

#### White To Play And Win! Conducted by William Rojam

 $\mathbf{P}^{\mathrm{OSITION}}_{\mathrm{Champion}}$  NO. 77 is the original composition of Louisiana State Champion Alfred B. Willis, and was suggested to him by the position in a game he played recently. The final mating strategy is old (Philidor knew it) but the setting is original and combines other strategy with the basic theme. It is a strategy that occasionally is possible in actual play; that illustrious Louisiana master, Paul Morphy, won a casual game in Paris in a somewhat different position by the identical tactics

Position No. 78 is one of the more recent compositions of the great Ozech and game artist, L. Prokes, and was suggested to this column by Ernest Boschan of Washington. It is a typical Prokes composition with subtle but direct strategy which reduces the final position to a basic

won ending for White. Several readers have pounced upon a flaw in the procedure for winning Position No. 75 in the May 5th issue. Messrs. Neil Bernstein, Joe Faucher and Julius S. Weingart all point out that after 1. Q-K7 ch, ble Fatcher 2, Q-B8 ch, Q-Kt2 (forced); 3, QxQ mates. Dr. Weingart, however, points out that after 1, Q-K7 ch, K-K11!; 2, Q-K8 ch, K-Kt2; then 3, RxR ch wins for White; a) if 3. ..., RxR ch; 4. QxR ch, K or PxQ; 5. RxP as in original variation, b) if 3. ..., PxR; 4. RxP(B), RxR; 5. BxR and wins.

Please turn to page four for solutions.

### USA-Canada Match All Set for June 18 Except for Manitoba Flood Area

Flood waters, which for the last several weeks have been endangering the Winnipeg and Red River Valley area, have smashed all plans for Minnesota-Manitoba activity in the 3,000 mile border Chess Match this June. L. P. Narveson, Minnesota Team Captain, reports all attempts by telegraph to reach Manitoba opponents have met with failure and because of the grim disaster in the whole area, has announced the necessity for cancellation of their event.

Prospects in other areas are considerably brighter and Dr. Jacob Melnick, Maine Team Captain, has completed plans for International competition at Bangor, Maine again this year with the Maritimes. G. A. Day announces game time as 2:00 p.m. June 18th at the Community Club in Berlin, N. H. Mr. Day is considerably short-handed and is sending out an urgent call for reinforcements to chess players in his area. The reverse situation is true when Michigan players will go into action against Windsor, Ont. rivals at 10:30 a.m. EST. in downtown Detroit. The preponderance of players on our side of the border more than assures Canadians of an opponent but they are working frantically to build up their man-power at this point.

International complications to this International event are recurring for the Buffalo-Toronto area in connection with Displaced Persons. It will be recalled last year over 50 Lithuanian and Ukrainian players, organized under Dr. P. Hutzulak, in connection with Bernard Freedman in Toronto, were

forced to make last minute cancellation of their plans to come to Buffalo, N. Y., when it developed that it would be impossible to make the border-crossing into New York State. However, Dr. Hutzulak has assurance of 80 D.P.'s from Toronto being at the General Brock June 18th. Diffi-culties for the U.S. Team started S. S. Keeney announced los Nasvytis, Lithuanian when Algirdos Nasyytis, Lithuanian D.P., who tied for third in Cleve-land's City Championship recently, intended to participate at Niagara Falls, Ont. Phil Mary, U.S. Team Captain, ascertained through the District Headquarters of the U.S. Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization at Buffalo, N.Y. that border crossing permits will be issued for D.P.'s whose status for permanent residence has been approved by the Government. All players with this status are requested, to insure their participa-tion June 18th, to communicate at once with the Officer in Charge of above mentioned Bureau nearest their home, making sure to advise

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## TO ENJOY U.S. OPEN TOURNEY **Chess Players And Their Families** Will Find U.S. Open A Real Vacation

DETROIT INVITES ALL PLAYERS

Detroit, the automobile capital of the world, is also one of the vacation pleasure spots of America—a fact forgotten by those who read the cold statistics of manufacturers. For this reason, the U. S. Open Championship Tournament at Detroit on July 10 to July 22 promises to be one of the most enjoyable for participants in a long line of Open Championships.

Among its attractions for the vacationist is the fact that Detroit on the boundary line between the United States and Canada—a lies on the boundary line between the United States and Canada-quick trip by bus or auto takes the visitor across the border into Canada (and no passports are required) for a pleasant visit with our Northern neighbors at Windsor, Ontario. For scenic beauty there is the restful and unique island park of Belle Isle, 1,000 acress of virgin beauty, originally purchased from the Indians (who called it Wah-nabazee — Swan Island) for eight harrels of rum, three rolls of to-standing the purchased from

barrels of rum, histerio for eight barrels of rum, histerio for bacco, six pounds of vermillion paint, and one belt of wampum. Now its forest beauty is studded with sport fields, bathing beaches and a zoological garden for the enjoyment of all visitors.

For the children there are four root the children there are four zoological gardens in all, with the Royal Oak garden's giving a vast display of wildlife in barless se-curity in landscaped terrain that approximates their native habi-tats, while the gardens on Bell Isle is children a children's are with its is strictly a children's zoo with its brightly colored exhibits based upon famous children's stories. The Chimpanzee Theatre is also a nev The er-failing attraction for young and old.

For the sightseer there is the Edison Institute at Dearborn (10 miles from Detroit) which is one of the outstanding museums voted to a collection of representative articles used or made in America from the earliest days down to the present. Then at Dear-born is the famous 200 acre Greenfield Village which reflects the past. Down its shaded streets the visitor passes buildings that once stood in distant villages of the past, assembled to recreate early America. There is an old country store with merchandise of the

#### I. ZALYS WINS MONTREAL CITY

The strong 16-player tournament for the championship of Montreal and custody of the Napoleon Courtemanche trophy resulted in a victory for the former Lithuanian expert I. Zalys with a 12½-2½ score. Zalys lost one game and drew 3. Second place went to P. Brunet with 11-4, while J. N. Williams, a newcomer from London, Ont., placed third with 10-5. For a number of rounds Williams led the tournament. Fourth place went to E. Davis with 9½-5½, and vet-eran Dr. J. Rauch placed sixth with 9-6.

Canadian Champion Maurice Fox, who has two of the three wins necessary for permanent posses-sion of the Courtemanche trophy, did not compete in this year's event

In the Woman's Championship at the end of the first three rounds Miss F. Bone and Mrs. I. Stevens are ided for the lead with 3.0 each; Mrs. M. Stronach and Mrs. R. Szawłowski have 2-1 each.

1800%, a typical village inn, a rus-tic courthouse where Lincoln prac-ticed law as a young man. In the shops craftsmen revive the almost lost art of handicraft. Other out-standing buildings of this wonder village are the original laboratory and workshop of Themase A Edi and workshop of Thomas A. Edi-son, and the birthplace of Stephen A. Foster.

Aside from these feature attrac-tions, unique to Detroit, there are all the normal facilities of a big city-beaches, golf courses, Briggs Stadium where the Tigers play their baseball, tennis courts, mu-seums, public libraries, art insti-tutes and theaters. And the curithe shad the curricultures and the curricultures and the about the mysteries of production-line manufacturing by visiting Ford Motor Company, General Motors, etc. where guided tours are avail-able upon scheduled hours. While the choosen may do her nurches the shopper may do her purchas-ing in the second largest depart-ment store in America at J. L. Hudson Co.

Plans for the Open Championship event include several special entertainment features, and ample time has been left available even for the players in the tournament to benefit from the many scenic and educational attractions of the and educational attractions of the Detroit area. All omens indicate that the 51st Annual USCF Con-gress and Open Tournament will rank among the finest in the his-tory of this great event.

#### IF IT MATTERS **RUSSIANS WIN** IN CANDIDATES

As predicted, the Soviet players cornered the top spots in the alleged candidates tournament at Budapest, with Boleslavsky and Bronstein tied for first place with 12-6 each. Smyslov placed third with 10-8, Keres fourth with 9½-8½, and Najdorf fifth with 9-9.

Boleslavasky lost no games but drew 12, while Bronstein lost 2 and drew 8. The co-victors will play a match for the right to meet World Champion Botvinnik, if FIDE helplessly decides that this was indeed a legitimate candidates tournament

51st Annual U. S. **Open Tournament** AT DETROIT, MICH. July 10 - July 22

#### POWERS REGAINS WISCONSIN TITLE

Averill Powers, chess editor of the Milwaukee Journal, regained the Wisconsin State Championship at Racine in a 39-man 6-round Swiss with a 5½-½ score and 20.75 S-B points. Arpad Elo, another former Wisconsin Champion, plac-ed second, tieing Powers in game score but losing out by one S-B point.

1949 Wisconsin Champion, the 18year old Richard Kujoth, failed in his attempt to retain the title for the fourth year in succession and placed third with 5-1 score. Ku-joth lost his 5th round game to Dr. 0. M. J. Wehrley and with it the title. This was his first loss in four years of the Wisconsin Cham-pionship, winning 22 games out of

the 23 pixed in these events. Fourth place went to Dan Clark of Racine with 4½-1½ while fifth was a the between Mark Surgies and Dr. Wehrly with equal scores of 4-2 and equal S-B points of 14.00. Robert Schmidt, Heinz Loewy and Paul Liebig also score 4.2 but on S-B points Schmidt placed 7th, while Loewy and Liebig tied for 8th.

#### **DICAMILLO WINS** AT PHILADELPHIA

Attilio DiCamillo retained the Metropolitan Philadelphia Chama pionship in 17-man 7-round Swiss event, having one of the strongest fields in recent years, with a 6-1 score, drawing with Ru-bican out Wedther binow and Wachs. A former Penn State Champion, DiCamillo has frequently acquited himself well in national events.

Second place in the event held at the Mercantile Library Chess Ass'n went to former Penn, Junior Champion S. Wachs with 5-2. Wachs lost a game to Hesse and Wachs lost a game to Hesse and drew with DiCamillo and Zucker-man. Herman Hesse, another for-mer Penn. State Champion placed third with a 4½-2½ and an S-B score of 23.00, while tied in game points but fourth and fifth respec-tively on S-B noithe ware Sklaundf tively on S-B points were Sklaroff and Regen. Among other entrants, and Regen. Among other entrants, S. Rubinow, champion of the Uni-versity of Pennsylvania, was a ra-ther surprising 7th after his fine showing in the 1948 U. S. Chamshowing in the 1948 U. S. Cham-pionship, while Armarnick, recent Tri-State Junior Champion, contin-ued to show promise by placing 10th in such a strong field.

#### MECHEM TAKES KANSAS TITLE

Kirke Mechem of Topeka was victor in the 7-round Swiss Kansas State Championship with a score of 6½-½, drawing with John Earnest. Second place in the 24-man Swiss went to Henry Georgi of Lawrence with 5½-1½, losing Mechem and drawing with O. M. Maring, John Earnest of Lawr-ence and Bert Brice-Nash of Me-dora had equal scores of 5-2 but placed third and fourth respect-ively upon S-B points.

Dr. A. A. Herman was elected president of the Kansas State Chess Ass'n; Dr. Miller was elected vice-president; and Carl Weberg was chosen secretary-treasurer.



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#### THE PLAY'S THE THING!

N OT TO TRAP the conscience of the king (as Shakespeare suggests) but to place a greater and more friendly meaning to the words "Canadian-USA amity." It doesn't matter particularly which side ac-cumulates the greatest number of victories in the 3000 mile ocean.to-ocean border match between the Canadian and U. S. teams, although duifully upon this side of the border we may be excused for rooting for a U. S. victors are and such and the second of Maximum of Maximum. dutituity upon this side of the border we may be excised for forming for a U. S. victory even as our good friend, Editor MacAdam of Maritime Chess Chat, will be cheering for a Canadian triumph. For this is not primarily a test of strength between the countries, but a friendly get-together of good neighbors. And the play's the thing—not who wins and not even who does the playing.

But it is up to us to make the ocean-to-ocean match a success upon But it is up to us to make the ocean-to-ocean match a success upon June 18th—not necessarily by triumphing but by making a fine display of friendship and fellowship with our Canadian neighbors (and in many instances, hosts for the day). What is needed is a good turnout for the oceasion so that last year's match is dwarfed by comparison.

For a test of strength, since we cannot altogether rule out the com-petitive spirit from chess, let us take a different occasion and make plans for a limited board match (as suggested by Osias Bain, secretary of the Chess Federation of Canada) at which both countries can assure an even matching of the best talent. But June 18th is a day for fun.

It is to be regretted that plans for the usual Minnesota-Winnipeg section of the ocean-to-ocean match seem to have bogged down. Dame Nature, not always friendly to man, has intervened with a series of disasterous floods in Manitoba which give our friends in Winnipeg much more urgent matters for their attention than a chess match. CHESS In Manitoba in this hour of trial with the wish that they will find the strength and guidance to survive. They will be missing from our gather-ing on June 18th, but they will not be missing from our thoughts and good wishes.

Montgomery Major

The Kibitzer Has His Day From the Editor's Mail Bag

Dear Mr. Major:

Everyone agrees that Mr. Steiner's motives are Simon pure and that he is a veritable pillar in our

that he is a vertainte pinar in our chess society. Unfortunately, how-ever, this is not the issue. Steiner accepted an invitation to participate in the United States team, agreed to play, received a consideration for his consent, re-used to play and foiled to unturn fused to play and failed to return the consideration. Consequently, he violated more than the terms of the agreement.

He assumed that as champion he was entitled to first board. Since champions in the past have not always played on first board in team tournaments, the assumption is without foundation. Frank Marshall, chess champion of the United States for twenty seven years. did not play first board on many occasions: he did not play first at Hamburg 1930, Prague 1931, Folkestone 1933, Warsaw 1935 and Stockholm 1937. Denker did not play first board in the US-USSR match of 1946. Steiner was aware of this.

Steiner contends that Marshall, as captain of the team, placed himself in a position of vantage and that Denker played under protest. Steiner has no right to assume that Marshall voluntarily went be low first board; but knowing Frank Marshall as I did, I am certain that if he voluntarily played

below first, he set an example of sportsmanship which might well have been followed later on. In any event, both Marshall and Denker did not play first board during their tenure of champion. And it was presumptious of Steiner to as-sume that he would. This presump-tion is even more pointed when Steiner's score and standing in the master's tournament of New York - the only masters' tournament held in this country prior to the Yugoslav Radio Match - comes to light. In a field of ten, he finish ed tenth with three draws and six

With these facts in hand, it was clearly incumbent on Steiner to serve notice that he would play only on first board. This he failed to do.

Steiner charges me with determining the order of the players in the US-USSR match as well as in the US-Yugoslav match. The top six players in the US-USSR match determined the line-up of the team and a committee of four, of which

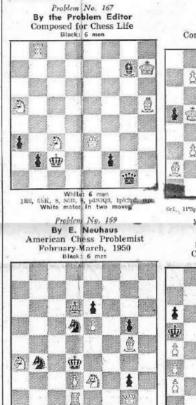
and a committee of four, of which I was not a member, determined the order of players in the Yugo-slav match. Steiner knew this. Steiner initimates that we might have won had we placed the cham-pion on first board. Obviously, bindsight is better then foresidet hindsight is better than foresight and any change might have been for the better. It is curious, howMate The Subtle Way! by Vincent L. Eaton

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HOW DOES ONE go about solving a chess problem?" a reader asks. H "Is it by guesswork, or is there a definite system you can follow to get at the answer?" To make a fully reply to this poser would take several columns of print, so these remarks will be limited to two-movers only. In a future column we may be able to give some hints

on how to tackle longer-range problems. The beginners at solving will take the phrase "White mates in two moves" literally and concentrate his attention on the White pieces. What threatening moves does White have? What man can be maneuver What threatening moves does White have? What man can he maneuver so that it will be in a position to mate on the second move? Using this line of reasoning he will try every potential move of White's until event-ually, after much trial and effort, he finds the one that works. The easier method, which gives quicker returns in a majority of two-ers, is to look at the Black side of the picture. This is the system that most experienced solvers use. What strong moves can Black make, and what countars does White hous against them? Does the Black King

and what counters does what stong moves can black make, and what counters does white have against them? Does the Black King have a flight square, and does White have a way of mating if he moves to it? Does Black have a threat of check to the White King, and can White answer his threat? Does Black have a move on hand which will allow White to make a pretty mate in reply? Most two ers give up their secrets if you try to find what happens if Black, not White, makes the first move.



White: 8 men s, 8, 3Kps, 3stPipi, 6BL, Salkd, 3PSipi, R2Q1 White mates in two moves

ever, that the United States won

when the champion of the United

States did not play first board! These additional facts will clarify this episode: Steiner, according

to his own admission, was twice notified by Al Bisno that he was

going to play on sixth board in

the Yugoslav match. I notified him that his opponent was going to be Puc. (All this was before he left Los Angeles.) Putting these two

thoughts together, it was evident that Steiner was going to play Puc

on sixth board. Steiner, however, asserts that he didn't believe Bis-

no and there was a possibility that Pue had become champion. Under

the circumstances, was it not rea-

sonable to assume that some doubt

was created in Steiner's mind,

which could have been cleared un

by a wire or telephone call to me? I did not hear from Steiner.

Now, if all this is slander, half

truths and untruths, let your read-ers and Mr. Steiner make the most

I. A. HOROWITZ Dear. Mr. Major, Congratulations to you CHESS LIFE

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Problem No. 168 By H. V. Mowry Malden, Mass. Composed for Chess Life Black: 10 men 圕 8 \$ m t **i** 🔄 3 ф 6 8 9 9 1 商 ŝ \$ White: 11 men 6rI, 1P5pRI, 455, pK2P1p1, 4k2p, 1P9sSps1, 4P552, 2B5 White mates in three moves

Problem No. 170 By W. A. Shinkman Checkmate, July, 1903 Black: 2 men



White: 7 men 8, 8, p7, k7, P6R, P2K4, P4BB1, 8 White mates in three moves Solutions to previously published problems on page four.

> what most American chess players think of the filthy Russian way of trying to dominate chess as they try to dominate everything else. I was happy to see the way in which you answered that poor befuddled reader Harvey.

Secondly, congratulations on publishing that fine serial by Dr. Buschke on Alekhine's early ca-Buschke on Alekhine's early ca-recr. There are far too few arti-cles of its kind published in chess periodicals today. I hope that your good judgment will continue and that you will publish the Alekhine serial for as long as pos-

# sible. DALE A. BRANDRETH

Miquon, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Major: We should not let politics interfere with chess, this the reason why chess is so popular because, it is an international game, a tie of friend-ship between countries and when we play chess, we never mention politics, we see the Russians as good chess players, that is all.

JAMES BRYAN New York, New York

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III THE MATCH WITH LEVITSKY (Continued)

#### BISHOP'S GAMBIT

## Second Match Game, St. Peters-burg, February 17 (March 2), 1913. Notes by A. A. Alekhine in "Novoe

Ivotes by A. A. Alekhine in "Novoe Vremia" of February 23 (March 8), 1913 and "Sbakhmatnyi Viestnik" of March 1 (14), 1913, p. 69. A \* denotes mores to which Alekhine's notes will be found in Weiller and the second second second second second which are a second sec "My Best Games of Chess, 1908-1923," game no. 40, p. 105. These notes are not at all identical with his earlier notes in "Noroe Vremia" and "Shakhmatnyi," and it is suggested to compare the notes of the mature Alekhine with those of the young "maestro."

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After 18. Kt-K6!! LEVITSKY



PxKt K-RI RxR oh 21. RxR 22. P-R6!\* BxQP PxP PxKt

#### MAGIC CITY LEAGUE

University of Mlami Greater Miami Chess Club Coconut Grove Chess Club Mjami Military Academy .... 

U. S. Chess Federation: 1.) Why was the chess cham-pion of our country, and certainly



I N THE SPRING the New York Chess fan can always see his favorites in action as they play for favorites in action as they play for their respective clubs, for into new York's Metropolitan Chess League every important club, whether boasting "master" or just "ex-pert" chess strength, sends a spir-ited united team. There are the Manhattan and Marshall Chess Clubs, traditional rivals for the title, who must, even so, be wary of every other competitor they encounter The London Terrace counter. The London Terrace Chess Club, with its headquarters in one ci New York's most famous penthouses, the Brooklyn Chess Club, located high above the opera house of the Brooklyn Academy of nouse of the Brooklyn Academy of Music, the New York Academy, a chess "concession" at the "cross-roads of the world," Broadway and 42nd Street, the West Side Chess Club, a Y.M.C.A. team, and the Club, a Y.M.C.A. team, and the ever present Intercollegiate Chess Club are this year the contenders for the title last won by the Man-hattans and sought again by the Marshalls.

Thus, on Saturday nights such renowned experts as Denker, Pink-us, Santasiere, Evans, Simonson, lisguer, Shainswit, Horowitz, Pol-land, and Lasker match their chess skill against veteran players and youthful aspirants for the honor of their "home clubs".

For these clubs which do not wish to participate in the expert "A" section of the Metropolitan League or for those "A" clubs who in addition wish to give their less-er luminaries a chance to engage in chess combat, there is also a "B" League, which often produces stirring contests worthy of masters!

This spring the struggle, as ex-pected, is between the Manhattan and Marshall Chess Clubs, who and Marshall Chess Clubs, who have both won all their matches thus far, although not without many anxious moments. The ti-tle will be decided when the two distinged clock of the Menhatten clash at the Manhattan "titans" Chess Club in the final round early in Junz. The leading scores to date are: Marshall, 6-0, Manhat-tan, 6-0, London Terrace, 3-2, and York Academy, 3-2.

The Kibitzer (Continued from page 2)

on his record at least the third best player in U.S. so ignominiously ranked that he honorably re-fused to play in the Yugoslavia match?

2.) Who-put up the money for this match? Who received the money? Was this match promoted for private gain and who received this gain?

3.) Isn't it about time we started respecting our champions instead of belittling them?

PAUL REPS Los Angeles, California

#### UNIV. OF PENNA. **TOPS PHILA. TEAMS**

At the close of the current Phil-adelphia Chess League, the strong University of Pennsylvania swept the field with 7-1 score, losing no matches in the second half of the season, while losing only on e match in the first half. The vic-torious collegians were headed by Sol Rubinow, John Hudson and n Hudson and Their only de-Sol Gartenhaus. Their only de-feat came from the defending champions, Germantown YMCA Chess Club, in the opening match. Second place went to the Ger-mantown YMCA Chess Club with 6-2 and the Franklin Chess Club was third with 4-4. Germantown led the first half of the season, but in the second half lost to Pennsylvania and drew with North City and Central YMCA.

#### STEINMEYER WINS ST. LOUIS TITLE

Once again Robert H. Steinmey-er took the St. Louis District Championship with a 9½-1½ score in a 12-entry event. Second place went to young 1949 Missouri State Champion John Ragan with 8½-2½, while veteran L. W. Haller place dthird with 74. Fourth place was a three-way tie between M. W. Gilbert, H. A. Lew and R. E. Pohle.

Steinmeyer and Ragan, fairly recent graduates from the junior class of player, have equal-ly distinguished themselves in recent regional and national events, placing fifth and fourth respective ly in the 1949 Southwestern Open.

#### THOMPSON, SMITH TIE AT DALLAS

In a 10-man 6-round Swiss event, J. C. Thompson, 1949 Southwestern Open Champion, and K. R. Smith tied for first place with 4½-1½ tied for first place with 4½-1½ each. Thompson lost a game to Strange and drew with Tears, while Smith drew with Stapp and lost to Thompson. They will play a three-game match for the title. W. T. Strange placed 3rd with

W. T. Strange placed 3rd with  $3\frac{1}{2}$ .2 $\frac{1}{2}$ , and an S-B score of 10.75, while J. W. Stapp was fourth with  $3\frac{1}{2}$ .2 $\frac{1}{2}$  and an S-B of 9.25. Fifth place went to H. S. Bonner with 3-3.

#### **KENNEDY TAKES** WICHITA TITLE

In the Wichita City Championship at the Wichita Chess Club, A. J. Kennedy won the title with a 12-4 score. Second place went to T. R. Canfield with 11-5, and third place to Claude Neil, Jr. with 10-1/2-51 in 9-man double round event. event.

In the 21-man "Class B" division, victory went to J. L. Rader-with 38-2, while George Pace placed second with 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, and Bill Carr third with 27.13. In the 13 man "Class C" event, Jim Callis won with 23-1, K. G. Shutts and Hugo Teufel, Jr. tied for second with 20-4 each. In all 43 players participated in this Wichita tournament.

The Wichita Chess Club plans a 3 to 4 week Speed tournament, using stop-watches, to determine the City Rapid Transit Chess Cham-

#### VAITONIS TAKES **ONTARIO SPEED**

Povilas Vaitonis, former Lithuanian master, captured the On-tario Speed Championship by winning his own section 6-0 and then taking the finals 3-0 from 1949 taking the infails 3-0 from 1949 Speed Champion F. R. Anderson, N. Glasberg, and R. E. Orlando. In the finals Glasberg was second with  $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ , then Anderson 1-2 and Orlando  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ .

In the preliminaries, Anderson won his section of 7 players by a score; Orlando and Glasberg 6-0 tied for first in Section 2 by 5-1 score each; and Vaitonis captured Section 3 with a 6-0 score.

#### **DURHAM CAPTURES** TRI-TEAM MATCH

The Durham (N.C.) Chess Club The Durham (N.C.) Chess Club was victor in a triangular team match at Spartanburg, S.C., with a 10-2 score, besting Atlanta Chess Club 4-2 and Spartanburg Chess Club 6-0, while Atlanta downed Spartanburg 3-1. Harwell, Ashbrook, Agnello and Van Zandt scored 2 wins for Durham while crittenden and Chapman had a Crittenden and Chapman had a win and a loss. For Atlanta Brad Wade scored two victories, one of them over Crittenden, while Michelmore and Kindel score one win apiece. Sole winner for Spartan-burg was Karl Stamm.

Durham Chess Club, was also recently victor by 7½-3½ in a match with the Richmond (Va.) Chess Club, and won from Ra-leigh (N.C.) Chess Club by an 8-4 score.

#### ILLINOIS BESTS WISCONSIN TEAM

The most recent of many Illinois vs. Wisconsin team matches, the first was held back in the 1930's, ended in a 9-5 victory for Illinois. Unusual for Illinois, the lower boards provided the margin of victory with a complete rout on the top boards. On board one veteran J. Isaacs held his own against L. J. Isaacs held his own against Wisconsin Champion A. Powers with a draw, But on boards two to four respectively U. S. Open Champion Albert Sandrin lost to former Wisconsin Champion R. Kujoth, former Illinois Champion Joe Shaffer succumbed to Mark Surgice and Sam Cham was backed Surgies, and Sam Cohen was bested by former Wisconsin Champion Arpad Elo. On boards five and six Illinois rallied with R. Herwitz defeating R. Schmidt and Angelo Sandrin besting D. Arganian; and from board seven on Illinois took 6% out of 8 points for the victory

Illinois was represented by players from Chicago, Peoria and Rock-ford, while Wisconsin drew its contingent from Milwaukee and Racine.

#### PUERTO RICO HAS **ITS ABLE JUNIOR**

Not to be behind the times, Puerto Rico has discovered its own promising junior player in Rolandito de J. Morales, a 14-year old player of Trujillo Alto. In a recent simultaneous exhibition by Puerto Rican Champion Rafael Cintron at this city, while his sen-iors were losing to the champion. Rolandito won his game in brilliant style--a difficult Sicilian Defense. After the game Cintron predicted a bright future in chess for the promising teen-ager.

#### **US-Canada** Match

(Continued from page 1) ir case is no longer pending their and that they have the necessary papers. Every effort is being made to insure participation for these Continental newcomers, as they Continental newcomers, as they have brought with them a rich background of chess experience and add a definite cosmopolitan flavor to an event of this nature.

There is still time for arrange ments to be made for those wishing to be included in the line-up for this chess event if they will write at once to their state chairman listed below:

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  Dr. Jacob Melnick, 333 Congress St., Portland, Maine
  R. F. Eckhardt, 8387 Morley Ave., Detroit 4, Mich.
  H. M. G. Brandt, 2413 Third Ave. No., Great Fails, Moni.
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  A. Day, % Brown Company, Berlin, N. H.
  C. Modonald, Lock Box 603, Grand Forks, N. D.
  S. Keener, 1256 Donald Ave., Cleveland 7, Ohio
  Glenn E. Hartish, 3219 Washington Ave., Erio. Pa.
  P. Allon, 413-35th North, Seattle 2, Wash.
  L. Finnisan, 642 Wilbert Ave., Bremerton, Wash.

Indianapolis YMCA Chess Club cored a 13-7 victory over Purdue University in a 10-man double round event. Leopold Binder on board one, Robert Moran, M. H. Mothersill and Henry B. Krug scored double victories for Indianapo-lis, while Edward W. Buerger tallied the double win for Purdue.

#### MONTREAL TAKES INTERCITY MATCH

The Eastern Canada Team Championship went to the Mon-treal octet with the Montrealers downing Ottawa 5½-2½ and best-ing Quebec 6-2. Ottawa placed secng guebee 5. Ottawa placed sec-ond by defeating Quebee 6.2. Up-set of the meet was the defeat of Canadian Champion Maurice Fox by Dr. F. Bohatirchuk of Ot-tawa in a 39 move Ruy Lopez, and tawa in a 39 move Ruy Lopez, and a second defeat by Osias Bain of Quebec. Bain himself suffered a defeat by L. Richard of Ottawa, who came from chess retirement to accomplish the feat, and then went on to draw with the new Montreal Champion I. Zalys.

#### ALTON IS VICTOR IN TEAM EVENT

Alton (III.) Chess Club was vic-Alton (III.) Chess Club was vic-torious in a tri-team match at Monticello, winning from Decatur 3½-1½ and then defeating the University of Illinois 3½-1½. The Illini bested Decatur by 4-1 to place second. The victorious Alton tram consisted of William Alton team consisted of William Newberry, Stuart McGriff, Math Roth, William Homan and Dan Mahoney.

**HIGH BOYS TOP** SALT LAKE TEAMS

Victory in the Salt Lake Chess League went to the High Boys team, consisting of Ted Pathakis of West High, Duane Merrill of South High and Allan Mulaik of East High, with a score of 39½-9½. Second place went to Teitelbaum's Florists with 32-10, and third place to the Young Knights with 24-18.

With The Chess Clubs

Racine (Wis) Chess Club edged out a victory over Elmhurst (III.) Chess Club by a 3-2 score with Domsky, Weldner and Zierke gaining the Wisconsin points and Hammesforh and Karr the Illinois victories. Both clubs desire other matches. Contact H. C. Zierke, 1018 Grand Ave., Racine, Wis., and J. Melvin Karr, 420 Montrose Ave., Elmhurst, III.

B. F. Goodrich Chess Club (Akron) saw victory in the Club Champion-ship go to Phil Hunsicker with 6-0 score in a 14-man Swiss event. Second place went to Paul Roush with 5-1, and third place to Art Juve with 4-2.

Seattle YMCA Chess Club downed the new South Tacoma Chess Club by an 8-4 score in a double round match. Warner, Enz and Drummond score 2 points each for Seat-tle while Crain and Pennet tallied 1½ points each for Tacoma

North Shore League (Mass.-N.H.) saw Newburyport score a surprise victory over Portsmouth by 4½-1½, while Manchester bested Haverhill 4½-1½. In the next round Haverhill scored over Durham 5-1, while Manchester and Newbury-port drew 3-3, and finally Man-chester downed Portsmouth 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-21/2.

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By Guilherme Groesser

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Mich. Woman's Tournament: Miss Lu-cille Kellner, 2020 Tuxedo, Detroit 6, Mich. Housing: James B. Roberts 4327 Berkshire Ave., Detroit 24, Mich.

Registration (if not by mail) between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday, July 10, at Detroit-Le-land Hotel, Cass and Bagley Streets, Detroit. Play beings at 7:30 p.m. and Opening Ceremony at Edison Chess & Check-

er Club, 2000 Second Avenue, Detroit, will begin at 7:00 p.m. Woman's Open Tournament begins Tuesday, July 11 at 7:30 D.m.

Ninth Annual U. S. Lightning Chess Championship Tournament will be held at 11:00 a.m.,

Saturday, July 15. Entry Fees: \$10.00 plus USCF membership dues (\$3.00) for players not holding 1950 USCF membership cards.

