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## Levenstein Wins N. Y. State Title

Robert Levenstein of the Marshall Chess Club defeated Prof. E. B. Adams of the Brooklyn Institute Chess Club in the play-off for the N. Y. State Championship. It required five games to reach a verdict and the final score was 3-2.

## N. Y. State Problem Tourney

Coincident with the Syracuse Masters Tournament, the N. Y. State Chess Ass'n. held a problem solving tourney. The prize was awarded to David Polland of New York City who solved all eight problems correctly in 37 minutes.

## Bronx County Championship

At the end of the 7 th Round, the leading scores in the Bronx County Championship, sponsored by the Empire City C. C. are: E. Schwartz, $61 / 2-1 / 2$; A. Simchow $51 / 2-1 / 2$; P. Ellis 5-I ; S. Stern 5-2.

## Marshall vs. Mercantile-Library

The Marshall Chess Club sent a team of 22 players to Philadelphia to play a return match with the Mercantile Library Chess Ass'n. The Marshall Chess Club won by $111 / 2^{-}$ $101 / 2$-one of the closest intercity scores in recent years.

Mercantile Library Championship
A strong field of 15 players entered the Mercantile Library Championship Tournament. The participants are: S. Drasin, A. Regen, W. A. Ruth, B. Winkelman; J. Levin, R. S. Goerlich, H. Morris, R. Gedance, S. T. Sharp, P. Driver, D. G. Weiner, W. Wilkinson, J. Gordon, C. Glover and I. Ash.

## Vermont vs. New Hampshire

The fourth annual match between the Vermont Chess Ass'n. and the New Hampshire Chess Ass'n. resulted in a victory for Vermont. The match was played at Claremont, N. H. and the final score was $4-3$.

## City of Boston Championship

Thirty-six entrants started in the City of Boston Open Championship Tournament. Games are being played at the Wells Memorial Institute. The Tournament Director is Franklin J. Sanborn. A large silver loving cup emblematic of the Championship has been donated by George Sturgis, President of the Massachusetts State Chess Ass'n.

## Cleveland vs. Cincinnati

Cleveland defeated Cincinnati in an intercity problem solving contest by the score of $7-4$ and I tie. Prizes awarded for the best solving record were: A. Szabo, first prize; W. F. Streeter, second prize; Erwin Krisch, third prize-all of Cleveland.

## Copenhagen Tournament

Aaron Nimzowitsch came through a strong Scandinavian field to take first prize at Copenhagen. The leading scores: A. Nimzowitsch $61 / 2-\mathrm{I}^{1} / 2$; E. Lundin 6-2; G. Stahlberg $5^{1 / 2}-2^{1 / 2}$.

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## Washington State Championship

Olaf Ulvestad of Seattle won the Championship of the State of Washington. He is only 21 years old and turned in a very fine performance. Out of nine games contested he won eight and drew one. Ulvestad has acquired a reputation on the Coast for his blindfold play, meeting as many as ten players simultaneously sans voir.

## Alekhine Exhibits

At Niendorf, Germany, Dr. Alekhine, the World's Champion, played against 54 com-petitors-4 of them without sight of the board. His score was 50 wins, 1 loss, and 3 draws. All four of the blindfold games were won.

## New Jersey Chess Leaque

A schedule of inter-club matches is being arranged by the N. J. Chess League. All clubs interested in joining should communicate with Mr. Alan L. Brown, Secretary, 15 Maiden Lane, N. Y. C. Thus far five clubs have entered: The Ridgewood C. C., The Elizabeth C. C., The Jersey Jersey City C. C., The Newark Rice C. C., and the Irvington Polish C. C.

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## The French Championship

Victor Kahn of Nice won the 1934 French Championship Tournament held at Paris. The contest was very close and he barely nosed out Raizman, who finished second, and Gibaud, who finished third-both former titleholders.

## Botwinnik Wins at Leningrad

The dark horse of the chess world is undoubtedly Mischa Botwinnik, Champion of Russia. The recent Leningrad Tournament again demonstrated his genius for the game. He wrested first prize from a strong field that included Dr. Max Euwe of Holland, (who is scheduled to play Dr. Alekhine for the World's Championship next year). The leading scores: Botwinnik $7^{1} 1 / 2-3^{1} / 2$; Rjumin and Romanowski $7-4$ each; Rabinowitsch $61 / 2-41 / 2$; Khan 6-5; Dr. Euwe $51 / 2-51 / 2$.

Zurich Jubilee Tournament
August, 1934
QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED
G. Stahlberg

White

|  | P.Q4 | P-Q4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | P.QB4 | P.K3 |
| 3 | Kt-KB3 | Kt-KB3 |
| 4 | Kt -B3 | P.QB4 |
| 5 | BPxP | KtxP |
| 6 | P.K4 | KtxKt |
| 7 | PxKt | PxP |
| 8 | PxP | Kt -B3 |
| 9 | B-K2 | B-Kt5ch |
| 10 | B-Q2 | Q-R4 |
| 11 | R-QKt1 | BxBch |
| 12 | QxB | 0.0 |
| 13 | B-Kts! | QxQch |
| 14 | KxQ | Kt-R4 |
| 15 | KR-QB1 | P.QKt 3 |
| 16 | Kt -Ks | B-Kt2 |
| 17 | P-B3 | KR-Q1 |
| 18 | K-K3 | QR-B1 |
| 19 | B-O7! | Kt -B5ch |
| 20 | K-K2 | RxB |
| 21 | KtxR | B-R3 |
| $22$ | K-B2 | P-B3 |

R-Kt4! R.Q1


Dr. Lasker
Black

# Lest We Forget 

By William Ewart Napier

## A. MacDonnell

This year, the hundredth anniversary of the Homeric encounter of La Bourdonnais and MacDonnell, inspues the true cness-1over with a fresh ardor, not only for proud, beautiful, elusive chess, but also for its imperishable annals, its wholesome rivalries of nations and even races, and for the two masters who were too great to be understood in their own day, save only that they beyond all doubt understood each other. At all events, they were getting acquainted when the series of matches was finally interrupted. And it is a poetic end of these volcanic adversaries that they lie not far apart in the same London cemetery.
My earliest chess trophy, won in some inconsiderable contest was a copy of "Walker's Chess Studies", and later on I came across many of the games they played in Paul Morphy's chess column in the New York "Ledger", embellished, of course, with his annotations. If the original impression of grandeur needed any tighter grip on my admiration, Morphy supplied it abundantly.
In all there were six successive matches, comprising 85 games, thus:
First match: La Bourdonnais 16, MacDonnell 5, Drawn 4.
Second match: MacDonnell 5, La Bourdonnais 4, Third match: La Bourdonnais 6, MacDonnell 5, Drawn 1.
Fourth match: La Bourdonnais 8, MacDonnell 3, Drawn 7.
Fifth match: La Bourdonnais 7, MacDonnell 4, Drawn 1.
Sixth match: MacDonnell 5, La Bourdonnals 4.
The last match remained unfinished.
Viewing both the record of the tide of battle and the games move by move, 1 have long harbored an impression that the frail MacDonnell would have overtaken his robust opponent within the year had they been destined to play on. They were different types and constitutions, and for parallel one might imagine a continuous debate between a bluff, hearty Ben Jonson and a serene, quiet Marlowe capable on provocation, however, of mighty thought and mighty phrase.

Posterity has seen fit to award the great bulk of praise to La Bourdonnais, but although justified, it is somehow an unsatisfying verdict. It is the state of mind which finds no fault with our common verdict of "Not
guilty but pay the costs." Or, still closer, one may recall to mind that venerable question whether Napoleon or Wellington was the greater general,-and the kindly, rustic answer that Napoleon may have been the greater, but they "paid-off" on Wellington!

Let me take leave of this brief tribute by introducing games won by MacDonnell; for from these may be inferred the preeminent mastery of the other man who won a majority of the games played. What La Bourdonnais had to overcome in order to win is. I think, more significant than the mere fact of his win-ning,-which applies to chess contests in general.

## FRENCH DEFENSE <br> (By Transposition)

| A. MacDonnell White |  | C. $F$. <br> Bourdonnais Black |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 P.K4 | P.QB4 | 8 P-Q4 | 0.0 |
| 2 P-KB4 | P.K3 | $9 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Q}^{3}$ | P.B5 |
| 3 KKt -B3 | P.Q4 | $10 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{K} 2$ | B-O2 |
| 4 P-KS | QKt-B3 | 1100 | P.QKi4 |
| 5 P.B3 | P.B3 | $12 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 3$ | P.R4 |
| 6 Kt -R3 | Kt-R3 | 13 K-R1 | PxP |
| 7 Kt -B2 | B-K2 | 14 BPxP | Kt -B4 |

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|  |  | H. Mueller Biack |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 13 Q-K3 | B-K3 |
| Kt-KB3 | Kt -QB3 | 14 Kt -Q5! | Q-B4 |
| $3 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{KtS}$ | P.-2R3 | If 14 | PxKt; 15 |
| 4 BxKt | QPxB | P-QB3! | 14. |
| 5 Kt - 33 | B-QB4 | KtxKt; 15 P | Kt, RxP; |
| $6 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Q}^{2}$ | Q.K2 | 16 Q-R71 | , Rxp; |
| $7 \mathrm{B-K3}$ | Kt-B3 |  |  |
| 8 BxB | QxB | 15 QxR1! | Resigns |
| 9 Q-Q2 | B-Kt5 | For it 15 | . $\mathrm{Q} \times \mathrm{Q}$; |
| 10 P -Q4 | Q-Kt5 | 16 Kt -K7ch | any; 17 |
| 11 KtxP | O.O.O | KtxBPch re | ining the |
| 120.0 | RxP | Queen. |  |

Brilliancy Prize Game in Master Tourney at Iceland, 1934
QUBEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED


| Played at Hamburg 1933 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ENGLISH OPENING |  |  |
|  | Wilke | Priwonitz |
|  | White | Black |
| 1 | P-QB4 P-K3 | Better was $11 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Kt} 3$ |
| 2 | P-K4 P.Q4 | 11.... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Q-R5 |
| 3 | BPxP PxP | $12 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Ki}$ QxPch |
| 4 | PxP Kt-KB3 | 13 K-R1 R-K1 |
| 5 | B-Kt5ch B-Q2 | 14 P.Q4 R-K6! |
| 6 | B-B4 B-K2 | 15 B-Q2 |
| 7 | $\mathrm{Kt-QB3} \quad 0.0$ | Not 15 BxR, KtxB |
| 8 | KKt-K2 B-Q3 | threatening Queen and |
| 9 | O.O BxPch! | mate. |
| 10 | KxB Kt-Ktsch | $15 \ldots .$. R-R6ch |
| 11 | K-Kt1? | 16 PxR Q-R7mate |

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| 15 P-KKt4 | KtxKt | 31 Q-KB2 | Kt-B8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 16 BxKt | B-K1 | 32 B-R4 | Kt -06 |
| 17 Q-Q2 | B-Kt3 | 33 Q-B1 | P.Kt4 |
| 18 Kt -Kt5 | BxKt | 34 B-B2 | Kt-B4 |
| 19 BxB | Q-Q2 | 35 PxKt | BxB |
| 20 P.KR4 | P-Kts | 36 P-B6 | B-R5 |
| 21 K-R2 | PxP | 37 P-B7 | R-K1 |
| 22 PxP | P-R5 | 38 Q-B1 | QxP |
| 23 P-RS | B-K5 | 39 QxKtP | B-B7 |
| 24 P-R6 | P-Kt3 | 40 B-B8dis.ch | B-Kt3 |
| 25 B-B6 | QR-Kt1 | 41 BxP | Q-Q2 |
| 26 B-Kt7 | Q-K2 | 42 B-Q6 | P.Q5 |
| $27 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Kt} 3$ | R×R | 43 Q-B4 | Q-B1 |
| 28 RxR | P-R6 | 44 QxP | Q-B3 |
| 29 R-B6 | Kt-R4 | 45 Q-R7 and | wins. |
| 30 B-Q1 | Kt-Kt6 |  |  |

## GIUOCO PIANO

De La Bourdonnais
White

| P-K4 | P.K4 |
| :---: | :---: |
| B-B4 | B-B4 |
| Q-K2 | KKt -B3 |
| P-Q3 | Kt-B3 |
| P.QB3 | Kt-K2 |
| P-B4 | PxP |
| P-Q4 | B-Kt3 |
| QBxP | P.Q3 |
| B-Q3 | Kt-Kt3 |
| 10 P-QR4! | P-Kts |
| 11 P-KR3 | R-K1 |
| 12 Kt -Q2 | Q-K2 |
| 13 O.O.O | P-B4 |
| 14 K-Kt1 | PxP |
| 15 PxP | P-QR4 |
| 16 KKt -B3 | B-O2 |
| 17 P-KKt4 | P.R3 |
| 18 QR-Kt1 | P.RS |

A. MacDonnell Black

| 19 | P-Kt5 | P |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20 | BxP | P-R6 |
| 21 | 1 P.Kt3 | B-B3 |
| 22 | R-Kt4 | B-R4 |
| 23 | P-R4 | BxKt |
| 24 | 4 KtxB | R-R4 |
| 25 | P-R5 | RxB |
| 26 | RxR | Kt -B5 |
| 27 | Q-B3 | KtxB |
| 28 | P-Q5 | KtxQP |
| 29 | KR-Kt1 | Kt -B6ch |
| 30 | K-R1 | BxP |
| 31 | R×Pch | K-R1 |
| 32 | Q-Kt3 | B.Kt3 |
| 33 | PxB | Q-K8ch |
| 34 | RxQ | R×Rch |
| 35 | OxR | KtxQ |
| 36 | R-R7ch | K-Kt1 |



# The Richter Variation 

By F. Reinfeld

## PART I

The German master Kurt Richter is noted for his daring and fearless play. In the middle game one may always expect all sorts of sacrifices and surprise attacks from him; and so it is not strange that he has originated a number of interesting gambit attacks in several openings. If Richter had lived a hundred years ago, he would have played Muzio Gambits, Evans Gambits, Cunningham Gambits, Allgaier Gambits-in fact, any kind of gambit but the Queen's Gambit!

But since Richter's style unconditionally demands gambits, he must perforce introduce them into such staid and dull openings as the Sicilian Defense. In 1932 he played a game against H . Wagner in Hamburg, and play proceeded thus:

| 1 | P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| $2 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{KB} 3$ | $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{QB} 3$ |  |
| $3 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Q} 4$ | PxP |  |
| 4 KtxP | Kt - 3 |  |
| 5 Kt -QB3 | P.Q3 |  |

So far all book. Now comes a move which is not "theoretical"; it is so much against the spirit of the opening that only an extremely ignorant or an extremely original player would hit on it!

## 6 B-KKts

P-K3
This is Black's best move. Alternative continuations like . . . P-KKt3 or . . . B-Q2 would be answered by 7 BxKt and which ever way Black recaptures, his Pawn position is compromised. The reply . . . Q-R4 will be considered in a later article.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
7 \text { KtxKt } & \text { PxKt } \\
8 \text { P-Ks } & \ldots . .
\end{array}
$$

The key move to the whole variation, and the only possible way to justify $6 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{KKt} 5$, for against moves like 8 B-Q3, Black could simply reply . . . B-K2 or . . . P-K4 with an excellent game.

K. Richter
$8 \ldots$ Q-R4 suggests itself here. The strongest reply, given by Griffith and White and other authorities, is $9 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Kt5}$ ! for example:
I. 9... PxB; 10 PxKt, P-Kt5; 11 Q-B3 (not 11 $\mathrm{PxP}^{2}, \mathrm{BxP} ; 12 \mathrm{QxP}, \mathrm{QxB} ; 13 \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{B} 6 \mathrm{ch}, \mathrm{B}-\mathrm{Q} 2 ; 14$ QxKch, n-k2; nor $11 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 4$, Q-K41), K-QKt; (but not $11 \ldots$ PxKt because of 12 Q-B6ch! and wins) $12 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 4, \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Kt} 2$ (if $12 \ldots \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Q} 4 ; 13 \mathrm{PxP}$, PxKt; 14 Q-B6! or $13 \ldots$ BxP; 14 Kt -Q6ch, KQ2; 15 QxIch, KxKt with advantage); 13 PxP , BxP; 14 KtxPch with a winning game.
II. $9 \ldots \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Q} 2 ; 10 \mathrm{PxKt}_{\mathrm{x}}, \mathrm{BP} \mathrm{xB}_{\mathrm{B}} ; 11 \mathrm{PxP}, \mathrm{BxP}$; $120-0$, Q-B2 if $12 \ldots$ BxKt; $13 \mathrm{PxB}, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{B} 2 ; 14$ W-UX but not $12 \ldots$ P-Qt; 13 Ktxyl Yxint; 14 $\mathrm{Q} \times \mathrm{H}$ and Black must castle, for if $14 \ldots \mathrm{QR}-\mathrm{B}$ ? 15 R-Kch, B-K3 and White mates in 5 beginning with RxBch); $13 \mathrm{Kt-K4}$, P-Q4; 14 Kt -B6ch, K-B (. . . BxKt would also lead to a lost game, but the text is much worse); 15 Q-B3! (threatening Q-R3ch), P-QR4; 16 P-B4!! (a beautiful move), RB (. . $\mathrm{K}^{\mathrm{K}-\mathrm{K} 2}$ was relatively best) ; $17 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 4!\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{K} 4$ (or $17 \ldots$ Q-B3; 18 PxKtP, QxP; 19 B-Q6 mate!!) ; 18 BxP! and Black resigns (Koch-Babel, Berlin 1931).

Before taking leave of this variation, we may pause to note that $9 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{K} t 5$ ! is really White's best move, for after (a) $9 \mathrm{BxKt}, \mathrm{PxB}$; 10 PxQP , Q-Kt5! (b) $9 \mathrm{BxKt}, \mathrm{PxB} ; 10 \mathrm{PxBP}, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{K} 4 \mathrm{ch}$; (c) 9 PxKt, QxB; 10 PxP, QxP (Kt2)-Black has much the better game because of his compact pawn center and the splendid developing facilities offered by his open files and diagonals.

$$
9 \text { Q-B3 } \quad \text { QR-Kt }
$$

A poor move. Black has at least two satisfactory alternatives:
I. $9 \ldots$ B-Q2; 10 O-O-O, B-K2; $11 \mathrm{BxKt}, \mathrm{PxB}$; $12 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 4, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{B} 2 ; 13 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{Kt5}, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{Kt} 3 ; 14 \mathrm{Kt} \mathrm{Q} 6 \mathrm{ch}$, BxKt; $13 \mathrm{Kxb}, \mathrm{QK}-\mathrm{Kt}$; 16 P-Qat3 (Richter-Kodl, Swinemunde 1931).
II. 9...B-K2 (the writer has come to the conclusion that this is Black's best line for over the board play with a time limit, and he was pleased to see that no less distinguished an authority than Dr. Tartakower inclines toward this opinion); 10 QxPch ( $10 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Q}, \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{Q} 4$ or $10 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Kt5}, \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{O} ; 11$ $\mathrm{BxP}, \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Kt})$; B-Q2; $11 \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{R} 6, \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{O} ; 12 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Q} 3, \mathrm{Kt}-$ Q4 with an excellent game.
$10 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Q}$
Q-B2
$11 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 4$
He could also play $11 \mathrm{BxKt}, \mathrm{PxB} ; 12 \mathrm{QxP}, \mathrm{R}$ Kt but the text is more aggressive-although less certain in results!
11. . . B-Kt5ch

This is bad: . . . Kt-Q4 was the right move.
12 P-B3
KtxKt
$\mathbf{P x P}_{\mathbf{P}}$

## Mistakes of the Masters

## $B u$ Lester W. Brand

Bad Kissingen, 1928
Yates


Nimzowitsch
Black to play and win.


Missing his last chance. Black could have brought the game back to the winning position with 4... Q-Kt8ch.

5 KtxKtPch
Drawn by perpetual check.
The Win: $1 . . .$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 2 \text { K-Kt4 } \\
& 3
\end{aligned}
$$

Q-B8ch Q-K7ch P-B4ch

Or 3 KxP , P-Kt4ch; 4 K Kt 3 , B-B5ch!
Homburg, 1927
Yates


White to play and win.
Tartakower scorned the prosaic win of 1 PxP! but instead played the brilliant (?) move of:
$\underset{\mathrm{K}}{\mathrm{Px} \mathrm{K}+2}$

K-Kt2
K-R3
K-R2!!

## (Continued from Page 198)

Likewise 12 . . B-K2; 13 BxKt , BxB; 14 Ktx Bch, PxKt; 15 QxP is greatly in White's favor. Now comes a sparkling finish.

## 13 B-Q8!

Much stronger than 13 R-Q8ch, QxR; 14 BxQ , BxPch; 15 PxB, R-Kt8ch; 16 K-K2, B-R3ch; 17 K. K3, R-K8ch etc. (Tartakower).
${ }_{14}{ }^{\circ}{ }_{\mathrm{QxK}}^{\mathrm{t}}$.
Q-Kt2
B-B

Either . . . B-K2 or . . . B-Q2 would at least hold out longer.
15 QxP
B-Q2

Too late.
16 B-R6!
p-B3

A pretty variation is $16 \ldots \mathrm{QxP} ; 17 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 7, \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{R}$; 18 Q-Q4 etc.


White had figured on $4 \ldots$ KxP whereupon he would win with 5 KxP .
5 K-B6
6 K-Kt6
K-Kt1
Stalemate!

Showing there is still play in the game with only two pawns apiece on each side.

Bad Kissingen, 1928 Spielmann


White to play and win.
After 1 PxKt? R-B1, White missed several other chances, finally permitting Black to draw.

$$
\begin{array}{rlr}
\text { The Win: } & 1 \text { RxBP! } & \text { Kt-Q4 } \\
2 & \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Kt} 7 \mathrm{ch} & \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{R} 1
\end{array}
$$

If $2 \ldots$ K-B1; 3 R(Q7)-B7ch, K-K1; 4 P-K6 wins.

| 3 R×RPch | K-Kt1 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 4 R(Q7) | Kt7ch |
| 5 P-K6 | K-B1 |
| 6 R×KtP wins. | R-K1 |
|  |  |

## Game Studies

Syracuse Masters Tournament
August, 1934
IRREGULAR DEFENSE
(Notes by I. A. Horowitz)

| I. A. Horowitz | A. Kupchik |
| :---: | :---: |
| White | Black |
| 1 P-K4 | P.K4 |
| 2 Kt -QB3 | $\cdots$ |

Reverting to the pre-historic-but there is still some of the cave-man wallop in this opening.

$$
2 \ldots \quad \text { B-B4 }
$$

Expecting 3 P-KB4 which would lead to a King's Gambit Declined position, favorable to Black. Better is $2 \ldots \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{KB} 3$.

## 3 Kt -B3

A change in tactics to take advantage of Black's weak 2nd. White now gains the center by force.

$$
3 \ldots \text { P-Q3 }
$$

Or 3 . . . Kt-QB3; 4 KtxP, KtxKt; 5 P-Q4!

$$
\begin{array}{lr}
4 \mathrm{P} \cdot \mathrm{Q} 4 & \mathrm{PxP} \\
5 \mathrm{KtxP} & \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{KB} 3
\end{array}
$$

Inctead $5 \ldots \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 2$ would avoid the annoying pin that follows.

| 6 | B-KKt5 | P-KR3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 | B-R4 | Kt-B3 |
| 8 | KtxKt | $\ldots$ |

A good alternative would be 8 B-QKt5, B-Q2; $9 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{B} 5$.

| 8 | PxKt |
| :---: | :---: |
| $9 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Q}^{3}$ | Q-K2 |
| $10 \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{O}$ | Q-K4 |

Not 10 ... P-KKt4; 11 B-Kt3, P-KR4; 12 P-K5! The idea of the text is to follow up with . . . Q-KR4 forcing the exchange of Queens.
11 Kt -R4
B-Kt3
12 B-Kt3
Q-K2

Now 12 . . Q-R4 would be pointless on account of White's reply 13 Q-Q2.

| 13 | KtxB | RPxKt |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 14 P-K5! | PxP |  |
| 15 | BxP | O-O |
| 16 R-K1 | B-K3 |  |
| 17 Q-B3 | P-B4 |  |

17 . . . B-Q4 would be met by 18 Q-Kt3! 18 B-Kt5
The object of this move becomes apparent as the game progresses.
18 ....
KR-Q1
19 B-B6
QR-B1

If $19 \ldots$ R-R4; 20 P-QR4! and the Rook is shut out of play.

$$
20 \text { P-QR4 } \quad \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 1
$$

Black must of necessity mark time and await developments.

| 21 P-R5 | PxP |
| :---: | :---: |
| Otherwise P-R6! etc. |  |
| 22 RxP | P-B5 |
| 23 B-B3 | Q-RS |

Intending . . . Q-Kt5.

| 24 | R-K4 | Q-K2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 25 | P-R3 | Q-Q3 |
| 26 | R-Q4 | Q-K2 |
| 27 | R-B4 | Q-Q3 |

Gaining on the clock, while formulating the proper plan.
$28 \ldots{ }^{2} \quad$ Q-K2
29 B-Q

To isolate Black's weak Pawns.

| $29 \ldots \mathrm{BxB}$ | $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{Q} 3$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\mathbf{Q \times B}$ |  |

Oddly enough the alternative . . . PxB holds out longer.

| 31 | R-Kt4! |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 32 | R-K5 |  |
|  |  | A. Kupchik |



## 1. A. Horowitz

| $32 \ldots$. . | Q-Q2 |
| :--- | ---: |
| 33 RxKtch | RxR |
| 34 RxPch | K-BI |
| 35 Q-B4 | $\ldots$. |

Almost depriving himself of victory. In his earlier calculations White had counted on 35 R -Kt8ch to lead to a mate, but on further examination found it to be wanting. e.g. $35 \ldots \mathrm{KxR} ; 36 \mathrm{Q}$ Kt3ch, K-B1; 37 Q-Kt7ch, K-K2; 38 Q-B6ch, KB1; 39 QxPch, K-K2; 40 Q-Kt5ch-If now 40 . . . K-R1, then $41 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Kt} 7 \mathrm{ch}$ soon mates. or if 40 P-B3; 41 QxP mate, or if $40 \ldots$ K-K3; 41 Q-K5 mate. BL'! 40 . . K Q Q3! and wins.

Other lines that suggested themselves were 35 B-B6, and 35 Q-B6, but both fell short. After 35 B-B6, R-K8ch; 36 K-R2, Q-Q3ch; followed by . . R-K3 with a good defensive position.

After wading through the above White found himself short of time and missed the best move 35 R-R7! This would have ended the game much sooner.

$$
\begin{array}{lr}
35 \cdots \mathrm{QxBP} & \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{K} 3 \\
36
\end{array}
$$

Still fearful of R-R7, but this costs another Pawn.

| 37 RxR | PxR |
| :---: | :---: |
| 38 Q-B4ch | Q-B2 |
| 39 QxPch | K-K1 |
| 40 Q-R8ch | K-Q2 |
| 41 Q-Q4ch | K-Kı |
| 42 Q-K5ch | K-Q2 |
| 43 Q-Kt5ch | P-B3 |
| 44 Q.Q3ch | K-K1 |
| 45 Q-Q6 | p-B4 |
| 46 Q-R6 | K-Q2 |
| 47 B-K5 | Q-K3 |
| 48 Q-Kt7ch | K-K1 |
| 49 P-KB4 | P.B5 |
| 50 Q-K4 | K-B2 |
| 51 Q-Kt7ch |  |

White overrated the strength of his position. He believed the foregoing manoeuvres would produce some tangible results-but actually little headway has been made.

| 51 | K-K1 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 52. K-R? | R-O1 |
| 53 P-QKt4 | PxPep |
| 54 PxP | R-O7 |
| 55 P-OKt4 | Q.Q4 |
| 56 Q-B8ch |  |

Exchanging Queens here would lead to a difficult endgame, as White's QKtP is not far enough advanced.
56
K-B2
57 Q-Kt4
58 QxQch
Q-K3

Now Black cannot prevent the QKtP from reaching the sixth.

| 58 | KxQ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 59 P-Kt5 | R-Q6 |
| 60 P.Kt6 | R-OKt6 |
| 61 B-B7 | K-B4 |
| 62 P-Kt4ch | K-K3 |
| $63 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{K}$ t2 | K-Q2 |
| 64 P.R4 | K-K3 |
| 65 K-B2 | K.O2 |
| $66 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Kt} 2$ | K-K3 |
| 67 P-R5 | . . . |

In spite of the occasional repetition of moves to get in under the time limit, the endgame is very instructive.

| 67 | $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{P}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 68 Dup | K.B3 |
| 69 K-R2 | K-B4 |
| $70 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Kt} 2$ | K-B3 |
| 71 K -B2 | K-Kt2 |

White's plan is to march his King over to the Queen side. His Pawns on the King side tie up the Black King, and there is little further resistance.

| 72 P-B5 | K-R3 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 73 P-B6 | K-R2 |  |
| 74 K-Q2 | K-Kt1 |  |
| 75 | P-R6 | Resigns |

Liebwerda Tournament August, 1934
QUEEN'S PAWN GAME
(Note by I. Kashdan)
S. Flohr $\underset{\text { White }}{\text { W }}$

Prof. A. Becker
Black
1 P-Q4
P-K3
2 P-QB4
B-KtSch

This generally results in loss of time, as happens in this game. The idea is to disturb White's usual form of development, or to double the Pawns if $3 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{QB} 3$.

| 3 Kt -Q2 | Kt-KB3 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 4 Kt -B3 | P.Q4 |
| 5 P-K3 | O-O |
| 6 P.QR3 | B-K2 |
| 7 B-Q3 | P-QKt 3 |
| $8 \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{O}$ | QKt-Q2 |
| 9 P-QKt3 |  |

9 P-QKt4 is also worthy of consideration. If then ...P-QR4; 10 P-Kt5, or $9 \ldots$ P-B4; 10 $\mathrm{QP} \mathrm{PP}, \mathrm{KtPxP} ; 11 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Kt5}$, with a strong game on the Queen side in either case.

| $9 \ldots$ | B-Kt2 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 10 R-Kt2 | R-R1 |
| 11 Q-K2 | P-B4 |
| 12 KR-Q1 | Kt-K5 |
| 13 QR-B1 | B-KB3 |
| 14 Kt -B1 | Q-K2 |
| 15 Kt -K5 | BPxP |

It is almost axiomatic that the player who first exchanges in this type of position gets a disadvantace. 15 . . . KR-Q1 was in order, to wait for White to declare his plan.

| 16 KtxKt | QxKt |
| :--- | :--- |
| 17 KPxP | B-Kt4 |
| $18 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B} 2$ | B-B5? |

All this only weakens Black's game. The B was best placed at KB3.

19 Q-Kt4!
Prof. A. Becker

S. Flohr

19
B-Kt1?
Overlooking the force of White's plan. 19 . . . B-KR3 was now necessary.

| 20 | BxKt | PxB |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 21 | $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Q} 5!$ | P-Kt3 |

If $21 \ldots$ P-B4; $22 \mathrm{PxP}, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{K} 2 ; 23 \mathrm{QxPch}$ QxQ; $24 \mathrm{BxQ} . \mathrm{KxB}$; $25 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Q} 7 \mathrm{ch}$, etc., with a winning endgame.

## 22 PxP

The simplest was QxP (K4). White is playing for the attack, which is sufficienty strong.
22 Kt-K3! $\quad$ QxP

Well played. Black dare not exchange Queen's, and the Knight will soon enter with crushing effect.
23
QR-Q1

If 23 . . . P-B4; 24 Q-R4, threatening QR-Q2, etc.

| $24 \mathrm{QR}-\mathrm{Q} 2$ | RxR |
| :--- | :--- |
| 25 RxR | $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{B} 3$ |
| 26 Q-Kt5 | $\cdots$ |

Now Kt-Kt4 is a terrible threat. . . . P-B4 is practically forced but Black did not realize it and played:
${ }_{27}^{26}$ Kt-Kta!
P-B3?

Of course the Queen cannot be taken because of $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{R} 6$ mate.

$$
27 \ldots \quad \text { B-K4 }
$$

If $27 \ldots \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Kt} 2 ; 28 \mathrm{KtxP}$ ! RxKt; $29 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Q} 8$, BB2; $30 \mathrm{BxRch}, \mathrm{QxB} ; 31 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{K} t 8 \mathrm{ch}$, and the Queen is lost.

| 28 | BxB | PxB |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 29 | KtxP | R-B4 |
| 30 | Q-Q8ch | B-K1 |
| 31 | Kt-Kt4 | $\ldots$ |

Again this square! The Black King is too exposed to offer much resistance.
$31 \underset{\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{R} 3 \mathrm{i}}{ } \quad$ R-B1

Threatening to win the Queen by R-Q6, and Kt -R6ch.

B-B3
33 Q-B7
R-B1

This loses quickly, but there is nothing to be done..

| 34 | Kt-B6ch | K-B1 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 35 | KtrPch | K-Kt1 |
| 36 | Kt-B6ch | K-B1 |
| 37 | Q-B4 | Q-B4 |
| 38 | Q-R6ch | K-B2 |
| 39 | Kt-Kt4 | Resigns |

> Wiesbaden, Germany
> August, 1934
> SICILIAN DEFENSE
> (Notes by I. Kashdan)

| Dr. L. Rodl <br> White | M. Blumich Black |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| 2 Kt -KB3 | Kt-QB3 |
| 3 P.Q4 | PxP |
| 4 KtxP | Kt-B3 |
| 5 Kt -QB3 | P-Q3 |
| 6 B-K2 | P-K3 |

With this, Dlack takes a slow defensive formation, waiting for a favorable opportunity to gain the initiative. The alternative is $6 \ldots$ P-KKt 3 . In ejther rase. White has much the freer game, and the Sicilian Defense as a whole is losing favor in master play.

| 7 | O-O | B-K2 |
| ---: | :--- | ---: |
| 8 | B-K3 | Q-B2 |
| 9 | P-B4 | P-QR3 |
| 10 | Q-K1 | $\cdots$ |

More usual is 10 Q-Q2, but the text is a clever idea to prepare for Black's threatened Kt-QR4 and $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{B} 5$, without having to weaken the Queen side.

| 10 |
| :--- |
| 11 |
| 11 |
| 12 |
| R-Q1 |
| 13 |
| 13 |
| B-B1 |
| 14 |
| 15 |
| P-OKt3 |
| 16 |
| 16 |

Kt-QR4
Kt-B5
P-QKt4
B-Kt2
Kt -Kt 3
O.O

The proper attack. White has full control of the center, and his pieces are all ready to cooperate in the advance on the King side.
M. Blumich


Dr. L. RodI


Black must make a bid for freedom, or White will proceed at leisure with P-KR4, or P-B5, etc., with a crushing attack.
20 Kt -B5
PxP
21 QxP
22 P.K5
P-Q4

Much better than exchanging Queens, when Black would have sufficient defense.

$$
22 \dot{K i} \cdot \dot{Q} \dot{4}
$$

B-B4
P-Kt5

Preparing for his next move, which proves the decisive error. 23 . . . B-QB1, followed by . . . B-K3, was an essential precaution.

## 24 QKt-K2 <br> $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{Q} 2$ ?

Here it is, apparently winning the KP. The "defense" that White found must have come as a horribly rude shock.

## 25 QxPch!!

Brilliant, and ending the game in fine style. Black will now have little time to think of the KP.

$$
25 \ldots
$$

$$
K x Q
$$

If 25 . . . K-R1; $26 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Kt} 4$ wins quickly. After the capture it is a forced mate.

| 26 BxPch | K-Kt3 <br> 27 <br> B-B7ch <br> 28 <br> B-BIch |
| :--- | ---: |
| 29 R-B4ch | K-Kts <br> Resigns |

As it is mate on the next move.


This move has been experimented with quite often in conjunction with the fianchetto development, but it does not seem quite logical: . . . P-KKt3 is played with a view to arriving at a close position, while . . . P-Q4 might open up the game,-and not to the second player's advantage. 5 Kt -B3
More straightforward seems 5 PxP, KtxP; 6 PK4 and Black has no compensation for his opponent's commanding array of center Pawns.

$$
5 \text {. . . . }
$$

P-B3
5 . . PxP would have been answered by 6 QR4ch; but now Black threatens to capture the Pawn and retain it.

$$
6 \mathrm{PxP}
$$

Simple and good. If 6 P-Kt3, Black has an excellent reply in . . . Kt-K5.

| 6 B-Kt2 | PxP |
| :--- | ---: |
| 8 O.O | $0-\mathrm{O}$ |
| 8 | Q-Kt3 |

Possibly 8 . . . Kt-B3 was better: Black's attempt to deviate from the symmetry does not turn out in his favor.

| $9 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K5}$ | $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Q1}$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| $10 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Kt} 3 \mathrm{~B} 4!$ | $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{B} 3$ |
| $11 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{QR} 4!$ | $\cdots$ |

A very fine move. If now $11 \ldots$ QxQP; 12 KtxKt, QxR (Or 12... QxQ; 13 KtxPch, K-B1; 14 KtxPch followed by RxQ and White has won a Pawn); $13 \mathrm{KtxR}, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{K} 4$; $14 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 4, \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{B} 4 ; 15 \mathrm{Kt}-$ B5, P-K4; 16 P-K4!! PxP; 17 B-K3 and wins, e.g. 17. . . P-Kt3; 18 Kt -B6!
(SEE DIAGRAM)


White has gained considerable time with his last few moves and his control of the black squares, coupled with his stranglehold on the QB file gives him a strategically won game.

$$
14 \ldots \ldots \quad \text { Kt-Kı }
$$

After $14 \ldots$ P-Kt3 (in order to parry the threat of B-B7), Black's Queen would be badly out of play.

## A. S. Denker <br> Position after $11 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{QR} 4$


E. Tholfsen

| 15 | $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B5}$ | Q-Kts |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 16 | BxB | KtxB |
| 17 | $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{B} 3!?$ | $\ldots .$. |

17 RxP was good enough, but White is carrying out a very pretty but not wholly sound manoeuvre.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 17 \\
& 18 \text { K } \underset{\mathrm{t}}{\mathrm{~K} \cdot \mathrm{t}} \\
& \text { p-K3 }
\end{aligned}
$$

With the fearful threat of 19 P-QR3, Q-R4; 20 Kt -B7.

|  | P.K.3 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 19 P-QR3 | Q-R4 |
| $20 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{QKt} 4$ | Q-R3 |
| 21 Kt - $\mathrm{B}^{\text {P }}$ |  |

And here is the "flaw": Black can answer $21 \ldots$ QxRP, though after 22 R-B2, R-Kt1; 23 Q-Q2, he would still have a very difficult game. White's superior mobility amply compensates for his Pawn minus.

21
Q-Kt2?
After this move Black is simply smothered.
22 R-B3
R-Kt1
23 P-K4!
 25 PxP, RxP ( 25 . . KtxP: 26 P-K5) ; 26 Q-B1, Kt-Q3; 27 P-K5, Kt-K5; 28 Q-B4 and wins.

| 23 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 24 | $\mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{Bi} \quad \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 1$ |
| $\ldots .$. |  |

Very fine play which maintains the pressure.

| 24 | PxP |
| :---: | :---: |
| 25 P-B3 | Kt -- ${ }^{\text {3 }}$ |
| 26 Q-B4 | P-B4 |

There is nothind to be done: e.a. 26
p-K6; 27 Q-B6, R-B1; 28 P-B4, Kt-K5; 29 Q-K5, P-B4; 30 KtxP with a winning attack.

$$
\begin{array}{llr}
27 \text { P.Kts } & \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 1 \\
28 & \mathrm{PxP} & \mathrm{RxP}
\end{array}
$$

A desnerate move in time-pressure; of course if 28. .. PxP; 29 Q-B8 mate.

$$
\begin{array}{lr}
29 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{Kt} & \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Q} 2 \\
30 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{B} 6 \mathrm{ch} & \text { Resigns }
\end{array}
$$

# A Gallery of Grandmasters 

By Barnie F. Winkelman

Dr. Emanuel Lasker

Part II.
The record of young Lasker's matches scarcelv offers a key to the high estimates of his skill that were aroused after his first arrival in England. Even before his participation in the British Chess Association Tournament of March 1892, the London press had stated:

> "He had already made a very favorable impress'on on the chess world, and many necple were of the opinion he would carry off first honors in the fight."

During the Tourney he was described as "a brilliant young Berlin player, now domiciled in England." It was further noted: "As this was his first important engagement in this country, public interest was from the first centred upon him."
"Young as he is," wrote another observer, during the subsequent Quintangular Match, "he looks every inch a king of chess, as he sits at the board, calm, imperturbable, and with an easy grace. He plays neither too quickly nor too slowly, and as he moves, he gives the onlookers the idea that he has the game at his finger ends. As a player he is not bound to any school. He can be as brilliant as Morphy or Blackburne, or as cautious as Staunton or Mason as the occasion demands."
"Like the BC.A. Tournament, the Quintangular Match has ended with the success of the young Master Herr E. Lasker," ran the comment. "To commence with, he played right through the match without losing a single game, though he was opposed by the four strongest players in this country." (Blackburne. Mason, Gunsberg, and Bird).

Later in the year came his match victory over Blackburne. The young master was now the toast of the British chess world. On July 5th of that year the Continental Chess Club, of which he was Secretary, tendered him a complimentary dinner, and two days later he was the guest of honor at H. F. Gastinau's Annual garden party at his home, "Ivy House" in Peckham. The veteran Blackburne who was also on hand, spoke of his admirable sportsmanship, and averred that Lasker had shown him the greatest consideration throughout their match.

With Lasker absent on account of his health,-and possibly a desire to rest a bit on his laurels,-the Dresden Tourney resulted in another first for Dr. Tarrasch. In the interim the younger expert had chalked up a second match victory over Bird. The veteran, with British grace in defeat, expressed his belief thereafter that greater victories were in store for his opponent.

The repercussions of this series of triumphs agitated the distant centres of the chess world. At the New York City Club Herr Lasker's visit to the States became the topic of discussion. Samuel Loyd donated one hundred dollars toward a prize fund for the American player who would make the best score against the foreign menace. There was also talk of a possible match with Steinitz, which the latter discouraged; allegedly he was too busy with the second volume of his Chess Instructor.

In the fall of the year Lasker arrived in New York; after paying his respects to the world champion, he filled his engagements at the leading clubs. His successes against the best American talent were impressive and uniform, though Hodges reaped a measure of glory by scoring a brilliant game.
Reviewing the chess events of 1893 , S. Tinsley in London voiced the general opinion in rating Lasker as the undoubted hero of the year. However this was coupled with the perennial cry as to why the professionals were so chary of meeting each other . . . why so much negotiation, disputes and parleys?

During his engagements in the leading American cities, his simultaneous exhibition at Baltimore, where he met 54 with but a single loss, was outstanding. At Havana in the early part of the new year he defeated Golmayo and Vasquez, the Cuban and Mexican champions, in short matches. A contemplated encounter with Walbrodt did not eventuate, and caused some irritation between Lasker and his hosts. The former, however, was interested only in a match with the champion.

Shortly thereafter he was reported to have challenged Steinitz for the title, and the latter was reputed to have acknowledged that the defi was entitled to respectful consideration. There were further victories over the leading

American players, a one-sided defeat of Showalter, lectures at Tulane University on mathematics, and some rumors of his abandonment of chess for a teaching post.

Meanwhile Tschigorin and Tarrasch prepared to fight out the question of individual subremacy. Lasker continued to make a favorable showing against the American experts. But raising of the necessary stake for a world contest was still remote. At this juncture a much-touted congress of the leading American experts was finally arranged in New York. Lasker's thirteen successive wins over a field that included Albin, Delmar, Lee. Showalter, Pillsbury and Pollock, brushed aside the last doubts as to his worthiness to contest with the great Steinitz.

## ALBIN COUNTER GAMBIT

| Lasker White |  |  | Albin Black |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | P-Q4 | P.O4 | 17 | B-KB3 | 0.0 |
| 2 | P.QB4 | P-K4 | 18 | R-KKt1 | Kt -Kı |
| 3 | OPxP | P.OS | 19 | $\mathrm{Kt-Kt3}$ | O.O2 |
| 4 | Kt-KB3 | Kt -OB3 | 20 | O.O-O | Q. $\mathrm{O}^{3}$ |
| 5 | P-QR3 | B-KKts | 21 | K-Kt1 | O×BP |
| 6 | P-R3 | BxKt | 22 | R-K+4 | Q-R3 |
| 7 | KtPxB | Ktx | 23 | BxKt | PxB |
| 8 | P.B4 | Kt-OB3 | 24 | $\mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{OP}$ | R.O3 |
| 9 | B-Kt2 | O-02 | 25 | P.R5 | R-K3 |
| 10 | P-Kt4 | P-OR3 | 26 | OxRP | $0 \times \mathrm{P}$ |
| 11 | B-Kt2 | R.O1 | 27 | R(O4)-Q3 | O-Kt7 |
| 12 | $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{O} 2$ | KKt-K2 | 28 | $\mathrm{K}+\mathrm{O} 4$ | R-B3 |
| 13 | Kt -Kt3 | Kt-R4 | 29 | R-K3 | B.01 |
| 14 | 0.03 | B-K2 | 30 | Kt-B2 | RxP |
| 15 | B-K4 | Kt -O3 | 31 | RxB | Resigns |
| 16 | Kt-B5 | Q-B1 |  |  |  |

Near the end of the year the Havana Chess Club made a bid for the match, and after some delays the monevs were finally secured. Over one thousand dollars was subscrbed toward the event at a banquet tendered to Steinitz in Montreal upon conditions that attested the general confidence in his invincibility. The articles were duly signed and the most important chess event in nearly three decades was on.
The contest between Tarrasch and Tschigorin had just been concluded, and criticism had been evoked against the former by his adherence to a single opening,-the Ruy Lopez in ten out of eleven of his games with the white forces. A memorandum in a Russian magazine threw a prophetic though indirect light upon the chances of Dr. Lasker in the
forthcoming struggle. An astute, but partial critic wrote:
"Having studied the games of $\mathbf{E}$. Lasker during the past two years, we are ready to assert that his olav is sudorior to that of Dr. Tarrasch, and that the latter will succumb in a match".

From the outset of their meeting it became apdarent that Steinitz, who had reached his 58th year, was uneaual to the task of holding his vounger rival. The years had indeed taken their toll. He trailed after the sessions at New York and Montreal, dropped all three games at Philadelphia, and had to bow once more in the final games in the Canadian city. The score: Lasker 10, Steinitz 5, drawn 4.

However the veteran had lost none of his native sportsmanship. As he resigned the concluding game he rose from his chair and called for three cheers for the new champion. Then Dr. Lasker asked for three cheers for the man who had so long maintained the sceptre of chess against all comers. Thus began the reign of a new chess monarch.

In Montreal the greatest excitement prevailed. The Herald maintained an enormous exhibition board at its offices, lighted at night by electricity and showing the position after each move. "Crowds of people who knew nothing about the game kept staring at this, and many were so interested that they picked up a respectable knowledge of chess before the match was over." (British Chess Magazine)

## First Game of Match RUY LOPEZ

| Lasker White |  |  | Steinitz Black |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | P-K4 | P-K4 | 17 | Kt-K2 | R-B2 |
| 2 | Kt-KB3 | Kt-QB3 | 18 | P-R5 | Kt-B5 |
| 3 | B-Kt5 | P-Q3 |  | BxKt | PxB |
| 4 | P.Q4 | B-Q2 | 20 | Q-KB3 | Q-R4 |
| 5 | QKt-B3 | KKt-K2 | 21 | K-Kt1 | Q-K4 |
| 6 | B-QB4 | KtxQP | 22 | Kt -Q4 | B-B3 |
| 7 | KtxKt | PxKt | 23 | P.B3 | R-K1 |
| 8 | QxP | Kt-B3 | 24 | KR-K1 | B-Q1 |
| 9 | Q-K3 | Kt-K4 | 25 | Q-KKt4 | B-QB2 |
| 10 | B-Kt3 | P-QB3 | 26 | Kt-B3 | Q-B3 |
| 11 | Q-Kt3 | Kt-Kt3 | 27 | Kt -Q2 | KR-K2 |
| 12 | P-KR4 | B-K3 | 28 | P-B3 | P.Q4 |
| 13 | BxB | PxB | 29 | R-R1 | R-K4 |
| 14 | B-Kt5 | B-K2 | 30 | P-KKt3 | R-KKt4 |
| 15 | O.0.0 | P.K4 | 31 | Q-Q ${ }^{7}$ | Q-B2 |
|  | B-K3 | 0.0 |  | QxQ | KxQ |


| 33 | P-KKt4 | B-Kt3 | 47 P.QB4 | B-Q7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 34 | PxP | PxP | 48 P-Kt5. | B-B6 |
| 35 | Kt -QKt3 | R-K6 | $49 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Kt1}$ | R.Q7 |
| 36 | KR-B1 | R(Xt4)-K4 | 50 P-B4 | RxKKtP |
| 37 | Kt -B1 | B-B2 | 51 RxR | RxKt |
| 38 | Kt -Q3 | R-KKt4 | 52 P.QB5 | R-K6 |
|  | Kt-QKt4 | R(K6)-K4 | 53 R-B4 | P-Q6 |
| 40 | R-Q4 | . B-Kt3 | $54 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Kt1}$ | P.Q7 |
| 41 | RxPch | K-Kt1 | 55 R-Q1 | PxP |
| 42 | Kt-Q3 | R-K7 | 56 P-Kt6 | B-Q5 |
| 43 | R-Q1 | B-K6 | 57 P-Kt7 | R-K1 |
| 44 | R-Kt4 | P-QKt3 | $58 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B} 2$ | R-QKt1 |
| 45 | R-R4 | P-R4 | 59 R-QKt1 | K-B2 |
|  | P-Kt4 | P-Q5 | 60 R-R4 | Resigns |

The fall of 1894 found Lasker in London, still worn by the strain of the match. He attended the tourney at Leipsig, but did not participate, and once more Tarrasch scored a first. Steinitz, chafing at the delays encountered in arranging a return match,-due in some measure to the new champion's apparent reluctance to hazard his title at an early date,-penned a bitter letter, and in fact claimed the championship by default. Lasker, however, lay ill in London with gastric fever, complicated by the breaking of a blood vessel. Only the extreme solicitude of his brother Dr. Berthold, who came over from Berlin, turned the tide in his fight for life. Thereafter we find him delivering a series of lectures in London, and editing a column in St. Paul's. In the summer the great Hastings Tourney was quickly brought about.

That event is more fittingly the property of Harry Nelson Pillsbury, who managed to enter the contest at the last moment. After a stirring finish he was followed by Tschigorin, Lasker, Tarrasch, Steinitz and Schiffers in an order that is nearly expressive of the real strength of these masters.

Pillsbury's great victory led to much speculation on the possibility of a match for the title. The New England champion expressed his faith in his own star in no uncertain terms. Though a formal match did not take concrete form, a tense rivalry between these two great masters developed and stirred the chess public for nearly a decade. At St. Petersburg near the end of the following year, Pillsbury, Steinitz, Tschigorin and Lasker met in what was a combination match and tournament, each player contesting four games with his adversaries. Dr. Lasker led the field with $111 / 2$ points, two full points ahead of Steinitz, with Pillsbury third.

At Nuremberg in that year Lasker scored another victory, with Maroczy second and Pillsbury and Tarrasch tied for third and
fourth. This success was particularly sweet as his tourney clashes with Dr. Tarrasch had been infrequent, and the record of the Doctor in the International arena was indeed impressive, even as his own forte apparently had been match play.

After many parleys the return match with Steinitz became a reality, and on November 7 th, 1896 the two outstanding figures of the hour sat down once more for an historic encounter. To the normal vicissitudes and delays of a chess match, there were added further political difficulties.

Mr. Steinitz had arranged to telegraph the moves of the games to America in cypher. His cryptogram had to be submitted to the censorship of the Russian Government, and he had to convince the authorities that there was nothing nihilistic in the mysterious messages which he sent.

This match resulted in even a greater triumph for Lasker: the score 10 wins, 2 losses, drawn 5.

The closing years of the century saw the great Vienna tourney, of 1898 , in which Pillsbury and Tarrasch emerged on even terms; (Dr. Tarrasch winning the play-off), and the Paris Tourney where Dr. Lasker gained first prize, scoring $14 \frac{1}{2}$ points out of a possible 16 , losing only to Marshall. The new champion was well ensconced. In Match and Tourney he had demonstrated his supremacy.

In our next issue we shall continue the story of the career of Dr. Lasker.

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## Canadian Section

by F. W. Watson


#### Abstract

Articles pertaining to this department will be accorded special attention if addressed to the Editor at 191 Jones Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, Canada


## Manitoba and Saskatchewan

At the annual meeting for 1934-35, the Manitoba Chess Association elected as its officers: President, J. H. Booker; Vice-President, J. Dreman; Secretary-Treasurer, E. G. Baldwinson. One of the main subjects was a special match, dating back to last April, in which the Winnipeg Jewish chess club and players were overwhelming victors against an amalgamation of all other Winnipeg clubs and players-arrangements were made for a return match scheduled for October.

Problems, and more problems!-Saskatchewan challenges Manitoba to a chess problem solving contest, a new idea associated with correspondence chess. Each week, a specially selected problem is published in the Winnipeg Tribune, the Manitoba Free Press, the Saskatoon Star-Phoenix, and the Regina LeaderPost. The competition is now on, the final result is anxiously awaited. The Provincial team captains are, for Saskatchewan. Mr. A. Benson; for Manitoba, Mr. S. Hall. The score recorded from the first contest problem, a three mover, favored Hall's team, with the count as Manitoba 92, Saskatchewan 83. All solvers throughout both provinces have been invited to compete.

## Sid Kirk-President

The Toronto Oakwood Club will operate throughout the present season with its recently elected officers at the helm: President, S. Kirk ; Vice-President, W. Sharp; SecretaryTreasurer, L. P. Essex; Tournament Director, G. Beauchamp; Team Captain, W. Sharp; with Messrs. Beauchamp and Sharp as Cityleague representatives. Under the supervision of Sid Kirk, a lively time is anticipated, as Mr. Kirk is an enthusiastic worker and a fine leader, having done much in the past to support and promote the game for boys, and in this part he became directly associated with the Rotary Club.

## Toronto Chess League

The chess league competition in Toronto for the ensuing 1934-35 season is now a limelight feature, and with its newly appointed live-wire executive-a bang-up program is naturally expected. The man with the little hammer is to be Mr. T. Schofield, President. Other officials are: 2nd Vice-President, A. E. Forde, Toronto C. C.; Secretary, B. Freedman, Jordan C. C.; Assistant Secretary, H. Storey, Oakwood C. C.; Treasurer, C. Lennox, Beaches C. C.

## Correspondence Chess

The C.C.C.A., Major Tournament 1934-35 was commenced last month, October 1, with the Provincial Championships due to start in this month of November. The Canadian Correspondence Chess Association Championship 1934, was recently won by H. Opsahl, Temiskaming, Quebec. S. Hall, of Winnipeg, is the Manitoba correspondence champion.

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## Syracuse Masters Tournament August, 1934 <br> BRILLIANCY PRIZE GAME CARO-KANN DEFENSE

| M. Monticelli |  | R. Fine Black |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $12 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C}_{4}{ }^{\text {Bla }}$ |  |
| $2 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Q} 4$ | P. Q 4 | 13 P.QR4 | Q-Kt3 |
| $3 \mathrm{Kt-QB3}$ | PxP | 14 B - 2 | O.o.O |
| 4 KtxP | B-B4 | 15 Kt - ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | B-Kts |
| 5 Kt -Kt3 | B-Kt3 | 16 O.0.0 | Kt-B4 |
| 6 Kt -B3 | P.K3 | 17 Q-K3 | R-Q6 |
| 7 B -QB4 | Kt-B3 | 18 PxR | KtxBch |
| 8 Q-K2 | QKt.-22 | 19 K-B2 | B.QB4 |
| $9 \mathrm{Kt-K5}$ | KtxKt | 20 Q-R3 | t-Qsch |
| 10 PxKt | Kt-Q2 | 21 K -B1 | Q-Kt6 |
| 11 P-B4 | B-QB4 | Resigns |  |
| Zurich Jubilee Tournament |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| August, 1934 |  |  |  |
| RUY LOPEZ |  |  |  |



Western Chess Ass'n. Tourney
July, 1934
QUEEN PAWN OPENING

. Rundell

Klosterneuburg Tournament
July 1934

## PETROFF DEFENSE

Sir George Thomas


Liebwerda Tournament August, 1934
QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED

Herzog
White


Zurich Jubilee Tournament
August, 1934
FRENCH DEFENSE


Zurich Jubilee Tournament August, 1934

## QUEEN'S GAMbIT DECLINED


O. Naegeli

Zurich Jubilee Tournament
August, 1934
QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED

| A. Alekhine White |  |  | A. Nimzowitsch Black |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | P-Q4 | Kt-KB3 | 27 R-B3 | B-Kt5 |
|  | Kt-KB3 | P. 44 | 28 P-Q6! | BxR |
| 3 | P-B4 | P.K3 | 29 KxB | B-Kt4 |
| 4 | Kt-B3 | P.B3 | 30 Kt -B4 | P-B3 |
| 5 | B-Kt5 | QKt-Q2 | 31 P-QR4! | B-Q2 |
|  | P-K3 | Q-R4 | 32 P-R5 | PxP |
| 7 | PxP | KtxP | 33 KtxP | R-B2 |
|  | Q-Q2! | B-KtS | 34 Kt -Kt3 | B-Kt4 |
| 9 | R-B1 | P-KR3 | $35 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{K} 4$ | P-R3 |
| 10 | B-R4 | 0.0 | 36 P.QS | K-Kt1? |
| 11 | B-B4 | KtxKt | 37 Kt -Q4 | B-K1 |
| 12 | PxKt | B-R6 | 38 R -Ri | R-R1 |
| 13 | R-QKt1 | P-K4 | 39 K-R5! | R-Q2 |
| 14 | B-KKt3 | PxP | $40 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{K} 6$ | R-B2 |
| 15 | BPxP | OxOch | $41 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Kt} 7$ | R-01 |
| 16 | KtxQ | Kt -Kt3 | 42 RxP | QR.O2 |
| 17 | B-Kt3 | B-B4 | 43 K-Kt6 | R-B1 |
| 18 | P-K4 | QR-K1 | 44 Kt -K6 | B-B2 |
| 19 | P-B3 | B-B1 | 45 Kt - $\mathrm{B5}$ ! | B-K1 |
| 20 | K-K2 | K-R1 | 46 R-R8! | K-B2 |
| 21 | B-B7 | Kt-Q4 | 47 KtxR | BxKt |
| 22 | BxKt | P×B | 48 B-O8! | K-Kt3 |
|  | K-Q3 | P-QKt3 | 49 K - $\mathrm{B}^{\text {7 }}$ | B-Kt4 |
| 24 | $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Kt} 3$ | B-K2 | 50 R-R5 | B-K1 |
| 25 | PxP | B-R3ch | 51 B.K7 | R-B2 |
|  | K-B2 | R-B1 | $52 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Q} 8$ | Resigns |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Liebwerda Tournament |  |  |  |  |
| August 1934 |  |  |  |  |
| SICILIAN DEFENSE |  |  |  |  |
| Boros White |  |  | Blumich Black |  |


| 1 P.K4 | P-QB4 | 20 KtxP ! | Kt |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 P.QKt4 | PxP | 21 O.Kt5ch | K-B1 |
| 3 P-QR3 | P. Q 4 | 22 Q-B6ch | Kt - B 2 |
| 4 P-K5 | Kt-QB3 | 23 Kt -Kt5 | B-Q4 |
| 5 P-Q4 | P.K3 | 24 KtxKt | OxKt |
| 6 PxP | BxPch | 25 QxRch | K-K2 |
| 7 P.QB3 | B-K2 | 26 Q-R6 | K-K3 |
| 8 Q-Kt4 | K-B1 | 27 KR-KKı3 | R-KKt1 |
| P-R4 | P-KR4 | 28 R-Kts | P.B5 |
| 10 Q-B4 | B-Q2 | If . . . | K2; 29 |
| 11 Kt -B3 | Kt-R4 | RxRP, P-R3 | 30 Bx |
| 12 Kt -Kt5 | Kt-R3 | RP, PxR; 31 | Q-Q6ch, |
| 13 Kt -Q2 | Q-B2 | followed by | B-Kt5ch |
| 14 R-KR3 | P-B4 | and mate shor | - |
| 15 B-R3 | BxB | 29 RxP | O-K2 |
| $16 \mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{B}$ | P.KKt3 | 30 R-R4 | B-KS |
| $17 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Kt5}$ ! | P.Kt3 | 31 QxBP! | K-Q4 |
| 18 P-B4! | PxP | 32 P.K6ch | Resigns |
| 19 QKt-K4! | K-K2 |  |  |

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# PROBLEMS 

"The Poesy of Chess"
By Maxwell Bukofzer


#### Abstract

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## Good News

The Problem Dept. of the CR. which now brings alternately articles on "Problem Construction" and "Who's Who in Problemdom", besides sundry interspersed stories, will add two more Seriats, beginning with the next number.

The one series, entitled "Problem-Musings" will comprise most any topic of interest to problem lovers., The other one, under the caption "Masterpieces" will print the elite work of tamous composers, past and present, with a detailed analysis setting forth why the problem is a masterpiece.

You may submit entries for the "Masterpieces" serial, but observe the conditions caretully. Every problem you send must be properly diagramed, bear name of the composer and the publication from which it was clipped, if possible date of previous publication, full solution and your own name and address. If these details are neglected the problem goes in the waste basket. Do not send the originals from your collections but copies only, because none of these entries will be returned, stamp or no stamp. I also announce beforehand that I reserve the unrestricted right to decide whether or not the problem deserves a write-up.

If you have a Christmas problem send it at once. I cannot print it in the December number unless it is in my hands before November 10th.

I am still short of 2 move and 4 move problems. Please come to my assistance. Have plenty of 3 move problems and a fair number of self-mates. Fairy problems are also urgently needed.

Please put your names and addresses on all solution sheets and problems and write on one side of the paper. Use ink, not a soft pencil.

In the January number all scores will be decimated, that is a score of 414 will be 41 , of 217 will be 22, etc. This is done to save space.

Some of you do not vote for the "Best" problem. Please do hereafter. The more votes the fairer the decision.

Problems were received from Charosh (4), Rosado (2), Beers, Hoy (returned), Drasin, Burke (Correction), Watson, McCarthy (2), Kipping and Krisch (6), Thank you.

Closing date for solutions in this number: December 10, 1934.

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Winner of Honor Prize: W. Vanwinkle, Winner of Ladder Prize: E. A. Nash.-Congratulations.

## Solutions

## No. 187 Lynn Davis (2M) Ke3

A familiar mating net.-Dr. Dobbs. Koy, taking flight square spoils this effort; otherwise a nice problem for a beginner.-Beers. Variations too fow but good.-Evans. Neat, quiet, simple "min".-Patz. A piquant appetizer.-Nash, Considering the few pieces o very dirticult problem. Bd3 is a good try.-Stanton. The Bishop moves are interesting.-Silver. Key is quite obvious.-Burke. A pretty miniature though the mates are familiar.-Vail. A much overworked mate.-Malzberg. Artistic moves in this one.-Tangeman.

## No. 188 S. J. Benjamin (2M) Bf6

Just an average Meredith.-Dr. Dobbs. Cute effort. -Beers. Ivot exactly a waiter but has some of the elements.-Evans. Only fair. One good mate-Patz. Fine key.-Emery. Neat, incomplete block.-Hoy. The Knights are well placed.-Silver. Clever clearance key in this waiter.-Tangeman.

189 Frank Vail (2M) Sd4
Smart work but the rook b4 has no necessary func-tion.-Dr. Dobbs. Clever and deceptive-Vanwinkle. Heavy but great play.-Beers. The best 2 movers are the easiest to solve. This kind develops your interest in chess.-Evans. My idea of a good blocking problem. Best 2er in this issue.-Patz. Very deceptive.-Silver. There are some nice variations-Burke. A rather heavy position.-Rothenberg. Subtle shut-off key here; fine problem with clever tries.-Tangeman.

## No. 190 G. Mott-Smith (2M) Q-c8

Attractive half pin.-Dr. Dobbs. Very, very clever key.-Beers. I think No. 190 is splendid. -Berry. Key not hard to find but good. Black certainly messes things up trying to unpin his pawn.-Evans. Nice pins by rook and queen.-Patz. Very excellent problem by Mott-Smith with neat halfpin. My selection for month. -Hoy. The position seems more than crowded.Silver. The half-pin idea is neatly expressed here. The key also is very clever.-Ratke. The threat is well hidden.-Burke. Pretty pin mates.-Vail.-Interesting half-pin theme.-Tangeman.

## No. 191 Bill Beers (2M) Qd4

The triple pin is, of course, the feature.-Dr. Dobbs. This gets my vote. I want to get ONE vote anyhow.Beers. Bill gets no prize for this.-Evans. The triple pin is unique.-Patz. Daffiest problem I have run across in two years of solving.-Murphy. Most pitiless key I ever sow.-Emery. The pins are thoroughly enjoyable and the position is a bit humorous.-Silver. Key is very simple, but the mate after KdI is pretty. -Ratke. Give some of your other composers a chance. - Braverman. (Why do they not send 2Ms?-Ed.) Pleasant.-Rothenberg. Feature is a triple pin after flight.-Tangeman.
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# Who's Who in Problemdom 

## Otto Wurzburg

Not satisfied with the renown of domiciling Wyuam slunkman, the proviem naiser of the worid, the city of Grand Kapids, duicn. piucked another cassaical laurel lear for itselt, when, on the tenth day of July 1875 , it became the burth place of Utro wurzdurg. Nepnew and disciple of the semor wizaid, Utio is known thiougnout proviemiand as "i ne Junior Wizard or Grand Kapids". Today, at the age of 59 , he is still residing in the city of hus dirth, the most famous chess town ot tive continents.

I can tell you but Cittle about Wurzburg, the man. ' Lhere is a veil, woven of reserve, dignity and extraordinary modesty, wrapped securely about Utto's person, and it is hard to penetrate 1 t . Knowing him for 25 years I am even now unintormed of his vocation in daily life. Nor have 1 been able to learn how many chess problems he has composed, how many prizes and honors he has conquered, save the fact that their number must be tremendous. I do know that there is scarcely a remote corner in this world where he is not hailed as one of the most eminent exponents of the composing art, that there is hardly a magazine or chess column in existence that did not, at some time or other, publish a "Wurzburg".

As a solver he ranks among the foremost. Nothing, however involved and difficult, feazes him. As a critic he is one of the most oddly notable. He rarely criticises inferior work. What he says is invariably characteristic of the man: Brief, terse, positive, honest. He possesses that fine gift of telling a story in one happily chosen word.

When Wurzburg's name is mentioned in the gatherings of problem composers and solvers, in chess clubs, two questions are frequently asked that seem to intrigue the problem lovers.

## These questions are:

Has Shinkman's eminence been a benefit or hindrance to the career of the younger composer, and-is Wurzburg as great a problemist as his illustrious uncle?

On the first question some would conrend that, since no star is visible in the midday glare of the sun, Otto was at a disadvantage in his composing efforts. Others would insist
that, on the contrary, Wurzburg was "Lucky", because some of his successes were in all probability due to the valuable aid and instructions he received from his uncle. To state, which of the two opinions is the correct one, is simply impossible. All I can offer to enlighten disputants is that Wurzburg, personally, in one of his letters to me, writes: "I was lucky to have Shinkman for an uncle, a guide and a monitor." I can also mention that I know plenty of problem friends, both composers and solvers, especially the latter, who rate Wurzburg above Shinkman.

This, in a measure, supplies also the answer to the second question. It is plainly a matter of opinion.

## What is my personal conception?

Being familiar with the chess work of both wizards for over 25 years, I believe that my selection of Shinkman as the greatest problemist is justified and probably accepted by a great number of composers, especially foreign experts. However, there are some words to be added to clarify the situation. Shinkman probably is the greater "all around" composer; wonderful, masterful in every branch of the composing art. Yet, in several respects, I do not hesitate to proclaim, Wurzburg undoubtedly surpasses even his incomparable tutor. Agreed that Shinkman was more versatile, prolific, captivating and witty; that his work scintillates, glitters and radiates; yet there is no denying that in the profound depth of ideas, in the terseness and vigor of admirable stratagems and the virile ruggedness of truly amazing technique, Wurzburg need not acknowledge any peers, not even his uncle. Both are about even in respect to originality, but that of Wurzburg appears greater because of the overpowering masculinity apparent in everything he composes, a masculinity strangely contrasting with the velvety, often female charm that distinguishes the creations of the older master.

I have compared the beloved Shinkman with the most beloved musician in the world: Beethoven. Continuing this comparison I would like to call Wurzburg the Richard Wagner of problems. Like Wagner's ponderous song dramas Wurzburg's problem works manifest an Olympian strain, a majestic attribute, an elementary, sometimes scarcely

OTTO WURZBURG
Pittsburgh Gazette Times, 1914
Black


White
Mate in 3 Moves
bridled force, breathtaking in unexpected volume and robust energy.

To employ another comparison, Shinkman's work is like champagne. It prickles, bubbles, intoxicates with sheer joy and beatitude. Wurzburg's compositions create a different delight, the sort you find in the taste of mature, cool Rhinewine, mellow yet dangerous with hidden power, with a tang of tartness that the epicure appreciates and the connoisseur properly appraises.

Such, right or wrong, is my personal impression of the two wizards. It matters little whether I am right or wrong, since posterity will speak the final word.

Wurzburg informs me that he has done little composing during the past 5 or 6 years. He expresses a fear that his "composing vein is bloodless". That made me smile, because the concern registers the only "weakness" I ever observed in this strong personality. Olympian strain and all-Wurzburg is human.

Wurzburg has returned to active chess. As the readers of the C.R. know, he edited these very pages for a year. He also conducts a fine column for the Grand Rapids Herald that attracted some of the cleverest solvers in the land. In view of his present activities there is every hope that his allegedly dry vein will presently fill with the fluid of life as richly as ever before.

For the greater glory of problemdom, for the greater glory of the U.S.A., for the greater glory of Otto Wurzburg, may his future career be as noble as his past, may it indeed be long, prosperous, useful and famous.
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192 M. Charosh (3M)
I. $\mathrm{QBI}, \mathrm{Ke3} .2$ Qcich, etc.
I. . . ., e4. 2 Bxc4, etc.

Cooked by Qb2, Qbb and Sf7.
Mr. Charosh sent a correction, placing a black pawn on $\mathrm{C5}$, which would have made the problem solvable by two keys only. But the problem was already printed when the correction arrived.-Editor

No. 193 Dr. G. Dobbs (3M)

1. Kb8, Ke4. 2 Babch, etc.
I. . . ., Pxf5. 2 Bb3ch, etc.
2. . . ., Kdb. 2 Bc5ch, etc.
I. . . . RxP. 2 Bcbch, etc.

The mates are very subtle and difficult.-Vanwinkle. Dobbs' King moves rank with the best.-Evans. Fine cooperation between $S$ and B's. Another good Dobbs problem.-Patz. Best point is the change effected by Peb.-Every. The try Bcbch leads to the key.-Hoy. My choice for honor prize. A quiet key and good variations.-Silver. The powerful black force stamps this as a threat problem at the first glance. Burke. A strong threat though the Doctor manages to arrive of a number of fine mates.-Vail. The clergy does the "dirty" work. A beautiful problem-Braverman. Splendid! Clever B and S manouvering. Gets my vote.-Rothenberg. A beautiful problem although the key is rather obvious because of the flight to Q3.Tangeman.

No. 194 W. Vanwinkle (3M)
I. . . . 8dI, Kc4. 2 QxP, etc.
I. . . ., Kc3. 2 Qc7ch. etc.
I. . . . . Kd2. 2 Qd7ch, etc.
I. . . . . P ony. 2 Qc7, etc.

The echoes have been done often before.-Dr. Dobbs. A masterpiece of echo models. Play following Kc4 is the most one can desire.-Evans. Gets my vote for best problem.-Patz. A very protty mating net on a wide open board.-Dr. Berliner. Quite difficult. The QxP var. is pleasing.-Nash. Key and play superb. All but one mate economical.-Emery. Another gem by Bro. Vanwinkle.-Hoy. Nice work.-Silver. Key rather easy but the Kc4 variation is rather difficult.-Ratke. Beautiful harmonious cooperation of the white pieces. -Burke. The best part of this problem is the continuation after Kc4.-Hargreaves. On the whole, very poor.-Blumenfeld. Cannot compare with his prize problem 158.-Malzberg. Best problem of month; gets my vote-Braverman. Mr. Vanwinkle sure sets up some fine miniatures.-Patrick. Difficult problem with difficult continuation after Kc5.-Tangeman.

## No. 195 W. T. Scott (3M)

## I. Bh8, Ka7. 2 Qal, etc.

I. . . ., Kc7. 2 Qc2ch, etc.

Note: This problem was withdrawn by the editor from participation in the voting contest, because it is completely anticipated by a problem by H. F. L. Meyer, which appeared in the "Chess Boquet" in 1897. Mr. A. J. Souweine, the noted board expert, was the editor's first informant.

A pleasing little Bristol.-Dr. Dobbs. A fine and pleasing Bristol. Perfectly constructed.-Vonwinkle. Clever illustration of line clearance. Gets my vote. If I vote for Vanwinkle's problem he might get egotistic
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Today we offer three different type problems to the tairylanders, each one of which illustrates a neat idea.

No. 6 is a Demoter by the famous Bridge Expert G. Mott-Simth, who is evidently determined to become equaliy adept in problems. In view of the fact that Mr. Mott-Smith had never even heard of a Demoter until I introduced them, his problem is of most remarkable maturity. It shows complete mastery of the theme, which, as I explained, stipulates that every man aboard is reduced to the next lower rank as soon as he has completed a move. Pawns in this problem are excepted. Kings never change in any problem. Points will be allowed for solutions, separately from the Regulars. The "fairy ladder" herewith begun will, eventually, also reward the top man, but, of course, not until we have the necessary "crowd."

No. 7. Dr. Gilbert Dobbs, one of the greatest Hiving problem masters and internationally renowned for his charming and beautiful creations, turned to fairy chess not so long ago; yet such is this author's acumen that, despite the brevity of his experience, he produces masterpieces from the very start. He introduces No. 7 as a helpmate. However, since the I. P. S. decreed that all fairy problems must begin with White moves, this problem, following a previous custom, e.g. beginning helpmates with Black moves, is no longer a helpmate but a help-selfmate. So don't forget that in No. 7 Black starts and the Black King is mated.

No. 8. An unpretentious, direct-mate Grasshopper "minnie", easy to solve, the only distinction of which is that, after the solution is found, you transfer Ba 2 to b 1 and, doing the whole thing over, produce the exact echo to the first position in a different direction. 3 points for one solution, 4 points if the echo is recorded also. But only fully written out solutions will win points. This goes for all fairy problems, even 2 movers!! It is not enough to send Keys (for fairy problems) or abbreviated hints. Only full solutions win points.

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\text { F. } 6 .
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(Original)
GEOFFREY MOTT-SMITH
New York City


Demotion Mate in 3 Moves Pawns do not change

Beginning today, I am going to publish in every issue or Faryland successive items pertaining to fairy chess, such as descriptions of new pieces, rules and regulations and numerous other details that will afford assistance to the solvers and composers.

While fairy chess is not nearly as restricted and hidebuund as orthodox problem chess, it is, nevertheless, governed by certain laws which are generally accepted and have been approved by the I. P. S.

Start today a little book in which you record the important items of which you become cognizant. Such record book if properly continued, will become a useful and valuable fairy manual and aid you in both composing and solving fairy compositions.
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F. 7.
(Original)
Dr. Gilunki DOBBS
Carrullton, Ga.


Helpmate in 3 Moves ${ }_{*}$ Black Starts
F. 8.
(Original)
MAXWELL BUKOFZER
Bellaire, L. I.


Mate in 2 moves.
Same with Ba 2 on b1.

## 211

(Original)
willlam patz
Irvington, N. J.


Mate in 2 moves.

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213 \\
\text { (Original) }
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Dr. GILBERT DOBES Carrollton, Ga.


Mate in 2 moves.

215
(Original)
DAVID C. McCLELLAND Jacksonville, III.


Mate $\ln 2$ moves.

212
(Original)
DAVID C. McCLELLAND Jacksonville, III.


Mate in 2 moves.

214
(Original)
G. W. HARGREAVES

Auburn, Ala.


Mate in 2 moves.
216
(Original)
MANNIS CHAROSH
Brooklyn, N. Y.


Mate in 3 moves.

217
(Original)
WILBUR VANWINKLE
Endicott, N. Y.


Mate in 3 moves.
219
(Original)
CARLOS JIMENO JR. Mexico


Mate in 4 moves.
221
(Original)
Dr. G. ERDOES
Vienna, Austria.


Selfmate in 3 moves.

218 (Original) MAURICE LEYSENS Cleveland, Ohio.


Mate in 3 moves.
220
(Original)
R. CHENEY, Rochester, N. Y. Dedicated to Dr. G. Dobbs.


Mate in 5 moves.
222
(Otiginal)
Dr. GILBERT DOBBS
Carrollton, Ga.


Selfmate in 4 moves

Solutions to These Problems Must Be Received by December 10, 1934

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## Here are a few starters:

1. In fairy problems pawns on the 7th square cannot be promoted to pieces not appearing in the diagram (except to orthodox men).

Thus a pawn cannot promote to, say, a grasshopper, unless there is at least one grasshopper in the diagram.
2. The demoter and promoter are regulated by the governing de or pro-motion clause, which precedes every other rule. Thus in a promoter a pawn becomes a Knirht, and only a Knight. even on the 8 th square. Of course. if in your promoter the pawn was excepted from the clause. then such pawn follows the general promotion rule and can become any plece of the orthodox type, or any piece of the fairy present in the diagram.
3. In demoters pawns, if not excepted from the demotion clause, can be DFmoter to queens (going in the circle: Q-R-B-S-P-Q-R. etc.), but it is necessary to state this on the problem to avoid confusion. Pawns, not excepted from the demotion clause, can also be reduced to "blocks." A "block" is a pawn reduced to the nature of a mere plua. It can nelther move anain, capture or check: but it can block a square even on the promotion (8th) row.
4. The Kninht is used in fairy chess for many new pieces. It is then usually inverted or lying sidewave. hatat "n ar down. In enrh races it is necescary to state under the problem what plece is represented bv the inverted Kniaht and how it moves, riving the exact number of lateral and dianonal squares of the individual move.

In a later issue I shall aive a detailed description of all these pieces and their moves.

So much for todav. In the next issue I shall offer other details worth recording in your book.

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and lot down in his work. (But Vonwinkle, beina secand chnice, now aets the vote anyhowll-Editor) Evane. Fina timinn. B. givas nacnecary asin in tempo to mate.-Potz. Simple, yet tantalizing until one drops to tha Lav.- Cilune. Gats mv vata as hast of the month. TToo bodl A wasted votel Ed.I - Ratke. Beautiful Bristol.-Brarke. Pretty example of this theme.- Hargreaves. Fine mates after a beautiful key.-Vail. Accurate play.-Tangeman.

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\text { No. } 196 \text { R. Cheney (4M) }
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I. Se2, f5. $2 \mathrm{Qg}_{\mathrm{g} 2 \mathrm{ch}, \mathrm{K}} \mathrm{K} 3$. $3 \mathrm{Sf4}$, etc.
I. . . ., Bg 3 or $\mathrm{d}, 2 \mathrm{~S}$ or $\mathrm{BxB}, \mathrm{K}$ or P ony, 3 ony, Q mates.

1. . . ., 8 olse. 2 Sd.4, any. 3 Sf 3 ch , atc.

Like most of Cheney's miniatures this is not too easy. but the matas ore nothing extra.-Dr. Dabbs. Very clever and difficult minnie, with beautiful B \& S play. -Vanwinklo. Cheney is a miniature ortict.-Evons. Thought I hod this problem cooked with Sb3. hint om alad I didn't. It is too annd for that.-Patz. Dif'io..It. The Key is likely to be overlooked, considering the difficulty of finding the right continuation.- Nash. There is a possibility of o cook by Sd 3 , but I had no time to go through all variations.-Silver. Subtle defense
prevents cooks.-Burke. A beautiful miniature by 0 master minioture composer.-Vail. Possesses the Cheney trademark but is below his standard of accur-acy.-Tongeman.

## No. 197 D. C. McClelland (4MSui)

I. Bel. cxb: 2 Bxc3, PxP: 3 Bd2, etc.

1. . . . . . . : 2.. ., b4: 3 Rd2, otc.
:. .. ., cxd, 2 Re3. PxP; 3 Rd3, etc.
Cooked by Re8 and on impossible position because of Ba8.

## No. 198 G. Gooller (9MSui)

1. $\mathrm{d} 8=8$. e5: $2 \mathrm{Kh} 3, \mathrm{Kxf3:} 3$ Bh4, Ke41: 4 Qelch, Kf3: 5 Qdich. Ke4: $6 \quad 98=\mathrm{S}$. f3: 7 Sfoch, Kf4; 8 Qa4ch. e4: 9 Sg4, fxgmate.

Not really "cooked" but demolished, because it can be done with the outhor's Key in 6 moves. I. Pd8=B, Pe5: 2 Kh3, KxS. 3 Bh4. Ke4; 4 P=B. Any: 5 8d5ch, Any: 6 Oq4ch. $P_{x}$ Omate.
Only those that found the 6 M solution received credit. because the problem is a dafacto 6 mover. Credit goes only to Dr. Dobbs, N. Malzberg, P. L. Rothenberg, and Geo. Partos.

## C. E. Silver

## Correspondence

John B. Tangeman:- I am immensely pleased that you have joined the family. The neatuess, accuracy and competency you (bothll) exhibit is as remarkable as it is unusual. Will raprint the scoring for cooks etc. in on early issue. The scores will be decimated with the new year, but are always cumulative. I hope you will remain in our midst for a long time.
C. Higgins:- Wolcome to the fomily. In a selfmote all mates must be forced by the White pieces until the white King is mated. Watch the coming articles on problem construction. Pleese vote for the "best" problem every month.
W. Patz:- Lectio tuae epistolae fuit maqnum guadium atque volubtas specialis. Superbus sum tenens in mao arean nenhlamatico dierin nae. Saltationem meam habes.
Bill Baars:- Plansa sand ma mare problems. especially 2 move and 4 or 5 move: but mark down in your record that you sent them to me and don't hove them publishad alcowhare berause I rannot print them at once. I am alad vou solve. Regards.
Erwin Krisch:- Welcoma to our family ond thanks for tho fairing. Plances writo on one sida of nanar only and sian every sheet with name,-and PLEASEI don't "phooey" everything that displeases you, not even in o jocose way.
Paul Murphy:- Watch the next grasshopper fairy problem. A description of the G. move will go with its publication. Give yourself time: vou will learn all that now anmare munar is reolly not foolish but fascinating and not hard to grasp.
Michael Lynch:- If you think that I con change all the fairy names or pieces you tender me a wholly unearned compliment. Why tolk to me "over the fence"? Why not rathar ioin us? We like the beginners as much as the masters.
A. J. Souweine:- Thanks for timely information. Can't I annex you?
F. Evans:- Please write on one side of the paper only. You possess a fine senise of humor.
E. A. Nash:- The CR. Problem Dept. publishes ONLY originals, but our new serial, "Masterpieces" will take care of your request. Scores will be cut January 1935.
S. Korsgaard:- For 2 move problem only key moves need be sent. Fairy problems are printed in the "Fairyland" section, never among the Regulars.

## G. Goeller:- Ihre widmungsaufgabe teilte das los aller dedicarionsprobleme. ts war in 6 zuegen loesbar. - Schade!

W. Vanwinkle:- Problems from you are always desirabie, any kind. You won the honor prize aqain and share with Dr. Dobbs the distinction of this repeat. When a 9 mover can be done in 6,6 points is all you get if you find the solution; the rest does-not count at all.
O. H. Ludlow:- See Vanwinkle reply. Thanks for kind wishes. What-No problem??
M. W. Patrick:- Please put name on solution sheets. Why no criticisms?
A. Szabo:- Score corrected. Thanks for fine letter and
congratulations on your victory in Cincinnati where you sparkled!
P. L. Rothenberg:- Your letter was a lovely tribute but I do not deserve that much laudation, my friend. Thank you most cordially and sincerely.
Hochberg Bros.:- Glad you like my broadcast but do not tell ME; write to the station direct (Program Director) and it may do some good.
C. S. Kipping:- Thanks for problem which is a "Kipping" from head to toe. Your work with your youngsters is excellent and could be a pattern for others to follow: but why quit problems?? However, you can't do it-, not for long if I know you right. Kindest regards.
S. Braverman:- Change of address noted.

Paul Negreanu, Bucharest:- Thank you for your clippings and the truly fraternal spirit you have shown me repeatedly. I deeply appreciate your unfailing courtesy. The CR. will come to you regularly.
Geo. N. Cheney:- Welcome to the family. Are you related to our R. Cheney?
A. Chess:- Many thanks for your list of prize-winners which will be used in our new series "Masterpieces".

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| Nash, E. A. | 479 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 8 |  |  | 13 |
| Vanwinkle, | 470 |  | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 0 |  | 506 |
| Malzberg, N. | 443 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2. 3 | 3 | 3 |  | 0 | 4 | 6 |  | 475 |
| Rothenberg, P. | 389 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 23 | 3 | 3 | , | 4 | 8 | 6 |  | 429 |
| Szabo, A. | 382 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 3 |  | 3 | 4 | 0 |  | 417 |
| Burke, H. | 380 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 0 |  | 414 |
| Dobbs, D | 363 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 9 | 9 |  | 3 | 4 | 8 | 6 |  | 409 |
| Partos, G | 367 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 26 | 63 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 4 |  | 399 |
| Riggin, C. W. | 358 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 33 | 3 | 3 | 0 |  |  |  | 380 |
| Hargreaves, G. | 320 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 4 |  |  | 345 |
| Davis, Lynn | 274 | 2 |  | 2 | 2 | 2 | 23 | 33 | - | 3 | 4 | 4 | 0 |  | 304 |
| Foote, B. A. | 284 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 |  |  | 33 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  | 299 |
| Hoy, J. O. | 230 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 29 | 93 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 |  |  | 265 |
| Chess, A. | 226 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 3 |  | 3 |  | 4 |  |  | 252 |
| Emery, G. R. | 199 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 26 | 6 | - | , | 4 | 4 | 0 |  | 232 |
| McCarthy, E. | 189 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 33 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 0 |  | 219 |
| Patrick, M. W. | 186 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 9 | 9 | , | , |  | 4 |  |  | 218 |
| Hochberg Bros. | 160 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 3 | 33 |  | 3 | 4 | 4 |  |  | 190 |
| Vail, F. | 150 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 33 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 |  |  | 180 |
| Berliner, Dr. M. | 146 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 6 | 63 | 3 | 3 | 0 |  |  |  | 175 |
| Young, Earl F. | 123 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 23 | 33 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 0 |  | 153 |
| Tudor, W. B | 134 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 142 |
| Ratke, R. J. | 108 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 26 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 |  |  | 141 |
| Braverman, S | 110 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 26 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 0 |  | 0 |  | 139 |
| Evans, F. | 98 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 23 | 33 | 3 | 3 |  |  |  |  | 128 |
| Young, T | 97 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 33 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 |  |  | 127 |
| Berry, G. F. | 113 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 121 |
| Greenwald, I. | 78 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  | 26 | 6 | 3 | 3 | - |  |  |  | 107 |
| Blumenfeld, A. | 78 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 33 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  | 104 |
| Tiesler, G. | 66 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 12 | 2 | 3 | 3 |  |  |  |  | 97 |
| Wahby, M | 70 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Patz, W. | 42 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 23 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 |  |  |  | 68 |
| Hannan, J. | 58 | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 68 |
| Murphy, P. | 30 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 23 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 |  |  |  | 60 |
| Korsgaard, S. | 32 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 20 | 03 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 0 |  |  | 55 |
| Stanton, St. . | 33 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2. |  | 3 | , |  |  |  |  | 49 |
| Tanqeman, |  | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 12 | 2 | 3 | , | 4 | 8 | 0 |  | 43 |
| Ludlow, O. H | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  | 29 | 93 | 3 | 3 | , | 4 | 0 |  | 35 |
| Silver, C. E. | 0 | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 2 | 26 | 63 | 3 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 |  | 33 |
| Krisch, Erwin | 0 |  | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 29 | 93 | 3 | 3 | , |  |  |  | 32 |
| Cheney, G. | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 23 | 33 | 0 | , | 0 |  |  |  | 23 |
| Beers, W. | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 13 |
| Higgins, C. | - | 2 |  |  | - 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Scores of solvers whose names do not appear in this list are kept recorded for six months and then cancelled.

