P-Q7 |

And B-R4ch picks up all the marbles. Another sad example of trying to push a draw too far.

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| 59. Resigns | |
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EVER OLD, EVER NEW—is the sturdy French Defence. The following game is based on a variation discovered in the last century by Louis Paulsen. It was dropped, and rehabilitated by the German master Rellstab. The win by McCormick contributes to the lively discussion about the merits of the 'Advance' Variation.

FRENCH DEFENSE ADVANCE VARIATION

MCO (9)—p. 110, col. 78

Long Island Amateur Open
Brooklyn, 1957

Notes by Norman M. Hornstein, M.D.

White **E. T. McCORMICK**
Black **B. OWENS**

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| 1. P-K4 | P-K3 |
| 2. P-Q4 | P-Q4 |
| 3. P-K5 | |

This move (the Advance Variation) has had its ups and downs. For many years, it had not been seen in master play.

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| 3. | P-QB4 |
| 4. P-QB3 | N-B3 |
| 5. N-B3 | Q-N3 |
| 6. P-QR3 | |

6. B-K2 and B-Q3 give Black easy equality. Variations based on these moves are thoroughly presented in the opening books. The text is extremely dangerous if not handled correctly. One important feature is that it prevents B-N5 ch. and thus makes B-Q3 possible.

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| 6. | P-QR4 |
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Undoubtedly the best answer. 6. P-B5 is best answered by 7. P-KN3, N-R4!; 8. QN-Q2, B-Q2; 9. B-R3, followed by an eventual N-KR4 and P-KB4-B5. In his excellent book on the Rosenthal Tournament Trophy Chess, Larry Evans gives 6. P-B5; 7. B-K2, B-Q2; 8. O-O, KN-K2; 9. QN-Q2, N-R4; 10. R-K1, P-KR3; 11. R-N1, O-O-O; 12. N-B1, N-N3; 13. P-KR4, B-K2; 14. P-R5, N-B1 with a solid position for Black.

6. PxB; 7. PxB, KN-K2 is very bad as White then gets a beautiful position by playing P-QN4, B-N2, QN-N3-B5.

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| 6. | P-B3 |
| 7. B-Q3 | B-Q2 |

The book move. But after the immediate P-R5!, Black's troubles are over.

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| 8. B-B2 | |
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A bluff to prevent P-R5 which works. Pachman recommends the following pawn sacrifice; 8. O-O! PxB; 9. PxB, NxP; 10. NxN, QxN; 11. Q-K2.

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| 8. | P-N3 |
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This fianchetto is an original motif in the French but is fatal. To be recommended is the call of the bluff by 8. PxB; 9. PxB, P-R5!; 10. BxQRP, Q-R4ch; 11. N-B3, NxKP to Black's advantage.

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| 9. O-O | B-N2 |
| 10. R-K1 | PxB |
| 11. PxB | KN-K2 |
| 12. N-B3 | N-B4 |
| 13. N-QR4 | |

Due to the absence of the KB, the QN heads for B5 with the gain of a tempo.

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| 13. | Q-B2 |
| 14. BxN? | NPxB |

Due to the numerical superiority of the Black center pawns, Owens is possibly thinking of keeping his king in the center. However taking the bishop with the KP would almost have equalized.

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| 15. B-K3! | N-K2? |
| 16. N-B5 | O-O |

Black moves aimlessly. The only hope was 16. N-N3 followed by an attack of the kingside.

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| 17. R-QB1 | N-B3 |
| 18. N-N5 | P-N3 |
| 19. N-Q3 | P-R3 |
| 20. N-R3 | B-K1 |
| 21. N/R3-B4 | Q-K2 |
| 22. R-B3 | |

White's forces are building up—but a sly thought lies beneath the heavy machinations.

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| 22. | P-B3 |
| 23. PxB | BxB |
| 24. B-B1!! | NxB |

If 24. BxB; 25. RxP!

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| 25. NxQP! | Q-Q1 |
| 26. NxBch | RxN |
| 27. N-K5 | Q-Q3 |
| 28. R-Q3 | |

The pin is mightier than the check.

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| 28. | R-Q1 |
| 29. B-K3 | QxN |
| 30. BxN | Q-N4 |
| 31. P-QR4 | |

Black must keep his Queen attacking the White rook or he loses the R on B3. McCormick deftly drives the Black Lady where she will not interfere with a mating attack. A very pretty ending.

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| 31. | Q-B5 |
| 32. P-QN3 | Q-R3 |
| 33. R-N3ch | K-R2 |
| 34. R-N7ch! | K-R1 |
| 35. R-QR7! | Resigns |

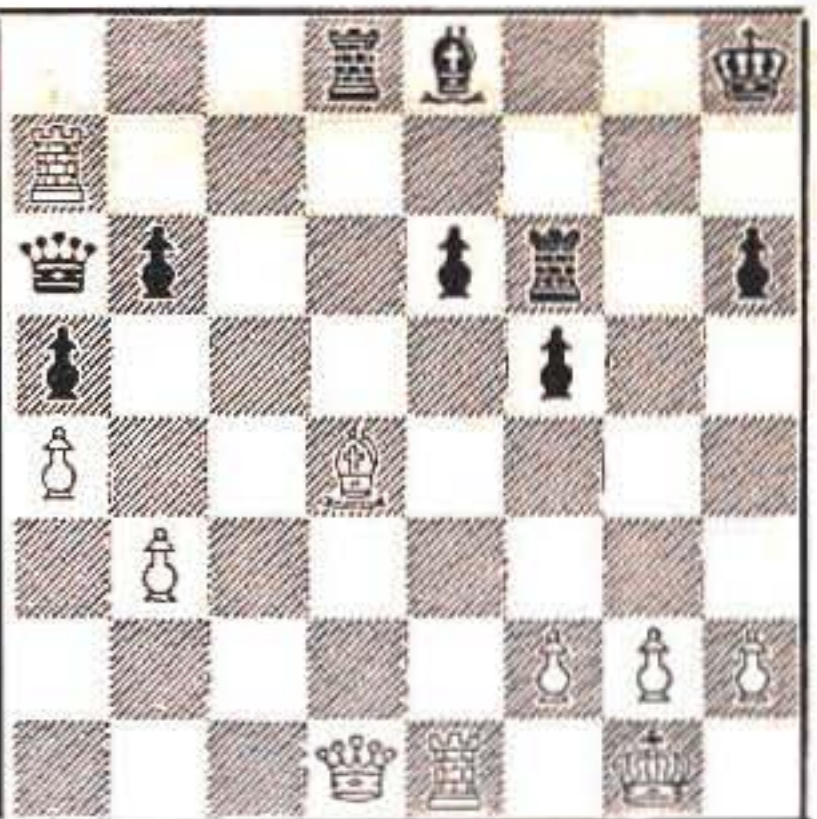
31. Q-B5

32. P-QN3

33. R-N3ch

34. R-N7ch!

35. R-QR7!



Position after 35. R-QR7!

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Armed Forces Chess

by SFC Robert A. Karch

Please send news concerning chess clubs and chessplayers of the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marines to Robert A. Karch, 16025 Paseo del Campo, San Lorenzo, California.

Let's welcome Claude F. Bloodgood III, our newest member on the Armed Forces Chess Committee and the Chess Champion of Camp Elmore, Headquarters for the Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic! (I just knew the Marines would find a way to chisel free publicity in this column!) He is also Secretary-Treasurer of the Tidewater Chess Club and the Rating Secretary for the Virginia Chess Federation.

Claude teaches chess at the Norfolk USO on Tuesdays and Saturdays, occasionally giving simultaneous and blindfold exhibitions. The next six-week course is scheduled to begin October 29th. Interested persons in and around Norfolk should write Mr. Bloodgood at 9541-20th Street, Norfolk 3, for further details.

Instructor Bloodgood tallied 3 wins and 2 draws to defeat Army Reservist Michael Callahan in a USCF rated match. The latter had earlier won the semi-speed tournament mentioned in this column August 5th.

At Fort Huachuca, Arizona, our correspondent Eugene B. Hoeflin reports the victory of James P. McClellan in the club championship. Stan Barker leads 2-0 in the 1st Consolation Section, with one match remaining; and Joe Goldfarb crushed the opposition in the 2nd Consolation Section 3-0. Seems to me, these three fellows ought to get together!

After three games of the Championship Match, Challenger Leach holds a narrow 2-1 edge over the defending Vogelweh titleholder, CWO. Marry. The General Tournament, held concurrently with the Candidates event which qualified Leach, has just terminated with Mr. Palmer rolling up a perfect 5-0 score.

Captain Smith now leads the club as President after the recent elections in Vogelweh, Germany. Also voted into office were Nixon, Treasurer; Don Halgren, Tournament Director; and CWO Marry, rating statistician and new editor of the weekly Chess Bulletin. Congratulations to all and we'll be reading about the club in this column!

Payoff Games from Rochester

Here are the 11th and 12th round games which clinched the title for the Cuban master. Note the methodical, relentless manner in which he takes advantage of Evans' cramped un-castled position, after about 25 moves of drawish play. Then, with the Evans game under his belt, and Avram the only man between him and the title, see how quickly and smoothly he, as Black, takes over White's theoretical initiative and rides it through to decisive victory.

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE			
White		Black	
EVANS	N-KB3	COBO-ARTEAGA	Q-B2
1. N-KB3	N-KB3	26. Q-N3	Q-B2
2. P-KN3	P-KN3	27. PXP	PXP
3. B-N2	B-N2	28. K-B2	N-Q3
4. O-O	O-O	29. K-K	B-QB3
5. P-Q3	P-Q4	30. Q-R2	P-KN4
6. QN-Q2	P-B4	31. B-Q3	K-N
7. P-K4	N-B3	32. K-K2	P-N5
8. P-B3	PXP	33. PXP	NXP
9. PXP	Q-B2	34. N-B4	Q-Q2
10. Q-B2	P-N3	35. Q-N	N-B3
11. R-K	B-N2	36. P-R3	B-N2
12. N-B4	QR-Q	37. Q-KB	Q-R5
13. B-B4	Q-B	38. B-B	P-B5
14. P-QR4	P-KR3	39. B-N?	Q-R8
15. QR-Q	RXR	40. B-B2	BXP!
16. RXR	Q-R	41. PxB	QXP
17. N-K	R-Q	42. K-Q	B-B6ch
18. P-B3	RXR	43. N-K2	N-Q4
19. QXR	Q-Q	44. Q-B2	N-N5
20. Q-B2	Q-Q2	45. B-R4	QxBch
21. B-KB	N-K	46. KxQ	N-Q6ch
22. B-K3	K-R2	47. K-Q2	NxQ
23. N-N2	N-K4	48. N-Q4	B-Q4
24. NxN	BxN	49. P-R4	NXP
25. P-R5	P-K3	Resigns	

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.

Every reader of Chess Life knows something of the power chess has over its fans. Now, at the beginning of another school year, it may be wise to think about the implications of this power on the college campus. Chess is an ideal activity for many students. It can provide a healthy escape from the books; it can stimulate competition between individuals and between schools; and it can be an area for leadership and administrative training. The use of chess on the campus as a teacher of concentration and logical thinking can be questioned, since students have more profitable areas for such training.

During the past four years your reporter has seen many cases where chess has led to the failure of students. The intelligent, young mind often falls in love with chess and uses it as the sole area for scholarship. When Grandmaster Samuel Reshevsky went to college, he gave up chess. It is extremely difficult for a player of master caliber to reduce his chess activity in order to have enough time to pursue other demanding disciplines. Reshevsky seem to have found it easier. Several such as Dr. Reuben Fine and to give up all serious chess than to reduce their activity. Even students with little chess ability often use every free hour to study or play chess. When any activity approaches the point where it excludes or reduces academic studies, the time to drop the activity has arrived.

The dangers outlined above exist for every college chess player. When the wise student realizes that the game is detracting from his studies, he has two corrective paths. If he feels that he will benefit from a college education, he should reduce or eliminate his chess activity. If he realizes that he cannot gain from spending four years in college, he should withdraw from school. The best chess clubs in the United States have dues much lower than the cost of a college education. It is the hope of this reporter that the majority of college chess players do not face the problem. For most, chess is just an activity; it is placed after education in importance. In its place, chess is one of the best activities available to the student. Nobody expects chess to ever replace sex in popularity, but many would like to see more students gain the benefits and pleasures of chess as an extra-curricular activity.

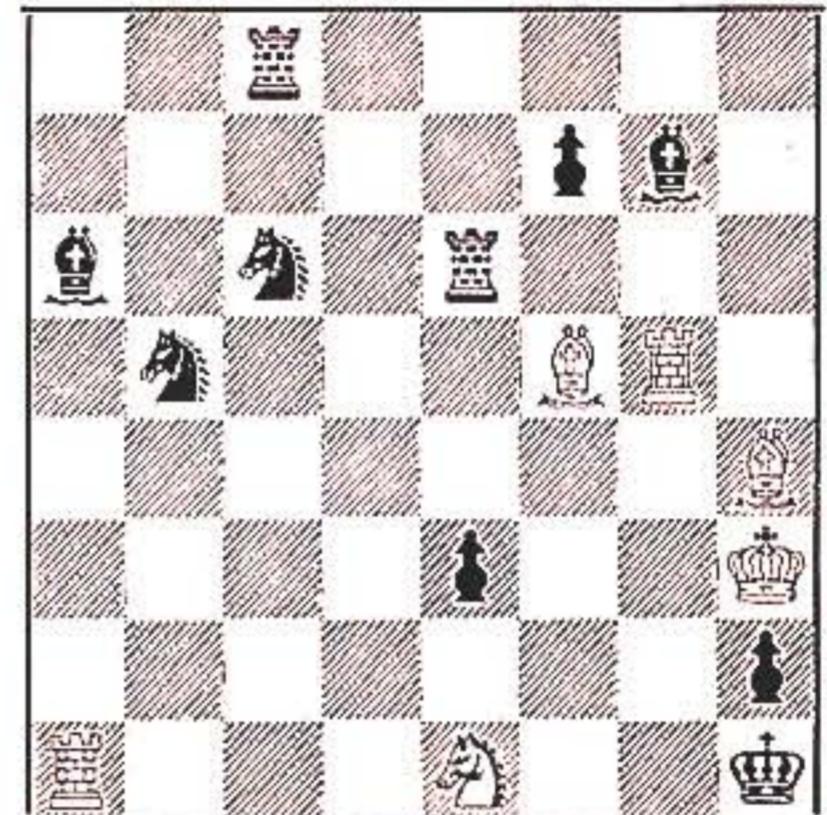
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White		Black	
AVRAM	N-KB3	COBO-ARTEAGA	R-N2
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	22. KR-K	R-N2
2. P-QB4	P-KN3	23. R-Q2	Q-N3
3. QN-B3	B-N2	24. Q-B6	KR-QN
4. P-K4	P-Q3	25. KN-B3	Q-B2
5. P-B3	O-O	26. B-R2	R-R2
6. B-K3	P-K4	27. B-R4	B-QB
7. P-Q5	N-R4	28. N-KN5	Q-N
8. Q-Q2	P-KB4	29. B-B2	P-R3
9. PXP	PXP	30. KN-K4	Q-B2
10. O-O-O	Q-K2	31. BxN	RxB
11. B-Q3	P-QR3	32. NxP!	Q-B
12. KN-K2	P-QN4	33. NxB?	RxQ
13. B-N5	Q-B2	34. NxR	RxNch!
14. QR-B	PXP	35. PxR	Q-R6ch
15. BxQBP	N-Q2	36. K-N	QxBP
16. P-KR3	P-B5	37. R(1)-K2	P-K5
17. N-K4	N-N3	38. R-N2	Q-Q6ch
18. B-N3	P-R4	39. R(N2)-B2	
19. P-QR4	B-Q2	Resigns	
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21. R-Q	QR-N		

Mate The Subtle Way!

by Nicholas Gabor

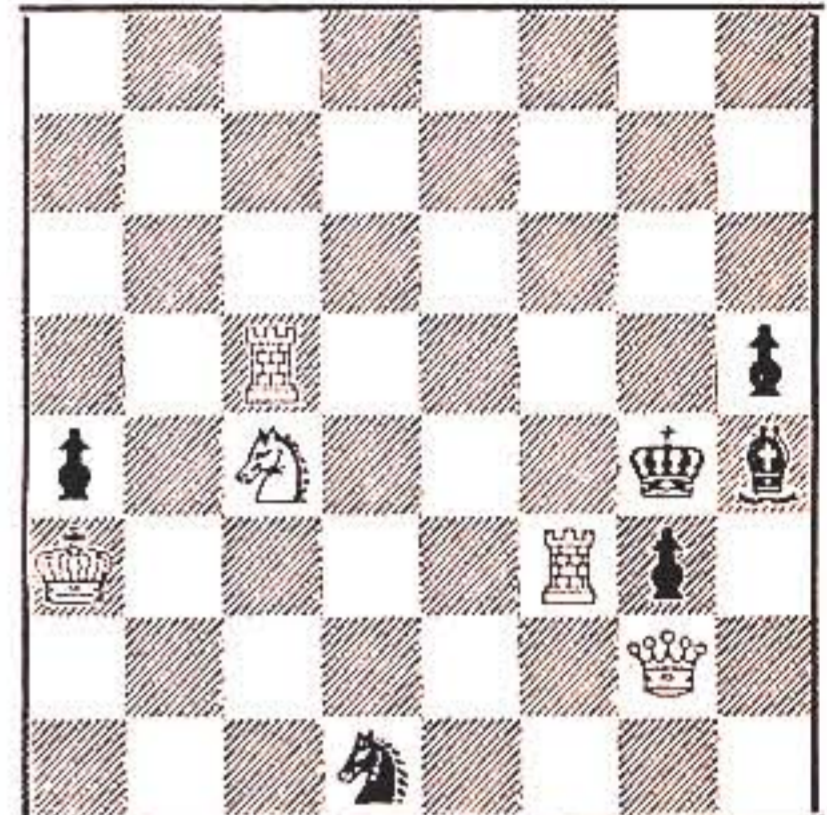
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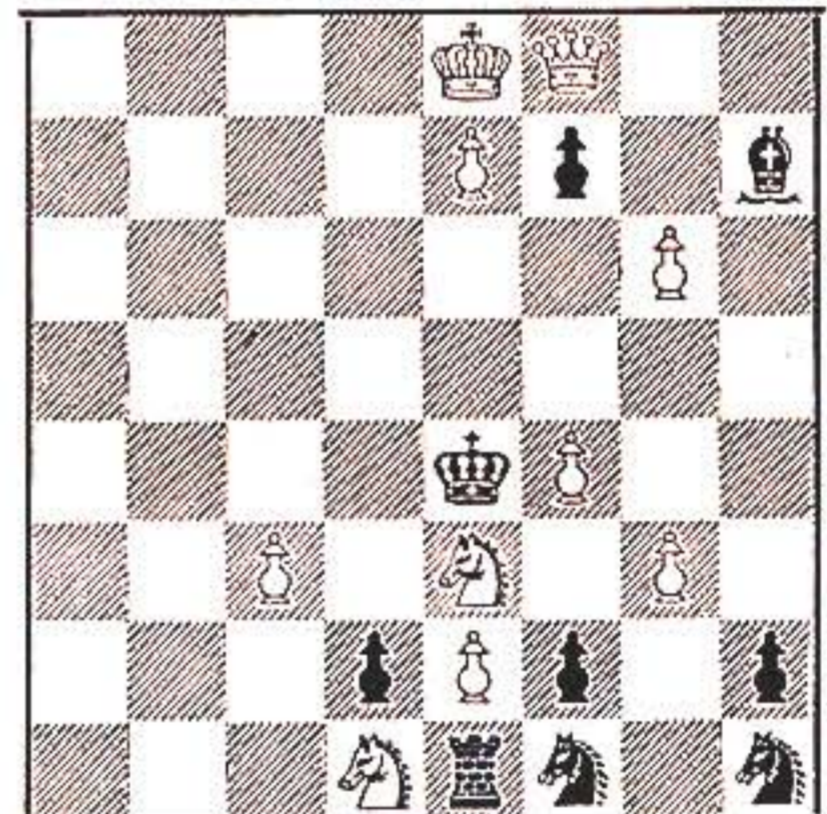
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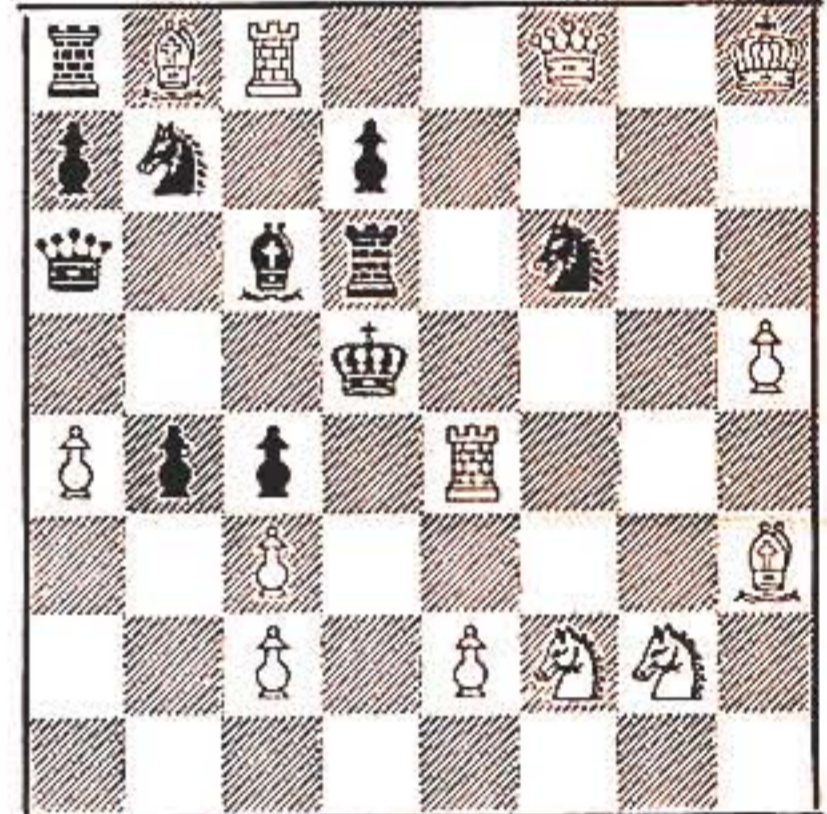
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Problem No. 944
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Correction of Contest Entry
No. 848



Mate in three moves

The 3 twomovers given above are "home-products," light, pleasant and elegant. The threemover No. 944 is the last contest-entry given another chance by re-publication in a corrected form: a BIR added on QRsq. The complete solution produces 6 (!) squares on which the K is mated.

We hope to be able to publish the Judges' Report of the contest in the near future.

Solutions to "Mate the Subtle Way."

No. 929 Fastosky: try 1. B-B8 defeated by 1., P-Q4 only. Keymove 1. B-Q5.
No. 930 Holladay: key 1. B-R2 waiting. No. 931 Rubens: keymove 1. Q-Q7. Full solution given in the April 5 column. No. 932 Ravenscroft-Hawes: keymove 1. Q-QB3, threat 2. Q-KR8 mate. 1., Q-QN7 allows 2. K-Q6; 1., NxQ invites 2. K-B6 and 1., RxQ permits 2. K-N6 followed by 3. R-Q8.

PORTOROZ FORECAST RESULTS

The 37 forecasts received as entries to our contest announced in CHESS LIFE (May 20 issue) provided us with a little work, a lot of fun, and no difficulty in determining a winner. Our perennial correspondent and contributor, Paul Leith, of New York takes the blue ribbon, being the only entrant who picked four of the first five Portoroz players. His choices were: Tahl, Larsen, Petrosian, Gligoric, and Olafsson.

The following readers picked three correctly: Leslie H. Ault of West Orange, N.J. (Tahl, Fischer, Gligoric); Joe Weiniger of Scotia, N.Y., whose original entry (Tal, Petrosian, Bronstein, Averbach, Gligoric) contained less "difference points" than any other entry, but whose revised list, placing Bronstein in the No. 1 spot, did not improve his score; Ralph Hall of Norfolk, Nebraska (Tal, Gligoric, Fischer); Frank Jersawitz of Brooklyn, N.Y. (Tahl, Fischer, Petrosian); Robert McGuigan of Winnetka, Ill. (Petrosian, Tahl, Gligoric); Phil Haley of Calgary, Alberta (Fischer, Tal, Petrosian) was the only entrant bold enough to choose Bobby as the winner.

Gilbert Raich of Philadelphia, who signed his letter over the title "The Seer without a Peer", justified his modest approach by being the only entrant to place Tal and Fischer in the proper No. 1 and No. 5 slots, respectively.

William Goetz of Tripoli, Iowa, one of our first Swap Shop patrons, won dubious fame by being the only entrant who did not choose Tal to finish in the first five.

Most of the forecasters were licked by unexpected low placement of Larsen, Panno, and Bronstein, and by the amazing performances of Fischer and Benko. Paul Leith was the only entrant who did not chose Bronstein as one of the first five.

The favorites, by votes for inclusion in the select group, were: Bronstein, 36; Tal, 36; Petrosian, 34; Larsen, 31; Panno, 29. Fischer received only 6 votes, while Benko received none.

Thanks, boys. Get your lists ready for the 1959 Candidates Tournament.

Solution To
What's The Best Move?

Position No. 237

Horowitz-Denker

U. S. A. Championship 1946

Horowitz concluded neatly 1. QxB1, RxQ; 2. RxRch, N-Bsq; 3. N-K6!, P-N3; 4. RxNch, K-R2; 5. R(B4)xPch, RxR; 6. RxRch, K-Rsq; 7. B-K4, Q-R8; 8. BxP, Resigns. Denker's defense cannot be improved. If 2., K-R2; 3. B-K4ch leads to a quick mate, or if 3., PxN; 4. R(B4)xNch, K-R2; 5. B-K4ch, P-N3; 6. R-KN8 also mates quickly.

Some solvers tried to carry out the same idea with a transposition of moves beginning with 1. N-K6. Now if 1., PxN or 1., N-K4; 2. QxB wins quickly, and if 1., N-B3; 2. NxNP is decisive. On the other hand, after 1., P-B3; it appears that White must either settle for the exchange by 2. N-B7 or continue his attack by 2. P-N5. While either of these continuations should be good enough to win, both allow Black considerably more defensive resources than 1. QxB. Accordingly, we are allowing half credit for 1. N-K6.

Other tries seem less effective. 1. N-B5 and 1. R-QRsq, Q-N3; 2. N-B5 are met by N-K4. 1. R-K4 is met by 1., R-KBsq. The try by 1. RxP, KxR; 2. N-K6, R-KNsq; 3. Q-Q3, N-K4; 4. Q-B5ch, K-K2; 5. Q-R7 is altogether inferior because of 5., NxPch and 6., N-B3.

Correct solutions are acknowledged from: Leslie H. Ault, M. D. Blumenthal, A. Bomberault, Marshall E. Brooks, Bill Bundick, Armstrong Chinn Jr., Robert Cohen, Curtin, K. A. Czerniecki, Henry Davis, A. Dunne, Sanford Greene, Rea B. Hayes, J. Heatherington, Donald C. Hills, John E. Ishkan, D. W. Johnson, Harry Kaye, E. J. Korpanty, Richard D. Leonard, Jack Matheson, M. Milstein, George W. Payne, Edmund Roman, Irving S. Rosenfeld*, George Ross, Bob Steinmeyer, W. E. Stevens, G. Tiers, F. W. Trask, H. C. Underwood, F. J. Valvo, M. Walters, Joe Weininger, and William B. Wilson. The following receive 1/2 point: Carl Dover, Edmund Godbold, Phyllis M. Grande, Andrew Kafko, Frank J. Kohila, Larry Mason, Jack Miller, Kent Pullen, I. Schwartz, Larry Snyder*, L. E. Wood, and R. G. Wright. The solvers score a 41-11 victory.

* Welcome to new solvers.

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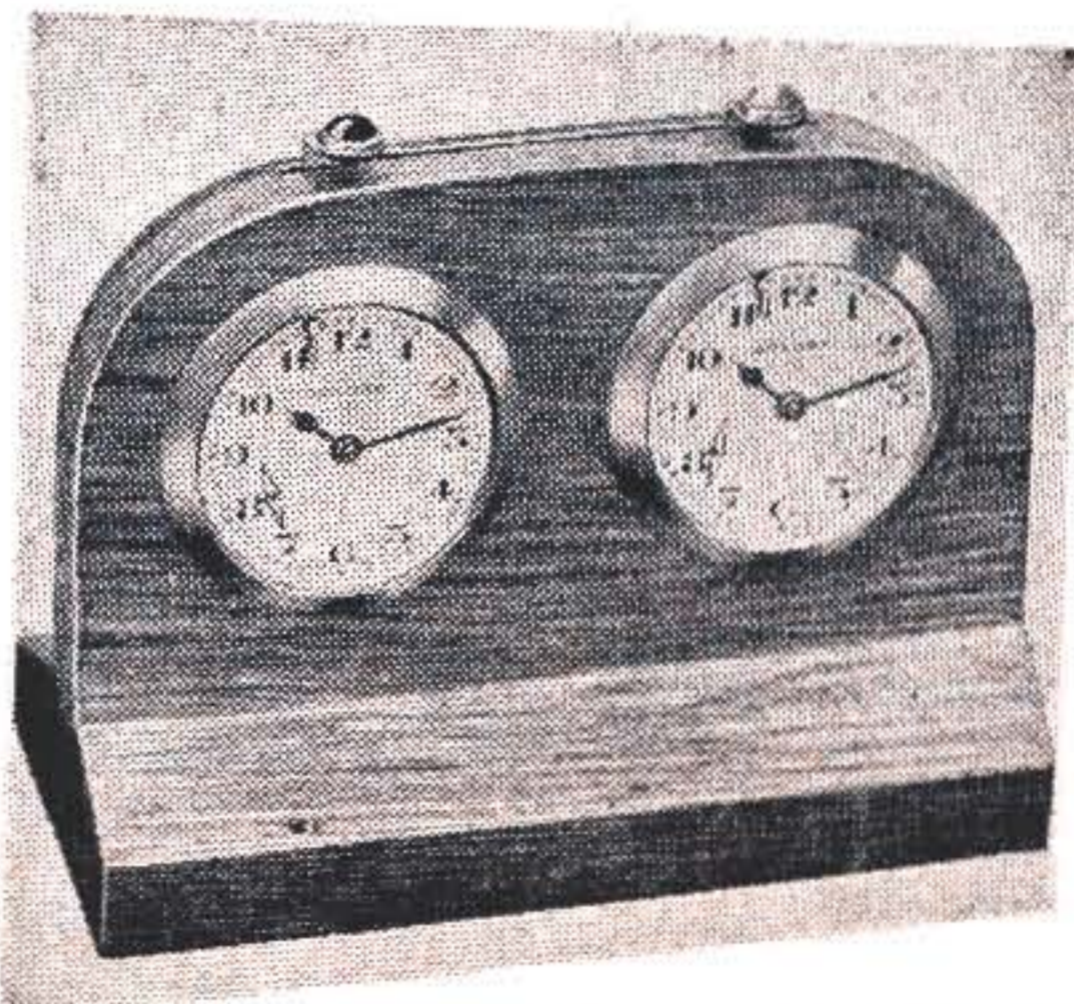
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At least Henri Stroud did in a simultaneous game against Yanofsky in Halifax in 1945. MORAL: Don't let your opponent's rating lick you. Remember that whenever a master admits that his game with a woodpusher looks drawish, he's probably completely busted, and is just trying to salvage a half-point out of your awe and fear of his unquestioned strength.

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November 28-30

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KORN ANALYZES
EVANS' ANALYSIS

The following analysis pertaining to Larry Evans' article on the Sicilian was received from master-analyst Walter Korn:

"I refer to the attached diagram, (position after 14. P-K6,) from page 3, col. 3, Chess Life of August 20.

The refutation (12 . . . N-Q4? 13. NxN, PxN) 14. P-K6! PxP; 15. B-Q3 was pointed out by me in Chess Review.

I therefore will add that the suggested remedy 14 . . . QxP also fails because of the double rook sacrifice 15. PxPch. KxP; 16. Q-B4ch! K-N1; 17. B-Q3, QxRch; 18. K-B2, QxR; 19. B-N6.

This knocks out Evans' suggestion 12 . . . N-Q4. It does not, however, detract from the value of his observations on the line 12 . . . KN-Q2 after the important interpolation . . . P-KR3."

USCF Master Emeritus Edward Lasker, also comments on Evans' article, and answers the question, "Now how does White continue?" after 17 . . ., N-R3.

"I hope Evans doesn't try that Sicilian variation he offered in the last issue of CHESS LIFE. Someone might answer his 17 . . ., N-R3 with 18. Q-B4, and pose a problem too difficult to solve over the board."

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