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## ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

## Mastering the End Came

By W ALTER KORN, Editor of MCO

## AMERICANA (II)—Marvin Palmer

Marvin lives in Detroit, and although his talents have been dormant lately, he has composed quite a lot of end-game studies. Quite a tale hangs around this miniature. (Diagram 76)

See solution on page 8.
Looking at this gem recently, I realized that I had seen the idea elsewhere. True, it was one of Reti's studies, published in 1928, the only difference being that Reti has the Black rook on Black's Q-3, and an additional White pawn on White's Q3. His solution ran: 1. P-Q4, RxQP; 2. P-K7, R-Q3ch; i-N7, R-Q1; 4. K-B7, winning as cbove, but adding the minor variation 1. ......... K-B2; 2. P-Q5, RxQP; 3. P-K7 ete.
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White to play and win

# Operation <br> M5000 MEMBERS By July 1960 

## Colorado Story-The Perfected Plan

From: Fred Cramer, General Membership Chairman
To: Juan J. Reid, Colorado Membership Chairman
Colorado shows a sensational gain, from 15 members a year ago to 53! Drop me a line, telling me how it was done
From: Juan J. Reid, Colorado Membership Chairman
To: Fred Cramer, General Membership Chairman
The increase in USCF membership in Colorado is due mainly to a few ideas and the concentrated effort of a few key people. Organization of the Colorado State Chess Association last year united our chess leaders in a common effort to promote the game. The CSCA directors, Ben Kriegh of Boulder, Al Hulmes of Denver, and Warren Barter of Pueblo, were in agreement that the USCF was the best instrument to promote chess for the typical club in the outlying provinces as wel as at the national level, and they became the Membership Committee for OPERATION M. As a result the USCF program was publicized at the club level, at CSCA meetings, and through the CSCA Newsletter.

The CSCA adopted the requirement of USCF membership for par ticipation in the state tournament. The Denver YMCA CC inaugurated rating tournaments for USCF members. The promise of national ratings brought out the best players in the state for the 1959 tournament, and the number of entries was $43 \%$ greater than the previous year.

Special recognition must be given two men. Dr. George Pipiringos of the Denver YMCA CC and the 1958 state champion, was an indefatigable worker for OPERATION M. Hans Berliner, member of the Martin Co. CC of Littleton, USCF Master and 1959 Colorado champion, offered simultaneous exhibitions at $\$ 2.00$ per board, or free to anyone joining
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Here are two more photographs taken by Ken Harkness at Belgrade, Yugoslavia, the day the last round of the 1959 World Candidates Tournament was played.


OLAFSSON MAKING A FINAL ROUND MOVE. (HE WON FROM KERES)

## RATINGS SUPPLEMENT

USCF Ratings, reflecting performances up to and including some of the 1959 Labor Day events, are included in this issue, beginning on Page 3. Inquiries or complaints about your ratings should be addressed to Frank Brady, U.S.C.F. Rating Statistician, 80 East 11th St., New York 3, N.Y.

## OPERATION M-

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USCF. Several clubs have sponsored Hans' exhibitions, and others are due to follow.

Don't count Colorado's OPERATION M as concluded. We have just started!
From: Fred Cramer, General Membership Chairman

## To: All State and Local Membership Chairmen

Formula for membership success-that's the Colorado story. It has everything! Notice the leadership, the working together of the leaders, the concentrated efforts of those named, the all-out propaganda campaign, followed by the action-producing activities (rated tournaments, Beriner simuls). And what a fine thing it has been for chess in Colorado, and for the Chess organization in Colorado. A sweet smooth operation, a model for any state! All hats off to Juan Reid and crew!

## THE USCF RATING SYSTEM <br> A progress report by: <br> Arpad E. Elo

(1his partial progress report by the chairman of the committee appointed to stuay the raakness Rating System, and, if constdered desirable und feasible, to recummend the adoption of improvements, represents the contents of less than two of seven iosely-typed pages of the entire report. The remainder of the report will be printed in subsequent issues of CHESS LIFE.

## Introduction:

The USCF ratings and the rating system itself as devised by Mr. Kennech Harkness have become the object of a great deal of controversy within the American chess fraternity. To resolve this controversy President Jerry Spann early this year appointed a committee consisting of Dr. Erich Marchand, Mr. Guthrie McClain and the writer to study the matter and to make such recommendations as would effect an improvement in the rating system. This report summarzes the findings and some of the recommendations that have developed out of the study thus far.

At the outset the committee accepted a definition of the objective of a raing system as stated by Mr. C. H. Bone of the Texas Chess Assovation, namely;
"THE RATING SYSTEM SHALL PROVIDE AS CLOSE AN ESTI-
WATE AS POSSIBLE OF THE CURRENT PLAYING STRENGTH
OF THE INDIVIDUAL AS COMPUTED FROM HIS PERFORM-
ANCE IN COMPETITION WITH OTHER PLAYERS AND MEAS-
ured along an arbitrary arithmetic scale."
Some of the controversy in the past has resuited from an improper understanding of the objectives of a rating system; some has resulted from a lack of appreciation of the limitations of any rating systems. The Harkness system has been criticized for not showing past achievements (if these were good); for not agreeing with the subjective evaluation of playing strength and for not being accurate. Those individuals who in particular criticised the accuracy of the system claimed that other systems in use would provide more accurate or better results.

In addition to the Harkness System several other rating systems are currently in use in the United States, nameiy, the CCLA, the Chess Review, the West Coast System and numerous others of local importance. The principal systems listed here have different numerical scales bui the ranges do not differ significantly so that, if desired, ratings could readily be translated from one system to another. A comparative study of these systems has been made by supplying them to the same tournament events. The mathematical and the logical bases of the systems were aiso examined critically. Out of these investigations the following basic facis of rating systems have emerged:
I. All the different rating systems if applied over a long enough period; if based upon a sufficient number of events and if adjusted for the numerical scales used will approach the same value for the rating of a player. The approach to this ideal value is, however, an oscillatory one. This is so not only because the performance of a player may vary from one event to the next but rather because of an inherent feature of the rating systems. Ail the systems considered are essentially self contained systems so that if one player gains rating points another player or players must lose the same number of points. Thus if a player gains and achieves a certain rating in a tournament, say a club tournament, he will depress the ratings of his competitors. Then in the next event even if the player concerned makes the same score as in the first event he is likely to lose rating points since in the second event his competition appears "weaker." A self contained system is thus going to be a "hunting" system in the sense that it tends to seek out the rating but seldom if ever indicates what would be the "true" rating of the individual player.
II. The concept of a TRUE rating is in itself an illusion. There exists an inherent uncertainty in the value of the rating of an individual as determined by any system. This fact is closely associated with the feature discussed in (I), however, it is even more basic. The uncertainty which exists in chess ratings is quite analogous to the uncertainty that exists in physical measurements on the atomic scale and much the same factors bring about this condition both in chess and in physies In chess when the status-quo of the ratings is to be determined it is done through such measuring devices as match or tournament events. Any event, however, is bound to disturb the status-quo so that it can never be determined within an uncertainty the order of magnitude of which is the value of a chess game expressed in the rating points of the particular system.
III. All the principal rating systems are basically identical even though the formulae used for the computation of the ratings may superficially look different. The fact is that when the formulae are generalized they are either of identical algebraic form or if of seemingly different form derivable from one another. This fact was quite unsuspected at the beginning of this study.

The oscillatory character and the uncertainty in the ratings may be demonstrated by the following oversimplified example. Suppose that two evenly rated players A \& B play a match by correspondence one game at a time and that they are rerated after each game. Let it be further assumed that the players alternate winning games. (Each could, say, exploit the advantage of the first move and win with the white pieces.) This order is not important but simplifies the computations. For the computations the Chess Review system will be used as the 50 rating point value of a game and the $10 \%$ handicap term gives nice round figures to work with. This system will be described later. Lastiy assume that the rating of each player is 1000 at the beginning of the match and let the ratings be computed after each game and tabulated thus:

|  | A's rating | B's rating | Difference (A-B) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| At beginning | ..... 1000 | 1000 | 0 |
| After A wins | . 1050 | 950 | 100 |
| After B wins | .. 990 | 1010 | -20 |
| After A wins | . 1042 | 959 | 84 |
| After B wins | .. 984 | 1016 | -32 |
| After A wins | .. 1037 | 963 | 74 |

Etc.
Now if the calculations are continued with the same pattern of wins it will be evident that the differences in the two ratings, both the plus and minus, approach a value of 55 and the ratings approach the figures 972.5 and 1027.5 respectively. After these figures are reached the ratings of the two players will merely oscillate between the two extremes but will never again be equal to 1000 or to ons another. Manifestly the example chosen is far fetched but it does illustrate the uncertainty principle. A similar situation would result in a match between two unusual players provided that the win-loss pattern bears some relation to the probability of either player winning. It should be apparent then that all that can be said of any rating is that it is somewhere within a range of values and not something which is absolutely definite. (To be continued)

## BRASKET WINS NORTH CENTRAL OPEN

Milwaukee, Wis.-Curt Brasket, Minneapolis, triumphed over a field of 90 players to win the 6 th Annual North Central Open here. A half point in arrears, splitting 2nd and 3rd prize and a share of the Merit fund were Hans Berliner, Littleton, Colorado, Charles Henin, Chicago, and Martin Harrow, Indianapolis. Each received neariy $\$ 100$. Brasket, who also won the title in 1954, thus becoming the first player to win the tournament for the second time, received $\$ 250$. Milwaukee's veteran and popular competitor, Nicolajs Kampars was sole possessor of 5th place with $51 / 2$ points.

Sharing in the balance of the merit prize fund at five points each were Robion Kirby, Chicago, Vasa Kostic, Gary, Indiana, Milton Otteson, Minneapolis, Arpad Elo, Milwaukee, Jack O'Keefe, Ann Arbor, Michigan, Charles Weldon, Milwaukee, Sam Cohen, Chicago, Dr. I. Schwartz, Rockford, Ill., and Kenneth Grant, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

A five minute "Blitz" tournament, in which 32 players competed was won by Angelo Sandrin, Chicago. Milton Otteson and Miro Radojcic tied for 2 nd and 3rd place.

Final Standings of Leaders
Brasket 6.5280; Berliner 6.0272; Henin 6.0250; Harrow 6.0240; Kampars 5.5210; Kirby 5.0235; Kostic 5.0212; Otteson 5.0196; Elo 5.0195; O'Keefe 5.0190; Weldon 5.0180; Cohen 5.0176; Dr. Schwartz 5.0175; finnt 5.0167 .

Hillinger 4.5180; Radojcic 4.5170; Kraszewski 4.5167; Gutmanis 4.5162; Oliver Hutoff, Wilmington, N.C., 4.5135; Donald Hallman, Chicago, 4.5130 .

Marvin Rogan, Chicago, 4.0165; Kalnins 4.0158; Angelo Sandrin, Chicago 4.0157; Kaegi 4.0147; Liepnicks 4.0137; Kasenga 4.0136; Grombacher 4.0135; Ainis Mengelis, Chicago, 4.0132: Donnelly 4. 0131; Fred Cramer, Milwaukee, 4.0130; Edward Formanek, Cicero, IIl., 4.0127; Kaiser 4.0126: Sherman 4.0125; Peter Webster, Oshkosh, Wis., 4.0115; Fred Pfister, Milwavkee, 4.0112; Dane Smith, Milwaukee 4.0110; Eugene Hoeflin, St. Paul, 4.0107; Hugh Wheeler, Chicago, 4.0103; Harry Mayer, Chicaso, 4.0102; John Oberg, Racine, 4.0100; Alan Miskin, Milwaukee, 4.0091; John Kelly, Lansing, Mich., 4.0090.

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# USCF NATIONAL RATING LIST 

Supplement No. 2
by

FRANK R. BRADY<br>USCF Rating Statistician

This second supplement, which is still another attempt at reaching the "monthly" stage of publishing up-to-date ratings, is about three months late. Every attempt has been made to speed up the frequent publishing of ratings, and competent clerical assistance has been secured so that lists will be guaranteed to be published more frequently than in the past. The "monthly" rating supplement idea, which I am still convinced is a good one, may be too impractical to maintain consistently The duration between lists, however, will never be longer than three months, and in fact, the lists will probably be appearing every two. At the end of the year, there will be one complete national list, containing the names of every player who took part in a USCF-rated tournament during that year.

The current supplement marks the end of the rating system as it was devised by Kenneth Harkness and maintained for over seven years. The USCF Rating Committee, headed by Prof. Arpad Elo, with Dr. Erich Marchand and Guthrie McClain as members, has, after laborious and painsiaking research and discussion, originated an entirely new system of calculation which tends to great accuracy and less over-all fluctuation with more emphasis on credit for past performance. As of this date, all tournaments submitted to the USCF Business Office will be calculated by the new system. (further explanation of this system will be found elsewhere in this issue).

In order to make a March deadline it was necessary to break off sooner than we had expected. Thus, some of the Labor Day Week-end Tournaments will be tound in this list, while others have not yet been calculated. These tournaments were done chronologically, in the order in which the reports were received, and any Labor Day tournaments not on this list will be included in the next.

## FACTS AND FIGURES

This list contains the names of 8 Senior Masters, 47 Masters, 166 Experts, and 776 Class A, B, and C Players. Quite a few new names appear for the first time among the Masters; special note should be made of Walter Harris of New York City who is a member of the ma.suail Chess Club. By his outstanding performance in the U. S. Open, hants achieved his Master rating, making him the first Negro to be so recognized in American chess.

## A NEW NAME

Joseph F. Reinhardt of Staten Island is now an employee of the USCF, working exclusively on ratings. Joe is a former student of Wagner College, and has long been an organizer of Island chess ac uvities. The USCF is very fortunate, indeed, in being able to secure ms seivices, and i hope that all USCF mmbers will join me in welcoming him into the "fold."


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## Slashing Play! SICILIAN DEFENSE

MCO 9: p. 150 c. 142 (b)
U.S. Junior Championship Omaha, 1959
Notis by U.S. Expert Don Define G. Ramirez White
D. Krause


| 1. | P-K4 | Black |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 2. | N-KB3 | P.QB4 |
| 3. | P-Q4 | P-Q3 |
| 4. | N×P | P×P |
| 5. | N-QB3 | N-KB3 |
| 6. | B-QB4 | N-B3 |

Known thus far as Leonhardt's Varia-
tion.
$\begin{array}{llr}\text { 6. } & & \\ \text { 7. } & \text { O.O. } & \text { P-K3 } \\ \text { 8. } & \text { B-N3 } & \text { B-K2 } \\ \text { ame } & \text { Keres-M1kenas } & \text { QR3 }\end{array}$
The game Keres-Mikenas, (22nd U.S. S.R. Champ.) continued 8. ......., O.O; 9. B-K3, B-Q2; 10. P-B4, NxN: 11. BxN, B-B3; 12. Q-Q3, P-QN4. Mikenas eventually won. An alternative is 8 . ......, N -
QR4 followed by 9 . QR4 followed by 9. supposedly best.

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\begin{array}{lr}
\text { edly best. } & \\
\text { 9. B-K3 } & \text { B-Q2 } \\
\text { 10. P-B4 } & \text { R-QR1 } \\
\text { 11. P-B5! } & -
\end{array}
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ormerly the Idea was that the bishop was wasted on the QR2-KN8 diagonal since Black invariably would play P-K3 and the bishop would bite on granite. Now the idea is to utilize the bishop anyway and to eliminate the granite.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { 11. } \\
& \text { 12. } \mathrm{BXN} \\
& \text { 13. } \mathrm{B}-\mathrm{K} 3
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$\mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{N}$
$\mathrm{P} \cdot \mathrm{K} 4$
13. B-K3
his bishop now purpose is achieved as piece... a backward KP . . . a liability for the endgame. But an attacking player gambles that there will be no endgame.
14. Q-83

Some players prefer leaving the king in the center in obvious attacking situations. 14. ........, P-KR4 seems an alternative.

| 15. P-N4 | Q.R4 |
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| 16. P-N5 | N-Q2 |
| 17. Q-R5 | B.Q1 |
| 18. $P \cdot B 61$ | $B \times B P$ |



On 18. ........ PxP; 18. PxP, BxP; 20. RxB, NxR; 21. Q-N5ch, K-R1; 22. QxNch, K. N1; 23. B-R6 is the end or 18 . P-N3; 19. Q-R6, NxP (or BxP 20, $3 \times B$ ) 20. RxN puts black in a quandry as he can't take the rook (mate in two) and he can't move his king, and coming is 21. RxPeh, RP×R; 22. QxPch, K.R1; 23 . Q.R6ch, K-N1; 24, P-N6 and 25 . Q-R7 mate (unless 24. ........, R-K1; 25. BxP mate).


The alternative 21. B-R6 leads to a quick mate if Black is foolish enough to move his attacked Rook, e.g. 21, o .... KR-Q1?? 22. Q-N4ch on 21. ......... $\mathrm{B} \cdot \mathrm{Q} 2 ; 22$. Q-B3! is strong. But 21 . K-R1; 22. Q-B5, R-N1ch; 23. K-R1, R-N3 holds of course 22 . BxR would win too, but not fast enough for white.

> 25. QxRch
> Resigns

Black has nothing with which to right. Very fine aggressive play by White.

Another Crucial U. S. Junior Championship Game
Tension was high as the winner of this game would be crowned U.S. Junior Champion. Both players are among the newest Masters fo the USCF. A sideline of the Kings Indian is played with ensuing complexities that are not always correctly solved. But the very, flaws make this struggle interesting. Incidentally, if this game had resulted in a draw, a third player, Ramirez, would have won the title.

## KING'S INDIAN DEFENCE

MCO: page 311, column 23
U. S. Junior Championship Omaha, 1959
Notes by Norman M. Hornstein, M.D.

## L. Gilden

R. Ault

White

## Black

$\begin{array}{llr}\text { 1. } & \text { P-Q4 } & \text { N-KB3 } \\ \text { 2. } & \text { N-KB3 } & \text { P-KN3 } \\ \text { 3. } & \text { P-84 } & \text { B-N2 }\end{array}$
By delaying the advance of his center pawns, Ault reserves the option of his defence. The method is not without danger.
5. B-B4 seems to have more possibilities for white. Other sound variants are P-KN3 and B-N5.

## 6. B-N5

P-Q3
Now this move has weaknesses. The classical B-K2 or P-KR3 are better.

$$
\text { 7. } \quad \text { B-R4 }
$$

P-KR3
With this move, Black could have landed in lasting difficulties. Best is 7 . acco..... P-KN4;
a. B-N3, N-R4 at least
bo to according to the books. P
like P-B4 as an alternative. like P-B4
8. as
B-K2
White misses a good chance. 8. P-K5, PxP; 9. PxP and after any Kt move, P-K6 creates a fertile field for White The same is true if Black does not exchange the pawns.
Perhaps Ault is convinced P-B3 that he has Larry hypnotized. Maybe he has. In any event 8. ........, P-K4 is necessary and good. And 8. ........, P-KN4 as above is also excellent.
I can well remember the young Washington, D. C. Master at a recent Carolina tournament. During his games, his time was equally divided between thought and munching shrimpburgers. Is this the secret of this lapse? Was he lulled by a shrimpburger? And Omaha shrimpburgers at that-not the fresh, wholesome variety served at Carolina events. 9. P-K5 is even stronger now. events. 9. P-K5 is even stronger now.
Q.B2 P.KN4 was still fairly good to prevent the $Q B$ from escaping.

Excellent. He preserves the QB. More over, as will be seen, this Knight plays several important roles. Another plan several important roles. Another plan
was the Queenside push, P.QR3, R-N1, and P-QN4.

With this delayed push, the game begins to took prosaic even for teenagers The text also prevents white from playing the devastating P-B4.

## 11. P.Q5

11. PxP would lead to a rather drawish position.
12. B.N....

P-KN4
This move creates a fundomental weakness in Black's pawn structure leaving the P at Q3 backward. However, the text gives Ault a powerful attack.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { 13. } \mathrm{BP} P \mathrm{P} & \mathrm{~N} \cdot \mathrm{B4} \\
\text { 14. } \mathrm{Q} \cdot \mathrm{~B} 2 & \mathrm{Q} \cdot \mathrm{~N} 3!
\end{array}
$$

He must prevent P-N4. If 15. ........, PQR4; 16. P-QR4 and Black has permanent queenside weaknesses.
15. K-R1 B-Q2

The combination 15. ......., QNxP; 16. N×N, NxN; 17. QxN, P-B4; 18. Q-B2, P-B5 leaves Black too exposed to attack.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { 16. } \mathrm{P} \cdot \mathrm{~B} 3 \\
& \text { 17. } \mathrm{B} \cdot \mathrm{B2}
\end{aligned}
$$

KR-S1
White is faced with a powerful but not irresistible attack. As the bishop drives the queen to a better square (attacking the pinned) 17. N-Q3 should have been played. Then 17. B-K1 and Gllden can consolidate his position.

$$
\text { 17. }{ }_{\text {18. } \mathrm{Q} \cdot \mathrm{~N} 1}
$$

Q-R4
Fatal. N.Q3 would still hold.

| 18. .... | N-R5! |
| :---: | :---: |
| 19. $\mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{N}$ | QxN |
| 20. P-QN3 | Q-R4 |
| 21. B-K3 | N -R4 |
| 22. P-N3 |  |

Ault's threat to the second rank is only one key to the situation. If 22. $\mathrm{N} \cdot \mathrm{Q} 3$, N-B5; 24. NxN, KPxN! Hence the text is forced.

$$
\begin{array}{lr}
\text { 22. } & \text { P-B4 } \\
23 . \mathrm{Q} 2 & \mathrm{~N} 2 \mathrm{~N} 4! \\
24 . \mathrm{B} \times \mathrm{B} & \mathrm{Q} \times \mathrm{B} \\
\text { 25. Q-N } & \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{B} 3
\end{array}
$$

He now proceeds to demolish the white center.

| 26. R-B2 | P | 27. | PxP. | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 28. R-K2 | QXKP |  | Q $\times$ Q | NxQ |
| 30. R-B1 | $\mathbf{R} \times \mathrm{R}$ | 31. | BxR | N-86 |
| The remainder of the game is interesting but requires no comment. |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 32. R-QB2 | P-K5! | 33. | B-N2 | NXQP |
| 34. BxB | K×B | 35. | R-Q2 | R-KB1! |
| 36. $\mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{N}$ | R-B8ch | 37. | K-N2 | $\mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{N}$ |
| 38. $\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$ | R-K7ch | 39. | K-NT | RXQRP |
| 40. R-Q7ch | K.B3 | 41. | $\mathbf{R \times P}$ | K-K4 |
| 42. R-R7 | P-K6 | 43. | K-B1 | $\mathbf{R \times P}$ |
| 44. RXQRP | R-QN7 | 45. | R-R6 | R×? |
| 46. $\mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{P}$ | K-K5 | 47. | K-K2 | R-N7ch |
| 48. Resigns |  |  |  |  |

## PERSONAL SERVICE

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## DUTCH DEFENSE

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Omaha, 1959
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## Collage Cheses dife <br> by <br> GEORGE BAYLOR

Forty-four collegians participated in a nine round Swiss tournament for the championship of The City College of New York this fall. Triumphant in this tournament with a $71 / 2$ I! 2 score was Sanford Greene, new vice-president of the ICLA, who lost only to Lanton and drew with Levine. With $7-2$ scores were Levine and Cohen, followed in fourth place by Berkowitz with a 61621 score Fifth Ber kowhz with a $61-2-21 / 2$ score. Fifth and Schachter and with berspere the tow was suppisingly or this tournament was surprisingly large (even for New York!) and serves to illustrate the huge amount of chess interest prevalent in our colleges and universities-it only has to be cultivated:
At Columbia University also an interclub tournament was held from October to December, 1959. In this twenty piayer Swiss, Leslie Ault, now intercollegiate champion, with a loss to Alan Abramson and a draw with Mark Chodrow, tied for first and sec mard with sowe to to Lesie Auft and also drew with Chodrow. Third and fourth places were annexed by Robin Ault, U. S. Junior champ, and Alan Abramson both with 5-2 scores. Pete Sager took fifth with $41 / 2-21 / 2$ and Jerry Finkelstein rounded out the plus scorers with a sixth place $4-3$ score.
The teams of the Western Division of the 1959-60 Ivy League Team Cham pionship met at Princeton on Decem ber 12-13, 1959, for a triangular match Columbia won all three of its matches the University of Pennsylvania scored one and a half; Cornell one; and Princeton one-half. The results or the individual matches were as follows:

## Round I

| Columbia 6 | Princeton 0 |
| :---: | :---: |
| L. H. Ault ......... 1 | Berlow .............. 0 |
| R. Ault ............... 1 | Beckedorff ........ 0 |
| J. Rosenstein .... 1 | Randolph ........... 0 |
| Chodrow ............. 1 | Kenez ................ 0 |
| Abramson .......... 1 | Kennedy ............. 0 |
| Robison ............... 1 | Powell ................ 0 |
| Penn 31/2 | Cornell $21 / 2$ |
| Friedman .........1/2 | Severance .......1/2 |
| Kelly .................. 1 | Eisman ............... 0 |
| Welsh ................ 1 | Young ................ 0 |
| J. Arnold ........... 0 | Wagner ............... 1 |
| D. Arnold ......... 0 | Siegel |
| Ichiro ................ 1 | Forfeit ............. 0 |
| Rou | d 11 |
| Columbia 6 | Cornell 0 |
| L. H. Ault ......... 1 | Severance ......... 0 |
| Rosenstein ......... 1 | Eisman .............. 0 |
| Chodrow ............. 1 | Young ................. 0 |
| Abramson .......... 1 | Wagner ............... 0 |
| Putterman ......... 1 | Siegel ................ 0 |
| Robison ............... 1 | Forfeit ............... 0 |
| Princeton 3 | Penn 3 |
| Beckedorff ........ 1 | Friedman ........... 0 |
| Berlow .............. 1 | Kelly .................. 0 |
| Randolph ........... 1 | Welsh ................ 0 |
| Kenez ................ 0 | J. Arnold ........... 1 |
| Missel ................ 0 | D. Arnold ......... 1 |
| Goldberg ........... 0 | Ichiro |



## TOURNAMENT RESULTS

USCF RATING IMPROVEMENT TOURNAMENTS, New York.
DECEMBER: 1st, G. Schnitzler; 2nd, A. Spiller; 3rd, R. Rurkin. (No point scores available.)
JANUARY: 1st (after tie-breaking) R. Durkin, 5-1; 2nd, Dr. A. Mengarini, 5-1; 3rd, L. Klugman, $41 / 2-11 / 2$; 4th, W. Fredericks, 42; 5th, H. Herbst, 4-2. Highest in classes: A, R. Egan, 4-2; B. H. Jancis, 3-3; C. W. Katz, 4-2; Unrated, C. Daniels, 3-3.

## ARION CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, Baltimore, Md

Dr. George Hardman 1st with 6-0, over Surgies, Lasarko, Raven, Murphy, Priscilla, and Jones, in round robin.
SAN GABRIEL-AONTEREY PARK INVITATIONAL, Monterey Park, Cal. 1st, Walter Cunningham, $7-0$; 2nd, Leo Thompson, $5^{1 / 2}-1 \frac{1}{2}$; 3rd, Alex Carpenter, 5-2; 4th, Martin Sarley, $41 / 2-21 / 2$; 5th, Neil Hultgren, $41 / 2-21 / 2 ; 6$ th, Gordon Barrett, $41 / 2-21 / 2$. (Winner Cunningham is 16 year old high school football star)

## 2.d ESSEX OPEN, E. Orange, N.J.

1st, R. Durkin, defending champion, 4-1; no other point scores or places reported, except that Durkin lost in 1st round to Mike Connelly, and came into last round tied with Peter Irwin, whom he defeated for the title.
STUTTGART INVITATIONAL, Słuftgart, Arkansas.
1st, Troy Armstrong, $41 / 2-1 / 2$; 2nd, Leonard Scott, 4-1; 3rd, James Wright, $31 / 2-11 / 2$; 4th, Gowan Meacham, $31 / 2-1 \frac{1}{2}$; 5th, Orval Allbritton, 3-2.
ARKANSAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, Little Rock, Arkansas.
1st, Capt. Charles Rosburg, USAF, 5-0; 2nd to 4th with 4-1, Bill Jones, Leonard Scott, Jr., and Orval Allbritton; 5 th, Ronnie Tay1or, $31 / 2-11 / 2$.

## CHINA LAKE OPEN, California.

1st, Imre Barlai (California Collegiate Champ) $5 \cdot 1$; 2nd, Al Raymond, 41/2-11/2; 3rd Roger Smook, 41/2-11/2; 4th, Phil Smith, 4-2; followed by Metz, Eidemiller, and Richards, each with 4-2.
WEST FLORIDA OPEN, Tampa, Fla.
Ist, Charles W. Stallings, (who lost an 11 -mover, but rallied to win title) 5-1; 2nd, Bob Bailey, $41 / 2-11 / 2$; 3rd and 4 th, Dr. R. A. Carlyle (delending champion) and Ned Hardy, each with 4-2. Glen Hartleb, Alan Himber and Dr. R. L. Froemke, each scored $31 / 2-21 / 2$. Exciamp, Joel Chalifoux, scored 3-3. The 12-player amateur (separate event) division was won by Bill Baer, 5-1; 2nd, Bob Durrett, 41/2-11/2; 3rd and 4th, John Jacobs and Morill Goddard, each with 4-2. Bailey, Hardy (who hit winner Stallings with the 11 move win), Himber, and Jacobs, were all University of Florida students.

## IRVING PARK CC CHAMPIONSHIP, Chicago.

1st, Tom MeCloud, 61/2-11/2; 2nd and 3rd, Ninus Aronson and Roy Radys, each with 6-2.
EASTERN IDAHO CHAMPIONSHIP, Pocatello, Idaho.
1st, Nigel Robinson, $41 / 2-1 / 2$; 2nd, Eugene Cowan, $31 / 2-11 / 2$; 3rd, Ray Fricke, 31/2-11/2; 4th, Mel Schubert, 3-2.
NORTHWEST STATES OPEN, Missoula, Montana.
1st, Richard Schultz (Seattle), 6-0, defeating players finishing 16, $13,10,2,3$, and 5 , in final standings! 2nd, Olav, Ulvestad, 5-1; 3rd, Herman Hesse, (Bethlehem, Pa.) $41 / 2-11 / 2$; 4th to 7 th in order listed, each with $4-2$-Jim McCormick, Loren Meierding, Viktors Pupols and Ingwold Stromsberg. Since CHESS LIFE was criticized for not having given this event more advance publicity, it may give its generous sponsors something to think about to learn that the information above was gleaned from "The Idaho Chess Bulletin," no report on the tournament having been received from the responsible organizers.
UTAH OPEN, Salt Lake City, Utah.
1st, Richard Heilbut, 5-1; 2nd, Donald Benge, 5-1; 3rd and 4th, each with 4-2, Bill Taber and C. K. Williamson; 5th to 9th, each with $31 / 2-21 / 2$, L. N. Page, Ken Jones, Fred Docekal, Raymond Smith, and Clinton McDaniel. (Interesting note on 1st place tie-break-S.B. points were used; if median points had been used, Heilbut and Benge would have remained in a tie; if Solkoff system had been employed, Benge would have taken the title by $1 / 2$ point.)
CENTRAL WASHINGTON OPEN, Yakima, Wash.
1st, Clark Harmon, $51 / 2-1 / 2$; 2nd, Olaf Ulvestad (defending champion) $51 / 2-1 / 2$; 3rd, Viktors Pupols, 5-1; 4th, Ivars Dalbergs, 5-1; 5th to 8 th, each with $4 \frac{1}{2}-11 / 2$, Danny Towne, Dr. David Groenig, Donald Turner; 8th to 10 th, each with $4-2$, Richard Jerome, Mike Franett, and Richard Schultz.
JACKSON OPEN, Jackson, Mississippi.
1st, Andrew Lockett, $41 / 2-1 / 2$; 2nd, Jack Rushing, $4-1$; 3rd to 5th, each with $3^{1 / 2}-1 \frac{1}{2}$, John Poole, Frank Shavez, and Ed Felts. In the B Saction, the following finished in the order listed: Woody James, 4112-1/2; James West, 4-1; Douglas Harvey, 31/2-11/2; Ross Moore, 3-2; E. H. Gleason, 3-2. New Orleans players took 1st and 4th places in Class A, while Baton Rouge pushers took 2nd, 3rd, and 5 th in Class B. All other prize winners were from the host state of Mississippi.
ALAMO OPEN, San Antonio, Texas
1st, Blake W. Stevens, 4-1; 2nd, John Allen, 4-1; 3rd, John Bob Payne, 4-1; 4th, Morley Pastinsky, 4-1; 5th to 7th, each with $31 / 2-1 / 2$, Homer H. Hyde, Henry Davis, Sam Priebe. 5 of first 6 places were taken by San Antonio players, Allen, of Independence, Mo. being the only non-Texan in the prize list.

## Mate The Subtle Way!

by Nicholas Gabor


#### Abstract

All communications concerning this problem-column, inciuding solutlon 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

As promised, herewith we attempt to give a little advice to our inexperienced solvers about how to look at a chessproblem, in trying to find the solution. The solvers about how to look at a chessprablem, in trying to find the solution. The subject is too rich and would require many pages of analysis, but we hope that points will help them. Practice will increase their technique, useful even in playing regular games!

The first thing is to look at the position of the B1 K. In No. 1061 the K is fully blocked! It cannot move. But since one of the most important requirements of a problem is that every single piece on the board MUST HADE a purpose, you soon notice the 2. Wh P-s on KR2 and KR3. If the K cannot move, why are these P-s there? The only purpose of their being on the board must be that during the solution, the $K$ will be able to move closer to them. This obvious fact may indicate the keymove. In No. 1062 the B1 K is also blocked. The BI $Q$ and $B$ are in "half-pin" which means that moves of one of them away from the diagonal "pins" the other! And this pinning of the $B$ or $Q$ will be exploited in Wh-s second move, the mate.

Never look for checking keymoves! Aside from a very few existing samples, (we have published some, in the past) such "keymoves," if they mate in 2 moves must be "cooks." (Unintended solutions which ruin the problem!) Never look for piece-capturing keymoves! Pawn-capturing keymoves are frequent. Never look for "keymoves" which decrease the freedom of the Bi K without any recompensation. Good keymoves often increase the B1 K's (or other B1 pieces') freedom and seemingly give Wh some disadvantages!


To be continued.


Solutions to "Mate the Subtle Way"
No. 1049 Barclay Sweeney: try 1. R(R4)-R2 defeated by 1. ........ P-N6. Keymove 1. Q-R2 threatening 2. N-Q4. Grants a flight and permits check, If 1. ........, P×Bch 2. N-Q4. If 1. ........, K-B6, 2. N-K. If 1. ....., P-N8 (kt) 2. R-KB, If 1. ......., NxP, 2. QxR. If 1. ........., P-N6, 2. R-KB4. No. 1050 Kowalewski: set play: 1. ........., N-Q2 2. Q or BxP; 1........., B-Q5, 2. Q-K4 or NxP; 1. ........, R-Q5, 2. Q-R5; 1. ......., RxP 2. QxR or Q-K4; 1. ......., R-K5, 2. QxR. Close tries: 1. KxP, R-B5? 1. N-K8, RxP 1. B-Q4, R-K8? Keymove 1. N-B7 threatening 2. R-Bj. Two changed mates in the actual play. No. 1051 Rizzetti: Misprint: The Rook on Wh-s K3 should be a Black
 1. Q-N5, threatening 2. N-B4 mate. Now, if 1. ...., N-Q3, 2. B-N2 and if 1........ R-QB6, 2. Q-N8. No. 1052 Jacobs: key 1. N-N5 threatening 2. N-B3 ch!-QxN and 3. R-Q4 dbl ch! If 1. ........, KxN, 2. R-Q5 ch! ete. If 1. ........, QxN, 2. R-R4ch! etc.; if 1. ......., BxN,2.R-R7 ch! etc. A series of clever pins and double pins.

Are You a Member? Join the USCFI it is always a sound opening move.
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## ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

(Continued from page 1)
The intriguing question arose who copied whom, and readers will be pleased to know that Palmer's study appeared first, in 1917, in the "lowa News" of Iowa. We will never know if Reti thought out the same theme years later, or if he had seen it during his earlier migrations through chess literature, "forgotten it," and revived it later with a minor plus-these subconscious processes do happen.
Lommer's "1934 Modern Chess Endings" give the Reti study under No. 539 , with the added subvariaLicn: "If 1. P-Q4, K-Q1; 2. K-B7, K-B1; 3. P-K7, R-Q1; 4. P-Q5! win-ning-" which to us is mysterious. Plainly 4. PxR ch would win, as White has retained his other Pawn on Q4.
SOLUTION-Diagram 76

1. P-K7, R-Q3ch; 2. K-N7!! R-Q1; 3. KB7! wins.
If White had played 2. K-B7, he would have been in zugzwang affer 2, ......., After 2. K-N7 and 3. K-B7, it is Black who has to lift the blockade of his first rank, and White wins. If 1. ........, R-K5; 2. N-K6, K-Q2; 3. N-B5ch and wins rook and ending.

## Journament Life

Tournament organizers wishing ann,puncements of their forthcoming USCF rated events to appear in this column shculd make appllication at least five weeks before the publication data of the issue of CHESS LIFE in which you wish to have the announcement appear. Special forms for raquesting such announcements may be obtained either from USCF Business Manager Frank Brady, 80 E. 11th St., New York 3, N. Y. or from your editor, but the completed request forms should be maited only to Editor CHESS LIFE,
Gove House, Perry, Maine.
March 12 É 13
2nd Annual USCF Pacific Northwest Open
Will be held at the Oregonian Hostess House, Oregonian Bldg., 1320 S.W. Broadway, Portland, Oregon. 6 round Swiss, open to all, with a time limit of 45 moves in 2 hours. Entry fee is $\$ 5.00$. $\$ 50$ first prize, other cash prizes. Address entries and inquiries to Clark R. Harmon, 5706 S.E. Flora Drive, Portland 22, Oregon.

North March 19
North Carolina-Virginia
Speed Championship
Will be held at 7 p.m., March 19th at the Warrenton Hotel, Warrenton, N. C. Open to all Virginia and North Carolina residents. 10 minute chess. Entry fee $\$ 2.00$. First prize $\$ 50$. North Carollna players are invited to stay over for annual North Carolina-Virginia team match to be played on the following day starting at noon. Address Inquiries to Dr. Norman Hornstein, Kn'ghtdale, N. C.

## March 19 \& 20

Fifth Annual Capital City
Open Chess Tournament
will be held at the Seneca Hotel, 361 Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. 5 round Swiss, with a time limit of 50 moves in 2 hours. Adjudications after 4 hours of play. Entry fee is $\$ 5.00$ plus membership in USCF. First prize, trophy plus $\$ 25.00$. Other cash prizes. Tournament Director is James Schroeder, 1483 Pennsylvania, Columbus, Ohio.
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New Jersey State Amateur Will be held at the Town House Restatrant, Hammonton, New Jersey. 6
round Swiss, open to all except rated
Masters and higher, with a time limit of 50 moves in two hours. Entry fee $\$ 5.00$ to members of USCF and NJSCF. Membership in NJSCF $\$ 2.00$. Entry fee for Juniors $\$ 3.00$. Trophies for top 3, A, B, C, and unrated. Profits to fund to send winners of N. J. Junior tournament to Open in St. Louls. Address entries and inquiries to L. E. Wood, 1425 Sycamore St., Haddon Heights, N.J.

## April 15, 16, 17

New Jersey State Intercollegiate Championship
Will be held at the Chancellor Green Student Center, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey. 5 round Swiss, with a time limit of 40 moves in $11 / 2$ hours. The tournament is restricted to full-time college undergraduates res!ding in, or studying in New Jersey. Entry fee is $\$ 4.00$. Special entry fee of
$\$ 3.00$ to Juniors under 20 years of $\$ 3.00$ to Juniors under 20 years of
age. Prizes include permanent trophy, age. Prizes include permanent trophy,
plus several book prizes. Address entries and inquiries to Peter Barlow, 62 Campbell Hall, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.

## April 22, 23, 24

The New Jersey State High School
Chess Team Championships
Will be held at the Independent Chess Club, 102 North Maple Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey. The opening round will be on Friday evening, April 22nd.

## April 22, 23, 24

The 2nd Phoenix City Open
First round will be held in the Phoenix Chess Club Rooms, 2700 N. 15th 6 Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona. 2nd through Life and Casualty Insurance Company Building, 2300 N . Central Avenue, Phoenix. Six round Swiss, open to all who are or become USCF members. Entry fee: $\$ 3.00$ for Juniors under 18; $\$ 4.00$ for USCF members; $\$ 9.00$ for non-memfor USCF members; $\$ 9.00$ for non-mem-
bers. Prizes: 1st, trophy and cash; 2nd, bers, Prizes: 1st, trophy and cash; 2nd,
3 rd , 4th, trophies; prizes for top Wo$3 \mathrm{rd}, 4 \mathrm{th}$, trophies; prizes for top Wo-
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tional information contact Mabel Burtional information contact Mabel Bur-
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nix, Arizona.

## April $23-24$ of April $30-$ May 1

 1960 Maryland OpenWill be held at the Dundaik YMCA, 10 Dunmanway, Dundalk, Maryland. 6 round Swiss, open to all, with a time limit of 50 moves in two hours. Title restricted to top Maryland player. Entry fee is $\$ 3.00$; special entry fee of try fee is $\$ 3.00 ;$ special entry fee of
$\$ 2.00$ for juniors under 21. Prizes in$\$ 2.00$ for juniors under 21 . Prizes in-
clude $1 \mathrm{st}, 50 \%$; $2 \mathrm{nd}, 30 \ldots ; 3 \mathrm{rd}, 20 \ldots$. clude $15 t, 50 \% ; 2 n d, ~ 30 \ldots$; 3 rd, $20 \ldots .$.
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ers. Address entries and inquiries to William C. Koenig, 810 Braeside Road, Wiltam C. Koenig,
Baltimore 29, Maryland.

## April 29, 30 \& May 1 <br> Third Mid-Continent <br> \section*{Open Chess Tournament}

1960 Kansas State Chess

## Championship Tournament

Will be held at the Armory, East 8th Street, Russell, Kansas. Entry fee is $\$ 5.50$ if registered before April 25th ( $\$ 7.50$ after that date); Juniors have a special entry fee of $\$ 3.00$ if registered before April 25 ( $\$ 5.00$ after that date). Guaranteed prizes in the Open Tournament: 1st-trophy plus $\$ 50.00$; 2nd-trophy plus $\$ 25.00$; 3rd-trophy plus $\$ 15.00$; 4th-trophy plus $\$ 10.00$; 5th-trophy. Prize money will be increased according to registration. Separate Junior Division: 1 st and 2nd place trophies (16 years or under); 1st place trophy for best Junior girl (16 years or under); 1st place trophy for best player under 12 years of age. Women's player under 12 years of age. Women's There will also be 2 prizes each in There will also be 2 prizes each in Class A, B, and C. Plus a trophy for best player that has never played in a rated tournament before. Prizes in the State Tournament-determined by highest ranking Kansas players. 1st, 2nd, 3 rd, 4 th and 5 th place trophies and State titles. Junior ( 16 or under)1st place trophy and State Junior Title. Women's- 1 st place trophy and State Women's Title. For further information and reservations contact Mrs. H. P. Killough, Tournament Secretary, Russell, Kansas.

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Secretary (one)

## BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON INTERCITY MATCH

It was Washington over Baltimore $18-11$ in a giant 29 board match Dec. 13 at the Dundalk YMCA. Washington thus retained the I. S. Turover trophy and went ahead in this annual event 3 to 2. Besides setting a record for size, this was the first time that the home team has been upset. Featuring four masters, the Washingtonians couldn't be headed although the first five boards were split. From there on down, it was just about all Washington. Kudos are due Bill Koenig (B), George Thomas (W), and the Bay Region C.C. for the great job they did in bringing off this huge match. The line-ups and results are given below.


## FLORIDA TEAMS <br> EXPAND AGAIN

The annual team league program during the winter months in South Florida continues to expand. Four leagues with 17 teams are active now in the various rating categories.
The Open division includes entries from the defending champions, the Miami Club, plus Miami Beach, the University of Miami, Broward County and Dade County.
Co-titleholders North Dade and Miami Beach are being challenged in Class A by Homestead, Miami Club, and the Miami Herald. At the halfway mark the first four teams were tied for the lead in this extremely well balanced competition.
A new Class B loop includes groups from Miami, North Dade, and three from tiny Homestead.
Homestead dominates entries in


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