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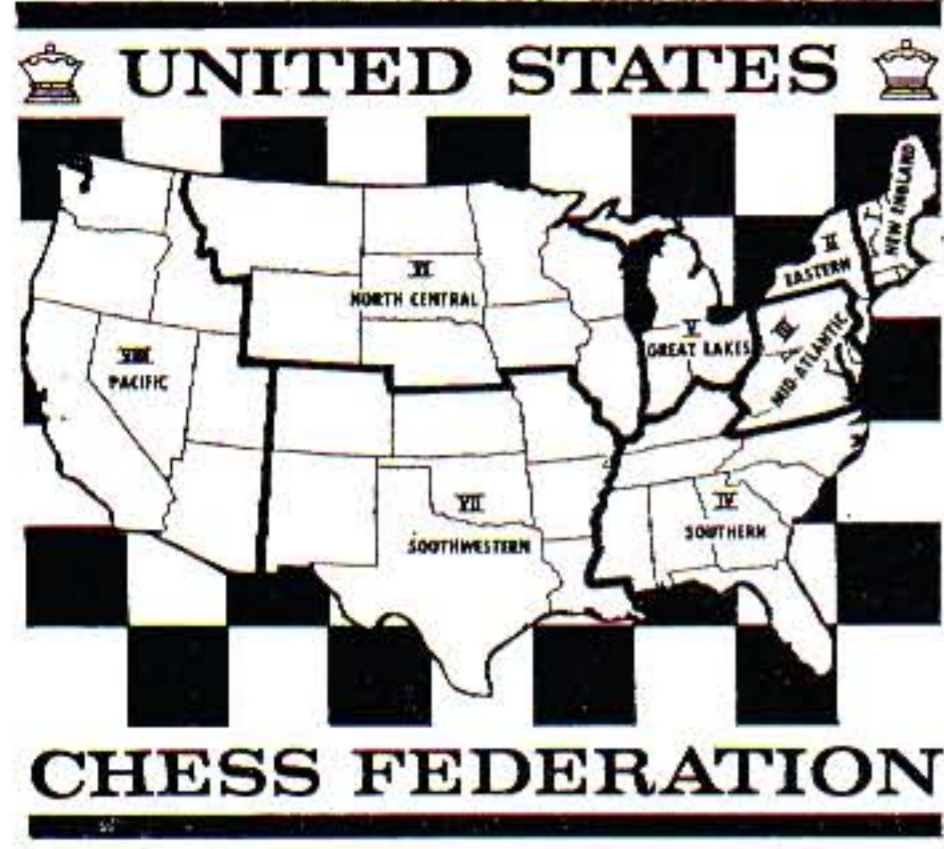
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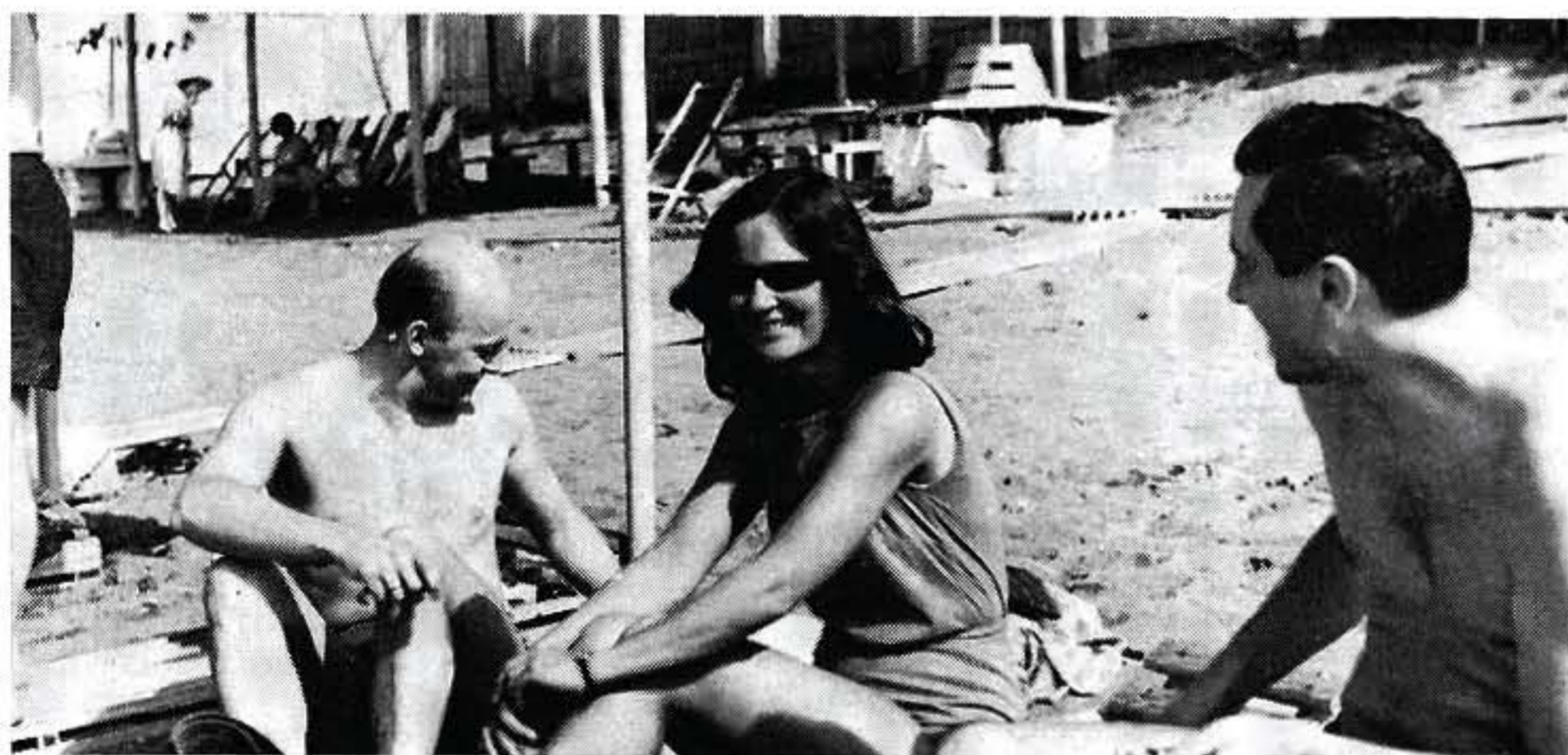
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THREE TIE IN WOMEN'S CHALLENGERS

Malinka Lazarevic of Yugoslavia tied with Tatyana Zatulovskaya and Alla Kushnir, both of the Soviet Union, for first place in the Women's Challengers Tournament in Sukhumi, U.S.S.R. Miss Lazarevic was relegated to a three-way tie when she suffered a last round defeat at the hands of former U.S. Women's Champion Gisela Kahn Gresser. The three leaders, with scores of $12\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$, will play a round robin to determine the next challenger for World Champion Nona Gaprindashvili.

Lisa Lane, playing her forced serious chess in several years, finished with 7 points and Mrs. Gresser scored $6\frac{1}{2}$.



ABOVE: Lisa Lane, former U.S. Women's Champion, relaxes in the sun during the Women's Challengers Tournament at the Russian Black Sea resort of Sukhumi.

BELOW: More Serious business.



HANKEN TOPS CAL. OPEN

Jerome Hanken turned in an impressive $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ to take first place in the 91-player California Open in Fresno on September 5-7. Hanken's draw was registered against runner-up Tibor Weinberger in round five; he defeated, among others, Zoltan Kovacs, Charles Henin, and Jose Mandragon. Entering the tournament with a USCF rating of 2167, his victory will undoubtedly place Hanken in the master class on the next rating list.

Weinberger's score of 6-1 placed him second on tie-break points, with Walter Cunningham third.

The field of 91 players included eight masters and twenty-five experts. The tournament was directed by Gordon Barrett.

PAYNE WINS SOUTHWEST OPEN

The 1964 Southwest Open, played in San Antonio, Texas on September 5-7, drew an 82-player entry and resulted in clear victory for Corpus Christi expert John Payne who tallied $6\frac{1}{2}$ points in seven rounds to outpace the field. Payne won six in a row before sewing up victory with a last-round draw against Robert Brieger.

The highest rated player in the tournament, Air Force Lt. Peter Gould, drew two games and finished a clear second with 6-1. Brieger, David Lees, Blake Stevens and John Mortz were next, in that order, with $5\frac{1}{2}$.

Other prizes: Class B, Steve Moffitt, Houston and David Mills, Corpus Christi; Class C, Art Simpson, Austin and Roy Mendoza, Jr., San Antonio; Class D, Charles Freeman, College Station and Pete Prattes, San Antonio; Unrated, Allen Eckert, Streeter and John Lyon, San Antonio.

The tournament, sponsored by the San Antonio Chess Club and the Texas Chess Association, was directed by International Master George Koltanowski. At the TCA business meeting, Major B. G. Dudley was elected association president and William Bills the Vice President.

NEDVED 5-0 IN PA.

Kimball Nedved of Moorestown, N.J. pitched a five-round shutout in the Quaker City Open at LaSalle College, Pa. on September 26-27. Nedved's clean sweep of the opposition put him a half-point ahead of runner-up Larry Snyder of Philadelphia and third-place Sergei Goregliad of Wyncote, Pa. Robert Lincoln of Gloucester City, N.J. and Carl Freeman of McKeesport, Pa. finished fourth and fifth respectively with scores of 4-1.

The tournament, sponsored by the Philadelphia Chess Assn. and directed by Edward D. Strehle, drew a total of 70 entries. Other prizes: Class A, K. Masover; Class B, Walter Fraser; Class C, Bart Grossman; Unrated, Carl Freeman; Women's Award, Shirley Goldhirsh.

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Crucial Games from the U. S. Open

by **PAL BENKO**

I.

"Only a Draw"

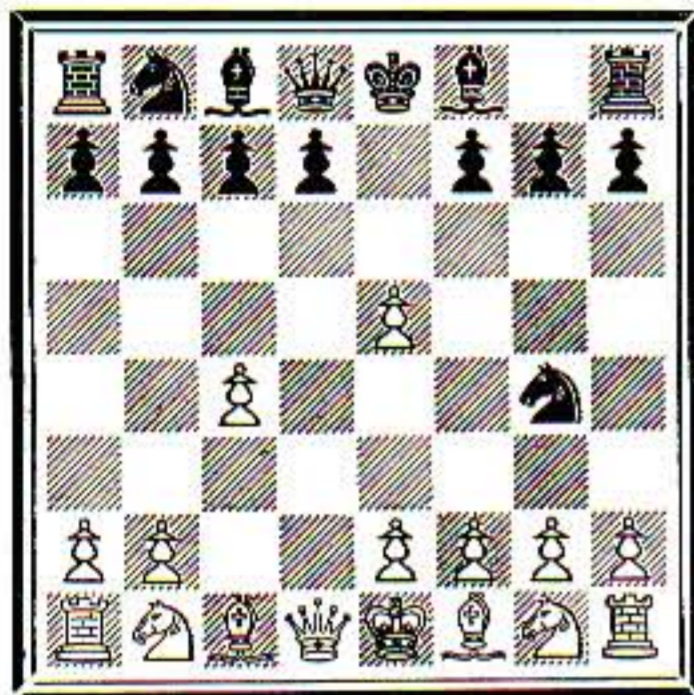
BUDAPEST DEFENSE

Pal Benko **Robin Ault**

1. P-Q4 N-KB3
2. P-QB4 P-K4

"Now that's something," I thought; "to play the Budapest against me!"

3. PxP N-N5



4. N-KB3

More usual is 4. B-B4, which I played with success against Ragozin in the Budapest-Moscow Match, 1949. The game continued 4., N-QB3; 5. N-KB3, B-N5ch; 6. QN-Q2. More complicated would be the reply 4., P-KN4, an idea of the Hungarian master Bakonyi, who beat Gligoric with it in Budapest 1948. My move avoids these possible complications.

4. N-QB3(?)

An inaccuracy. Black should play 4., B-B4, forcing 5. P-K3, as played in Benko-Bakonyi, Budapest 1950, and then proceed with 5., N-QB3. In that event, White would still preserve a slight positional advantage.

5. B-N5! B-K2
6. BxB QxB
7. N-B3 QNxP
8. N-Q5 Q-B4
9. P-K3 NxNch
10. PxN(?)

10. QxN was obviously the right move, after which Black is in difficulty.

10. N-B3!

Now Black exchanges the powerful White Knight and equalizes the game.

11. NxNch PxN
12. B-Q3 P-Q3
13. Q-N3

The only chance to complicate the game. Otherwise Black plays 13., B-K3 followed by, O-O-O.

13. B-Q2
14. QxP B-B3
15. Q-N3

The BP was taboo: 15. QxBP, Q-N5ch; 16. K-B1, BxP; 17. R-N1, Q-Q7 and wins. White has achieved his objective in pre-

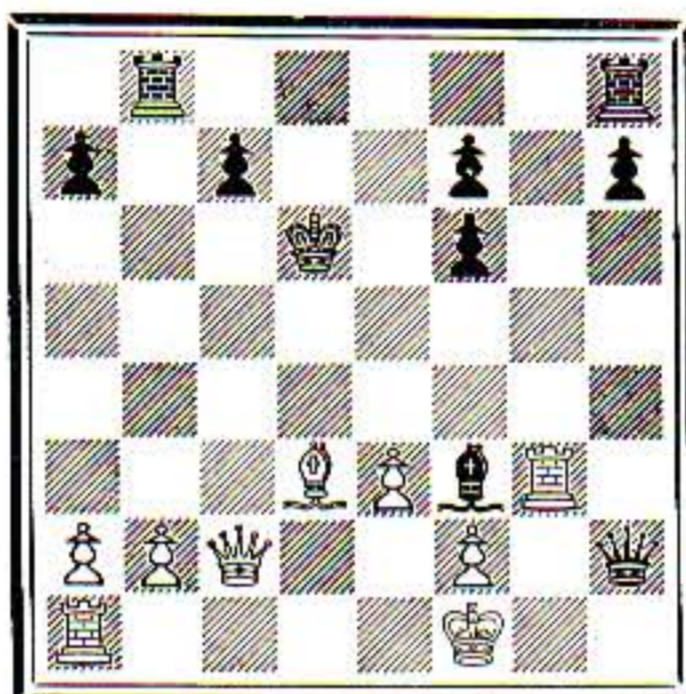
venting Black from safely castling on the Q-side.

15. BxP
16. R-KN1 K-K2
17. R-N3 Q-R4ch
18. K-B1 QR-QN1
19. Q-B2 Q-R4
20. P-B5!

Both players are attacking; there is no time for quiet moves. If now 20., PxP; 21. R-B1 and White has the advantage both in the middle game and in an ending. If 20., P-Q4; 21. P-B6, KR-KN1; 22. B-B5 threatening mate and preventing 22., RxR.

20. QxRP
21. PxPch KxP

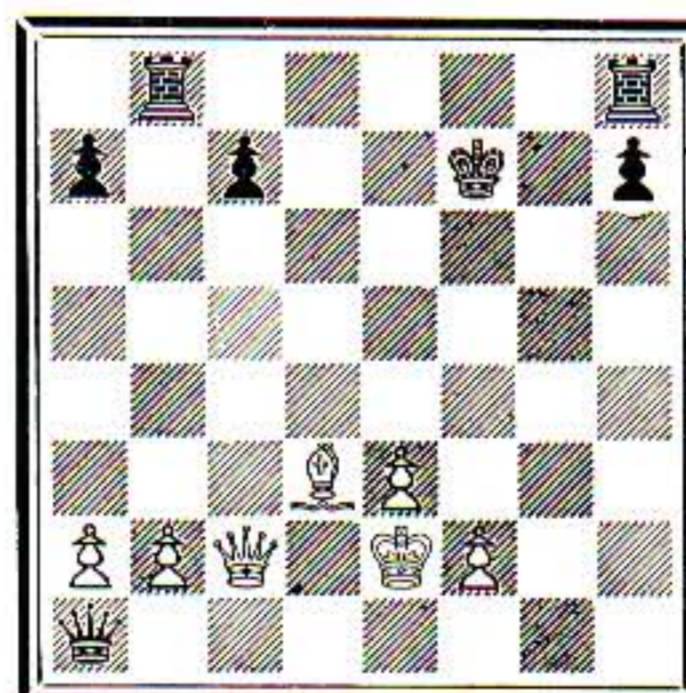
Not 21., PxP; 22. RxB! Q-R8 ch; 23. K-K2, QxQR; 24. Q-B7 ch, etc.



22. RxB!!

I think this move deserves two exclamation points because White commits himself to the sacrifice of not one Rook but both of them. The sacrifice is the only way to keep up the attack. If instead: 22. R-B1, Q-R8 ch; 23. R-N1, B-N7 ch; 24. K-K2, Q-R4 ch; 25. K-K1, Q-R4 ch and everything is defended. Or again: 22. B-K4, Q-R8 ch; 23. R-N1, Q-R6 ch; 24. K-K1, BxB; 25. QxB, Q-K3 and Black is safe.

22. Q-R8ch
23. K-K2 QxQR
24. RxPch K-K2
25. RxPch KxR



26. QxPch(?)

After playing such a fine sacrifice, White fails to find the best continuation. We give this move only one question mark since it keeps a draw in hand and gives Black ample opportunity to go

astray. If White had had more time to examine the position, he would have played 26. Q-B4 ch! which wins no matter where the Black King runs. For example: 26. Q-B4 ch, K-K2; 27. Q-B5 ch, K-B3; 28. Q-B5 ch, K-K2; 29. Q-K5 ch, K-Q2 (29., K-B2; 30. B-B4 ch, K-N3; 31. Q-K6 ch, K-N2; 32. Q-B7 ch, K-R3; 33. Q-B6 ch, K-R4; 34. B-B7 ch, K-N5; 35. Q-B4 ch, K-R6; 36. Q-N3 mate) 30. B-B5ch, K-B3; 31. Q-B6 ch! K-N4 (31., K-B4; 32. P-N4 ch or 31., K-N2; 32. B-K4 ch); 32. B-Q3 ch, K-N5; 33. Q-B3 ch, K-R5; 34. Q-R3 mate.

I wonder if any reader can find a win for White after 26. QxP ch (?) I couldn't in the time left, as the remaining moves show. It seems that Black always has one good move that lets him escape.

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|------------|------|--------------------|-------|
| 26. | K-B3 | 36. B-Q5ch | K-B1 |
| 27. Q-Q6ch | K-N2 | 37. Q-B6ch | K-Q1 |
| 28. Q-K5ch | K-R3 | 38. Q-B6ch | K-Q2 |
| 29. Q-B4ch | K-N2 | 39. Q-K6ch | K-Q1 |
| 30. Q-N5ch | K-B2 | 40. Q-Q6ch | K-B1 |
| 31. B-B4ch | K-K1 | 41. Q-B6ch | K-Q1 |
| 32. Q-K5ch | K-Q2 | 42. Q-B6ch | |
| 33. B-K6ch | K-B3 | Draw by repetition | |
| 34. Q-Q5ch | K-N3 | | |
| 35. Q-Q6ch | K-N2 | | |

II.

A Modern Gambit

FRENCH DEFENSE

Pal Benko **Robert Byrne**

1. P-K4 P-K3
2. P-Q3

Playing against a French specialist like Byrne, I decided to avoid regular book lines. The text move aims at the formation of a King's Indian Reversed, an opening which I have played with success many times. One example can be found in my game against Uhlmann in Stockholm, 1962.

2. P-Q4
3. N-Q2 N-KB3
4. KN-B3 P-QN3
5. P-K5

There is no hurry to make this move, but White was worried that on 5. P-KN3, PxP; 6. PxP Black could eventually play, B-QR3.

5. KN-Q2
6. P-KN3 P-QB4
7. B-N2 Q-B2

Better was 7., N-QB3 and only after 8. Q-K2, then, Q-B2. In which case White doesn't lose a pawn after 9. O-O, QNxP; 10. NxN, NxN because of 11. R-K1, followed by BxQP. A promising alternative to 9. O-O would be 9. P-QB4.

8. O-O! NxP(?)

Capturing this gambit pawn is too risky, since Black is behind in development. 8., N-QB3 was better. White could then continue 9. R-K1 or 9. P-QB4 with good prospects.

9. NxN QxN
10. P-QB4!



This was the key move for opening up lines in order to exploit White's superior development. It puts pressure on the K-file and the long diagonal while freeing the Queen for action on either side of the board. Black no doubt underestimated the strength of this move.

10. Q-Q3(?)

Black begins to see the dangers confronting him, but fails to find the best defense. The text move prepares for 11. PxP, PxP; 12. R-K1ch, B-K3. Best, however, was 10. B-N2. There would then follow 11. PxP, BxP; 12. N-B4 with a strong attack.

11. PxP PxP
12. N-B4 Q-Q1
13. Q-R5 B-N2

Black is forced to admit the error of his ways since if 13. B-K3; 14. R-K1 and White has the double threat of 15. RxBch and 15. BxP.



14. N-K3?!

Here White misses a fairly simple win with 14. R-K1ch, B-K2; 15. B-N5, N-B3—and here I looked only at the "Morphy style" RxBch, NxR; 17. R-K1, O-O; 18. BxN, R-K1!; 19. BxQ, RxRch; 20. B-B1, PxN and the game is far from easy. Instead, the simple 16. N-K5 would win a piece. The text move recovers the pawn and continues the attack.

14. N-B3
15. NxP B-Q3

If 15. B-K2; 16. R-K1 and Black has no good defense.

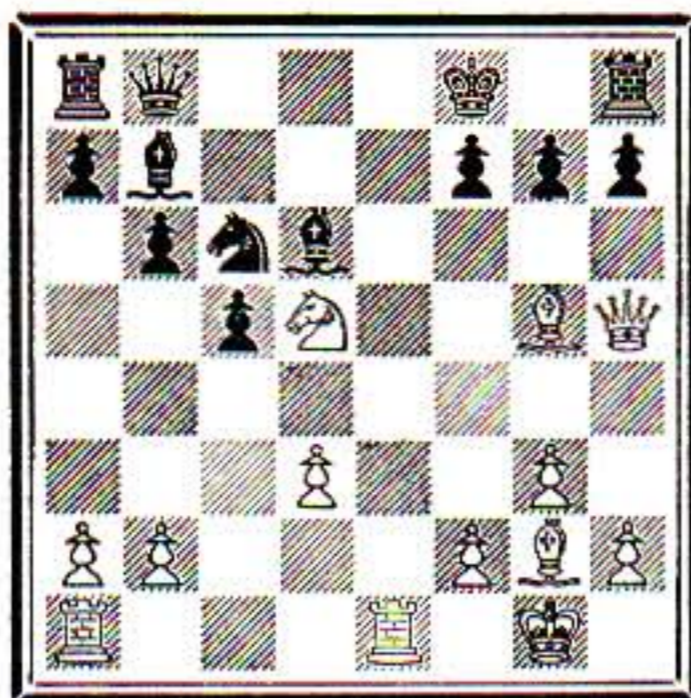
16. B-N5 Q-N1

If 16. Q-Q2; 17. B-R3 wins the Queen.

17. KR-K1ch K-B1

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It would appear that Black has survived the worst, but actually the assault against his King is just beginning.

18. N-B6! Q-B2

Of course 18., PxN allows mate in two.

19. B-R6!

Threatening 20. BxPch and mate in three.

19. N-K4

If 19., B-K4; 20. BxPch, KxB; 21. Q-N5ch, K-B1; 22. Q-R6ch, K-K2; 23. N-Q5ch.

19., N-K2 allows the nice variation 20. BxPch, KxB; 21. RxN! and mates.

20. BxB QxB
21. RxN BxR
22. QxB PxB

Although he is the exchange ahead, Black's position is hopeless because of his weakened K-side. White's next move—a quiet one—is quickly decisive.

23. R-K1 R-Q1

If 23., Q-B3; 24. N-K8!

24. Q-B4 Resigns

Mate is unavoidable. If 24., R-KN1; 25. QxPch, R-N2; 26. NxPch, K-N1; 27. N-B6ch and mate in two. Or 24., K-N2; 25. N-R5 ch, etc.

RAGAN IN 7-0 SWEEP

John V. Ragan of East St. Louis, Illinois swept everything in his path at the 11th Annual Heart of America Open in Kansas City, Missouri over the Labor Day weekend. Ragan turned in seven wins in seven rounds to finish a full point ahead of runner-up Dan Allen in a field of 54 players. Fred Bristol of Emporia, Kansas scored 5½ to take third. Adrian Ford and Jeff Tharp were next in line with scores of 5-2.

Other prizes: Junior Award, Bill Kenney; Class A, Michael Davidson; Class B, Adrian Ford; Class C, Dejuan Laggett; Unrated, Jeff Tharp.

The tournament was sponsored by the Downtown YMCA Chess Club of Kansas City, Missouri and was directed by USCF Regional V-P John R. Beitling.

KRAMER WINS N.J. CROWN

With a turnout of 170 players, the New Jersey Open was once again the largest of the many Labor Day tournaments played throughout the nation. The attendance at this event, played in Plainfield on September 4-7, rose to a new high and easily surpassed last year's record-smashing field of 159.

George Kramer won undisputed first place with 6½ points in seven rounds. Kramer yielded his half-point by drawing with grandmaster Pal Benko in Round 4. He defeated, among others, E. S. Jackson, Arthur Feuerstein and Dr. Orest Popovych.

Michael Valvo and Dr. Ariel Mengarini of New York and Robert Walker of California finished second through fourth, all with scores of 6-1. Benko, newly-crowned U.S. Open Champion, could do no better than fifth after being upset in Round 6 by Popovych. His score of 5½ was equalled by Walter Browne, Jeffrey Harris, Arthur Feuerstein, Popovych, Edgar McCormick and R. Wachtel. Browne received the Top Expert award, Harris was best Junior (under 21), and Wachtel was top Class A.

The tournament, sponsored by the N.J. State Chess Federation, was directed by William Lukowiak. Grandmaster Arthur Bisguier, who handled the adjudications, also gave a simultaneous exhibition against some of the tournament participants, turning in a fine score of 35 wins, 3 draws, no losses.

Previous winners of the N.J. Open include: Dr. S. Nedeljkovic, Yugoslavia (1961), Matthew Green (1962), and Larry Gilden (1963). This year's winner, George Kramer, is a New Jersey resident and therefore won the N.J. State Championship in addition to first prize in the tournament.

STEUER TAKES WIESBADEN

Julius J. Steuer did all that anyone could expect in the Wiesbaden Rating Tournament of the USCF's European Chess District, played on September 5-7. Steuer played seven games and won seven, to finish a big point-and-a-half ahead of second-place Arthur F. Dickin-son. Robert Boddington led the 5-2 group to take third on tie-breaking.

Thirty-eight players took part in the tournament which was directed by Robert A. Karch. The ECD's next event will be held at Chiemsee on November 6-8.

SIMPSON SCORES IN N.Y. STATE

Thirty players, including eight from Canada, competed in the New York State Open in Rochester on September 5-7 and victory went to Robert C. Simpson of Canton, N.Y. who edged out Erich W. Marchand on median points. Both had scores of 5-1.

Edward Syrett, George Mauer and Dr. Bruno Schmidt scored 4½ and finished in that order. The women's prize was won by Mrs. Kate Nye of Syracuse, N.Y.

The tournament was sponsored by the New York State Chess Association and was directed by Peter Berlow.

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The Two Bishops

by ROBERT BYRNE



The first step in unlimbering Black's King's Bishop. If 18. PxP in reply, then not 18., Pxp? 19. P-K4 and White has succeeded in blocking the position, but 18., RXP and Black keeps the center fluid. 18. P-Q5 is refuted by 18., Pxp; 19. NxP, NxN; 20. Pxn, Q-N3; 21. Q-Q2, P-K5 and Black has a powerful position. If, in this last line, 19. Pxp, then 19., R-QB1; 20. R-QB1, Q-N3; 21. P-R3, P-K5; 22. B-K2, NxP and White must resign.

18. P-R3

18. B-B5 is a possible alternative, although White would have some problems after 18., BxB; 19. QxB, Pxp for on 20. Pxp, P-Q4; 21. P-B5, N-K5; 22. NxN, RxN, Black has control of the open K-file. Also 20. RxP would not do because of 20., N-Q2; 21. R-Q3, N-K4; 22. R-Q4, Q-N3 and White will have trouble with his weak Q-side. The same would be true after 20. NxP, Q-N3.

18. Pxp
19. Pxp

Black would have answered 19. NxP with 19., P-B4; e.g., 20. Pxp, Pxp; 21. N-B5, BxN; 22. BxB, Q-K4 and the White King is endangered on the long diagonal.

19. B-K3

Preventing 20. B-B5, which would now leave the QBP loose and preparing to open the game further by a timely P-Q4.

20. KR-K1 N-Q2!

This fine move not only unmask the Black KB, but threatens a penetration of the White K-position by N-N3-B5. The answer 21. P-Q5 only loses material after 21., BxN.

21. N-K4

Defending against an invasion of his QB4.

21. P-Q4

Breaking White's pawn front and ensuring an open game for his pieces.

22. N-Q2

Worse would have been 22. N/4-B5, NxN; 23. QPxN and Black's KB has a wide open diagonal.

22. Pxp

23. Bxp N-B1!

Addison said later that he had overlooked this move which accentuates the weakness of White's QP.

24. N-K4

24. BxB, NxN would have led quickly to the loss of the QP.

24. B-B4

25. P-B3 N-K3

26. P-Q5(?)

While it is true that White's game is being subjected to a great deal of pres-

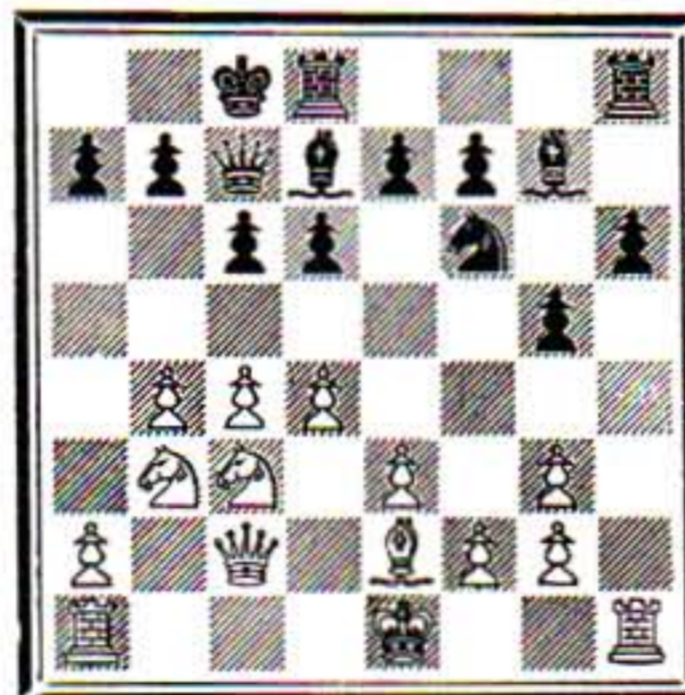
Preparing to use the Knight in support of a Q-side demonstration. White's idea is to present Black the problem of finding a safe place for his King. If White can threaten play on the Q-side strong enough to discourage Black from castling long, then Black would be faced with the dilemma of leaving his King in the center with consequent difficulties in development for his pieces or castling K-side and running the risk that White might be able to use the open KR-file and the squares left weak by the advance of Black's KNP for an attack.

9. NxB
10. RPxN N-B3

Against Hector Rossetto at the Olympiad in Varna, 1962, I undertook the ultra sharp 10., P-K3; 11. B-K2, O-O; 12. P-KN4, P-KB4; 13. Pxp, Pxp, but even though I ultimately won that game, I later decided that I would not voluntarily risk such danger to my King a second time.

The far superior text move, on the other hand, is part of the excellent plan for playing this position originated by Gligoric. Black develops his forces quietly and simply, achieving an impregnable position before making any aggressive attempt to enlarge the scope of his Bishops.

11. Q-B2 P-B3
12. B-K2 B-Q2
13. P-QN4 Q-B2
14. N-N3 O-O-O!



Defying the opponent's attempts to render the Q-side uninhabitable, Black's move is based on several sound considerations. If White is not bluffing, but really means to go ahead on the Q-side, where will he keep his own King? If it stays in the center, Black will create a beehive of activity there by P-K4, while, if White castles K-side, P-KR4-R5 will quickly smoke him out. Apart from the safety of the White King, it is not so easy to break on the Q-side. 15. P-N5, for example, would be met by 15., Pxp; 16. Pxp, K-N1 and Black threatens to turn the open file to his own use.

15. O-O-O K-N1
16. K-N1 KR-K1
17. B-Q3 P-K4

The straightforward theme of this game is the exploitation by Black of the advantage of the Bishop pair. White chooses a quiet system against Black's King's Indian Defense, perhaps hoping that Black will over-extend himself trying to obtain play. But White's plan fails because, as the game shows, Black's position is solid enough to permit him the luxury of advancing his K-side pawns and expending two tempos with his King's Knight for the sake of obtaining the two Bishops.

In the remainder of the game we see Black making steady progress toward his goal of opening lines for the Bishops. No sooner is that strategic goal achieved than White's position collapses. The final position is practically a textbook illustration of the awful power of the Two Bishops on an open board.

U.S. Championship, 1963-4 KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

Wm. Addison R. Byrne

1. P-Q4 N-KB3
2. P-QB4 P-KN3
3. N-QB3 B-N2
4. B-N5

A rarely tried continuation. I really do not understand it myself and so I cannot describe its merits for the reader.

4. P-Q3

Black postpones castling in order to get a better look at what sort of formation White is going to set up.

5. P-K3

More aggressive and leading to a different kind of game would be 5. P-K4.

5. QN-Q2
6. N-B3 P-KR3
7. B-R4 P-KN4



Black decides to obtain the Two Bishops, judging that White will not be able to exploit the advanced K-side pawns nor use the two tempos that Black's Knight yields in going after the Bishop.

8. B-N3 N-R4
9. N-Q2

RUSSIAN CHESS GLEANINGS

by Oscar Freedman

Is It Witchcraft?

(From an article in "Shakhmaty" by Y. Averbakh)

In looking through one of the recent issues of "The American Chess Quarterly" I noticed R. Fischer's commentaries to his game with R. Byrne. (U.S. Championship, 1963-64) After the moves: 1. P-Q4, N-KB3; 2. P-QB4, P-KN3; 3. P-KN3, P-B3; 4. B-N2, P-Q4; 5. PXP, PXP; 6. N-QB3, B-N2; 7. P-K3, O-O; 8. KN-K2, N-B3; 9. O-O, P-N3; 10. P-N3, B-QR3; 11. B-QR3, R-K1; 12. Q-Q2, P-K4; 13. PXP, NXP the following position was reached:



White now played 14 KR-Q1 and after 14., N-Q6; 15. Q-B2, NxP!! he became the victim of a crushing attack. The end was not long in coming: KxN, N-N5 ch; 17. K-N1, NxKP; 18. Q-Q2, NxB; 19. KxN, P-Q5! 20. NxP, B-N2ch; 21. K-B1, Q-Q2! and Byrne resigned, as 22. Q-KB2, Q-R6ch; 23. K-N1 is of no avail because of the effective blow 23., R-K8ch! 24. RxR, BxN, etc. The game received a brilliancy prize.

(For Byrne's annotations to this game, see CHESS LIFE, June 1964, p. 142—Ed.)

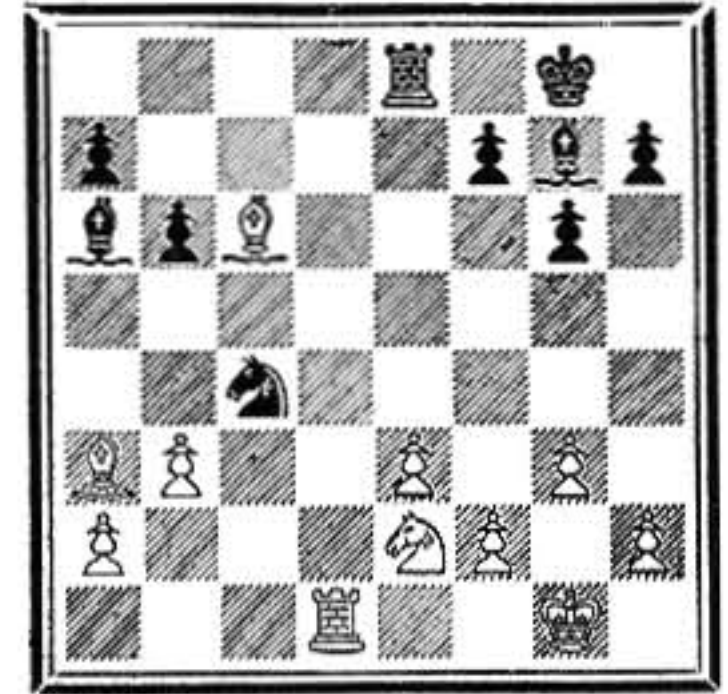
In his annotations to the game, after 14. KR-Q1, Fischer writes that it is difficult to suggest anything better; "14. NxP leads to a loss of material as the N on K2 is eventually lost. If 14. QR-Q1, then 14., N-K5; 15. NxN, PxN; 16. BxP, QxQ; 17. RxQ, N-B5; 18. BxR, NxR; 19. R-Q1, N-B5; 20. PxN (best), RxB winning back the pawn with great advantage in the endgame."

It is obvious from these annotations that R. Fischer considers White's position as shown in the diagram a poor one. Is this evaluation correct? Of course White's position is inferior—but not lost, in my estimation. It is clear that the source of all ills was the haphazard move

14. KR-Q1, resulting in a weakening of the square KB2. Instead, correct was 14. QR-Q1. This move is logical: White withdraws the Rook from the dangerous diagonal and attacks the P on Q5.

Now, as to the variation given by R. Fischer. The American grandmaster forces the play into an endgame favorable to Black.

My experience as an analyst tells me that in such a long variation an error can easily creep in. In fact, after 19., N-B5, White is not forced to reply 20. PxN (although Fischer thinks it best), but can play 20. B-B6 (see diagram).



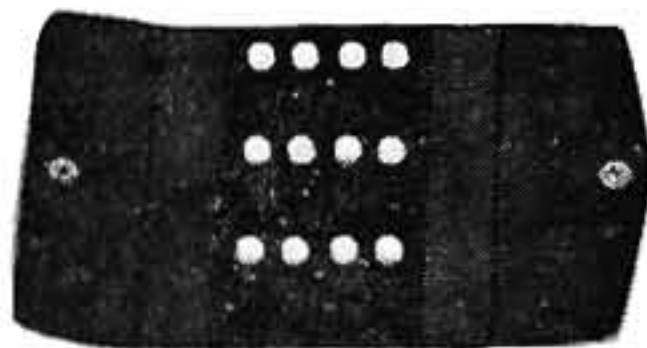
Let us examine the position. After 20., NxB; 21. BxR, BxN; 22. R-Q7! Black will have to work hard to secure a draw. His task would not be made easier by the intermediate move 21., K-B1, since White would continue

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TIE IN HAVANA

The Third Capablanca Memorial Tournament came to an end in Havana, Cuba on September 25 with Wolfgang Uhlmann of E. Germany and former World Champion Vassily Smyslov of the U.S.S.R. sharing first place with scores of 16-5. Both were undefeated, as was thirdplace Mark Taimonov of the U.S.S.R. who scored 15½.

Former U.S. Champion Larry Evans, who led the tournament much of the way, finished in fourth place with a score of 14½. Fifth was Lajos Portisch, Hungary (14) and sixth and seventh were shared by N. Padevsky and G. Stahlberg (13).

A selection of games from this tournament is given below.

QGD: SEMI-TARRASCH

V. Smyslov		K. Robatsch	
1. N-KB3	N-KB3	20. BxP	R-N1
2. P-KN3	P-K3	21. N-B6	R-N2
3. B-N2	P-B4	22. Q-KB3	P-QR4
4. P-B4	N-B3	23. NxP	R-K2
5. O-O	P-Q4	24. B-B6	Q-Q1
6. P-Q4	B-K2	25. N-N3	B-R3
7. BPxP	KNxP	26. KR-Q1	Q-B2
8. PxpP	O-O	27. P-K3	R-K3
9. Q-B2	N/4-N5	28. NxB	PxN
10. Q-K4	N-R3	29. B-Q5	R-KB3
11. B-K3	NxP	30. Q-K4	R-Q3
12. Q-B2	N-N5	31. Q-KB4	R/1-Q1
13. Q-B4	N-R5	32. BxPch	K-R1
14. Q-N3	Q-K1	33. RxR	RxR
15. N-K5	N-Q4	34. B-B4	BxB
16. B-Q4	P-QN3	35. QxB	R-Q7
17. N-QB3	N-B4	36. P-QN4	Q-K4
18. QBxN	BxB	37. R-KB1	Resigns
19. NxN	PxN		

NIMZO-INDIAN

J. Donner	L. Pachman		
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	19. R-Q1	P-KR3
2. P-QB4	P-K3	20. P-KR3	RxR
3. N-QB3	B-N5	21. RxR	R-Q1
4. P-K3	N-B3	22. K-R2	RxR
5. N-B3	O-O	23. QxR	Q-K3
6. Q-B2	P-Q3	24. Q-Q8ch	K-R2
7. B-Q2	P-K4	25. P-QN3	P-QN4
8. PxpP	NxP	26. BxN	PxB
9. NxN	PxN	27. PxpP	QxpP
10. P-QR3	BxN	28. QxpP	K-N1
11. BxB	Q-K2	29. QxRP	P-B5
12. B-K2	P-B4	30. P-B5	QxNP
13. O-O	P-QN3	31. Q-N5ch	K-B1
14. QR-K1	B-N2	32. Q-Q8ch	K-N2
15. P-B4	B-K5	33. Q-Q4ch	P-B3
16. B-Q3	BxB	34. QxRPch	K-R3
17. QxB	P-K5	35. Q-KB7	Q-K4ch
18. Q-B2	QR-Q1	36. K-N1	Resigns

ENGLISH OPENING

L. Portisch	H. Santa Cruz		
1. P-QB4	N-KB3	12. PxpP	NxP
2. N-QB3	P-Q4	13. R-N1	N-R4
3. PxpP	NxP	14. P-Q4	R-B1
4. P-KN3	P-K4	15. B-N2	B-QN5
5. B-N2	N-K2	16. N-Q5	BxN
6. N-B3	QN-B3	17. QxB	QxQ
7. P-QN4	P-B3	18. BxQ	PxpP
8. P-N5	N-Q5	19. QBxP	B-B4
9. O-O	B-K3	20. KR-B1	P-QN3
10. P-K3	NxNch	21. BxB	PxB
11. QxN	P-B3	22. R-N5	Resigns

SICILIAN DEFENSE

L. Evans	N. Padevsky		
1. P-K4	P-QB4	32. B-Q4	P-K4
2. N-KB3	P-Q3	33. P-KN4	Q-B5
3. P-Q4	PxP	34. BxRP	P-K5
4. NxP	N-KB3	35. BPxP	RxKP
5. N-QB3	P-KN3	36. B-Q4	R-K7ch
6. B-K3	B-N2	37. K-R1	R-KB7
7. P-B3	N-B3	38. PxpP	R-B8
8. Q-Q2	O-O	39. K-N2	RxR
9. O-O-O	P-Q4	40. RxR	Q-B6
10. PxpP	NxP	41. R-K1	BxB
11. N/4xN	PxN	42. QxB	QxRP
12. NxN	PxN	43. P-KR4	Q-R4
13. QxpP	Q-B2	44. R-K5	Q-R1
14. Q-QB5	Q-N1	45. R-Q5	R-K1
15. P-QN3	B-B4	46. P-R4	K-R2
16. B-Q3	R-B1	47. P-KR5	R-K7ch
17. Q-R5	B-B6	48. K-R3	Q-B1ch
18. Q-N5	Q-Q3	49. P-N4	P-B4
19. K-N1	B-Q2	50. PxpPch	KxpP
20. Q-R6	Q-K4	51. R-Q6ch	K-N4
21. B-K4	B-N4	52. Q-N1ch	K-B5
22. Q-R3	B-B3	53. R-Q4ch	R-K5
23. BxB	RxB	54. Q-B2ch	K-K4
24. R-Q3	Q-B2	55. RxRch	KxR
25. R/1-Q1	B-B3	56. Q-Q4ch	K-B6
26. B-R6	R-K1	57. Q-Q5ch	K-K7
27. Q-R4	Q-K4	58. P-R5	Q-B1
28. P-B3	R/3-B1	59. K-N3	K-K6
29. P-N3	Q-KR4	60. P-N5	P-B5
30. B-K3	Q-KB4	61. P-R6	P-B6
31. K-N2	P-KR4	62. Q-Q4ch	Resigns

NIMZO-INDIAN

M. Taimanov	A. O'Kelly		
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	16. R-B1	N/3-K2
2. P-QB4	P-K3	17. R-K1	B-B2
3. N-QB3	B-N5	18. N-K5	N-B4
4. P-K3	P-B4	19. P-N3	P-B3
5. B-Q3	P-Q4	20. N-KB3	R-K1
6. BPxpP	NxP	21. N-B3	N/B4-K2
7. B-Q2	N-QB3	22. Q-B2	P-KR3
8. N-B3	O-O	23. N-KR4	B-Q2
9. O-O	N-B3	24. B-R7ch	K-B1
10. P-QR3	B-R4	25. NxN	NxN
11. B-B1	Q-K2	26. Q-B5ch	K-B2
12. N-K4	PxpP	27. B-N6ch	K-N1
13. PxpP	N-Q4	28. BxR	B-N3
14. P-QN4	B-N3	29. BxB	BxQ
15. B-N2	Q-Q1	30. BxpPch	Resigns

CARO-KANN

S. Garcia	V. Smyslov		
1. P-K4	P-QB3	15. QxB	Q-B2
2. P-Q4	P-Q4	16. Q-R7	O-O-O
3. N-QB3	PxpP	17. QxRP	Q-R4ch
4. NxP	N-B3	18. R-Q2	P-K4
5. NxNch	NPxN	19. PxpP	NxP
6. N-K2	P-KR4	20. Q-R5	B-B4
7. N-B4	B-N5	21. P-QB3	RxR
8. Q-Q3	P-K3	22. BxR	N-Q6ch
9. B-K3	B-Q3	23. K-B1	NxBP
10. P-KR3	B-KB4	24. QxpP	Q-Q1
11. Q-Q2	N-Q2	25. N-K6	Q-Q6ch
12. B-K2	P-R5	26. K-K1	Q-K5ch
13. R-Q1	R-KN1	27. Resigns	
14. B-Q3	BxB		

KING'S INDIAN

L. Evans	M. Udovcic		
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	22. P-R5	P-K3
2. P-QB4	P-KN3	23. PxpP	BxpP
3. N-QB3	B-N2	24. P-R3	B-Q2
4. P-K4	P-Q3	25. K-R2	Q-Q1
5. P-B3	O-O	26. B-B3	B-R3
6. KN-K2	P-B4	27. B-K2	Q-Q2
7. P-Q5	P-QR3	28. R-N7	Q-B1
8. P-QR4	P-N3	29. R-N6	N-QR1
9. B-N5	QN-Q2	30. R-N3	N-B2
10. Q-Q2	N-K4	31. N-R4	P-B4
11. N-N3	R-N1	32. N-N6	Q-Q1
12. B-K2	N-K1	33. PxpP	PxpP
13. O-O	P-B3	34. B-R5	Q-B3
14. B-K3	B-Q2	35. R-Q3	KB-B1
15. QK-N1	N-QB2	36. B-B2	R-N1
16. P-B4	N-B2	37. N-K2	N-K1
17. P-N4	Q-B1	38. N-B3	N-N2
18. PxpP	NPxpP	39. B-B3	Q-R3
19. RxR	QxR	40. N/3-Q5	Q-N3
20. R-N1	Q-B1	41. N-B7	Resigns
21. R-N3	R-K1		

MEDNIS TOPS NEW ENGLAND

Senior Master Edmar Mednis of Woodside, N.Y. took six games out of seven to finish a clear first in the New England Open, played in Hartford, Conn. on September 4-7. Mednis dropped one game, losing to USCF Master John Curdo of Lynn, Mass. in round four, winning all the rest, to finish on top of a 58-player field.

Lawrence Noderer, Windsor, Conn.; James Bolton, New Haven, Conn.; and David Turner, Boston, finished immediately behind Mednis and in that order, all with 5½.

A Class B tournament (for players rated below 1800) was held concurrently with the main event. It drew a turnout of 54 players and was won by Loren Lomasky, West Hartford, Conn. and Carl Pennington, Madison, Conn. who each scored 6-1.

BRASKET SCORES IN IOWA

The Iowa Open, played in Cedar Rapids on September 5-6, drew a total of 79 players in three divisions. The 57-player major section was dominated by three Minnesotans who posted scores of 4½-½: Curt Brasket, St. Paul, Milton Otteson, Minneapolis, and James H. Young, Coon Rapids. Solkoff tie-breaking put them in that order. Next, with 4-1, were L. C. Young, Madison, Wisconsin, Glen Proechel, Minneapolis and Ray Ditrichs, De Kalb, Illinois.

A "Middle Class" Division of 12 players was won by Michael Callinan of Minneapolis who scored 4½-½. Robert Burrell, Jessup, Iowa and John M. Osness, Waterloo, Iowa tied for second and third with 3½.

The Junior Division, with ten players, was won by 18-year-old Robert Tiling of Minneapolis, 4½-½. Mark Bellnap, 17, of Des Moines, Iowa was second with 4-1.

The three tournaments were sponsored by the Iowa State Chess Association and Dan Reynolds directed.

KALENIAN PENN CHAMP

Four players — Clarence Kalenian, Sergei Goregliad, Robert Sobel and Albert Quindry—scored 6-1 in the Pennsylvania Championship in Shamokin, Pa. on September 5-7 in a field of 87. Kalenian won out on tie-breaking, the others following in the order listed. The top three players were undefeated, each yielding two draws.

Kalenian, a new USCF master rated at exactly 2200 before the tournament, won five straight before nailing down the title with draws against Sobel and Goregliad in the last two rounds.

The tournament, sponsored by the Pennsylvania State Chess Federation and directed by Arthur Casselman, was limited to Pennsylvania residents and members of Pennsylvania chess clubs. The 1963 Champion, Jeffrey Harris, did not defend his title.

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Upset of a Champion

by EDMAR MEDNIS

Among the most popular and dangerous chessplayers on the continent are the Swiss. Though neither the Swiss teams nor individual Swiss players can point to any outstanding tournament results, in a given game they have been capable of winning from anyone. Examples of this from further back are the qualification of the Swiss team for the Finals of the 1956 Moscow Olympiad (with Dieter Keller defeating grandmaster Geller in the prelims) and the win of the same Keller over our own Bobby Fischer in the 1959 Zurich Tournament, thereby depriving Bobby of a tie for first. The examples that follow are from the recently completed European zonal tournaments. Even though no Swiss player qualified for the Interzonal, the Swiss were instrumental in determining who would qualify. Both Szabo and Pomar lacked exactly one point for qualification

I.

Kecskemet Zonal, 1964 SICILIAN DEFENSE

E. Bhend (Switzerland)		L. Szabo (Hungary)	
1. P-K4	P-QB4	3. P-Q4	PxP
2. N-KB3	P-K3	4. NxP	P-QR3
5. B-K3		

This is a new try, as is 5. N-Q2. 5. N-QB3 leads to standard positions and 5. B-Q3 has lost most of its power because of Polugaevsky's 5., B-B4.

5.	N-KB3
6. B-Q3	Q-B2

But this is too passive and leads soon to a cramped game. Dr. Euwe here recommends 6., P-K4 and after 7. N-KB3, P-Q4!

7. P-KB4	P-Q3
8. N-QB3	QN-Q2(?)

Bhend has a strong rejoinder to this. Correct would have been the more normal 8., N-B3.

9. P-KN4!	N-B4
10. P-N5	KN-Q2
11. Q-Q2	N-N3(?)

There will be no hope for Black after this as his pieces will be in each other's way. Better would be 11., P-N4; 12. P-QR3, B-N2, even though White still would be for choice.



12. P-B5!	P-K4	14. N-N3	B-B3
13. N/4-K2	B-Q2	15. B-K2

Black is now hard-pressed for a reasonable continuation. Both 15., R-Q1 and 15., O-O-O are answered strongly by 16. N-Q5. Possibly Black should have tried to exchange White's QN by playing here or on the next move, N/3-R5.

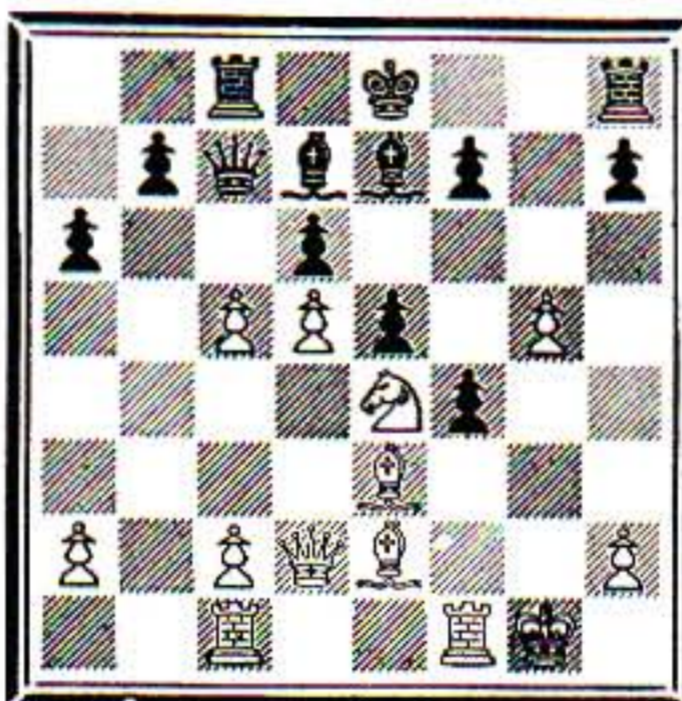
15.	R-B1
16. R-QB1	P-N3
17. N-Q5!	NxN

This loses a tempo and perhaps 17., BxN was better.

18. PxN	B-Q2
19. O-O	B-K2
20. P-N4!	PxP

A counter-combination such as this offers no hope of success, but hopeless also appears 20., N-R5; 21. P-B4!

21. PxN	P-B5
22. N-K4!



The position is now opened up and White's advantage is decisive.

22.	PxB
23. QxP	PxP

Black is lost no matter what he plays; e.g., 23., O-O; 24. PxP, BxQP; 25. N-B6ch, K-N2; 26. Q-K4, R-KR1 and White can win an exchange with 27. NxB, QxN; 28. B-N4 or continue to play for the attack with 27. B-Q3.

24. P-Q6!	BxQP
25. N-B6ch	K-Q1

25., K-B1 loses to 26. NxBch, QxN; 27. B-B4, P-B4; 28. Q-KB3.

26. QR-Q1	R-K1
27. RxB!

The quickest way to win! Instead of taking an exchange, White sacrifices one!

27.	QxR
28. R-Q1	Q-Q5
29. RxQ	KPxR
30. Q-B2	R-K4
31. NxB	RxPch
32. K-R1	R-B3
33. N-B6	Resigns

Bhend executed the attack most impressively with relatively simple means.

II.

The Spanish grandmaster Arturo Pomar is well remembered by American chessplayers as the co-winner of the U.S. Open Championship in New Orleans, 1954. He lost only the following game at Enschede, but it was sufficient to prevent him from qualifying for the Interzonal.

Enschede Zonal, 1963 SICILIAN DEFENSE

J. Kupper (Switzerland)		A. Pomar (Spain)	
1. P-K4	P-QB4	5. N-QB3	P-KN3
2. N-KB3	P-Q3	6. B-K3	B-N2
3. P-Q4	PxP	7. P-B3	N-B3
4. NxP	N-KB3	8. Q-Q2	O-O
9. B-QB4		



This position has appeared in tournaments literally thousands of times so far—and yet the best continuation for Black has not been determined. The most popular move lately has been 9., N-Q2, to aim for possession of Black's QB5 with, N-QR4 and, N-N3 (or, N-K4). Playable also are 9., B-Q2 and 9., NxN. Pomar tries a new defense, but Kupper shows it to be inferior.

9.	N-QR4
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This was the original rejoinder to 9. B-QB4 when it was introduced by the Yugoslavian masters. However, White's attack always came faster than any counterplay by Black on the Q-side. Pomar, of course, realized this and played the text because he had a new continuation in mind.

10. B-N3	P-N3
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This is it, but it's too slow. Better would have been 10., B-Q2; 11. P-KR4, R-QB1, transposing into Wasjukov-Parma, USSR-Yugoslavia, 1963.

11. B-R6	B-R3(?)
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Black never recovers from this. The Bishop has nothing to do here: White didn't plan to castle K-side! Correct

would be 11., B-N2 to keep control over Black's QR square.

12. O-O-O

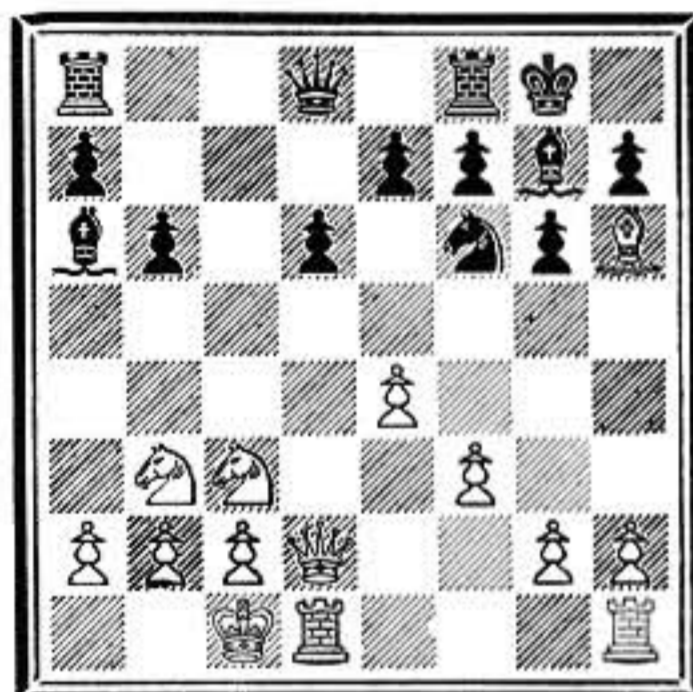
Kupper points out that an immediate 12. P-KR4 would be premature because Black gets counterplay with 12., BxB! 13. QxB, P-K4; 14. N/4-K2, NxB; 15. RPxN, BxN; 16. KxB, P-Q4!

12. NxBch

This is "anti-positional" and cannot be good. Good moves are hard to find, but a better try would be 12., N-B5; 13. BxN, QBxB to continue with, P-K4 and, P-QN4.

13. NxN

Also "anti-positional"—but sound. The opening of the Q-file for White will offer chances for P-K5 later on. The normal recapture, of course, is 13. RPxN.



13. B-B5(?)

Pointless. This was the last chance for some counterplay with 13., P-QN4.

14. P-KR4 BxN

It doesn't matter anymore what Black does; White's attack is decisive.

15. RPxB R-K1

16. BxB KxB

17. P-R5! N-N1

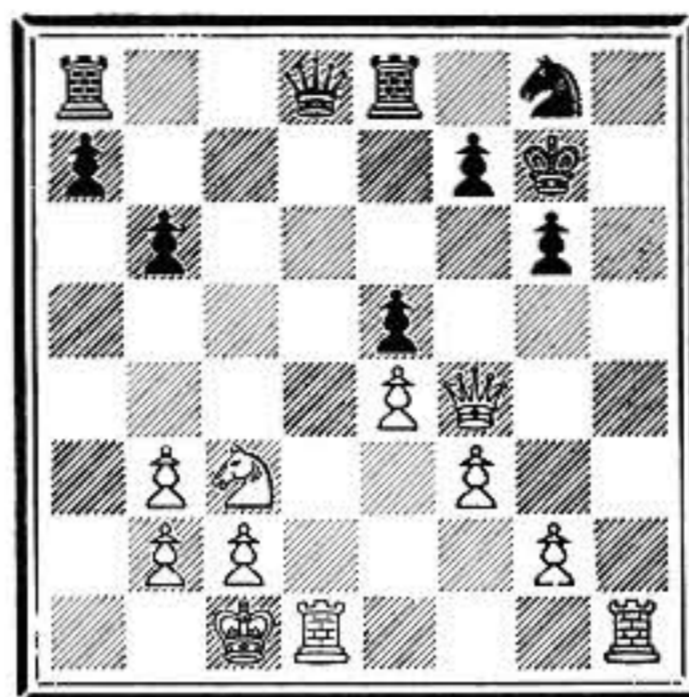
Other possibilities are: (a) 17., NxRP; 18. P-KN4, N-B3; 19. Q-R6 ch, K-N1; 20. N-Q5; (b) 17., R-R1; 18. P-R6 ch, K-B1; 19. P-K5, N-K1; 20. N-K4; (c) 17., PxP; 18. P-K5! In each case White has a won game.

18. PxP RPxP

18., BPxP gets the same reply with similar threats.

19. Q-B4! P-K4

Allows a pretty finish, but Black has no satisfactory defense.



20. R-R7ch! KxR 22. R-R1ch K-N4

21. QxPch K-R3 23. Q-R7!

A powerful "quiet" move. The threat is simply 24. Q-R4 mate.

23. K-B3

24. N-Q5ch K-K3

25. N-B7ch K-B3

26. Q-R8ch Resigns

It is mate after 26., K-N4; 27. Q-R4 or 26., K-B2; 27. R-R7ch, K-B1; 28. Q-N7. A powerful performance by Kupper.

POPEL WINS MICH. OPEN

Stephen A. Popel of Fargo, N.D. won six games and drew in the final round with runner-up Jack Witeczek, Detroit, Michigan to take a clear first in the Michigan Open, played in Battle Creek on September 4-7. A rousing turnout of 95 players made this year's Michigan Open the largest ever held.

Popel's score of 6½-½ was unequalled in the tournament and he defeated, among others, Marvin Rogan, Edward Formanek and Philip Le Cornu.

Witeczek, Le Cornu, Angelo Sandrin, Formanek, Paul Poschel, Mitchell Sweig and Fred Foote all scored 5½ points and took second through eighth in the order listed.

The tournament was sponsored by the Michigan Chess Association and was directed by John Penquite.

COLORADO TO SHEAN

Robert Shean dropped just half a point in six rounds to take undisputed first place in the Colorado State Open, played in Denver on September 5-7. Shean's draw was with runner-up Jack Shaw, Albuquerque, N.M. who finished with 5-1. Also with 5-1 and undefeated was Wesley Koehler, Brighton, Colorado who finished third.

Thirty-three players took part in the tournament, top class prizes being awarded to Harlan Graves (A); Alfred Hulmes (B); Chris Levata (C). Charles Mendoza was the tournament director.

RUBIN TAKES ROCKY OPEN

The Rocky Mountain Open, played in Phoenix, Arizona on September 5-7, drew an entry of 71 players and was won by Sidney Rubin, Los Angeles, California with a score of 5½-½.

Sam G. Priebe, Flagstaff, Arizona and Paul Quillen, Glendale, California were second and third respectively with scores of 5-1.

Other players with five points were Karl Stani, Los Angeles, and Max Burkett, San Francisco. Tie-breaking placed them third and fourth.

Stani won the Class A prize and other prizes were awarded as follows: Class B, Stephen Skrypzak, Redlands, Calif.; Class C, William McLean, Scottsdale, Arizona; Class D, Victor Jorgensen, Jr., Phoenix, Arizona; Unrated, Dennis Balfe, Mountain View, Calif.; Junior, Geoffrey Gilbert, Tempe, Arizona; Women, Mabel Burlingame, Phoenix.

The Phoenix Chess Club sponsored the event and James Christman directed.



U.S. Junior Champion John Meyer, on right, practices with younger brother Eugene, who is also a rising young star in U.S. chess.

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Postal chess between clubs has a long and illustrious history, going back at least as far as the famous London-Edinburgh match of 1824. Now the **Parkway Chess Club** (Cincinnati, Ohio) has locked horns in two correspondence games with the **Westchester-Bronx Chess Club** (New York City) and some rather unusual positions seem sure to arise. In one game (Westchester-Bronx with White) the opening moves were: 1. P-QN4, P-QR4; 2. P-N5, P-Q4; 3. B-N2, P-QB4; 4. P-QR4. The other game is a Sicilian, with the moves: 1. P-K4, P-QB4; 2. P-Q4, PxP; 3. N-KB3, P-Q3.

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A five-round Swiss at the **King's Knight Chess Club** in Kingston, N.Y. ended last month in a 5-0 sweep for U.S. Junior Champion John C. Meyer. Carl Lundquist, 4-1, took second in a field of 17.

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A summer tournament, played during August at the **San Bernardino (Calif.) Chess Club**, was won by Tim Delaney

whose score of 3½-½ outdistanced a 10-player field.

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Richard Cohen of St. Paul, Minn. scored 5-1 to take a clear first in the 18-player **North Dakota Open**, played in Minot, N.D. over the Labor Day weekend. Runner-up was Dr. Nestor Kohut, Jamestown, N.D., who won the North Dakota State Championship with a score of 4½-1½. Also with 4½ was Michael Murray, Homestead, Montana who finished third. The Junior Trophy, for players 18 and under, was won by Garry Grau of Omaha, Nebraska. The tournament was sponsored by the Minot Chess Club and directed by Dr. B. Jayapathy.

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A "30/30" tournament was sponsored by the **Chicago Industrial Chess League** and played at the Albright Gym of the Western Electric Co. on September 12. Thirty-two players turned out for the event, which lasted from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. USCF Master Angelo Sandrin of Argonne National Lab scored 4½-½ to take first place honors; second through fifth were shared by Dr. Morton Hamermesh, Slavko Mihailovich, Nick Goncharoff and Victor Narkevicius.

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Brad Gambrell scored a 6-1 (two draws) to take a clear first in the **Alabama Open**, played in Birmingham on September 4-7. Ken Williamson, 5-2,

was second in the 15-player field and Dick Owen, with 4½, was third.

The reserve section, with 20 entries, was won by Jimmy Gladden, 6-1. Runner-up was Paul Hargett and third place went to Emsley T. Deaton, Jr. The Birmingham Chess Club was the sponsoring USCF affiliate and John Dohne directed.

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The **Merrimac Valley Rating Tournament**, played in West Roxford, Mass. ended on September 8 with victory going to Orlando Lester whose 8½-½ score topped a 10-player field.

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In a meeting on September 23, the **Kingsmen Chess Club** of Detroit, Mich., elected the following slate of officers: Phil D. Sheridan, President; Carl Haessler, Secretary; Tom Jenkins, Treasurer and Howard Gaba, Tournament Director.

The club has won the championship of the Detroit Metropolitan Chess League for three consecutive years.

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The 1964 **Georgia State Championship** was won by Dave Truesdel of Macon who scored 5½ points in six rounds to finish clear first in a field of 23 players over the Labor Day weekend. Braswell Deen, Jr. was second with 4½. The Junior Champion is Mike Day who scored 4-2.

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Milan Momic of Muscle Shoals, Alabama turned in a score of 5-1 to top the field in the **Tennessee Open Championship** on September 5-7. James Wright, Memphis, Tenn., was a clear second with 4½. Don DuPlantier, Nashville and E. Tsitsekli, Knoxville finished third and fourth respectively, with scores of 4-2. The open division had sixteen players; an 18-player amateur division was held concurrently and was won by Mike Coveyou, Oak Ridge, Tenn. who scored 5-1.

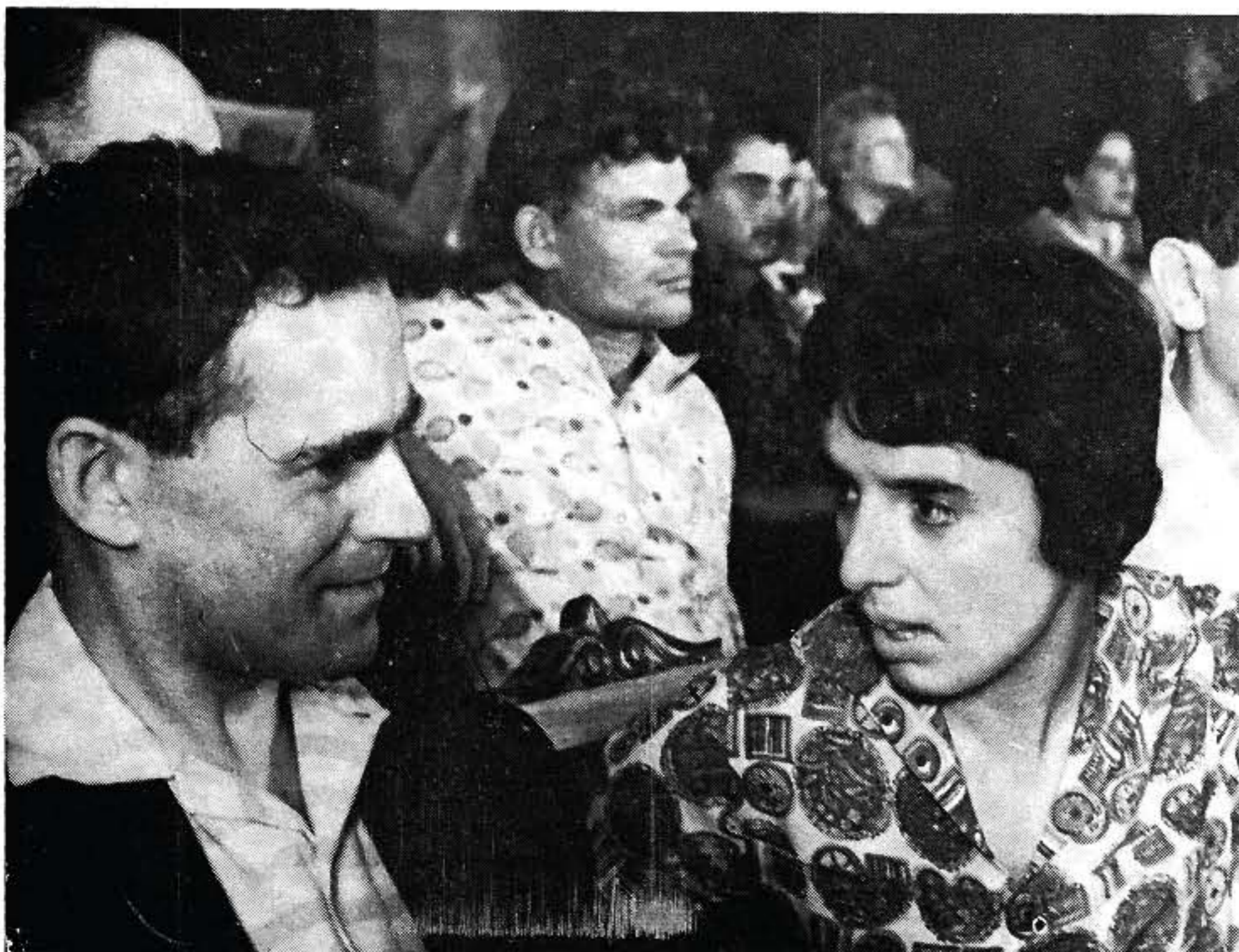
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Chess activity ran high during August and September in the **United States Air Force**, a series of regional events culminating in the Air Force's Worldwide Chess Championship at Kirtland AFB, New Mexico on September 8-11 under the direction of USCF President Ed Edmondson. A total of 23 players competed in a 6-round Swiss, with victory going to 2/Lt. Donald S. Napoli, 5½-½. 2/Lt. Donato Rivera Jr., Capt. Harold M. Weiner, CMS Irwin J. Lyon and A2C

SCHULTZ RETAINS TITLE

New Orleans Expert Richard A. Schultz won the Louisiana State Championship for the second year in a row by taking clear first in the 51-player Louisiana Open, held in the Crescent City on September 5-7. Schultz's score of 5½-½ put him ahead of Adrian L. McAuley, James West and Frank Repass who finished second through fourth with scores of 5-1.

The tournament was sponsored by the Louisiana Chess Association and was directed by Thomas Jordan, Jr.



WORLD WOMEN'S CHAMPION Nona Gaprindashvili, a guest of honor at the Sukhumi tournament (see p. 239) talks with Yugoslav coach V. Sokolov.

John Niven placed second through fifth, and they, together with the tournament winner, have qualified as Air Force representatives at the Thomas Emery competition for the Armed Forces Championship, to be played in Washington, D.C., November 7-14.

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The **Hawaii State Championship**, played in Honolulu over the Labor Day weekend, was won by Lloyd Kawamura with a 5-0 sweep in a field of 20 players. Runner-up was Fred Borges and Alvin Higa placed third. The Hawaii Chess Association was the sponsor and Borges directed.

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The **Garden Grove (Calif.) Labor Day Open** was won by Forest Smyth, whose 5-1 score topped a field of 22. Ben Kakimi, 4 points, took second.

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The **Pittsburgh Interscholastic Tournament**, sponsored by the Pittsburgh Chess Club, ended on October 5 with victory going to Ron Standley, 5½-½. The runner-up, Ken Shottling, scored 4½ points and is only eleven years old! Thirty-five students took part in the competition.

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The **Cornell Centennial Open**, played in Ithaca, N.Y. on October 2-4, drew an entry of twenty-four players and was won by Manhattan C.C. Champion Bernard Zuckerman with an unequalled 4½-½. Dr. Bruno Schmidt and Stephen Fellner were next in line with 4 points each. The Cornell Chess Club sponsored the event and John Otis directed.

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The **1964 New London (Conn.) Summer Open** ended in September with a 5-0 sweep for Richard Parsons in a field of 30 players. Former U. S. Amateur Champion Harry Lyman took second with 4½.

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That dangerous pair from Houston, Robert Brieger and William Bills, finished on top of the field in the 24-player **Brazos Open** at Texas A & M University on September 26-27. They each scored 4½ points in five rounds, Brieger winning out by one median point in tie-breaking. Thomas Richardson, C. Bill Jones and Tom Buckley placed next in that order, each with 3½. Texas Chess Association President Major B. G. Dudley directed.

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Rating Statistician Bill Goichberg joined the ranks of USCF Masters by taking a clear first in the **Columbus Day Open**, played in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. on October 10-12. Goichberg won five straight and drew with Mitchell Saltzberg in the final round to top a field of 41 players. Saltzberg and Paul Brandts, with 5-1, took second and third respectively.

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The **San Francisco Amateur**, with a field of 37 players, was won by Karlheinz Zanerle who edged out Donald Dean on

tie-break points, after each scored 4½ points in five rounds. K. Michael Goodall was the T.D.

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The **5th Annual Gateway Open**, played at the Pittsburgh Chess Club on October 3-4, drew a field of 47 players and was swept by Canadian master Ivan Theodorovitch, 5-0. Thomas Wozney, Cleveland, Ohio took second with 4½ and Sergei Gorgeliad, Philadelphia, Pa. took third with 4-1. Sixteen of the players in the tournament received prizes; \$200 in cash was distributed in addition to trophies and books. Martin S. Lubell was the tournament director.

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The 1964 Championship of Philadelphia's **Franklin-Mercantile Chess Club** was won by Arnold Chertkoff, whose score of 5½-½ was tops in a field of 18 players.

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In Odessa, Texas the **Panhandle-Permian Basin Open** on August 29-30 drew a field of 40 players and resulted in a victory for Max Burkett who edged out R. R. McCready on median points, both scoring 4½-½. Hector Fabela, 4-1, placed third. Don Naylor directed for the sponsoring Odessa Chess Club.

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The annual **Virginia State Closed Championship** was played in Richmond over the Labor Day weekend and resulted in a victory for Charles Powell whose score of 6½-½ gave him a clear margin in a field of 43 players. R. S. Callaghan, Jr., with 6 points, was runner-up and Irwin Sigmond scored 5-2 to place third. The event was sponsored by the Richmond Chess Club and was directed by Henry H. Ellis.

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EVENTS RATED FOR THIS LIST

(Note: Aside from a very few corrected ratings, this rating list includes only those players who participated in the events listed below.)

- INTERNATIONAL**—Interzonal—Holland—May—June.
International Tmt.—Buenos Aires—July—Aug.
- NATIONAL**—U.S. Team Champ.—Maryland—July.
U.S. Junior Champ.—Maryland—Aug.
U.S. Open Champ.—Boston—Aug.
- FOREIGN**—Bitburg Open—Germany—June.
Spangdahlem Invitational—Germany—July.
- ALABAMA**—Southern Open—3 divisions—July.
Huntsville C.C. Summer Tmt.—Aug.
Match: Williamson-Witty.
- ARIZONA**—Arizona Chess League—Feb.—May.
Phoenix C.C. Summer Tmts.—4 sections—June—July.
Phoenix C.C. Round Robin—July.
Phoenix C. C. Challenge Matches—March—Aug.
Sierra Vista Tmt.—Aug.
Matches: Shimmons-Rojko, Perrine-Figueroa.
- ARKANSAS**—Arkansas Open—2 sections—July.
- CALIFORNIA**—California Open—Sept. 1963 (Reported late.)
Bay Area League—Expert—A class—Jan.—April.
Sacramento Public Works Tmt.—Feb.—June.
Sacramento International Handicap—March—May.
A.B. Stamer Memorial—May.
Koltz C.C. Tmt.—April—June.
Orange County Open—June.
So. Cal. League Expert Candidates—May—June.
Newcomers' Rating Tmt.—April—June.
Santa Monica Spring Tmt.—May—June.
Southern California Open—June.
Monterey Park International—April.
Herman Steiner C.C. Prelims—Nov.—Dec. (Reported late.)
Sacramento Industrial League—Oct.—Feb. (Reported late.)
Masters and Experts Invitational—June—July.
McClellan A.F.B. Champ.—Aug.
Westchester C.C. Challenge Matches—June—Aug.
Pittsburg C.C. Tmt.—June—Aug.
California Junior Champ.—July.
Santa Monica Summer Tmt.—July—Aug.
Pacific South West Open—July—Aug.
U.C. Fish Tmt.—Jan.—June.
Riverside Vernal Tmt.—July.
Matches: Dean-Sloan, Wilkerson-Thornally, Sutherland-Blohm.
- COLORADO**—Denver Met. Open—June.
Rating Improvement Tmt.—July—Aug.
Match: Kaiser-Sutherland.
- CONNECTICUT**—New Haven B Open—Nov.—Dec. (Reported late)
Hartford C.C. Champ.—Jan.—July.
New Haven Tornado Open—Aug.
- DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**—Playoff match: Hearst-Berliner.
Pan-American C.C. Champ. and Playoff—Jan.—June.
William Flint Memorial—June.
Eastern Open—July.
- FLORIDA**—Gold Coast Open—July.
Match: Singleton-Miller.
- GEORGIA**—Atlanta Open—May.
- HAWAII**—Honolulu Open—July.
Oahu Champ.—Aug.
- IDAHO**—Idaho Open—2 sections—May.
- ILLINOIS**—Hawthorne C.C. Champ.—Oct.—June.
Oak Park Open—June—July.
Fox Valley Open—June.
Team Match: So. Ill. U. vs. Capablanca C.C.—July.
Bradley Summer Open—Aug.
Matches: Gelbart-Kulka, Kirby-Fornanek, Verber-Kirby, Sanchez-Ross.
- KENTUCKY**—Louisville Tmt.—Aug.
- LOUISIANA**—New Orleans C.C. Champ.—April—May.
Matches: Kleinfeldt-Wallace, Brown-Johnson, Dean-Chavez, Kleinfeldt-Parun, Repass-Baldock, Acers-Wald, Acres-DeBessenet, Acres-Klingman, LeCompte-RePass, Hale-Kleinfeldt, Levin-Parun.
- MAINE**—Downeast Open—June.
- MARYLAND**—Match: Naylor-Bindman.
- MASSACHUSETTS**—Central New England Open—June.
Cambridge Invitational—May—June.
Lowell C.C. Summer Tmt.—June—July.
Northeast Chess League Team Tmt.—Oct.—May.
Merrimac Valley Rating Tmt.—Dec.—Sept.
Match: Gilmore-McClure.
The New England Amateur, played in Boston in April, 1964, was rated for the July list but omitted from "events rated for this list" in July through error.
- MICHIGAN**—East Lansing Spring Open—Mar.—Apr.
Matches: Greenlaw-Allen, Brady-Gibson, Lane-Dimac, Richburg-Murray.
- MINNESOTA**—Matches: Proechel-Ashford, Fenner-Cohen.
- MISSISSIPPI**—Mississippi Open—June.
- MISSOURI**—Capablanca C.C. A and B Tmt.—June—July.
Team Match: St. Louis YMCA vs. So. Ill. U. C.C.—Aug.
Matches: Steffen-Gaitonde, Joyce-Steffen.
- NEBRASKA**—Match: Tomas-Grau.
- NEVADA**—Las Vegas Summer Tmt.—May—June.
Las Vegas Open—July.
- NEW JERSEY**—South Jersey League—reserve section—Sept.—May.
Jersey City YMCA Spring Tmt.—May—June.
New Jersey Junior Championship—June.
Fort Monmouth Tmt.—July.
Jersey City YMCA Summer Tmt.—July—Aug.
Matches: Dubeck-Blonarovich, A. Ruiz-L. Ruiz.
- NEW YORK**—Baltic C.C. Champ. Playoff—April—June.
Rossolimo's Sunday Tmt.—April—May.
Chadwick C.C. Ladder—May—July.
WEATT C.C. Champ.—2 sections—May—June.
Manhattan C.C. Amateur and Junior Finals—Jan.—July.
Rossolimo's Sunday Tmt.—May—June.
New York City Junior Champ.—July.
New York State Champ.—July.
Matches: Pandolfini-Solomon, Both-Schein, Karp-Glickman, Loos-Fredericks, Garber-Solomon, LeGrand-Bibuld, Bender-Joss.
- NORTH CAROLINA**—Greensboro Invitational—June—July.
- OHIO**—Cleveland Round Robins—June.
Cleveland Chess Congress—all tmts.—July.
Cincinnati Open—July.
Match: Zageris-Bulloff.
- PENNSYLVANIA**—Pittsburgh C.C. Open—Feb.—June.
Lancaster County Tmt.—June.
Team Match: Pittsburgh vs. Sharon—Youngstown—June.
Philadelphia Women's Champ.—Mar.—June.
Susquehanna Valley Open—July.
Pittsburgh C.C. Junior Tmt.—July.
Delaware Valley Open—July—Aug.
- RHODE ISLAND**—Providence C.C. Champ.—Mar.—July.
Providence Open—Aug.
- SOUTH CAROLINA**—Carolinas Open—June.
- TENNESSEE**—Oak Ridge Invitational—May—June.
Match: M. Coveyou-Akers.
- TEXAS**—Houston City Champ. and Reserve Champ.—April—June.
Valley Open—June.
San Antonio City Champ.—July.
Amarillo Open—Aug.
Matches: Wright-Hunt, Hughes-Willis, Steele-Nicolet, Jewell-Hughes.
- UTAH**—Match: Nilsson-Hansen.
- VIRGINIA**—Arlington C.C. Ladder—Rds. 311-320.
Virginia Tidewater Champ.—July—Aug.
Matches: Brennaman-Rider, Flowers-Burgess.
- WASHINGTON**—Evergreen Empire Open—June.
Seafair Open—Aug.
- WISCONSIN**—Milwaukee County Champ.—Mar.—May.
Western Open—July.
Match: Nowak-Templin.

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Tuesday, February 9—Time limit for remainder of tournament, 50 moves in 2½ hours, 20 moves per hour thereafter.
—Round 3, 9 a.m.
—Round 4, 4 p.m.
—Adjourned games played off at 9 p.m.

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—Round 6, 4 p.m.
—Midnight visit to the Stardust's fabulous "Lido de Paris" Revue.

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—Round 7, 4 p.m.

Friday, February 12—Adjourned games played off at 9 a.m.
—Round 8, 4 p.m.

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November 7-8

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November 7-8

KLAMATH OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

5-round Swiss at the Winema Motor Hotel, Klamath Falls, Oregon. Two sections, with \$3 entry fee in either. **CHAMPIONSHIP SECTION**: USCF rated, USCF membership required; Open to all. Cash prizes, 50% of entry fees to Champion, 25% to second place. Trophies to Champion, 2nd, 3rd, top A, B, and C or lower. **RESERVE SECTION**: Unrated, USCF membership not required. No experts or masters in this section. Trophies to 1st, 2nd, 3rd. 75% of entry fees to be returned as prizes in the form of USCF memberships. **SPECIAL TROPHIES** to best junior and to best woman player. Advance entries or information, write to Wesley McKaig, PO Box 130, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601. Final registration at the Winema Motor Hotel. Tournament from 8 to 9 A.M. Saturday, November 7. Directors, USCF Prexy Ed Edmondson and Robert A. Mitchell of Klamath Falls.

November 13-15

MAINE OPEN

6-round Swiss, 45/2, to be played at YMCA, 70 Forest Ave., Portland, Maine.

Engraved trophy and cash prize to winner; cash prizes for 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and Class B, C, Unrated. Winner will be Maine Open Champion; highest-scoring Maine player will be State Champion. Entry fee \$5. Entries and inquiries: Stuart Laughlin, 68 Prospect St., Portland, Me.

November 14-15

RIVERSIDE OPEN

6-round Swiss, to be played at Fairmount Park Adult Recreation Center, 2624 Fairmount Blvd., Riverside, Calif. First prize \$125 plus trophy; 2nd, 3rd and class prizes to be determined by entries. Entry fee \$10; Juniors under 18, \$7.50. Entries and inquiries: Donald R. Cotten, 3966 Royce St., Riverside, Calif. 92503.

November 14-15

KANSAS STATE OPEN

5-round Swiss, 45/2, to be played at Campus Activities Center, University of Wichita, Wichita, Kansas. \$50 first prize; trophies and cash prizes for second and third as entries permit. Title of Kansas Champion to highest-scoring Kansas resident. Registration 8 to 9:30 a.m. Saturday, November 14; entry fee \$5. Details: Leo Edgington, 845 South Dellrose, Wichita, Kansas.

November 14-15

OHIO HILLS OPEN

5-round Swiss, 50/2, to be played at Columbia Gas Co. Building, Corner of Highland Ave. & Steubenville Ave., Cambridge, Ohio. First prize \$30, second \$15, 3rd \$10; entry fee \$5 plus USCF membership if not already a member. Register by 9 a.m. on Saturday, November 14. Further details: Blair MacDermid, RFD 3, Cambridge, Ohio.

November 14-15
November 21-22

ROSSOLIMO WEEKEND TOURNAMENT

To be played on Saturdays and Sundays on above dates, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., 4-round Swiss, 50/2, at the Rossolimo Chess Studio, 191 Sullivan St., in Greenwich Village, New York City. Cash and trophy prizes will be awarded. Entry fee \$8 plus USCF dues if not already a member. Adjudications by Grandmaster Nicolas Rossolimo. Further details: N. Rossolimo, at above address.

November 20-22

9TH ANNUAL SOUTH JERSEY AMATEUR

6-round Swiss, restricted to non-masters, to be played at Plaza Motor Hotel, 500 Cooper St., Camden, N.J. Trophies for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Class A, B, C, Unrated; Serpico Memorial Trophy to highest SJCA member. Entry fee \$5; juniors under 21, \$3. Details: Lewis E. Wood, 1425 Sycamore St., Haddon Heights, N.J. 08035.

November 26-29

NORTH CENTRAL OPEN

7 rd. Swiss, 50/2½ to be played at Plankinton Hotel, Sky Room, 609 N. Plan-

kinton Ave., Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Total allocated prize fund \$1400, 1st prize \$300; 2nd prize \$200; 3rd prize \$100, with merit prize money of \$12.50 for each ½ point scored above 4½ pts. In addition there will be prizes and trophies for top woman player, top Junior, and classes A, B, C, and unrated and class D. Entry fee \$13. (\$10 for Jrs.) USCF membership required. Tournament Director: Ernest Olfe. Inquiries to Miss Pearle Mann, 1218 Railway Exch. Bldg., Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202.

November 27-29

6TH ANNUAL MOTOR CITY OPEN

Major event, 6-round Swiss, 50/2, to be played at Hazel Park Recreation Bldg., 620 Woodward Hts., Hazel Park, Mich. 1st and 2nd prizes cash and trophies; winner to have his name inscribed on Father Steiner Trophy. Trophies for Class A, B, C, Top Woman. Entry fee \$7.50. Concurrently, an unrated amateur tournament will be held (entry fee: adults \$6; Juniors \$4); and high school and grade school championships. Entries close at 11 a.m., November 27. Details: Dr. Howard Gaba, 17328 Ohio, Detroit, Mich.

November 27-29

5TH ANNUAL MID-SOUTH OPEN

6-round Swiss, 40/2, open to all who are or who become members of USCF and TCA (\$1), to be played at Hotel Claridge, 109 No. Main St., Memphis, Tenn. First prize \$100, second \$50, third \$25. Entry fee \$8. Registration by 1:00 p.m. Nov. 29, 1st rd. starts 2:00 p.m. Amateur Div. (1799 and under) and Reserve Div. (1599 and under) with entry fee of \$6 with trophies for 1st, 2nd, 3rd in each division. Advance entries and inquiries to Frank Garner, 5550 Park Ave., Memphis, Tenn. 38117.

November 27-29

SOUTH CAROLINA CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIP

5-round Swiss to be played at Foster School of the Dance, 4600 Trenholm Road, Columbia, S.C. Open to S.C. residents only or to persons from out-of-state who are stationed or attending school in S.C. Entry fee \$7, of which \$5 is applied toward USCF membership. Trophy prizes. Bring sets and clocks. Details: Prof. Lanneau L. Foster, 4600 Trenholm Road, Columbia, S.C.

November 27-29

ARIZONA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

6-round Swiss to be played at Adult Recreation Center, 1101 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona. First prize \$50 plus trophy and title; Ranking Arizonan, trophy & title; 2nd, \$25 plus trophy; 3rd, \$15 plus trophy; Junior (Under 21), trophy & title; trophy & title for top woman and classes A, B, C, D & Unrated. Additional prizes depending on turnout. Entry fee: \$7 for USCF members; non-members must join USCF. \$2.00 refund if player completes all games. Registration closes 7:30 p.m., Friday, November

27. Round I begins 8 p.m. Final round begins 1 p.m. Sunday, November 29. Further information: Jimmy Aden, 7249 E. Coronado Rd., Scottsdale, Arizona. WH 5-0297.

November 28-29

PACIFIC NORTHWEST OPEN

6-round Swiss to be played at Erb Memorial Student Union, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon. To be played in two sections, USCF & Reserve: entry fees \$5 and \$2 respectively. Registration from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. on November 28. Please bring sets, boards, clocks. Further details: Judy Grankey, Games Committee Chairman, Erb Memorial Student Union, U. of Oregon.

November 28-29

TEXAS OPEN & TEXAS CANDIDATES

To be played at Holiday Inn, Interstate Hwy. 35 (at south end of town), Denton, Texas. Candidates restricted to those who qualified in previous regional tournaments. Open for all who are or who become members of USCF & Texas Chess Association. 5-round Swiss, 45/2, prizes (Open) guaranteed 1st \$100 plus trophies for 1st and Class A, B, C, book awards for 2nd in each class; (Candidates) trophies for first three places; cash prizes as entry fees permit. Entry fees: Open—\$5 for students and/or Juniors (under 21); \$7.50 for all others. Candidates — \$10. Registration: 6:30-8 p.m., Friday, November 27 and 8-9 a.m. Saturday, November 28. (Optional first round November 27 at 8 p.m.) For advance entries and further information: John D. Ham, 1916 Ft. Worth Drive, Denton, Texas 76201.

December 5-6

MINNEAPOLIS "EUROPEAN STYLE" TOURNAMENT

Restricted to Class A, Expert and Master, 4-round Swiss, to be played at Minneapolis Downtown YMCA, 30 South 9th St., Minneapolis, Minn. Time limit 40 moves in 2½ hours; 10 moves every 30 minutes thereafter. All evening rounds played to a finish; first and third rounds must be adjourned one-half hour before start of succeeding round; adjourned games temporarily adjudicated for pairing purposes and played out in an adjournment period provided for between rounds three and four. 1st prize, \$50 plus trophy; 2nd, \$25 plus trophy. Trophy to player with highest rating improvement; 50% of funds over 20 entries distributed to first four place winners and first Handicap winner. Entry fee \$8 plus USCF membership if not already a member. Registration 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 5. Advance entries and inquiries: Alden Riley, 2095 E. Cowern Place, No. St. Paul, Minn.

December 5-6

CHALLENGERS' TOURNAMENT

Restricted to Class B, C, Unrated; 5-round Swiss to be played in Minneapolis (see previous notice for address). 1st prize, \$25 plus trophy, 2nd \$15 plus trophy, 3rd \$10 plus trophy. Entry fee

\$5 plus USCF membership if not already a member. Details: Alden Riley at above address.

December 5-6

EASTERN MISSOURI OPEN

5 round Swiss, 50/2, to be played at Y.M.C.A., 1528 Locust Street, St. Louis, Mo. Trophies 1st, 2nd and 3rd and 1st and 2nd Class A, B, & C. Entry fee \$6. Inquiries: John V. Ragan, Director, 140 St. Dorothy Drive, East St. Louis, Ill.

December 5-6

OKLAHOMA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

5-round Swiss, 35 moves in 1½ hrs. for first three rounds, 40 moves in 2 hours for last two rounds, to be played at Oklahoma Memorial Union, U. of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla. Winner of tournament becomes Oklahoma Open Champion, highest-placing Oklahoman becomes Oklahoma State Champion; cash prizes according to entries plus trophy awards. Entry fee \$5 plus USCF dues if not a member. Registration December 5, 8:30 to 10:15 a.m., 1st round starts at 11:30 a.m. An unrated, no-entry fee Junior tournament will be held concurrently with main event. Tournament Director: Jerry G. Spann. For further details: D. Ballard, Cleveland House, Norman, Okla.

December 11-13

CHESS HORIZON CHRISTMAS CONGRESS

5-round Swiss to be held at Boylston YMCU, 48 Boylston St., Boston, Mass.

Prizes according to entries; Entry fee \$5 if prior to December 7; \$6 thereafter. USCF & MSCA membership required. Also included in program: a 5-minute Chess Tournament and a Christmas Party on Sunday, December 13. Further details & advance entries: Robert B. Goodspeed, 981 Plymouth St., Bridgewater, Mass. 02324.

December 11-13

SANTA MONICA OPEN

6-round Swiss, 50/2, to be played at Joslyn Hall, Lincoln & Wilshire Blvds., Santa Monica, Calif. Minimum prizes: 1st, \$150; 2nd \$75; Highest Expert \$50; Class A \$40; B \$30; C, D, Unrated \$20. Entry fee: \$10.50. Details: Herbert T. Abel, 4 Marine Terrace, Santa Monica, Calif.

December 12-13

GOLDEN SPREAD OPEN

5-round Swiss, 45/2, will be held in the First State Finance building, 813 Georgia, Amarillo, Texas. Entry fee; \$5 plus USCF membership. Registration until 8:30 a.m. Saturday. Trophies for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, B, and C, plus cash as entries permit. For further information and pre-registration contact Gary Simms, 3422 Meadow, Amarillo, Texas.

December 31 - January 3

DETROIT CITY OPEN

7-round Swiss, being held as a Lucille Kellner Memorial Tournament, to be

played at Chessmate Gallery, 17126 Livernois, Detroit, Mich. First round begins on Thursday, December 31 at 7:30 p.m. First prize \$200; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$50 plus trophies. Entry fee: \$8.50 plus USCF dues if not already a member. Write to Chessmate Chess Club at above address for further details.

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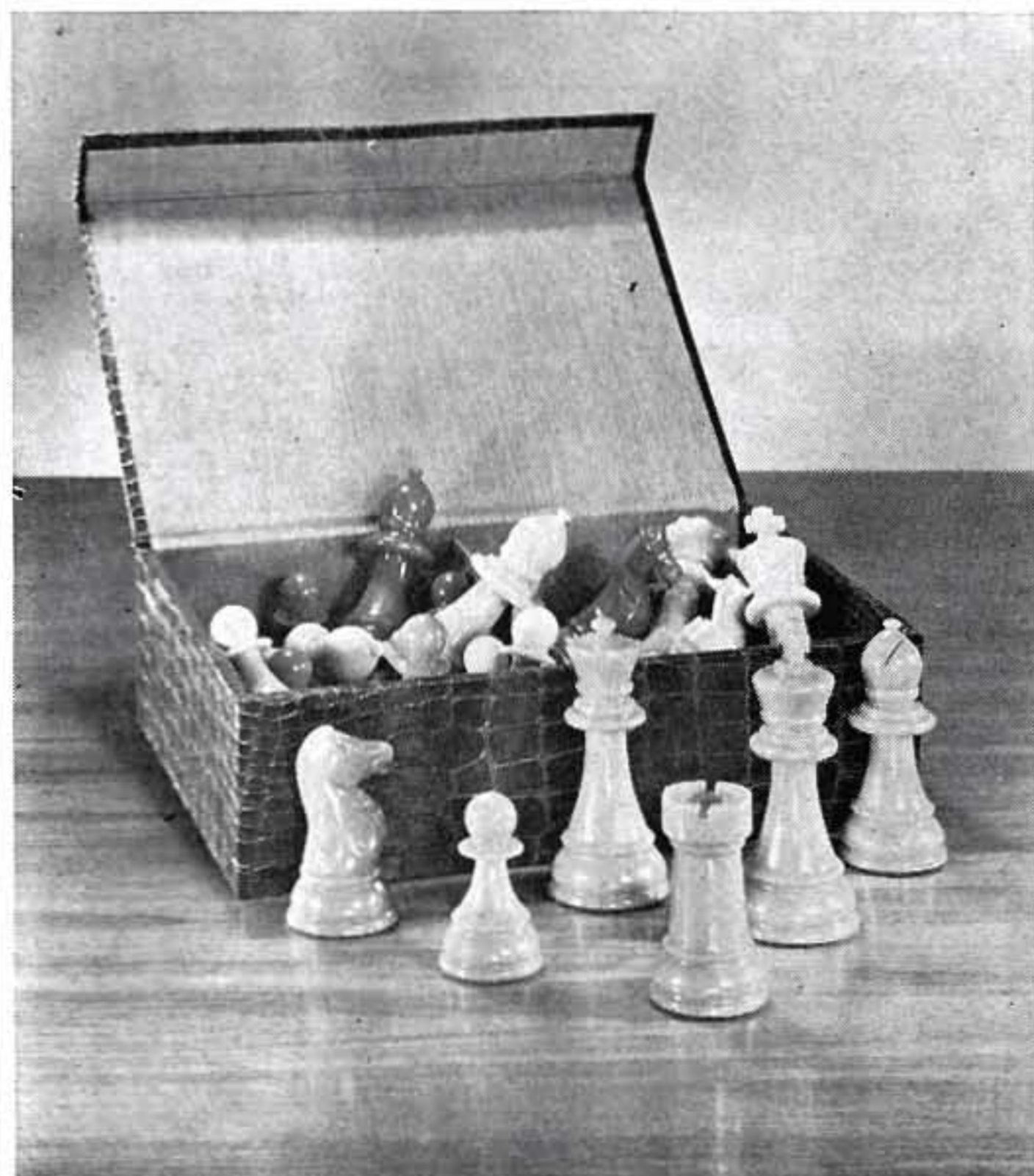
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RUSSIAN CHESS—

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22. B-B6 and on 22., BxN; 23. R-Q8ch, K-K2; 24. R-Q7ch, K-K3; 25. RxRP with sharp play in which White's chances are none the worse. If 20., NxKP/6; 21. PxN, BxN; then 22. R-Q7! with threats of 23. B-Q5 or 23. RxRP.

Of course Black could make another move than 19., N-B5, which did not prove to be strong enough. 19., NxNP immediately wins back the pawn, but after 20. B-B3, Black's advantage could be seen only through a magnifying glass.

I did not intend to publish these notes; after all, anyone is apt to err in analysis. In my abundant analytical experience I learned that there is inevitably a percentage of error. What prompted me to do it, though, was a letter from Mr. Kirby, the editor of the games section in a South African chess magazine.....: "I cannot recall anything like it. After White's eleventh move I would have rated his position somewhat better—at any rate, safe. To turn it into a mating net is nothing short of witchcraft . . . In all honesty, I do not see anyone who can stop Bobby at this time."

The reason for Byrne's defeat was not witchcraft but the weak move 14. KR-Q1. By playing 14. QR-Q1 White could have held his own, thus eliminating the cause of Mr. Kirby's admiration.

(But also depriving us of one of the finest and most surprising finishes on record—Ed.)

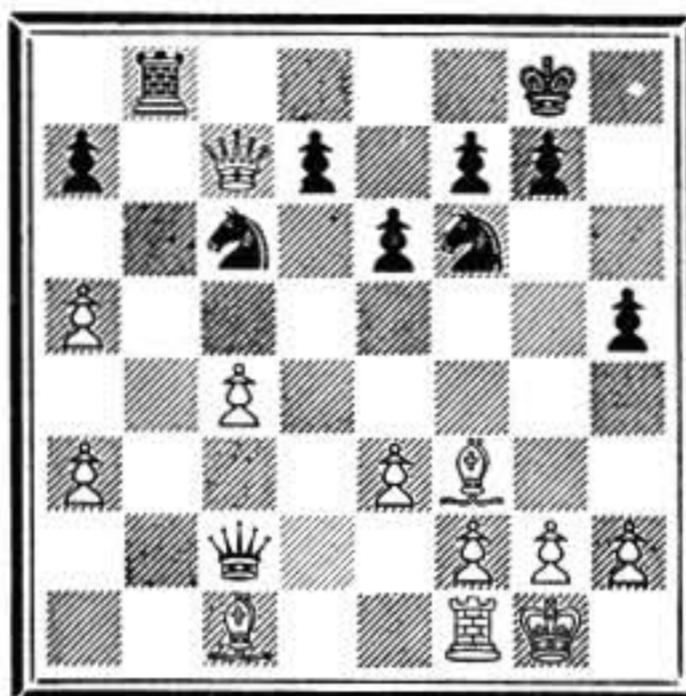
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game with Max Euwe for which each man was allotted only ten minutes. The game was televised in the city of Amsterdam.

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Botvinnik		Euwe
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	11. NxP
2. P-QB4	P-K3	12. P-QN4
3. N-QB3	B-N5	13. QxB
4. P-K3	P-B4	14. PxB
5. N-B3	P-QN3	15. QxR
6. B-Q3	B-N2	16. B-K2
7. O-O	O-O	17. Q-N7
8. N-QR4	Q-K2	18. Q-B7
9. P-QR3	B-R4	19. B-B3
10. PxP	PxP	QxN
		BxN
		Q-K4
		QxR
		Q-B6
		N-B3
		R-N1
		Q-B7
		P-R4



20. BxN	R-N8
21. B-B3	RxB
22. P-N3	N-N5
23. BxN	RxRch
24. KxR	PxB
25. QxRP	Q-Q8ch
26. K-N2	Q-B6ch

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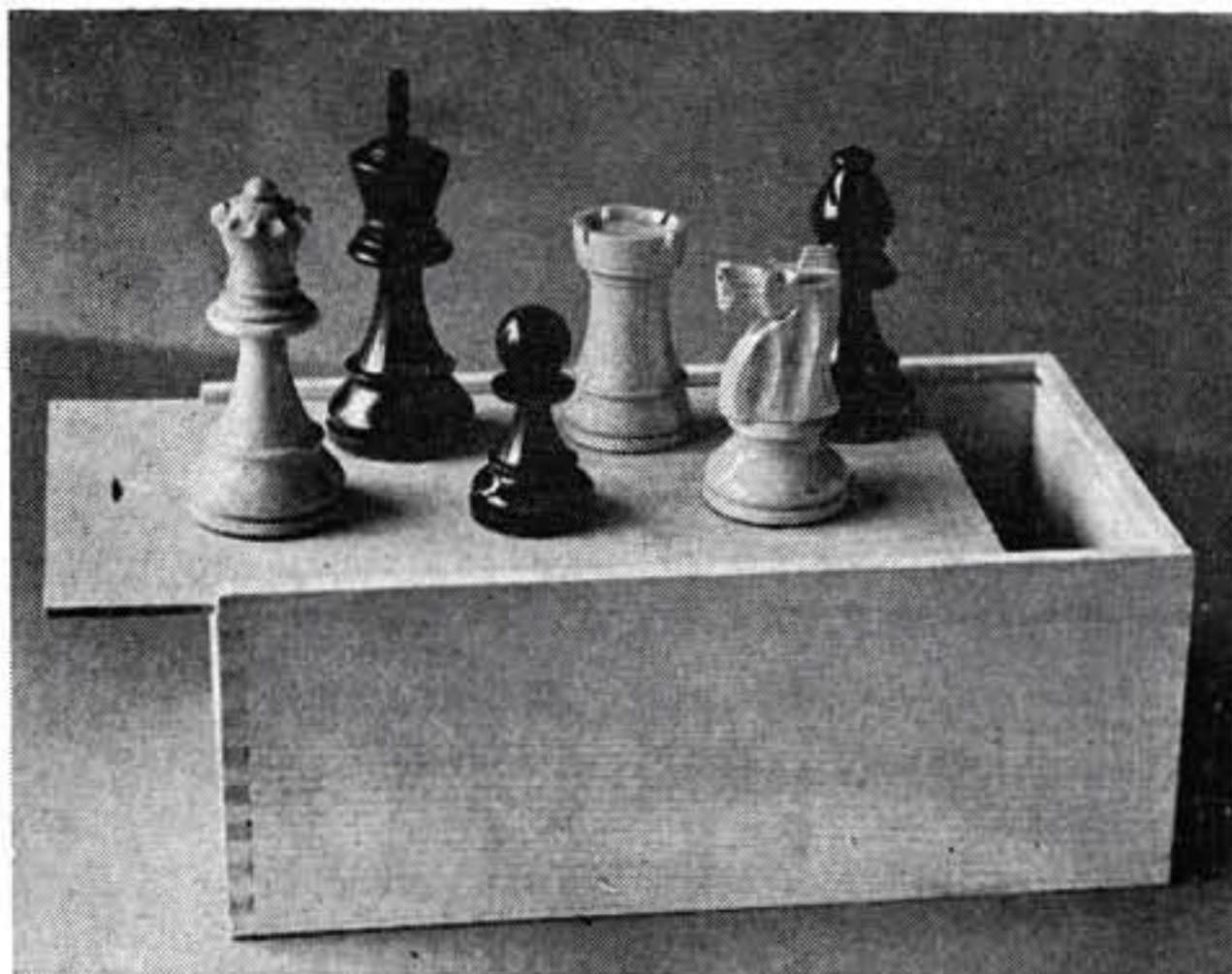
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