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What's The Best Move?

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Solution to Position No. 247 will appear in the Feb. 20, 1959 issue.

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Position No. 247



Black to play

Operation M = 1000 NEW MEMBERS

CALIFORNIA REPORT

From: Harry Borochow, California Membership Chairman
To: Fred Cramer, General Membership Chairman

California is setting its sights for double the 350 target quota. Following is the number of new members recruited so far and reported to me. (There may have been some others sent in direct in addition).

Harry Borochow, Los Angeles	18
Herbert T. Abel, Santa Monica	8
Captain E. B. Edmondson, Mather Air Force Base.....	5
Burt Thatch, Long Beach	4
Fred Hager, San Gabriel	1
Steve J. Myzel, Torrance	1
David Klemp (North High School) Torrance	1

Ten of the new members credited to Borochow were signed up for the OPERATION M tournament at the Herman Steiner Club. This 30-30 tourney started Dec. 5 has 20 entries. Besides the 10 new members, 1 changed from regular to sustaining, 1 came in for 3 years, 6 extensions of current expirations were obtained, one for 3 years.

I have asked for special (time limit) dispensation from Harkness; many entrants would like an immediate rating. This will help get more members, as many are anxious to come in, knowing that they will be rated as soon as possible.

Good luck in the drive. Enthusiasm is high wherever I go. I've been going to clubs, constantly touching on OPERATION M, and believe that is one of the keys to our success.

MASSACHUSETTS REPORT

From: Richard Tirrell, Massachusetts Membership Chairman
To: Fred Cramer, General Membership Chairman

This is my first report . . . The number of chess workers per chess player is low, but there are two very hard-working ambitious men right here in Greater Boston who (along with myself) have borne the brunt of chess duties and even have progressed to the point where it can be said the situation is improving. These two stalwarts are George Nute of the Boylston Chess Club and of Cambridge, and Kazys Merkis of South Boston, who has brought the Lithuanians of Boston into the limelight of chess. His work, especially with the youngsters, has been remarkable! Needless to say, I have appointed them as Local Membership Chairmen for the Greater Boston Area.

My other appointments for the state are as follows:

Western Massachusetts: Eli Bourdon and I. E. La Montagne.

North Shore: Bart Gould

South Shore: Henry McKenna

Southern Massachusetts: Karl Gustafson

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FISCHER DOES IT AGAIN

Takes Championship Rosenwald Trophy Reshevsky Second — Sherwin Third

Yes, the headline and sub-heading above is from the January 20, 1958 issue of CHESS LIFE. And it also tells the story of the Rosenwald and 1959 U.S. Championship (closed) Tournament just finished in New York. The amazing teenager from Brooklyn has definitely established himself as the United States' Number One player, and has effectively silenced those skeptics who had tried to explain his earlier successes by terming them "Roman Candle" efforts—one-time brilliancies which he could neither duplicate nor live up to. Fischer won six games and drew five, for an 8½-2½ score. He was the only player to come through the eleven-round tournament undefeated. He scored a sensational win over Grandmaster Samuel Reshevsky in the sixth round, winning his opponent's queen and pawn for bishop and knight on the twelfth move. He evened his score with U.S. Intercollegiate Champion Charles Kalme, who had won from Bobby in Milwaukee in 1957, by defeating him in the second round. He also won from Sherwin, Weinstein, Mednis, and Bisguier. He drew with Benko, D. Byrne, R. Byrne, Lombardy, and Evans. Last year he entered the final round only a half-point ahead of Reshevsky; this year he was a full point ahead, needing only a draw with Robert Byrne to win the tournament and retain his title. He drew with Byrne while Reshevsky was drawing with Benko, topping Reshevsky's final score by a full point.

Reshevsky lost only to Fischer, winning five (including Evans, Sherwin, and Lombardy) and drawing five, for a score of 7½-3½.

Sherwin played a strong tournament, defeating Benko, Donald Byrne, Robert Byrne, and Evans, losing only to Fischer and Reshevsky, and drawing five, for a 6½-4½ score. Evans and Donald Byrne each scored 6-5, to share fourth and fifth places, subject to the outcome of an adjourned game between Bisguier and Lombardy, each of whom had 5½ points. A win for either player in that adjourned game would jump him into a third-place tie with Sherwin, while a draw would place both players in the 6-5 tie bracket with Evans and D. Byrne.

Benko, who was a pre-tournament favorite to win the event (he finished above Fischer and Sherwin in the Interzonal at Portoroz) was out of form, losing three of his first four games to Evans, Lombardy, and Sherwin. Frequently in time trouble, he finished in eighth place with 4-6, pending the outcome of a game to be replayed with Weinstein. A win or a draw in this game would give him undisputed possession of eighth place. A loss would drop him into a three-way tie with R. Byrne and Kalme for eighth to tenth places.

Mednis finished in eleventh place with 3-8, while U.S. Junior Champion Weinstein was twelfth with 2½-7½, pending the outcome of his game with Benko. A loss would confirm his cellar position. A draw would give him a 3-8 tie with Mednis for eleventh-twelfth places. A win over Benko would place Weinstein in eleventh place, and relegate Mednis to the cellar.

Several of the games from this event are presented in this issue of CHESS LIFE (unannotated); others annotated by Collins, and a complete cross-score table will appear in a future issue.

EAST GERMAN CHAMP LEADS AT HASTINGS

Wolfgang Uhlmann, chess champion of East Germany, has scored 7½-½ in the first eight rounds of the nine-round annual Chess Congress at Hastings, England. He drew his first-round game, has won the next seven in a row, and is favored to retain his lead and capture the 1958 Hastings title.

His closest rival is the Hungarian champion, Lajos Portisch, who is also undefeated, but who has won only five and drawn three, for a score of 6½-1½. Klaus Darga, champion of West Germany, Andreas Dueckstein of Austria (the only player to defeat Botvinnik at Munich in October), and Miro Radoicic of Yugoslavia, have a chance to catch up with Portisch, but Uhlmann can be tied only by Portisch, in case of final-round win by the latter and a loss by the former.

Gereben of Switzerland, Clarke, Barden and Wade of England, and Fuster of Canada are out of the running. (Full report of final results in next issue)

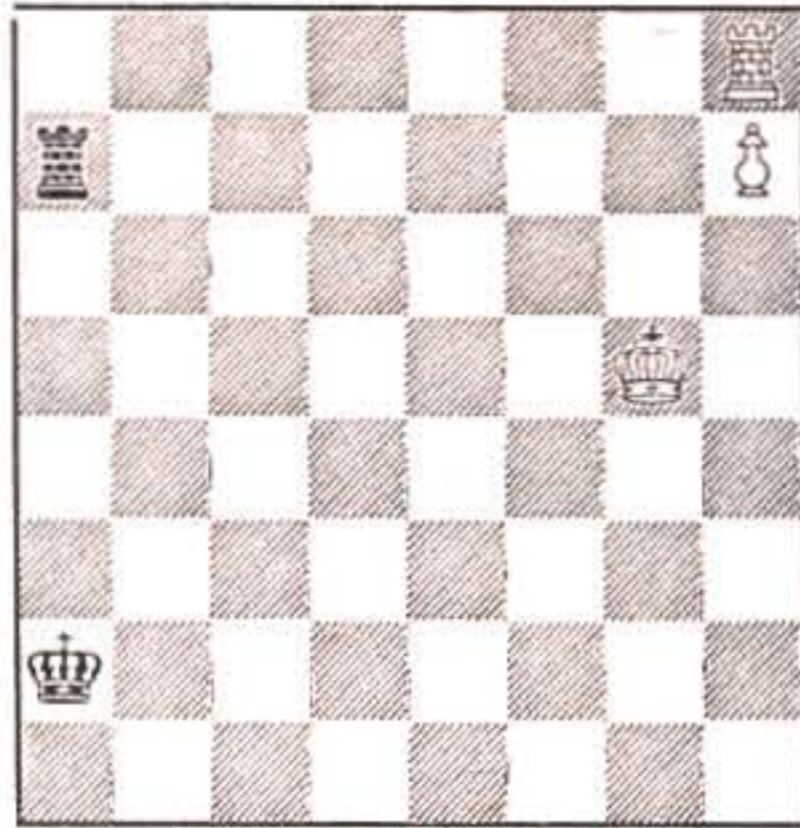
Finish It The Clever Way! by Edmund Nash

Position No. 217
Tahl vs. Milev
Munich, 1958



White to play and win

Position No. 218
By P. Romanovsky
USSR, 1913



White to play and win

To reach Position No. 217, White had sacrificed a pawn on the previous move (P(Q4)-Q5, KPXP); now comes the amazing move! In the game, Black resigned after three moves in the diagrammed position.

In Position No. 218, White has to gain a move in order to win. 1. K-B5? draws only: 1., K-R6; 2. K-K5, K-R5; 3. K-Q5, K-R4; 4. K-B5, K-R3. If 4. K-B6, K-R3; 5. K-B5, R-B2ch.

For solutions, please turn to page 8.

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

(OPERATION M—Continued from Page 1)

The future does not look as dark as the past. I have learned that the state organization . . . will do something constructive for chess. The time has come for everyone to get behind chess locally and on a national scale. I know I have been rambling on, but I love the game . . . My next report, right after the Boylston Club's New Year's Day Open House, will report progress and hand you a list of new members!

FLORIDA REPORT

From: Frank Rose, Florida Membership Chairman
To: Fred Cramer, General Membership Chairman

Just a note to let you know OPERATION M was boosted by 12 new Florida members at the South Florida Tournament Dec. 10. I'm glad we forced the issue (for 100% rating) now; everything went peacefully.

By the way, a woman from Kellogg, Minnesota sent me \$5.00 for USCF membership. She inclosed my column (published Nov. 23 in the Fort Lauderdale, Florida News) plugging OPERATION M. Sheldon Rein (Minnesota State Membership Chairman) should send me a commission!

Florida total is now 18 new members, and my personal total is 5!

MORE REPORTS WANTED!

From: Fred Cramer, General Membership Chairman
To: All State Membership Chairmen

Thanks, you wonderful guys, for all that fine Christmas mail, samples above! What fine people, you State Chairmen! Here we have three states, California, Massachusetts, and Florida—big important states, and, so far as I am concerned, OPERATION M in these states is running itself. And these are not the only states where the State Membership Chairman has taken hold, lined up an organization, got it started, and set memberships to rolling in.

It's the State Chairmen who are making OPERATION M a success, or at least the beginning of a success. And we've got chairmen now, and good ones, in all but three small states.

So thanks, you wonderful State Chairmen, and please keep making news and sending it in. The start of this drive has been inspiring, and the final standings next June are going to be tremendous, at least in those states where the chairmanship is filled with a chairman who takes his responsibility with seriousness. Let's make that 100%.

The Old Woodpusher's Tip for Today

Today's Tip is directed only to those readers who enjoy playing over woodpusher games. F. W. Pratt, 517 Prospect Ave., Hot Springs, Ark. has published a little 10-page (mimeographed) collection of his own games. There are 26 hot games in all, played over a ten-year period by correspondence and over-the-board in Arkansas tournaments. His first and final paragraphs, presented in reverse order here, explain why we think you may wish to write to him. "In conclusion, let me remind all my friends that I have lots of time on my hands, and a good chess library thoroughly indexed, so do not hesitate to ask me to look up any rare line, or unusual move, that you cannot find in your own books." "This pamphlet is not for sale, but will be sent free to any chess-playing friend who will play through these games." CHESS LIFE readers will never get good games any cheaper!

Mrs. Marshall Honored At Party By Club Members

AS an expression of gratitude to Mrs. Carolyn D. Marshall, a party in her honor was held at the Marshall Chess Club on December 13th. Club members raised a fund of several hundred dollars to present a gift to Mrs. Marshall and meet the expenses of the entertainment. The club was filled to capacity by members and friends anxious to show their appreciation of Mrs. Marshall's long and devoted services as secretary and guiding genius of the club founded by her late husband, famous Grandmaster Frank J. Marshall.

Mr. Louis J. Wolff, governor of

the club, officiated as M. C. and paid tribute to the splendid work performed by Mrs. Marshall in maintaining club spirit and encouraging young players. Short speeches were made by James Sherwin, Arthur Bisguier, Edward Lasker, Jack Collins, Jerry Donovan, Archie Waters, Mrs. G. K. Gresser, Al Horowitz, and others.

The arrangements for the party were made by a committee consisting of Mrs. Greta Fuchs, Edward Lasker, Saul Dubin, Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Stephenson, Archie Waters. Funds were raised by a committee comprising Miss Ethel Collins, Jack Collins, Mrs. Katherine Slater, William Slater.



Louis J. Wolff, governor of Marshall Chess Club, presents check to Mrs. Marshall at party in her honor on December 13th. Club members donated funds for gift and entertainment. (Photo by Kenneth Harkness)



At party in her honor, Mrs. Marshall cuts cake decorated with famous position in which Frank Marshall made a brilliant and spectacular move (Levitky-Marshall, Breslau 1912). Discs on cake represent the gold pieces showered on Marshall's board by spectators. (Photo by Kenneth Harkness)

KOLTANOWSKI RIDES AGAIN

Below are the scores run up by USCF Tournament Director and International Master George Koltanowski, in his recent nation-wide tour.

City	Won	Drew	Lost	Blindfold
Pueblo, Colo.	17	1	0	Won 2
Lincoln, Neb.	16	1	0	Won 2
Omaha, Neb.	18	3	1	Won 2
Des Moines, Iowa	25	1	0	Won 2
Kansas City, Mo.	16	1	0	---
Dayton, Ohio	20	3	0	Won 2
Cincinnati, Ohio	18	0	0	Won 2
Atlanta, Ga.	16	2	0	Won 2
Macon, Ga.	20	0	0	Won 2
Gulfport, Miss.	18	0	0	Won 2
New Orleans, La.	19	3	0	Won 2
Beaumont, Tex.	24	1	0	Won 2
San Antonio, Tex.	23	2	0	Won 2
Corpus Christi, Tex.	20	0	0	Won 2
Waco, Texas	30	0	0	Won 2
Dallas, Texas	23	3	0	---
Fort Worth, Texas	18	0	0	Won 2
Lubbock, Texas	14	2	--	Won 2
Phoenix, Arizona	18	1	1	---
Fort Huachaca	28	0	1	Won 1
El Paso	27	2	1	---
St. Louis, Mo.	28	2	0	---
Tulsa, Okla.	---	--	--	Won 5 Drew 3
Tulsa, Okla.	19	0	0	---
Palo Alto	21	0	0	Won 2



HOW CHESS GAMES ARE WON

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

An Unpleasant Position

Occasionally even the best players emerge from the opening with an inferior game. It is too much to expect from anyone to always obtain satisfactory results from experimental variations. Even the Russian experts, who devote great attention and time to the analysis of openings, sometimes get themselves into awkward positions in the opening. When confronted with a bad game, calm, fortitude and confidence are indispensable.

In the following game against Arthur Bisguier in the Rosenwald Tournament I resorted to a variation of the Sicilian Defence experimented by the Russians recently. My opponent, playing with precision, had a distinct advantage after 12 moves. My position being unpleasantly cramped, I decided to sit and wait for developments. My patience was rewarded when on move 18 Bisguier plunged into a risky continuation.

SICILIAN DEFENSE

MCO: Page 152, Column 154

The Rosenwald Tournament
New York, 1957-58

Arthur Bisguier White S. Reshevsky Black

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| 1. P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| 2. N-KB3 | P-K3 |

I decided to experiment with this revived variation of the Sicilian Defence. The Russians masters with it in the last year or so. My favorite in the past has been the Dragon Variation starting with 2. P-Q3.

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| 3. P-Q4 | PxP |
| 4. NxP | P-QR3 |

Allowing white to get a bind on the center by playing 5. P-QB4, if he wishes.

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| 5. N-QB3 | Q-B2 |
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With the possibility of B-N5 and at the same time preventing white from playing P-K5.

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| 6. B-Q3 | N-QB3 |
| 7. NxN | NPxN |
| 8. O-O | |

White handled the opening with logical simplicity. His pieces are better developed. He undoubtedly has the better prospects.

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| 8. | N-B3 |
| 9. Q-K2 | P-Q3 |

I decided on passive strategy. Better was, however, 9. P-Q4, and if 10. P-K5, N-Q2; 11. P-B4, P-QB4 with good counter-play. What I did not like too much was 10. B-Kx5 threatening to win a pawn with 11. BxN followed by PxP. But after 10. B-K2; 11. BxN, PxP black has a promising position despite the fact that he has the problem of castling satisfactorily.

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| 10. P-B4 | N-Q2 |
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Preventing P-K5. On 10. B-K2 white proceeds with 11. P-K5, N-Q4 (11. PxP, N-Q2; 13. B-KB4, N-B4; 14. Q-N4 with good attacking chances. Neither is 11. N-Q2 very promising on account of 12. PxP, BxP; 13. N-K4 B-K2; 14. P-B5! and black is in trouble.) 12. N-K4, PxP; 13. PxP, QxP; 14. P-B4, N-N5; 15. B-KB4, 16. N-Q6ch, BxN; 17. BxB and white has more than sufficient compensation for the pawn sacrificed.

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| 11. B-K3 | B-K2 |
| 12. R-B3 | |

Preparing an onslaught against the king if black should dare to castle on the king-side.

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| 12. | R-QN1 |
| 13. N-R4 | |

13. P-QN3 is answered by 13. B-B3.

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| 13. | B-B3 |
| 14. R-N1 | P-QR4 |

14. Q-R4 is met by 15. P-QN3.

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| 15. P-B4 | |
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Preventing an eventual P-Q4 which would free black's position considerably.

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| 15. | B-R3 |
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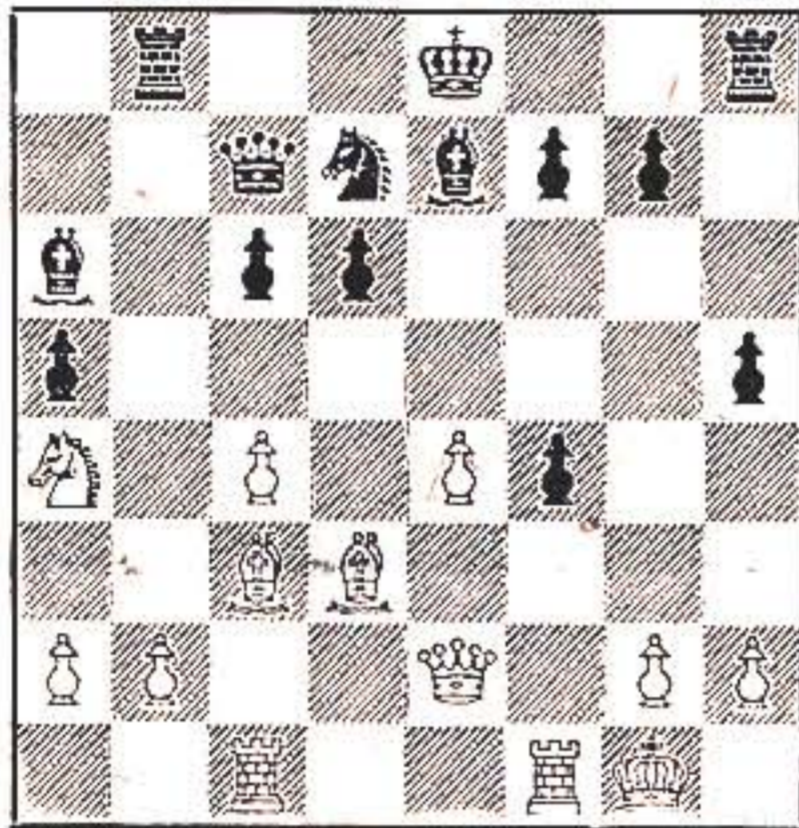
The only logical place for this bishop. The only other useful square for this bishop would be at QN2; but in order to get any use out of it there, P-QB4 would have been necessary. In that event white would have had an excellent square for his knight at his QN5.

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| 16. R-QB1 | P-R4 |
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An admission that black has given up hope of castling.

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| 17. R(B3)-B1 | B-K2 |
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Inviting B-Q4.
18. B-Q4
Ignoring black's plan. Correct was 18. K-R1 followed by B-Q2-B3.
18. P-K4
19. B-B3
19. PxP, NxP would have given black a strong bind in the center.
19. PxP



Position after 19., PxP

Unquestionably risky, but I decided that the complications involved offered some chances of success for me.

20. BxP
Better than 20. QR-N1 (20. RXP? B-N4 winning the exchange) N-K4; 21. RxP, B-N4; 22. R (B4)-B1, R-R3 with good prospects.

20. R-R2
Also playable was 20. R-N1; 21. B-R6, N-K4; 22. BxP, B-N5.
21. B-B3 N-K4
22. B-Q2

Too anxious to win a pawn. White apparently overlooked black's rejoinder. Relatively best was 22. P-QN3, B-QB1; 23. B-N1, B-N5; 24. Q-Q2, P-B6 with interesting complications.

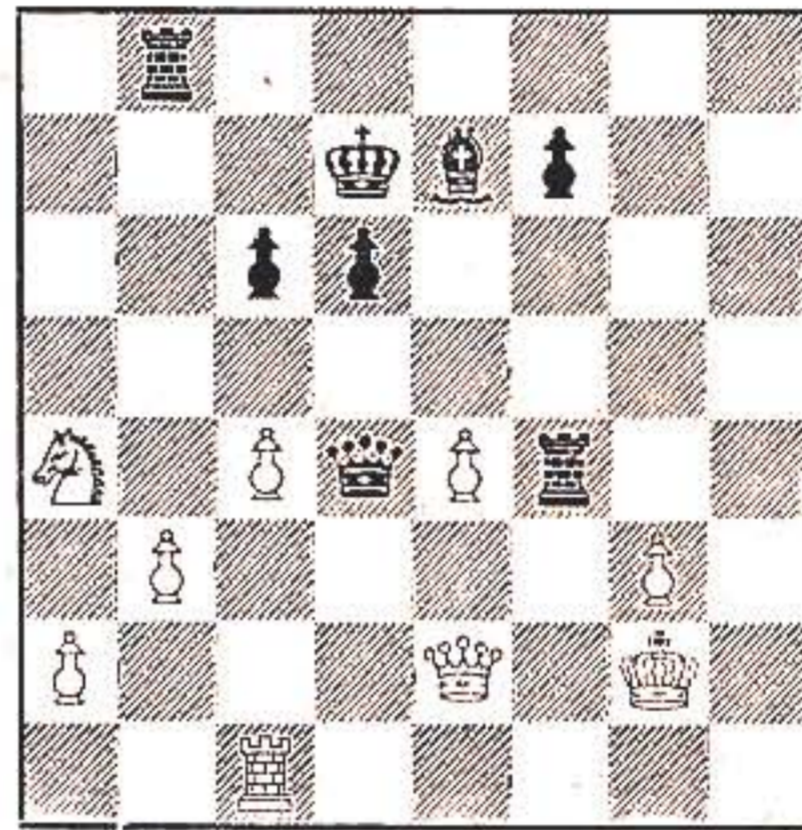
22. Q-R2ch
23. K-R1 Q-Q5



Position after 23., Q-Q5

White must now lose the exchange. For if 24. R-QB3, NxP; 25. RxN, QxBP. Equally bad is 24. B-N1, BxP; 25. Q-B2, QxQ; 26. RxQ, B-QN4; 27. N-B3, B-KR5; 28. RxP, B-N4; 29. R-B2, N-N5 and wins.

24. KR-B3
There is nothing better.
24. NxR
25. QxN R-R3
White was seriously threatening to open lines with 26. P-K5.
26. BxBP R-B3
With the exchange to the good, black should encounter no serious difficulties from here on.
27. P-KN3
Parrying the threat of 27., RxB followed by QxB.
27. B-QB1
Placing the bishop on a useful diagonal.
28. K-N2 B-N5
29. Q-B1 P-R5
30. P-N3 PxP
31. PxP K-Q2
In order to get the queen-rook into active play.
32. B-K2 BxB
33. QxB RxB!



Position after 33., RxB!

Forceful and irrefutable.
34. PxR R-N1ch
35. K-B3
If 35. K-R1, R-KR1ch; 36. K-N2, Q-N2ch; 37. K-B3, R-R6ch; 38. K-B2, Q-N6ch; 39. K-B1, R-R8 mate.

35. B-R5
Resigns
Mate can not be avoided. If 36. Q-R2, Q-Q6 mate. If 36. Q-Q1, R-N6ch; 37. K-K2, Q-K6ch; 38. K-B1, R-N8 mate. If 36. Q-B1, R-N6ch; 37. K-K2, R-K6 mate.

In the following game my opponent seemed to be holding his own up to the 25th move. On the 26th move it suddenly became apparent that his position was hopelessly lost.

RETI OPENING

MCO: Page 348, Column 37

Rosenwald Tournament
New York, 1957-58

S. Reshevsky White A. Feuerstein Black

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| 1. N-KB3 | N-KB3 |
| 2. P-KN3 | P-KN3 |
| 3. P-QN3 | |

The double fianchetto is not too popular.

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| 3. | B-N2 |
| 4. B-QN2 | O-O |
| 5. B-N2 | P-Q3 |
| 6. P-Q4 | P-QR4 |

More usual is here 6. QN-Q2. The text-move has, however, a point-to provoke P-QR4, enabling black's knight to occupy more easily his QN5 square.

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| 7. P-QR4 | |
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Otherwise, P-QR5 would be unpleasant.

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| 7. | N-B5 |
| 8. O-O | P-K4 |
| 9. PxP | N-KN5 |
| 10. N-R3 | N(N5)xKP |
| 11. NxN | NxN |
| 12. K-R1 | R-K1 |

The position is approximately even. White just has the slightly better development.

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| 13. N-N5 | Q-K2 |
| 14. P-KB4 | |

This knight must be dislodged, if white is to hope for any progress.

14. N-B3
If 14. N-N5; 15. BxB, KxB N-B3) 16. P-K4 and 16. N-K6 is impossible because of 17. Q-Q4ch.

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| 15. BxB | KxB |
| 16. P-K4 | P-B4 |
| 17. R-K1 | Q-B2 |
| 18. Q-Q2 | PxP |
| 19. BxP | B-K3 |

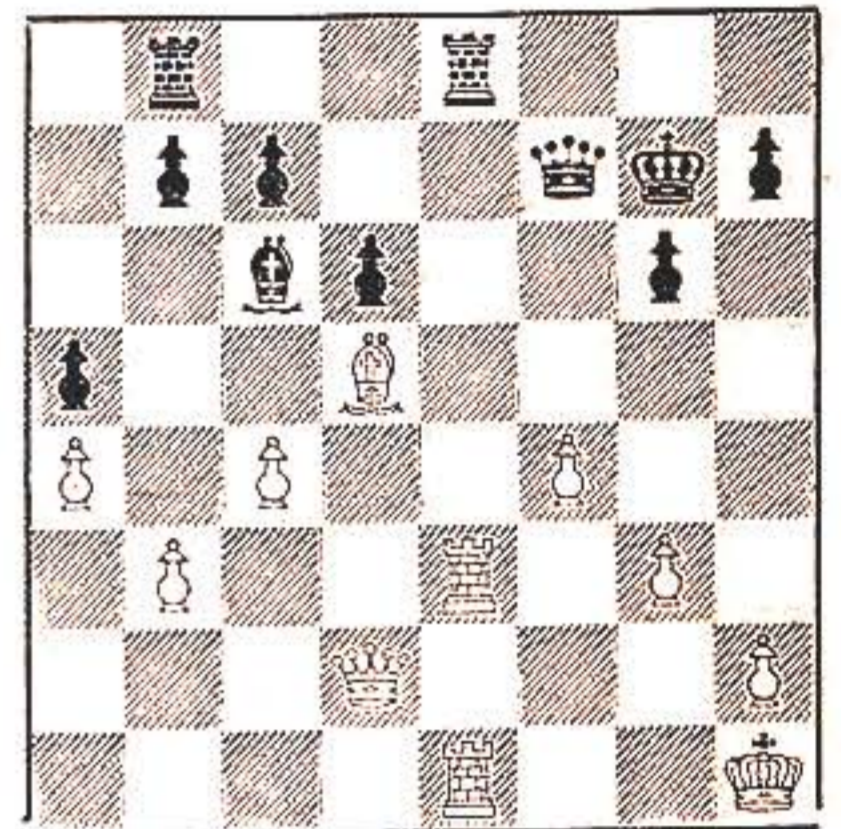
To have been considered was 19. B-B4; 20. B-Q5, Q-Q2; 21. Q-B3ch, K-R3, and although black's king seems to be in a dangerous position, there is no immediate threat.

20. P-B4
Preventing P-Q4.

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| 20. | QR-N1 |
| 21. R-K3 | N-N5 |

Threatening P-Q4 again.
22. N-B3 B-B4
22. P-QN3; 23. QR-K1, B-Q2 was better.

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| 23. QR-K1 | B-Q2 |
| 24. N-Q5 | NxN |
| 25. BxN | B-B3 |



Position after 25., B-B3

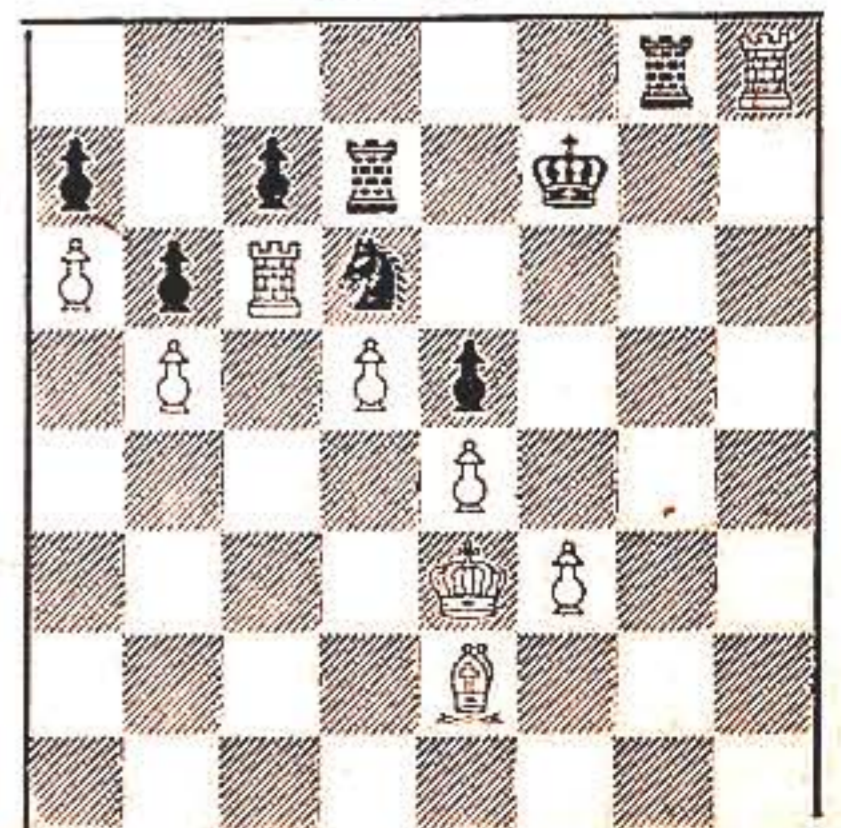
25. Q-B3 white wins a pawn with 26. QxP. Black was expecting 26. BxB, PxP; 27. QxP, RxR; 28. RxR, R-K1; 29. RxR, QxR; 30. QxPch, K-R3 with a chance for perpetual check.

26. Q-Q4ch Resigns
An unexpected finish. If 26. K-B1; 27. Q-R8ch followed by mate. If 26. Q-B3; 27. R-K7ch winning the queen. If 26. K-R3; 27. P-KN4 threatening R-R3 mate.

ADJUDICATION, PLEASE

The following position was adjudicated in an important American tournament. One of the players appealed the decision. We certainly would appreciate your help on this, particularly if you are in the master or expert classifications of ratings. The players' own ratings are such that they may be relied upon to play "best moves," now that the time-pressure has been relieved. Please send your adjudication of the position to Fred M. Wren, 19 Dutch Village Road, Halifax, N.S., Canada, before Feb. 10, 1959.

Position for adjudication
Black—8 pieces



White —9 pieces—to move

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WHO'S THAT OLD GUY?

In 1944, after years of absence from the United States, we had the privilege of attending the U.S. Open at Boston, where we met for the first time several of the ranking chess personages of the country, including Reshevsky, the late George Sturgis, first President of the then-new USCF, W.M.P. Mitchell, Bob Steinmeyer and others. Lasting friendships were made with Tony Santasiere, George Koltanowski, Walter Suesman, and the late Malcolm Sim of Toronto, who was co-director of the event with our own Hermann Helms.

Half-way through the tournament we witnessed our first big-league time scramble between two of chess' big-leaguers. One was New England Champion (later US Open Champ and current New Jersey State Champion) Weaver Adams. The other was unknown to us, and we asked Walter Suesman, "Who's the old guy playing with Adams?" He said, "That's Harlow Daly, a very strong player. Like me, one day he'll lick Alekhine, and the next day he'll lose to you." (Reshevsky's only loss in this event, which he won, was to Suesman). We watched the time-scramble with intense interest, later using the incident as the foundation for a piece of fiction which was published in CHESS LIFE in 1951 under the name "Time Trouble." We never saw Daly again, but late in 1958 the chess column in the Boston GLOBE carried a game played between Daly and Freeman in the New England Championship Tournament of 1958. The score was loused up, and the game unplayable. We wrote to Daly asking for the correct score, and for an account of some of the high spots of what the GLOBE columnist had called "a half-century of tournament chess." He obliged with the following account, and with several of his favorite games. If CHESS LIFE readers enjoy this sort of nostalgic reminiscence, and would care for more similar pieces, please write to your editor, with suggestions for future articles. Give us the name and address of the old-timer whose memories and scrapbooks you'd like to have us tap.

At the turn of the century I picked up Hoyle's Games and discovered chess.

While attending Boston Latin School some one started a checker tournament and won it. Soon afterwards a chess tournament was started by some one else and several classmates said, "Well, you know who's going to win it—the fellow who started it, of course." I was the winner, however, with a score of 6-0; the next year with a score of 12-2; and the graduating year with a score of 14-0.

Shortly thereafter my friend John L. Clark and I conceived the plan of taking part in a Hauptturnier in Germany, getting there by

cattle-boat. Luckily for us, perhaps, the idea to be abandoned through the non-cooperation of my employer.

In my earlier years I always seized the opportunity of playing against the masters in simultaneous exhibitions. I was very proud to obtain a draw against Dr. Emanuel Lasker in 1903. Later on I beat Dr. Alekhine in 1929 in a game of which I am quite fond, the score of which is appended herewith.

In 1944 I beat Dr. Reuben Fine in a simultaneous exhibition for which I received a copy of his **Basic Chess Endings**. I have always cherished this because it was autographed on the spot by Dr. Fine with the notation "Congratulations on a well-played game."

Among the masters against whom I won or drew were Pillsbury, Marshall, Mieses, Reshevsky, Horowitz, Herman Steiner, including of course Lasker, Alekhine and Fine as stated above.

It was not long after this that I began giving simultaneous exhibitions of my own, not only in Boston, but also in Quincy, Newburyport, Lynn and Lawrence. I always made good records, but I remember on one occasion at the Boston Chess Club I made a perfect score of 12-0.

I played in the tournament held in connection with the World's Fair in St. Louis, 1904, and came out a tie for 4th and 5th with a score of 8-5.

About this time I had joined the Boston Chess Club and had the opportunity of playing against such masters of the game as John F. Barry, A. M. Sussman, George H. Walcott, C. S. Jacobs, and F. K. Young.

I also participated in matches of the Metropolitan Chess League of Boston, playing first on the Dorchester team, which I had organized, and finally on the Boston Chess Club team.

Later on I was contemporary with such excellent players as Weaver Adams, Harold Morton, Dr. Gerald Katz, Oscar Shapiro and Milton Kagan, not to mention Dr. Putzman, Orlando Lester and others.

I took part in most of the tournaments during these years and, with few exceptions, finished well up in all of them.

My tournament record includes the following championships:

- 1908 New England
- 1914 Boston Chess Club
- 1934 City of Boston
- 1937 City of Boston
- 1940 Massachusetts
- 1942 Massachusetts
- 1947 City of Boston

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My record in the USCF tournament is as follows:

	Won	Lost
1943 Syracuse	9	6
1944 Boston	10	7
1948 Baltimore	6½	5½
1949 Omaha	6½	5½
1950 Detroit	6½	5½
1951 Fort Worth	6½	5½
1952 Tampa	6½	5½
1953 Milwaukee	8	5

My 50 years of chess have brought me many lasting friendships, among which I would mention especially Bart and Peggy Gould and their two fine boys, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. P. Mitchell, and Horace Taylor.

During most of the USCF tournaments I chummed around with my very dear friend Charles Sharp of Scarborough, Maine. Without his companionship much of the pleasure which I had in these tournaments would have been lost.

I play very little over-the-board chess now and confine myself almost entirely to postal chess.

I am enclosing herewith four of my games, including that with Freeman in the N. E. tournament at Boston this year. Also, I enclose two of my postal games, one of which was a win from William Lombardy, of which I am very proud. He withdrew from the tournament, but resigned to me, which I thought was very magnanimous of him. I do not take too much credit for the game as I realize that he had much greater things on his mind, as it was then that he was astonishing the chess world with his remarkable record in international play.

Whenever I feel disheartened with my game I think of how well Dr. Tartakover played in his old age and our own Harold M. Phillips, who, at the age of 83, astonished every one by beating Dr. Erich Marchand, another old friend of mine, in a recent N. Y. State Chess Association tournament. Not only that, but he also won a brilliancy prize against another competitor in the same tournament.

CITY CHAMPIONSHIP BOSTON, 1934

H. B. Daly White		Thomson Black	
1. P-Q4	P-Q4	14. N-K5	KR-QB
2. B-B4	P-QB4	15. O-O	B-K
3. P-K3	P-K3	16. P-KN4	P-N3
4. P-QB3	N-KB3	17. N-B2	Q-Q3
5. N-KR3	N-B3	18. P-KR4	P-KR4
6. B-Q3	PxP	19. K-R2	PxP
7. KPxP	B-Q3	20. KNxP	N-R4
8. BxB	QxB	21. Q-B3	N-B4
9. P-KB4	B-Q2	22. R-KN	P-B3
10. N-Q2	N-K2	23. BxN	KPxP
11. N-B3	Q-N3	24. N-K3	K-R2
12. Q-K2	P-QR3	25. NxNP	BxN
13. P-QR4	O-O	26. RxB	Resigns

CITY CHAMPIONSHIP BOSTON, 1937

H. B. Daly White		Mengarini Black	
1. P-KB4	P-Q4	9. P-KR4	PxP
2. P-K3	N-KB3	10. BxP	Q-K2
3. N-KB3	P-KN3	11. P-R5	NxP
4. P-QN3	B-N2	12. RxN	PxR
5. B-N2	QN-Q2	13. N-KN5	N-B3
6. P-B4	P-K3	14. N-Q5	PxN
7. Q-B2	P-B4	15. BxN	QxB
8. N-B3	O-O	16. QxP mate	

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SIMULTANEOUS BOSTON, 1929

Alekhine White		H. B. Daly Black	
1. P-Q4	P-K3	27. NPxP	PxP
2. N-KB3	P-KB4	28. K-R	B-N4
3. N-B3	N-KB3	29. R-KB3	Q-R3
4. P-KN3	P-Q4	30. R-R	Q-B3
5. B-N2	QN-Q2	31. P-N4	PxNP
6. O-O	B-Q3	32. R-B3	RxP
7. QN-N5	N-K5	33. RxBP	RxP
8. P-B4	P-B3	34. QxR	QxR
9. NxP	NxN	35. QxNP	Q-BBch
10. P-N3	N-B3	36. RxQ	RxRch
11. N-K5	Q-R4	37. B-B	RxBch
12. B-B4	N-B2	38. K-N2	R-B4
13. NxN	KxN	39. Q-N4	P-QR3
14. P-B3	B-Q2	40. Q-B5	RxP
15. P-K4	KR-K	41. Q-B8ch	K-B2
16. B-K5	K-N	42. Q-B7ch	K-N3
17. Q-K2	R-KB	43. P-Q7	R-N4ch
18. B-Q6	R-B2	44. K-B3	BxP
19. P-K5	N-K	45. QxB	R-B4ch
20. P-B5	P-QN3	46. K-N3	R-K4
21. P-QR3	NxB	47. Q-R7	R-K5
22. BPxN	Q-B6	48. QxRP	K-R4
23. Q-Q	R-QB	49. Q-B8	P-N3
24. P-B4	P-B4	50. Q-KB8	R-K6ch
25. R-B	Q-R4	51. K-B4	P-Q5
26. P-QN4	QxRP		Resigns

CORRESPONDENCE, 1956-7

H. B. Daly White		Wm. Lombardy Black	
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	16. R-K	P-KB4
2. B-B4	P-QN3	17. RxP	Q-B3
3. P-K3	B-N2	18. RxR	RxR
4. P-B4	P-K3	19. N-K2	P-KN4
5. N-QB3	B-N5	20. Q-B2	R-B
6. Q-N3	BxNch	21. Q-Q2	Q-R3
7. QxB	P-Q3	22. Q-K3	P-B4
8. P-B3	N-R4	23. N-B3	P-R3
9. B-N3	NxB	24. N-Q5	BxN
10. PxN	N-Q2	25. PxP	P-KB5
11. B-Q3	Q-N4	26. BxPch	K-B2
12. K-B2	P-K4	27. PxKBp	PxBP
13. R-R4	O-O-O	28. Q-K7	Q-N3
14. P-QN4	PxP	29. NPxP	NPxP
15. PxP	QR-K	30. R-K6	Resigns
If 30. Q-N6ch 31. K-N R-N and white announces a forced fate in 8.			

CHAMPIONSHIP, NEW ENGLAND 1958

H. B. DALY White		FREEMAN Black	
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	12. NxNP	O-O
2. B-B4	P-KN3	13. Q-Q5ch	K-R
3. P-K3	B-N2	14. B-R2	PxP
4. P-B4	P-Q3	15. N-B7ch	RxN
5. N-QB3	KN-Q2	16. QxR	N-B
6. N-B3	P-K4	17. R-Q	QxP
7. B-N5	P-KB3	18. QxBch	KxQ
8. B-R4	P-KN4	19. BxPch	Q-B3
9. B-N3	P-KB4	20. BxQch	KxB
10. PxP	PxP	21. N-Q5ch	Resigns
11. P-KR4	P-B5		

In an attempt to get some of the Rosenwald games to you hot off the boards at the Manhattan and Marshall Clubs, we are breaking one of our New Year's resolutions—since we are not playing them over first to check for errors either typographical or in notation. If any of the following games (Page 5, Col. 4) "will not play," please be patient, try all available obvious moves, before sending a gripe to your editor.

RATINGS COMING

The January 20 issue of CHESS LIFE will have the revised rating list which we promised you. The list has already been sent to the printer by Ken Harkness, and as soon as we receive the proofs we'll get to work making the Jan. 20 issue the biggest and best you have ever received.



TIDBITS OF MASTER PLAY

By International MASTER WILLIAM LOMBARDY

World Junior Champion

Senior vs. Junior

Since I started to play chess in 1951, Capablanca and Nimzovitch had been my favorite masters. Then, I began playing over the games of Botvinnik. His "100 Selected Games" and "1948 World Championship" contain many of his best games with clear, critical notes explaining the reasons behind the moves. After I had seen these games, Botvinnik became my champion, and I have since dreamed of the time when I should come face to face with him over the board.

I did not think that this time would come so soon. I was positioned at second board on the United States Olympic team. At this post I had expected to play Smyslov, who is naturally a great player, but I really wanted to play Botvinnik, the World Champion.

A fortuitous circumstance (for me) permitted me this opportunity. Reshevsky our first board could not play on Fridays, Saturdays or Holidays due to his position as an Orthodox Jew. He could play on Saturdays only after sundown. Other team captains were not willing to permit their players to meet him under this condition. (The Reshevsky game would have had to be postponed from 4 P.M., the originally-scheduled time of play, to 7 P.M., three hours later.) It is very difficult to play a session 7 P.M. to Midnight, come down the next morning for an adjourned game from 10 A.M. to Noon, and then be ready to play the regular round at 4 P.M. the same day. It happened that our team was paired with the Russians for the first round. The first round fell on a Saturday. Reshevsky could not play. It was as simple as all that. We were forced to play without our "Number One Player" but we proved ourselves ready for the job that lay ahead. The final score of the match: USA 2—USSR 2!

My game with Botvinnik at first board is one that I shall remember for a long time to come.

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE (IRREGULAR)

Munich Chess Olympics 1958

M. Botvinnik (USSR) White
L. Lombardy (USA) Jr. World Champ. Black

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| 1. P-QB4 | P-KN3 |
| 2. P-K4 | B-N2 |
| 3. P-Q4 | P-Q3 |
| 4. N-QB3 | P-K4 |
| 5. PXP | |

This move had quite surprised me since I was entertaining the idea of struggling in a complicated mid-game. Hence, the thought of entering an immediate ending never occurred to me. Such tactics are often employed by veteran masters against young opposition.

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| 5. | PxP |
| 6. QxQch | KxQ |
| 7. B-N5ch | P-B3 |
| 8. O-O-Och | N-Q2 |
| 9. B-K3 | |



Position after 9. B-K3

White must have considered this position and weighed its possibilities before exchanging Queens. He might have thought that in exchange for superior development and a more aggressive position he would take a slight Black square weakness which is a direct consequence of 5. pXP. The game is approximately equal.

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| 9. | P-B3 |
| An automatic move but not the best. Correct was B-R3 exchanging White's valuable defender of the Black squares. | |
| 10. P-KN3! | K-B2 |
| Now B-R3 would be answered by P-B4. | |
| 11. P-B4 | N-R3! |
| 12. P-KR3 | N-B2 |
| 13. N-B3 | B-R3 |



Position after 13., B-R3!

Black begins an attack in the center where White's pawns are particularly vulnerable since he has a "hanging pawn" formation. The threat: i.e. 14. K-B2, PxP; 15. PxP, P-KN4 and Black obtains the square K4 for his pieces.

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| 14. R-K1 | R-K1 |
| 14. PxP; 15. PxP, P-KN4; 16. PxP; PxP; 17. P-K5! If 17. N(Q or B) xP, 18. NxN, NxN; 19. B-Q4! Or 17. R-K1; 18. P-K6, RxP, 19. B-B4ch! etc. | |
| 15. R-R2 | N-B1 |
| 16. R-KB2 | PxP! |

If 16. N-K3; 17. P-B5! gives White the better game.

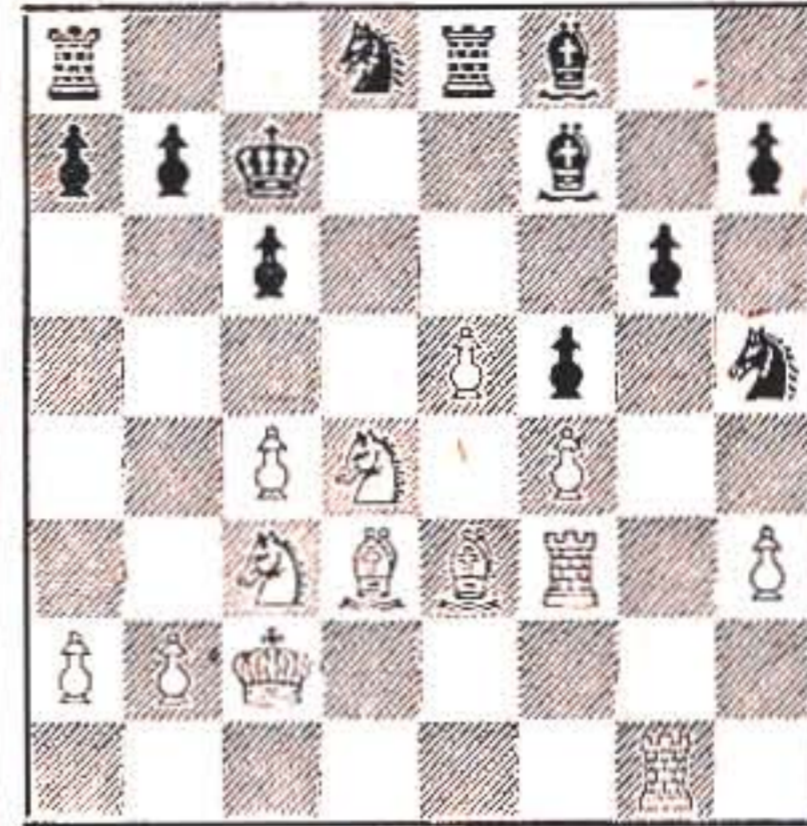
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| 17. PxP | N-K3 |
| 18. N-R2 | P-KB4 |

Forcing a decision in the center. 19. PxP, PxP stands in Black's favor.

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| 19. P-K5 | N-N2 |
| Clearing the way for the development of his pieces Black now intends to apply pressure against the King Bishop Pawn. | |
| 20. N-B3 | N-R4 |
| 21. N-Q4 | B-K3 |
| 22. K-B2 | |

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| 22. NxN, RxN; 23. P-QN4, N-Q1; 24. P-B5, R-K1; 25. B-B4 was a good possibility. | |
| 22. | N-Q1 |
| 23. B-K2 | N-N6 |
| 24. B-Q3 | B-B2 |
| 25. R-KN1 | N-R4 |

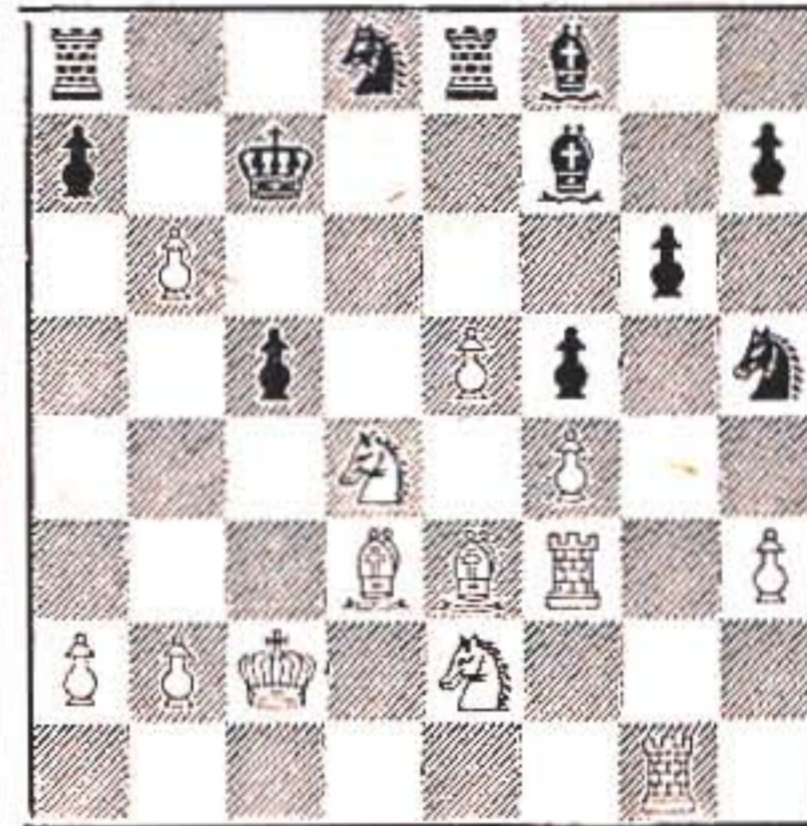
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| 26. B-Q2 | |
| Black threatened RxP! | |
| 26. | B-B1 |
| 27. B-K3 | B-R3 |
| 28. R-B3 | B-B1 |



Position after 28., B-B1

White in slight time difficulty was just gaining time on the clock. Black realized this and is waiting for White's next move.

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| 29. QN-K2?! | |
| 29. B-K2 driving the Black Knight away was better but White has no advantage. | |
| 29. | P-QN4! |
| Gaining space on the Queen-side. | |
| 30. PxP?? | P-B4! |
| White must lose at least two pieces for a Rook. . . | |
| 31. P-N6ch | |



Position after 31. P-N6ch

This does not save the situation. . . Until Black plays his move that is!

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| 31. | PxP? |
| Black does not take advantage of the situation. 31. K-N2!! wins in all variations i.e. (a) 32. N-N5, P-B5; 33. N-B7, PxPch; 34. KxP (1), N-B3; 35. Nx any R, RxN; 36. PxP, R-Q1ch; 37. K-B2, N-N5ch etc. (b) 32. NxP, B-Q4; 33. R-B2, P-N5! etc. But . . . A simple reflex action lets the win slip from his grasp. | |
| 32. N-N5ch | K-N2 |
| 33. N(2)-B3 | N(1)-B3 |
| 34. P-QR3 | KR-Q1 |
| 35. B-QB1 | QR-B1 |
| 36. K-N1 | N-N2 |
| 37. B-B1 | |

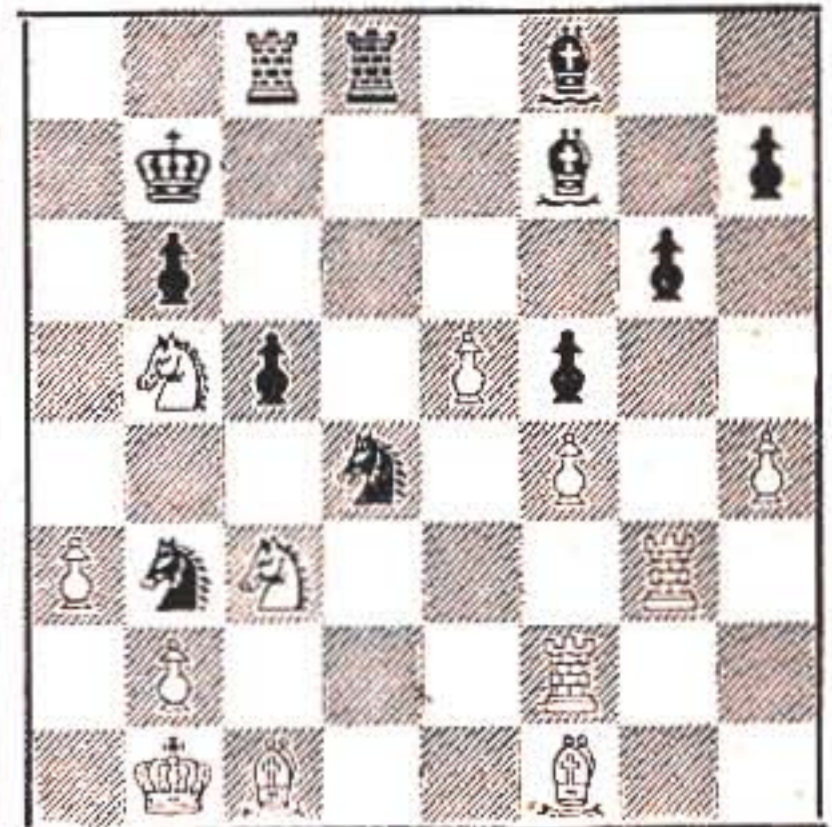
White is still on the run but there is no longer any win.

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| 37. | N-K3 |
| 38. R-B2 | N(K)-Q5 |
| 39. P-KR4 | N-QR4 |
| 40. R-N3 | N(4)-N6 |

(See diagram top next column)

And a draw was agreed. Black still stands slightly better. But we wanted to insure a 2:2 match with Russia. The Captain asked me to offer a draw. So we began with a great success but finished a flop in the tourney, but the main thing is we were

represented in the Olympics. Representation in big tournaments is the only way U. S. Chess players can gain enough experience to surpass the Russians. Support the USCF—Join now!



Position after 40., N(4)-N6

Dr. Marchand Wins Again

Dr. Erich Marchand of Rochester, N.Y., current U.S. Amateur Champion, and regular contributor to CHESS LIFE, has recently scored another First Place—this time in a tough correspondence tournament. The Second Luebbert Tournament lasted over five years. Dr. Marchand scored 9½-½ in a preliminary qualifying round, and 8-2 in the finals, which consisted of two games against each of the following: D. W. Eliason, E. Sneyders, Dr. Norman Hornstein, and J. N. Schmitt. He scored 1½-½ against each of these tough finalists.

U. S. Championship and Rosenwald Tournament, 1958.

LOMBARDY White		FISCHER Black	
1. P-K4	P-QB4	25. BxB	PxB
2. N-KB3	P-Q3	26. NR-B3	Q-B3
3. P-Q4	PxP	27. B-K4	R-B2
4. NxP	N-KB3	28. R-K	R/1-B
5. N-QB3	P-QR3	29. R-B3	Q-K2
6. P-KR3	P-K4	30. R-B5	P-KN3
7. N/4-K2	B-K2	31. R-B3	N-B4
8. P-KN4	O-O	32. B-B2	N-Q2
9. B-K3	QN-Q2	33. P-R4	PxP
10. P-QR4	N-N3	34. Q-R6	N-B
11. B-N2	B-K3	35. R-R3	Q-B3
12. O-O	N-B5	36. P-N5	Q-R
13. B-B	R-B	37. QxQch	KxQ
14. P-N3	N-N3	38. RxPch	K-N2
15. P-R5	N/N3-Q2	39. P-KB4	PxP
16. B-K3	R-K	40. RxP	N-Q2
17. N-Q5	BxN	41. R-K7	N-K4
18. PxP	N-B	42. RxR	RxR
19. N-N3	N/3-Q2	43. R-B6	R-Q2
20. Q-Q2	N-KN3	44. K-N2	K-B
21. N-B5	P-R3	45. K-N3	K-K2
22. P-QB4	N-R5	46. R-KB	R-B2
23. NxN	BxN	47. R-QR	P-B3
24. KR-B	B-N4		Draw

BENKO White		LOMBARDY Black	
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	22. N-K5	P-R4
2. P-QB4	P-K3	23. N/K-Q3	R-N3
3. N-KB3	P-Q4	24. RxP	R/1xR
4. N-B3	B-N5	25. RxR	RxR
5. B-N5	P-KR3	26. NxR	N-N3
6. BxN	QxB	27. N/6-B5	N-B
7. Q-R4ch	N-B3	28. Q-R4	Q-R5
8. PxP	PxP	29. P-N3	Q-K2
9. P-K3	O-O	30. Q-R8	K-N2
10. B-K2	B-K3	31. N-B4	BxN/B5
11. O-O	P-QR3	32. NPxB	N-N3
12. KR-B	B-Q3	33. P-B5	BxP
13. Q-Q	N-K2	34. QxP	Q-B3
14. N-QR4	P-QN3	35. B-Q3	BxB
15. N-B3	KR-Q	36. NxB	P-R5
16. P-QR4	P-B4	37. Q-K4	Q-N4
17. P-R5	KR-N	38. K-B	Q-QN4
18. N-QR4	PxRP	39. K-N2	P-R6ch
19. NxP	RxP	40. K-N3	P-B4
20. RxP	P-KN4	41. Q-K6	QxN
21. R/1-R1	P-N5		Resigns

More Rosenwald Games on Pages 7 and 8.



GAMES BY USCF MEMBERS

Annotated by Chess Master JOHN W. COLLINS

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TRAPPER TRAPPED

Fritz Leiber, the tournament winner, springs a counter-trap on Gordon Palmer, the runner-up.

SLAV DEFENSE

MCO 9: p. 216, c. 46

Santa Monica Open, 1958

Notes by Fritz Leiber

White LEIBER
1. P-Q4
2. P-QB4
3. N-QB3
4. N-B3
5. P-QR4
6. P-K3
7. BxP
8. O-O
9. Q-K2
10. R-Q1
11. PxB
12. B-N2
13. P-R3

Black PALMER
1. P-K4
2. N-KB3
3. B-N5
4. B-R4
5. P-K4
6. N-QB3
7. P-QR3
8. B-B4
9. N-N5
10. N-Q1
11. NxB
12. BxPch
13. Q-R5ch
14. Q-B4ch
15. N-B3
16. K-Q1
17. P-B4
18. Q-R5
19. Q-R5
20. R-N3
21. R-KN1
22. R-KN1
23. R-2xB
24. RxPch!

Black launches a sharp attack. (But an unsound one!—JWC.)

White should probably protect the Pawn by R-R3, although it seems to put the Rook out of play. The Bishop will be needed on its original long diagonal.

White fears 13., Q-B3 and decides to mix it at once on the kingside. Still, he might well play 13. P-K4 (if the QB were still on its original square, there would be no question about it). Then of 13., P-KB4; 14. PxP, RxP; 15. BxP ch, NxN; 16. QxN ch, K-R1; 17. N-K5. And if 13., Q-B3 then 14. P-K5 with complications. (14. R-Q3, fails against Q-N3).

Black wants the Bishop off the diagonal on which his King stands, and White decides to grab the Pawn.

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Terrifying!

Now Black should play 22., RxP, probably with advantage. But no, he sees an infallible way to trap White's Queen.

The trap closes. But . . .



Position after 24. RxP ch!
24. K-B1
25. B-R3 ch Resigns
It is mate the next move.

RUY LOPEZ

MCO: Page 48, a(3)

Philadelphia Amateur Tournament
Philadelphia, 1958

Notes by U.S. Expert Don Define

W. C. Schroeder White
1. P-K4
2. N-KB3
3. B-N5
4. B-R4
5. NxB

L. A. Quindry Black
1. P-K4
2. N-QB3
3. P-QR3
4. B-B4
5. BxPch

A variant from the usual 4., N-B3 and similar to the classical defense.

The recommended maneuver in analogous situations. More cautious is 5. O-O, KN-K2; 6. P-B3, P-Q4; 7. PxP, QxP; 8. B-N3, Q-Q3; 9. N-N5, N-Q1; 10. N-K4, Q-QB3; 11. NxB Pilnik-Pinzon (Dubrovnik 1950)

This exchange, just as its counterparts in the Vienna (1. P-K4, P-K4; 2. N-QB3, N-KB3; 3. B-B4, NxP; 4. BxPch) or the two knights (1. P-K4, P-K4; 2. N-KB3, N-QB3; 3. B-B4, N-B3; 4. N-B3, NxP; 5. BxPch), tears up the king side and yet never seems justifiable. 5., NxN; 6. P-Q4, B-Q3; 7. PxN, BxP was probably better.

But now Black gets overambitious and throws away his opportunity of regaining the piece with 6., NxN.

While perhaps inconsequential here, 8., QPxP would still be better in view of Black's need of speedy development. The rule on capturing towards the center looks to the endgame.

The discovered check threat must be heeded although 11., O-O-O; 12. R-B1 (Q-K5; 13. N-QB3!) Q-K3; 13. Nx KBP or 11., N-K2; 12. R-B1.



Position after 14. Q-K2!
Meeting the threat of a possible 15. NxPch, K-B1; 16. Q-K8ch!

Far ahead materially, White intends to keep it that way.

White carries too many guns and now winds up neatly.

Even though the game's outcome was decided early, White's play was crisp and precise.

FROM CANADA

A short, sharp one from the First Round.

FRENCH DEFENSE

MCO 9: p. 95, c. 1
Canadian Open
Winnipeg, 1958

Notes by USCF Master Curt Brasket

White C. BRASKET
1. P-K4
2. P-Q4
3. N-QB3
4. B-N5
5. P-K5
6. BxB
7. Q-Q2

Black R. BEDARD
1. P-B4
2. P-Q4
3. N-KB3
4. B-K2
5. KN-Q2
6. QxB
7. O-O
8. P-B4
9. PxP
10. N-B3
11. O-O-O
12. B-Q3
13. P-KN4
14. KR-N1
15. P-B5

Reaching, after a few minor transpositions, a position which arose in the game Brasket-D. Yanofsky, Minn.-Manitoba Match, 1954, where White continued with 14. P-KR4 and obtained a strong position after 14., P-N5; 15. N-K2, P-QR4; 16. K-N1, P-R5; 17. P-R5, N-B1; 18. QR-N1! B-R3; 19. P-B5.

Too optimistic, in view of the surprising reply. Better is 15., N-B5.

This loses quickly, but Black is also lost after 16., N-B5; 17. BxN, PxN! 18. Q-N5, P-N3; 19. B-N3, with threats of Q-R4 and N-N5.



Position after 17. BxP ch!
17. KxB
No better is 17., K-B1; 18. Q-N5, PxP; 19. PxP, R-Q1; 20. Q-N8 mate or 17., K-R1; 18. Q-N5, Q-B1. 19. Q-R5. 18. Q-Q3ch K-N1
If 18., K-R3; 19. P-N5ch, K-R4; 20. Q-R7 mate, or if 18., P-N3; 19. N-N5 ch, K-R3; 20. NxPch, K-R2; 21. Q-R3ch, K-N1; 22. Q-R8ch, KxN; 23. Q-N7 mate.
19. N-N5 PxpPch
Somewhat prettier would have been 19., K-B1; 20. Q-R7, Q-K6ch; 21. K-N1, QxN; 22. Q-R8 mate!
20. K-N1 K-B1
21. Q-R7 Resigns

QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED
MCO 9: p. 184, c. 17
Correspondence, 1958

White M. MILSTEIN (U.S.A.)
1. P-Q4
2. P-QB4
3. N-KB3
4. N-B3
5. B-N5
6. P-K3
7. B-Q3
8. N-K5

Black C. de PINHO (Brazil)
1. P-Q4
2. P-K3
3. N-Q2
4. N-B3
5. B-K2
6. O-O
7. BxPch
8. KxB
9. PxN
10. B-B4
11. PxP
12. O-O
13. N-N5
14. BxPch
15. Q-R5ch
16. BxN
17. N-Q2
18. Q-B2
19. BPxP
20. NxP
21. KxB
22. K-N1
23. Resigns

Up and Down the Files

From the Precita Valley CHESS HERALD (San Francisco) we learn that the Arizona State Open was won by Peter Leuthold with 5½-1½, four wins and three draws. Norman James, Ben Thurston, David Hubiak, and James Christman finished in the next four places after their 5-2 ties had been broken. Mabel Burlingame was sixth with 4½-2½, followed by Eric Abrahamson, Eugene Hoeflin, Carl McGee, and James Smith, in that order, after their 4-2 ties had been broken.

From the same paper we learn that Olaf Ulvestad scored 5½-1½, to win

the Central Washington Open Championship. Clark Harmon was second with 5-1, having won five, losing only to Ulvestad. Ivars Dalbergs lost to Harmon, drew with Ulvestad, and won four to finish third with 4½-1½.

From the CHESSALUCINATIONS column of the Herald we bring you glad tidings. Lowell Tullis, the guy they must have been thinking about when they started saying 'C-R-A-Z-Y, Man, CRAZY,' has just founded a new order, The CHESSALUNATIC SOCIETY. If you feel that CHESS comes FIRST—not FIRST AFTER ANYTHING—if you manage to raise a tournament entry fee while your family dies of starvation, if you are a chess widow or widower, if your alphabet consists only of B, K, N, P, Q, and R, you are eligible for membership. (Any of the gals who finish their scheduled game before rushing to the hospital to have a baby, become charter members without initiation) To get the new society's distinctive pin, write to Lowell Tullis, 59 Stoneybrook, San Francisco 12, outlining your peculiar qualifications for membership, and enclosing \$1.04 for a year's subscription to the Herald (an 8-page mimeographed monthly) You'll be pleased with both paper and pin, and Tullis will go into a higher income-tax bracket in 1959. And, welcome back, Editor Jim Reynolds, after a little absence during which CHESS LIFE correspondent Bob Karch took charge of the blue pencils with his usual efficiency.

The Utah State Championship was won by Ilmari Toumainen, the Junior Chess Champion of Finland, who is an exchange student in Salt Lake City. He won four and drew three for 5½-1½. 17-year-old Richard Owen won five, drew one, and lost only to Toumainen, also scoring 5½-1½, taking second place on SB points. Farrell L. Clark won three and drew four to place third after his 5-2 score tie with Ben Greenwald, former Utah State champ, had been broken. Greenwald won four, but lost to Owen, and drew with Toumainen and Clark. The strength of the event is shown by the final standings of such seasoned campaigners as Donald Benge (6th) and Dick Vandenberg (8th), each scoring 4½-2½ to participate in a four-way tie for 5th-8th places with Kenneth Jones (5th) and William Taber (7th).

From EN PASSANT, the occasional publication of the Pittsburgh Downtown YMCA Chess Club, we get the slate of officers for that club for 1959: President, J. Glenn Waltz; 1st VP, A. Bombreaux; 2nd VP, F. Thompson; Treasurer, J. H. Creps; Secretary, E. Clary; Librarian, A. Bomberault; Editor, M. S. Lubell.

We also learn that the 1958 State Championship (Pa.) was won by Dr. Max Cohen of Philadelphia, who scored six wins and a draw in a 7 round Swiss at Altoona. Joseph Shaffer, who also scored 6½-½ placed second, after drawing with Dr. Cohen. The following five players scored 5-2, and placed as listed after tie-breaking: Robert Bornholz, J. Glenn Waltz, David Spiro, Alex Spitzer, and Anthony Cantone. USCF stalwart Bill Byland topped a five-way draw at 4½-2½ to place eighth, over Durwood Hatch, Janis Sube, Woodrow Young, and Martin Lubell. Nine players scored 4-3, finishing in the following order in 13th-21st places: George Baylor, Alex Dunne, Fred Foreman, Tom Gutekunst, Paul Sherr, Ray C. Hayes, Larry Snyder, Dale Schrader, and Ernest Strang.

A 30-30 tournament, sponsored by the Club, was won by David Spiro with 3½-1½. Fred Foreman, Andrew Schoene and Carl Woebeke placed as co-holders of 2nd-4th places, after their 3-2 tie remained unbroken.

The Irving Park CC (Chicago) defeated the Castle Club of Maywood on twenty boards, 12½-7½; winning on six of the first seven boards were H. Stanbridge, E. Aronson, G. Bierlich, M. Koenig, A. Anderson, and M. Smoron. D. Satterlee of Castle CC won on board 2. (Continued on page 7, col. 2)

WITH THE CLUBS

The Jersey City YMCA CC has been active recently. The 1958 Club Championship was run off in two sections, The Queens fighting for the title, and The Rooks playing for fun, glory, and consolation. Here are the results:

QUEENS

(Championship)

- Sweifach, J. 5 -1
- Trott, M. C. 5 -1
- Sussmann, J. J. 4½-1½
- Diskin, C. 3 -2
- Strolin, A. 1½-4½
- Clinchy, W. J. 1 -5
- Scheuer, W. 1 -5

ROOKS

(Consolation)

- Soto, J. 5 -1
- Griffin, W. 5 -1
- Reitze, G. 4 -2
- Abarno, F. 3½-2½
- Connelly, M. C. 2½-3½
- Furrevig, N. 1 -5
- Lerch, H. 0 -6

The slaughter continues in Virginia, with USCF Director C. Bloodgood winning a match from L. Robinson, 5½-1½. The match was scheduled to be a ten-game affair, but Robinson conceded the match after the seventh game.

The second half of the Hampton Invitational Championship was won by Norman Cantor with 6½-1½, in a five-player double round robin. Claude Bloodgood was a good second with 5-3. Angel Acevedo, with 3½-4½, David Shook, with 3-5, and Armand Weiss, with 2-6, finished in the order listed.

The Fort Worth CC (Texas) has just completed the Wort Worth City Championship. Final standings of players follow.

- O. Burnet 8½
- O. Parry 8
- E. A. Ball 6
- C. P. Ferbrache 5½
- T. L. Colvin 5½
- R. E. White 4
- C. A. Cleere 3½
- G. P. Albright 3
- M. Leafer 0

Tournament Director: G. P. Albright.

The Baton Rouge (La.) team has just humbled the boys from New Orleans in a nine-board match. Here are the results:

Baton Rouge

- R. D. Anderson ½
- H. P. Taylor, Jr. 0
- Haskell Cohen 0
- Roger Dornier ½
- Henry Owen 1
- Billy Peek 1
- West 0
- M. Motta 2
- James Kimball 1

Total 6

New Orleans

- A. L. McAuley ½
- Al. Buckland 1
- Andy Lockett 1
- Frank Chavez ½
- Gery Erdal 0
- F. Menez 0
- Jack Lively 1
- Bill Naser 0
- Jack Burrus 0

Total 4

The Independent Chess Club (Edgar McCormick, Mgr.) of 102 N. Maple Ave., East Orange, N.J. has been a hot spot of chess activity this past fall and winter. The Independent Amateur Open of 1958, played there Nov. 8 and 9, a 5 round Swiss, was won by Bob (I. N-QR3) Durkin, with the almost perfect score of 4½-½. L. H. Ault, Jr. was second with 4-1, while A. Rumiencew, also with 4-1, placed third.

Then the 1958 Summer Championship of the Club was completed, with H. Hickman taking top-honors, as reported in our Dec. 20 issue.

The Independent CC then collaborated with the Log Cabin CC to host the Eastern States Open Championship. Details of this event have not yet reached us beyond the important items that it was won by Lombardy, with former U.S. Open Champ and present N.J. State Champ Weaver Adams, taking the second spot. We also learn unofficially that USCF masters Avram and Shipman participated, so it must have been a strong event.

A team from the Independent CC traveled to Hackensack, and defeated Hackensack on eight boards by a 6-2 score. Independent was just too strong on the top boards. (See Col. 3)

Armed Forces Chess

by Robert A. Karch

Please send me a postcard or a letter telling about your chess promotion and activities on any Army, Navy, Air Force or Marine Corps post anywhere on the globe. Write: 16025 Paseo del Campo, San Lorenzo, Calif.

Don Halgren reports on the Annual Vogelweh Open Tournament, beginning January 8th. Invitations have been sent to the Vogelweh High School, Ramstein Air Base, WACOM and to all local German clubs, via the press. Trophies will be awarded the top three.

Twenty-three persons enrolled for the chess course taught by Claude F. Bloodgood III at the Norfolk USO. Claude says that eight were directly due to the plug in this column (last Sept. 20th) which gives us an indication of our readership!

Larry G. Robinson scored 4-1 to win a USCF membership in a repeat of that special military semi-speed tournament (see this column, last August 5th) held in the Norfolk, Virginia USO. Runner-up Herbert Evans, USN with 3½-1½ picked up the trophy as the top player currently on active duty. Jack Cunningham split 2½-2½ to place third.

Latest report on the US Armed Forces Postal Chess Championship Tournament gives 63 entries from all branches of the Armed Services and from all parts of the world! Free and open to all persons in the military service. Overall time limit of 18 months to complete your games. Write: Norfolk USO, 259 Granby Street, Norfolk, Virginia.

The American Chess Foundation has effectively penetrated the Pentagon and got the powers-that-be to agree that chess is a desirable cultural activity! A few persons have asked me how the ACF's new agreement with the Department of Defense ties in with the work already being done by the USCF Armed Forces Chess Committee, of which I am Chairman. To my knowledge, the ACF has in no way coordinated the details of its program with the USCF, nor have I been contacted in an official capacity. Gentlemen, we who are doing the ground level organizing and promotion will continue to do so!

HOWEVER, as an individual interested in chess promotion, I wrote the ACF in New York advising them of my availability as a volunteer to help in teaching and demonstrating chess. Mr. Sidney Wallach, Executive Director, wrote me a very fine letter informing me that the Department of Defense chess program will shortly be made public and he asked me to inform the local Recreation Officer of my availability.

In my opinion, the big accomplishment to be credited to the ACF is their successful liaison with the top brass in Washington. As a direct result of their efforts, we can look forward to chess being added, at long last, to the official list of "authorized" inter-service competitive sports! (Those of you who feel chess is an art and not a sport, please keep silent for the time being!) By the end of this year, we may well see individual chess champions of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps meet in a double round robin to qualify for an all-Service title!

The Parkway Chess Club (Cincinnati, Ohio) has elected the following officers for the 1959 season: President: Eugene Warner. Secretary-Treasurer: Rea Hayes. Tournament Director: Jerry Hanken. The club has recently played a return match with Dayton, with the latter winning 9-6 on fifteen boards. Matches among club members are gaining in popularity, with the following results recorded recently:

Charles Heising.....4	Jerry Hanken.....3
Eugene Warner.....4	Jerry Hanken.....1
Rea Hayes.....6½	Fred Bahr.....3½

Mate The Subtle Way!

by Nicholas Gabor

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

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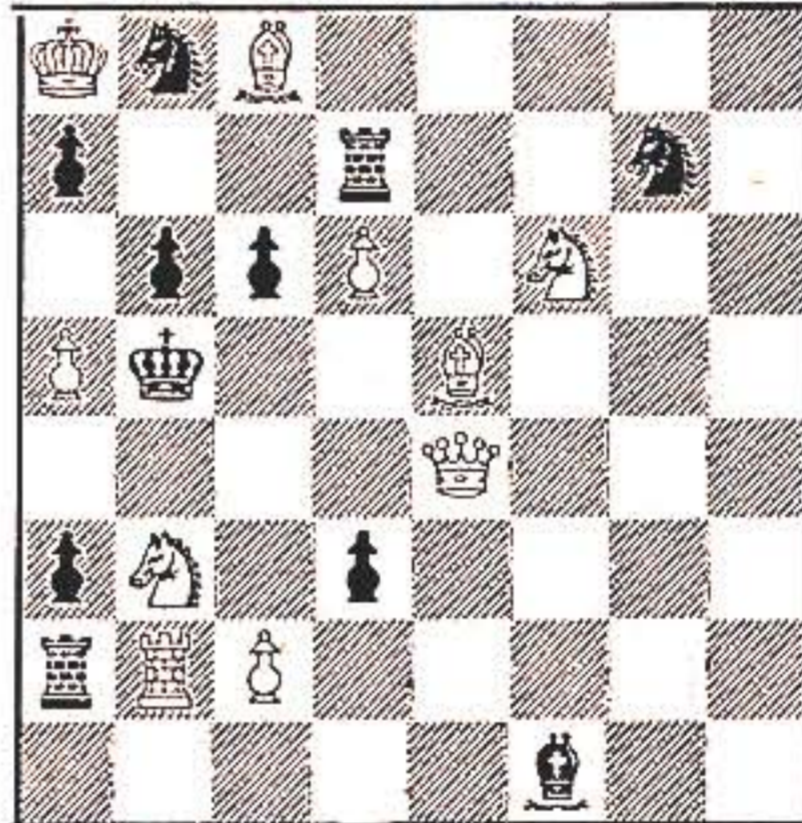
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Mate in two moves

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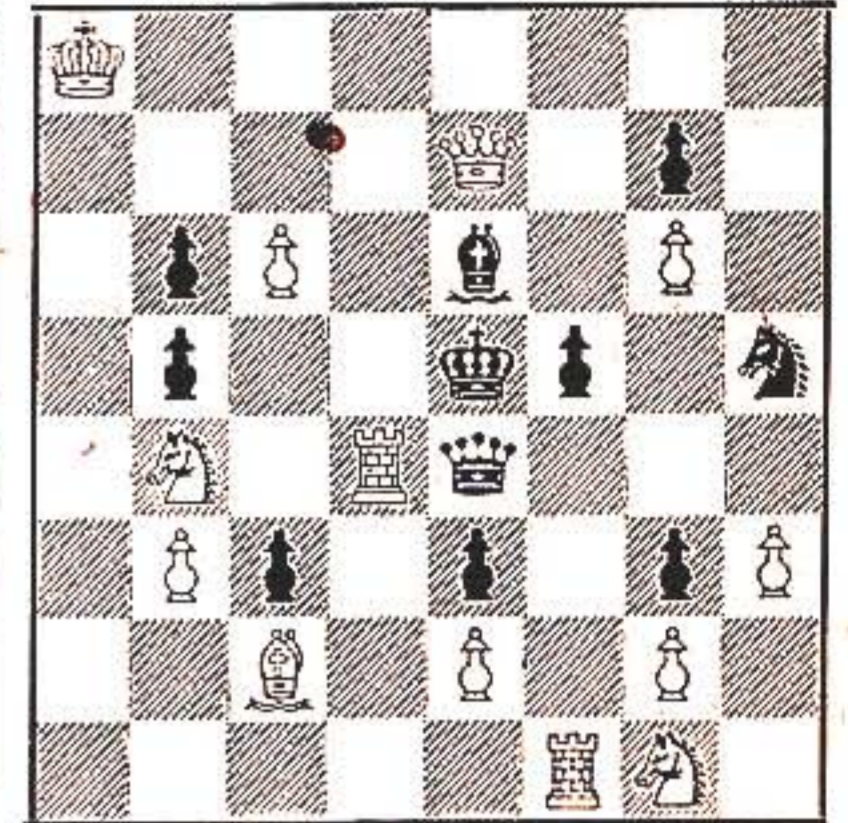
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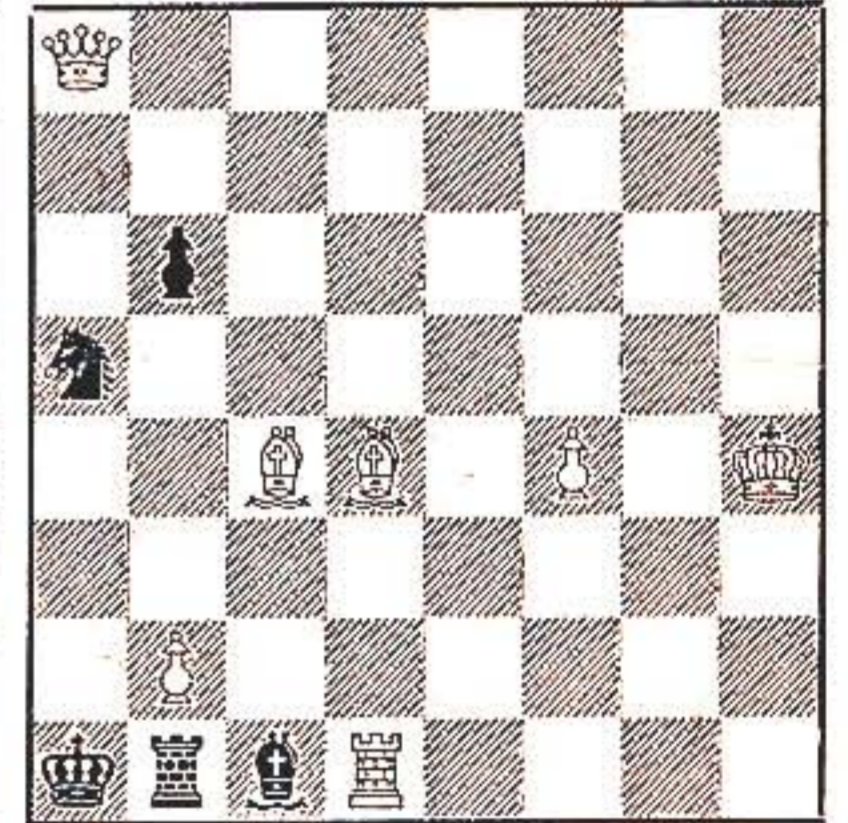
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Mate in two moves

Problem No. 972

By B. J. da C. Andrade
British Chess Problem Society Ring
Tourney 1957
Commended Fourth



Mate in three moves

No. 969 contains strategies reminiscent of the so-called "Third Degree Mechanism" very popular amongst composers of the 1940 years. The composer of No. 970 is a young and gifted solver of our column. No. 971 shows a Queen persistently committing suicide. No. 972 presents the B1 K in a corner, while White's interest in the other corners becomes evident during the solution.

SOLUTIONS TO "MATE THE SUBTLE WAY"

No. 957 Kowalewski: keymove 1. N(6)Q4, threatening 2. QxR. 3 simple variations. No. 958 Marysko: keymove 1. N-B2 threatening 2. Q-B6. 1., N random, 2. RxR; 1., N-B5, 2. Q-Q4; 1., N-Q6, 2. QxQ. No. 959 Hermanson: set play: (the play that seems to work, were Black to move first) 1., BxP, 2. Q-KB2; 1., Pxp, 2. QxP; 1., KxP, 2. Q-B5. Close try (a move which seems to solve but fails by just 1 move) 1. Q-R4, threat 2. QxP is defeated by 1., KxP only! Keymove 1. Q-N6, threat 2. QxP. Now after 1., BxP 2. Q-KN and 1., Pxp, 2. Q-QN6. No. 960 Davey: keymove 1. Q-R8. 1., K-B4, 2. Q-B6 short mate. But after 1., K-B6, 2. Q-QRsq, still waiting. If 2., K-K7, 3. Q-Q and after 2., K-N7, 3. Q-KR. The point is that if White starts 1. Q-QR, he runs into "Zugszwang." (No waiting move for his second maneuver.)

Hackensack	Independent	7. KN-K2	P-Q3	22. NXP	NxN
1. W. Dill0	W. Adams1	8. O-O	B-Q2	23. RxR	QxR
2. F. Condon0	E. McCormick1	9. P-N3	R-N	24. QxN	NxBP
3. J. Humphreys.0	H. Jones1	10. B-N2	P-Q3	25. QxQ	RxQ
4. E. Lurvisch½	C. Parmalee½	11. PxP	PxP	26. R-QB	N-N7
5. C. Carlson0	R. Durkin1	12. N-QR4	P-N3	27. P-R5	P-B5
6. T. Sager0	C. Pennington.....1	13. N-B4	N-QR4	28. R-B2	R-N
7. Sulzer½	R. Bass½	14. B-K5	R-QB	29. B-B	R-N4
8. Forfeit10	15. Q-B2	BxN		Draw

The Hackensack Club is reported to be active and anxious for matches. Interested parties write Captain Walter A. Dill, 27 Kaufman Ave., Little Ferry, N.J. or c/o YMCA, Hackensack, N.J., the club's home base.

U. S. Championship and Rosenwald Tournament, 1958

BENKO	FISCHER	MEDNIS	EVANS
White	Black	White	Black
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	16. P-B4	NxQB
2. P-QB4	P-KN3	17. QxN	NxB
3. P-KN3	B-N2	18. RxN	P-N5
4. B-N2	O-O	19. N/3-K2	P-K4
5. N-QB3	P-B4	20. N-B5	BxN
6. P-K3	N-B3	21. PxP	QR-B
		22. P-B3	P-QR4
		23. P-N4	KR-K
		24. Q-Q2	KPxP
		25. PxP	B-N4
		26. N-Q4	P-B6
		27. Q-B3	P-B7
		28. KR-Q	R-K8
		29. QxQ	RxQ
		30. Resigns	

Connecticut Championship

The first two rounds to be played at the YMCA, 52 Howe Street, New Haven, Conn. The last four rounds will be played in other Connecticut cities. 6 round Swiss, open to residents of Conn. and non-residents who are members of Conn. Chess Clubs, with a time limit of 40 moves in 1st two hours. Entry fee is \$4 for USCF members. Trophy and cash prizes. Address entries and inquiries to William Mills, 288 McKinley Avenue, New Haven 15, Connecticut.

MORE ROSENWALD GAMES

EVANS White		R. BYRNE Black	
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	19. QR-Q	N-Q6
2. P-QB4	P-KN3	20. BxP	N-B5
3. N-QB3	P-Q4	21. B-K3	N/3-R4
4. N-B3	B-N2	22. BxN/5	NxB
5. Q-N3	PxP	23. N-B3	B-B5
6. QxBP	O-O	24. RxR	QxR
7. P-K4	P-B3	25. R-Q	Q-K3
8. Q-N3	P-K4	26. N-Q2	BxN
9. PxP	N-N5	27. QxB	B-N4
10. B-KB4	QN-Q2	28. Q-Q4	Q-K2
11. P-K6	N-B4	29. N-B4	P-QB4
12. Q-B2	BxP	30. Q-B3	R-Q
13. P-KR3	N-B3	31. RxRch	QxR
14. B-K2	R-K	32. K-R2	P-N3
15. B-K3	Q-R4	33. P-N3	B-B3
16. O-O	QR-Q	34. Q-K5	Q-Q6
17. N-Q2	R-Q2	35. N-Q6	N-N2
18. P-R3	Q-Q	36. Q-K7	Resigns

BISQUIER White		BENKO Black	
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	11. P-KR3	B-Q2
2. N-KB3	P-KN3	12. P-R3	QR-B
3. N-B3	P-B4	13. QR-Q	KR-Q
4. PxP	B-N2	14. BxB	KxB
5. P-K4	Q-R4	15. KR-K	P-KR3
6. B-Q3	QxBP	16. B-B4	N-K4
7. O-O	O-O	17. NxN	PxN
8. B-K3	Q-QR4	18. Q-K2	P-K3
9. Q-Q2	N-B3	19. B-N3	Draw
10. B-KR6	P-Q3		

SHERWIN White		BENKO Black	
1. P-K4	P-QB4	18. N-Q6	RxP
2. N-KB3	N-QB3	19. KR-Q	N-B4
3. P-Q4	PxP	20. P-K5	R-QR6
4. NxP	N-B3	21. R-KB4	P-B3
5. N-QB3	P-Q3	22. PxPch	PxP
6. B-KN5	P-K3	23. R-KR4	P-B4
7. B-N5	B-Q2	24. RxPch	K-B3
8. B-QR4	B-K2	25. R-QB7	N-R5
9. N/4-N5	Q-N	26. R-Q3	RxRP
10. BxN	BxB	27. R-B7ch	K-K4
11. QxQP	QxQ	28. P-N3	RxPch
12. NxQch	K-K2	29. KxR	R-N7ch
13. NxNP	BxNch	30. K-B	RxP
14. PxP	N-K4	31. RxRP	N-B6
15. BxB	NxB	32. N-B4ch	K-K5
16. O-O-O	KR-QB	33. RxN	Resigns
17. R-Q4	QR-N		

BENKO White		EVANS Black	
1. P-QB4	P-QB4	20. P-R3	N-B3
2. N-QB3	N-QB3	21. Q-K3	Q-Q
3. P-KN3	P-KN3	22. QR-B	P-K4
4. B-N2	B-N2	23. N-B3	P-N3
5. P-QR3	P-Q3	24. KR-Q	RxR
6. P-Q3	N-B3	25. QxR	R-B
7. QR-N	P-QR4	26. Q-R3	P-K5
8. N-B3	O-O	27. N-Q4	Q-B2
9. O-O	B-Q2	28. P-QN4	PxP
10. B-Q2	R-N	29. QxP	Q-B4
11. N-QN5	N-K	30. QxQ	QPxQ
12. B-B3	N-B2	31. N-N3	B-K3
13. BxB	KxB	32. N-Q2	R-Q
14. P-Q4	PxP	33. K-B	B-N6
15. N/3xP	N-K4	34. R-N	RxN
16. Q-Q2	NxN	35. K-K	R-R7
17. PxN	Q-N3	36. RxB	RxP
18. P-QR4	KR-B	37. P-B3	R-R8ch
19. P-N3	N-N5	38. K-Q2	R-KN8

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The five-round Oklahoma Open, played at Tulsa, early in December, brought ten of its twenty-four participants into the USCF-membership fold, produced a new state champion in the person of John I. Blair, who won four and drew one for a fine 4½-½ score. Second place honors went to Jack L. Gibson, after SB points had given him the nod over the veteran Dr. Bela Rozsa, who placed third. Each of them won four, and each lost one game to winner Blair, for 4-1 scores. Sander Davidson, who took fourth place, topped a trio who tied at 3½-1½, Dale Ruth and William Bragg finishing fifth and sixth, respectively. The only other plus scores came from another three-way tie, with Arthur C. Anderson, Truman P. Moote, and Dick Olin finishing in that order, after their 3-2 tie for 7th-9th places had been broken. The event was hosted by the Tulsa Chess Club, with President F. B. Andrews and Vice-president Bob Virgin responsible for administration, and with George Koltanowski as tournament director. A Junior State Championship tournament, with 26 entrants was run off concurrently, but since this was not a USCF-rated event, CHESS LIFE has no information as to winner or final standings.

WOODPUSHER'S SCOREBOOK

Maybe someday we'll realize when we are well off, and keep our big mouth shut. In the November 20 issue of CHESS LIFE we published a short game with the somewhat snide remark that Jerry Spann's official position had something to do with the game's appearance in print. We hasten to assure our readers that we published the game without Jerry's knowledge or consent, thinking it a natural for this column. As to our inference of larcenous intent on his part, we soon received our come-uppance. A reader in Milwaukee mentioned something about guys who live in glass houses, and suggested that as an example of highway robbery, with malice aforethought, we print our own game against Mayfield, which he had just spotted in Chernev's "1000 Best Short Games." All right, already. Although we blush with shame, here it is.

HALIFAX, N.S. CITY CHAMPIONSHIP, 1941

WREN White		MAYFIELD Black	
1. P-K4	N-KB3		
2. P-K5	N-Q4		
3. P-QB4	N-N3		
4. P-Q4	P-Q3		
5. B-Q3	PxP		
6. PxP	QN-Q2		
7. P-K6	N-B3		
8. PxPch	KxB		
9. B-N6ch	Resigns		

If 7., PxP; 8. Q-R5ch, P-N3; 9. QxPch, PxQ; 10. BxP mate.
If 8., K-Q2; 9. B-B5 dbl. ch. and wins.

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Solution To
What's The Best Move?

Position No. 244

Sherwin-Larsen, Potoroz 1958

Larsen played 1., P-B4!, and there is no satisfactory defense to the threats of Q-K2ch and Q-Qsq ch. Sherwin tried 2. Q-K3, but after 2., Q-Qsq ch; 3. R-N5, K-R2; he resigned since if 4. K-R5 (to prevent K-R3 winning the pinned Rook), R-R3 mates.

In this line, 2., P-B5 loses for Black on account of 3. Q-K8ch, K-N2; 4. Q-KR8ch, K-B2; 5. R-R7ch, etc.

Inferior for Black are 1., Q-K2 and 1., Q-QB5ch. In the first case, White consolidates his position by 2. R-KB5, and in the second, 2. Q-Q4 holds everything.

Correct solutions are acknowledged from: Harold Arneson, Harry Bakwin, M. D. Blumenthal, Abel Bomberault, Bill Bundick, Alfred Carter, Armstrong Chinn Jr., Jack Comstock, Thomas W. Cusick, K. A. Czerniecki, Henry Davis, Jesse Davis, Carl Dover, Alex Dunne, S. J. Einhorn, E. Gault, Richard Gibian, Edmund Godbold, O. E. Goddard, Clark R. Harmon, Earl R. Hawkins Jr., George Heimburg, R. L. Hewes, Herbert W. Hickman, Donald C. Hills, Viktors Ikauniks, John E. Ishkan, D. W. Josnson, Andy Kafko, C. C. Keffer, E. J. Korpany, R. Leonard, F. D. Lunch, M. Milstein, Ed Nash, George W. Payne, Oran Perry, Edmund Roman, Frank Rose, George Ross, Frank C. Ruys, R. M. S., I. Schwartz, J. G. Scripps, Bob Steinmeyer, James R. Stowe*, Richard Strasburger, Hunter Thompson, F. W. Trask, Hugh C. Underwood, F. J. Valvo, M. F. Walters, Joe Weininger, William B. Wilson, Neil P. Witting, Robert G. Wright, and Woody Young. The following solvers who found the correct winning move receive only half credit because of serious flaws in their supporting analyses: J. B. Germain, Harry Kaye, Vincent D. Noga, and Max Schlosser. The solvers are victorious by 59-11.

*Welcome to new solvers.

Solutions To
Finish it the Clever Way!

Position No. 217: 1. R(B)-K1! K-Q1 (if PxN; 2. QxKPch, Q-K2; 3. Q-KN4 and White's Bishop uncovers the K-file. If 2., B-K2; 3. B-B5 decides.) 2. Q-N3 (with the threat of B-N6), P-QB4; 3. NxBP, and Black resigned. If 3., BxN; 4. BxB, QxB; 5. QxB wins.

Position No. 218: 1. K-N6! R-R3ch; 2. K-B5, R-R2; 3. K-K5, K-R6; 4. K-Q5, K-R5; 5. K-B5, K1R4; 6. R-QB8, RxP; 7. R-QR8ch, R-R2; 8. RxR mate.

Tournament Life

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February 21 & 22

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