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## CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Qualifying tournaments are now in progress in San Francisco and Los Angeles for determining eligibility of players for the final California State Championship tournament, which will be held at the Santa Monica Chess Club, September 1 - 3.

The tournament in San Francisco is a 9-man round robin, and will determine the Northern California Champion for 1951-52 as well as qualify three men for the finals. The entrants in this tournament are: Charles Bagby, Earl Pruner, Fred Byron, Henry Gross, James Schmitt, Boris Popoff, and Charles Svalberg, all of San Francisco; C.M. Capps of Oakland; and J.B. Gee of Sacramento. The tournament is scheduled to end August 12, with two rounds of the final tournament to be played off by the three winners before they leave for Los Angeles.

The qualifying tournament in the South is being conducted as a Swiss system, under the direction of John Keckhut at the Los Feliz Chess Club. This tournament is scheduled to end August 24, and will also qualify three players for the finals. In addition to the six players qualified from the North and South, Ray Martin, present California State Champion, and Arthur Spiller, present California Open Champion, will participate in the finals, the latter two being seeded.

The final rounds, at the Santa Monica Chess Club, also will be directed by Keckhut. It is planned to play two rounds on Saturday, September 1, two rounds on Sunday, and the last round on Monday. Mr. Keckhut's address is 12000 Thermo Street, Los Angeles 34. Phone EXbrook 7-7548.

CALIFORNIA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP This tournament, open to all players, will be conducted as a Swiss system at the Riverside Hotel, Santa Cruz, September 1 - 3. A preliminary meeting of players will be held the evening of August 31. The tournament will be directed by W. G. McClain of San Francisco. Entrance fee is \$5.00. All players planning to participate should write to Mr. S. Jensen, Secretary of the Santa Cruz Chess Club, whose address is 1612 Escalona Drive, Santa Cruz, California. This address should be particularly noted, as it is not that previously announced.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHESS LEAGUE The yearly team tournament is nearly completed. A dispute between the Hollywood and Santa Monica "A" teams arose over the date of their match. After a decision by the Tournament Committee and an appeal to the Board of Directors of the League, the match was postponed until after the U.S. Open Tournament is finished. The winner of the match will be the League Champion for 1951. (THE REPORTER regrets that it incorrectly described the outcome of the L.A. County League Team Tournament in the July issue).

The "B" teams completed their schedule of seven rounds with Santa Monica the winner, defeating six teams and drawing with one. Hollywood, winner for the past two years, placed second. Santa Monica defeated Water and Power, Los Feliz, City Hall, Inglewood, Hollywood and City College, and drew with Cosmo.

FRESNO CHESS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP The Fresno Chess Club has completed its annual round-robin tournament, with Dr. H. Kallman winning decisively with a score of  $10\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$ . The leaders:

Dr. H. Kallman..	$10\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$	Leo Legler..	9 -4	I. Beck.....	$6\frac{1}{2}-6\frac{1}{2}$
Dr. C.W. Bird...	9 -4	K. Forrest..	$7\frac{1}{2}-5\frac{1}{2}$	M. Hailparn...	$6\frac{1}{2}-6\frac{1}{2}$
Maurice Worden..	9 -4	Ernest Cook.	7 -6	Victor Digaut.	$6\frac{1}{2}-6\frac{1}{2}$

SAN JOSE "Y" CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP William T. Adams is the San Jose champion for the year 1951-52. Competing in a double-round tournament with seven other players, Adams won out over George Kirby with a point to spare. Kirby promises to be a very tough man to beat in future tournaments. He has been improving remarkably of late. The score:

Player	Ad	Ki	Mac	Mu	Cr	Ka	Dav	Dau	W - L	Rank
Adams, Wm.		$\frac{1}{2}$ 1	0 1	$\frac{1}{2}$ 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	12-2	I
Kirby, Geo.	0 $\frac{1}{2}$		1 0	1 1	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 1	1 1	1 1	11-3	II
MacCarty, Stanley	0 1	0 1		$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ 1	1 1	1 0	0 1	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ -5 $\frac{1}{2}$	III
Mueller, Bert	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 0	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$		1 1	0 0	1 1	0 1	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -7 $\frac{1}{2}$	IV
Crofut, Francis	0 0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 0		0 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 1	1 1	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ -8 $\frac{1}{2}$	V-VI
Kalnins, Janis	0 0	0 0	0 0	1 1	$\frac{1}{2}$ 1		1 0	1 0	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ -8 $\frac{1}{2}$	V-VI
David-Malig, Dr. J.	0 0	0 0	0 1	0 0	0 0	1 0		1 1	4-10	VII
Daugherty, Lyman	0 0	0 0	1 0	0 1	0 0	1 0	0 0		3-11	VIII

The Class B tournament was won by Howard Wood with a score of 5-3, followed by George Van Hooser 4-4, J.L. Miller 3-3, Elmo Innocenti 2-2, and Carl Pohlhammer 2-4.

The Class C tournament saw Ernest Rideout winning by a decisive margin with a score of 9-1. Lee Cox was second with 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{1}{2}$ , followed by Alex Mercer 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -5 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Harry James 4-6, Don Lima 3-5, and Richard Lundberg 1-9.

PALO ALTO-SPARTANS TEAM MATCH The Palo Alto Chess Club, winners of the San Francisco Bay Area Chess League "B" division, defeated the Spartans of San Jose State College by a score of 7-2 in a match played at San Jose, May 27. This was the second meeting of the two clubs, the first ending in a tie. Individual scores:

<u>Palo Alto</u>		<u>Spartans</u>	
1. Dana, E.T.	1	1. Talcott, Leslie	0
2. Hazz, W.	$\frac{1}{2}$	2. Kirby, G.A.	$\frac{1}{2}$
3. Vaughn, J.	1	3. Crofut, F.	0
4. Matthews, R.	1	4. Wood, H.	0
5. McInturff, D.	1	5. Pohlhammer, C.	0
6. Ricketts, V.	1	6. Dougherty, Max	0
7. Van Woert, K.	1	7. Burdick, Don	0
8. Rhodes, B.	$\frac{1}{2}$	8. Lima, Don	$\frac{1}{2}$
9. Bergreen, S.	0	9. Roukes, James	$\frac{1}{2}$
	<hr/> 7		<hr/> 2

RUSSIAN-HAKOAH TEAM MATCH The Russian Chess Club and the Hakoah Chess Club, both of San Francisco, played to a 4-4 tie in a match on May 25. Individual scores:

<u>Russians</u>		<u>Hakoah</u>	
1. Lewis, G.	0	1. Edelstein, H.	1
2. Leeds, W.	1	2. Rosenbaum, H.	0
3. Schirovsky, O.	0	3. Cranert, W.	1
4. Kondrashoff, S.	0	4. Huneke, C.	1
5. Palmin, A.	1	5. Goldsmith, O.	0
6. Tokmakoff, A.	1	6. Bergtraun, E.	0
7. Andreef, P.	0	7. Horne, H.	1
8. Trippel, A.	<u>1</u>	8. Lurie, M.	<u>0</u>
	4		4

MONTEREY BAY CHESS LEAGUE Salinas won the 1950-51 championship for the second consecutive year with a perfect score of 4-0. Carmel and Santa Cruz were tied for second and third with 1-3 each. Each team played two matches with each of the other teams. Here follow the individual scores of the last two matches, played March 11 and April 10, respectively.

<u>Carmel</u>		<u>Santa Cruz</u>	
1. Vasu, Leon	1	1. Pfyffer, F.	0
2. Magee, Dr. C.L.	0	2. Murphy, J.J.	1
3. Gibson, G.	0	3. Volmer, C.J.	1
4. Rienmund, F.M.	0	4. Barrett, E.B.	1
5. Doelman, Mrs.	0	5. Johnson, L.F.	1
6. Smith, M.A.	0	6. Beans, J.B.	1
7. Peck, R.	<u>0</u>	7. Maeth, R.	<u>1</u>
	1		6

<u>Salinas</u>		<u>Carmel</u>	
1. Oakes, G.	$\frac{1}{2}$	1. Doner, E.	$\frac{1}{2}$
2. Taylor, R.H.	$\frac{1}{2}$	2. Mysberg, F.	$\frac{2}{2}$
3. Pope, W.	1	3. Magee, Dr. C.L.	0
4. Clark, F.	1	4. Donnelly, R.B.	0
5. Lukavich, A.	1	5. Basic, J.	0
6. Hawkins, E.	0	6. Antoncich, M.	1
7. Morga, E.	0	7. Gibson, G.	1
8. Lang, T.	1	8. Rienmund, F.M.	0
9. Douglas, J.	<u>1</u>	9. Doelman, Mrs.	<u>0</u>
	6		3

Officers of the League for 1950-51 were: President, Dr. C.L. Magee (Carmel); Vice-President, James B. Beans (Santa Cruz); Secretary-Treasurer, Rolla H. Taylor (Salinas).

CORRESPONDENCE The Editor has received a number of letters from both individual players and clubs, relating to general policy of THE REPORTER. The views expressed therein should be of interest to our readers. Here follow extracts from several of the letters:

"I understand you are welcoming suggestions and, since the whole venture is a matter of concern to all chess lovers, I might as well give you what we have learned up here. First of all, it is a discouraging enterprise, in a way. People won't send you news or articles unless you keep after them. Also, you won't get much in the way of praise. Only the indignant write.....What we want to see are California game scores and news about California players. I believe you could eliminate almost all international and national news unless it has a local tie-in. Just suggest once in a while that readers who want that type of thing also subscribe to 'Chess Review'. I would like one light-weight (or even heavy-weight) problem per issue, one combination, and one ending. But don't go too heavy on problems--remember that only 15% of chess players like them.....I would rather see anything written by a local person than a learned article by Max Euwe. And I'd rather see a lousy game by any Californian than the best of European chess.....And don't ignore the little guy."

----George Flynn, Sacramento

"...Being an average player, I can see plenty of mistakes every time I play over one of my own games. So let us have only good games. If they are by Californians, so much the better. But there is no reason why readers should be made to suffer by looking at a poor game.....I am very fond of well-chosen problems, endings, and chess curiosities. But many players may not be....."

----B.S. Drake, Piedmont

"Discussion here indicates that our preference would be as follows, based on a 12-page issue: News, 6 pages (California, National, International); Games, 4 pages (California, National, World); 2 pages for editorials, problems and book reviews.....We definitely want complete coverage of N. Calif. events. The games preferred are those played in California of a fairly high caliber, at least by one of the players. Maybe one annotated game per issue would be O.K., but have it worth annotating....."

----Neil Austin, Sacramento

"May I suggest that you do not print too much news that would be of interest only to those concerned. That you print only news and articles that will interest the majority of your readers. I believe there are enough problems being published or already published to satisfy the problem solvers. One good problem and one end-game should be enough."

----George G. Blaine, Hollywood

"You will get suggestions and criticisms aplenty, but the first number is an excellent job, technically speaking. You will have to decide, however, whether or not to make the assumption that THE CALIFORNIA CHESS REPORTER is the only chess publication most of your readers receive. If not, it would be hardly worth the space you devote to things like the Botvinnik-Bronstein match, which apparently is being published in every chess publication around the world."

-----Kurt Lowenstein, Santa Barbara

"I for one would like to see a problem section and an end-game section. Also a Letter-to-the-Editor section. The make-up and appearance of the magazine are excellent."

-----Lloyd Saxton, San Francisco

"I believe that lots of club and personal news offer the best means of developing such a general interest that subscriptions will flow in."

-----LeRoy Johnson, Los Angeles

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It is evident that any chess publication is going to have a real problem on its hands in satisfying the diverse interests of its readers. THE REPORTER will make every effort to strike a balance of news, games, diversions, etc., such that every reader will find something of interest in every issue.

Meanwhile, it is hoped that readers will feel free to offer their criticisms of the policies of THE REPORTER. The editors will be happy to publish such comments in the Correspondence section. This section will also serve as an outlet for all players who have some grievance to air, or comment to make, about chess matters in general.

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UNITED STATES WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP A tournament to determine the woman champion of the United States will take place in New York City, September 22 - October 7.

Mrs. Gisela K. Gresser is chairman of a special committee in charge of arrangements. Other members of the committee are Miss N. May Karff, present co-holder (with Mrs. Gresser) of the U.S. title, secretary; Mrs. Maude Stephens of the Manhattan Chess Club, treasurer; Mrs. Caroline Marshall, Miss Edith Weart, author of "The Royal Game, Chess for Young People," and Mrs. Mary Bain. Miss Karff and Mrs. Gresser hope to defend their title. Other players expected to compete are Mrs. Bain, Dr. Helen Weissenstein, Mrs. Kathryn Slater and Miss Lucile Kellner.

Board No. 2

Game No. 26 - K. Gam. Decl.

White Black  
R. Martin (S) H. Gross (N)

Notes by H. Gross

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|-----------|--------|
| 1. P-K4   | P-K4   |
| 2. P-KB4  | B-B4   |
| 3. Kt-KB3 | P-Q3   |
| 4. P-B3   | Kt-QB3 |

More usual and better are  
4. ...Kt-KB3 or B-KKt5 or P-B4.

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|------------------------|---------|
| 5. P-Q4                | PxQP    |
| 6. PxP                 | B-Kt5ch |
| 6. ...B-Kt3 is better. |         |
| 7. Kt-B3               | B-Kt5   |
| 8. B-K3                | Q-B3    |
| 9. B-K2                | KKt-K2  |
| 10. O-O                | O-O     |
| 11. P-Q5               |         |

Why? He should hold his center pawns intact. The advance creates a strong post for a Black minor piece at Black's QB4.

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| ...         | Kt-Kt1 |
| 12. R-B1    | Kt-Q2  |
| 13. Kt-QKt5 | P-QR3  |
| 14. Kt/5-Q4 |        |

The Kt has no escape if the BP is captured.

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| ...      | B-QB4 |
| 15. P-K5 | Q-R3  |

Not 15...PxP; 16. PxP, Q-QKt3; 17. RxB and if KtxR 18. Kt-Kt3 or if QxR 18. Kt-B5 winning.

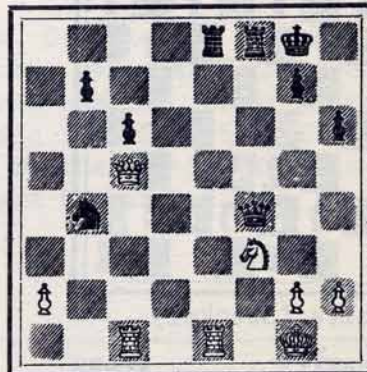
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| 16. Q-Kt3 | Kt-B4 |
| 17. KtxKt | BxKt  |

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| 18. BxB    | KtxB   |
| 19. Q-K3   | QR-B1  |
| 20. Kt-Q4  | B-Q2   |
| 21. P-QKt4 | Kt-R5  |
| 22. Q-B2   | Kt-Kt3 |
| 23. P-Kt5  | PxKP   |
| 24. PxKP   | PxP    |
| 25. BxP    | BxB    |
| 26. KtxB   | KtxP   |
| 27. Kt-Q6  | R-Kt1  |

Not 27...PxKt; 28. RxR, RxR; 29. QxPch wins.

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| 28. KtxBP  | Q-K3   |
| 29. Kt-Kt5 | QxP    |
| 30. Q-R4   | P-R3   |
| 31. Kt-B3  | Q-B5   |
| 32. Q-B2   | P-B3   |
| 33. KR-K1  | QR-K1  |
| 34. Q-B5   | Kt-Kt5 |

Black (Gross)



White (Martin)

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| 35. Kt-Q4??   |        |
| White commits a fatal blunder due to extreme time pressure. If 35. RxR, RxR; 36. R-B4, Kt-Q6 and Black should win with his extra passed pawn. |        |
| ...   | Q-B7ch |
| 36. K-R1  | RxRch  |
| Resigns.  |        |

Board No. 4Game No. 27 - Colle System

White Black

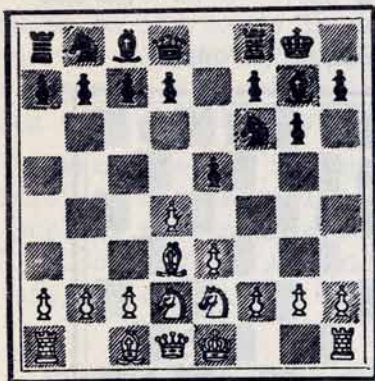
W.H. Steckel (S) W.G. McClain (N)

1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3  
2. P-K3

A favorite variation of White's, with which he has enjoyed considerable success. But Black has prepared carefully for this one!

- ... P-KKt3  
3. B-Q3 B-Kt2  
4. Kt-Q2 O-O  
5. Kt-K2 P-K4

Black (McClain)



White (Steckel)

6. Kt-KKt3 Kt-B3  
7. P-QB3 P-Q4  
8. O-O P-K5  
9. B-K2 Kt-K2  
10. P-B3 PxP  
11. BxP Kt-B4  
12. KtxKt BxKt  
13. R-K1 R-K1  
14. Kt-B1 Q-Q2  
15. Kt-Kt3 B-K5  
16. KtxB KtxKt  
17. Q-Q3 R-K2

18. P-QKt3 R/l-K1  
19. B-R3 R-K3  
20. P-B4 P-QB3  
21. P-Kt3 B-R3  
22. R-K2 Kt-Kt4  
23. B-KKt2 RxP  
24. RxR RxR  
25. QxR? Kt-R6ch  
26. BxKt BxQch  
27. K-Kt2 P-KB4  
28. R-Q1 Q-K3  
29. K-B1? Q-K5

Resigns.

Sharply played by Black.

Board No. 7Game No. 28 - Sicilian

White Black

W. Adams (N) R. Travers (S)

1. P-K4 P-QB4  
2. P-QKt4 PxP

The Wing gambit--analytically unsound, but offering many chances in practical play.

3. P-QR3 P-K3  
4. PxP BxP  
5. P-QB3 B-K2  
6. P-Q4 P-Q4  
7. P-K5 B-Q2  
8. B-Q3 Kt-QB3  
9. Kt-K2 P-QR3  
10. O-O P-KKt3  
11. B-K3 B-Kt4  
12. P-KB4 B-R3  
13. Kt-Q2 KKt-K2  
14. R-B3 Kt-B4  
15. B-KB2 B-KB1  
16. R/3-R3 P-QKt4  
17. BxKt KPxB  
18. Kt-KB1 B-K2  
19. Kt-K3 B-K3

A bishop no better than a pawn.



LATE NEWS The Yugoslav master, S. Gligoric, won the Staunton Centenary tournament in Birmingham, England, with a score of 10-5. V. Pirc and P. Trifunovich, both of Yugoslavia, shared second place with G. Stahlberg of Sweden, with a score of  $9\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$ . This tournament commemorated the first International Tournament ever held, in London 1851, won by the great German master A. Anderssen.

Six California players entered the U.S. Open Championship in Fort Worth, Texas: J. Cross, A.J. Fink, I. Kashdan, R. Martin, A. Spiller, and P. Quillen.

Alexander Bisno, president of the Manhattan Chess Club, has announced that S. Reshevsky and M. Najdorf have been matched to play 20 games beginning in Buenos Aires, November 1, with the last 10 games to be played in New York. Chess players everywhere will be interested in comparing these games with those played in the recent World Championship match between Botvinnik and Bronstein.

After 10 rounds, with one to go, M. Czerniak of Israel has cinched first place in the Carl Schlechter Memorial Tournament in Vienna with a score of 8-1 (one adjourned game). Other players and their scores: Grunfeld  $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$ , Lundin 5-3, Beni 5-5, Michel 5-5, Kinzel  $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$ , Vidmar Jr.  $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$ , Herman Steiner  $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$ , Mueller  $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$ , Nestler  $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $6\frac{1}{2}$ , Hoenlinger 3-5, Dr. Edward Lasker 3-6.

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San Francisco 4, Calif.

GAMES FROM THE NORTH-SOUTH MATCH

San Luis Obispo, June 3, 1951

Board No. 1Game No. 25 - Ruy Lopez

White Black

A.J. Fink (N) I. Kashdan (S)

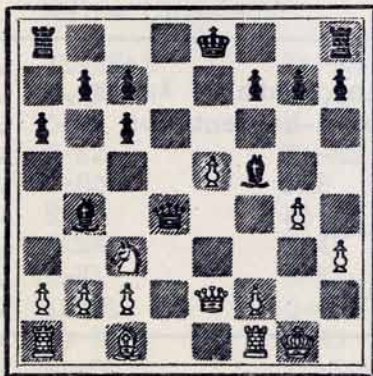
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|-----|--------|--------|
| 1.  | P-K4   | P-K4   |
| 2.  | Kt-KB3 | Kt-QB3 |
| 3.  | B-Kt5  | P-QR3  |
| 4.  | B-R4   | Kt-B3  |
| 5.  | O-O    | KtxP   |
| 6.  | Q-K2   | Kt-B4  |
| 7.  | BxKt   | QPxB   |
| 8.  | P-Q4   | Kt-K3  |
| 9.  | PxP    | Kt-Q5  |
| 10. | KtxKt  | QxKt   |
| 11. | P-KR3  | B-KB4  |

So far, all is book.

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|-----|-------|--------|
| 12. | Kt-B3 | B-QKt5 |
| 13. | P-Kt4 |        |

A risky looking move, but typical of White's combinative style. Black later will be able to open the KR file.

Black (Kashdan)



White (Fink)

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| 13. | ...   | B-K3  |
| 14. | R-Q1  | Q-QB5 |
| 15. | QxQ   | BxQ   |
| 16. | P-R3  | B-K2  |
| 17. | P-Kt3 | B-K3  |
| 18. | B-K3  |       |

Beginning an involved combination, but overlooking Black's 24th move.

...	P-KR4
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Natural, and strong.

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| 19. | P-B3   | PxP    |
| 20. | RPxP   | R-R6   |
| 21. | K-Kt2  | BxKKtP |
| 22. | R-R1   | RxP    |
| 23. | R-R8ch | B-B1   |
| 24. | B-B5   |        |

The point to all before----

...	O-O-O
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----and the answer.

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| 25. | BxB   | RxKt  |
| 26. | BxP   | RxR   |
| 27. | BxR   | RxPch |
| 28. | K-Kt3 | B-K3  |
| 29. | P-Kt4 | P-QB4 |
- Resigns.

The end-game is lost for White.

CALIFORNIA OPEN  
SANTA CRUZ  
September 1-3

- 20. R-R6 B-KB1
- 21. R-KR3 P-KR4
- 22. Q-Kt3 B-K2
- 23. K-R1 Kt-R4
- 24. Q-R2 Kt-B5
- 25. Kt-QB1 O-O
- 26. Kt-Q3 K-Kt2
- 27. Kt-B5 B-B1
- 28. Q-K2 KtxKt
- 29. QxKt Q-Kt3
- 30. B-R4 BxB
- 31. RxB B-K3
- 32. Q-KKt3 R-R1

- 44. Q-K1 Q-K2
- 45. Q-QR1 R-QB1
- 46. Q-Kt2 R/l-QKt1
- 47. Q-Kt4 Drawn.

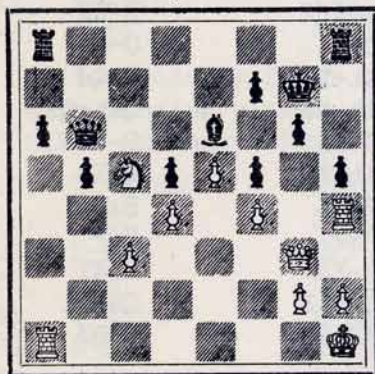
Board No. 8

Game No. 29 - Nimzo.

White Black  
S. Almgren (S) J. Schmitt (N)

- 1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3
- 2. P-QB4 P-K3
- 3. Kt-QB3 B-Kt5
- 4. P-K3 P-QKt3
- 5. Kt-K2 B-Kt2
- 6. P-QR3 BxKtch
- 7. KtxB P-Q4
- 8. PxP PxP
- 9. B-Q3 O-O
- 10. O-O P-B4
- 11. B-Q2 Kt-B3
- 12. PxP PxP
- 13. R-B1 Kt-K4
- 14. B-K2 P-Q5
- 15. Kt-R4 Kt-K5
- 16. PxP PxP
- 17. Kt-B5 B-Q4
- 18. KtxKt BxKt
- 19. P-B3 B-Kt2
- 20. B-KB4 R-K1
- 21. B-QKt5 R-K2
- 22. R-K1 Kt-Kt3
- 23. RxR QxR
- 24. QxP R-Q1
- 25. Q-K3 Q-B1
- 26. B-B7 R-Q4
- 27. B-R4 Kt-R5
- 28. QxP B-B1
- 29. B-KKt3 Kt-B4
- 30. B-Kt3 R-Q2
- 31. Q-B5 R-Q1
- 32. QxQch KxQ
- 33. R-B7 B-K3
- 34. BxB PxP
- 35. B-K1 Kt-K6
- 36. B-Kt4ch K-Kt1

Black (Travers)



White (Adams)

With his last few moves, White has attempted to take advantage of the black-square weakness in his opponent's position. Black defends carefully.

- 33. R-KR3 P-R4
- 34. Q-Kt5 Q-Q1
- 35. Q-Kt3 P-QR5
- 36. R-R3 Q-K2
- 37. Q-K1 KR-QB1
- 38. Q-K3 QR-Kt1
- 39. R-KB3 Q-K1
- 40. Q-K1 R-Kt3
- 41. P-R3 R/l-QKt1
- 42. K-R2 Q-B3
- 43. Q-QR1 Q-K1

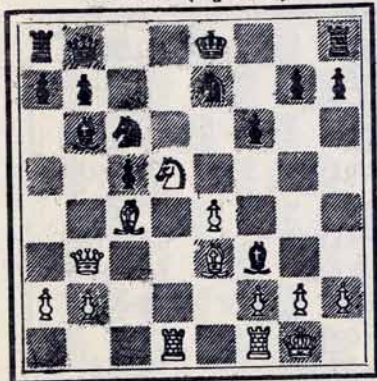
37. B-B3 R-Q8ch  
 38. K-B2 Kt-Q4  
 39. RxPch K-B1  
 40. RxP KtxB  
 41. PxKt R-QR8  
 42. R-R7 R-B8  
 43. P-KR4 Resigns.

18. KtxPch8 Resigns.  
 Very neat. Black loses the  
 Queen or is mated.

Board No. 10Board No. 9Game No. 30 - Giuoco

White	Black
J.B. Gee (N)	I. Spero (S)
1. P-K4	P-K4
2. Kt-KB3	Kt-QB3
3. B-B4	B-B4
4. P-B3	P-Q3
5. P-Q4	PxP
6. PxP	B-Kt3
7. Kt-B3	B-Kt5
8. B-QKt5	B-Q2
9. B-Kt5	P-B3
10. B-K3	Kt-R4
11. B-Q3	P-QB4
12. O-O	Kt-B3
13. PxP	PxP
14. B-QB4	B-Kt5
15. Q-Kt3	KKt-K2
16. QR-Q1	Q-Kt1
17. Kt-Q5	BxKt??

Black (Spero)



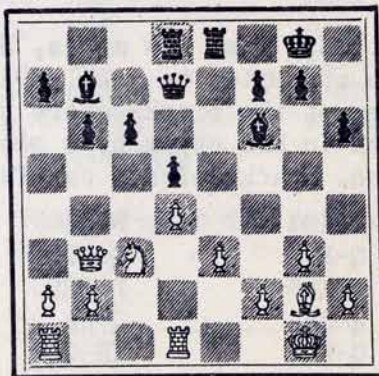
White (Gee)

Game No. 31 - Q. Indian

White	Black
H. Gordon (S)	G. Rasmussen (N)

1. P-Q4	P-K3
2. P-QB4	Kt-KB3
3. Kt-KB3	P-QKt3
4. P-KKt3	B-Kt2
5. B-Kt2	B-K2
6. O-O	O-O
7. Kt-B3	P-Q4
8. Kt-K5	QKt-Q2
9. B-Kt5	P-KR3
10. KtxKt	QxKt
11. BxKt	BxB
12. PxP	PxP
13. P-K3	R-K1
14. Q-Kt3	QR-Q1
15. KR-Q1	P-B3

Black (Rasmussen)



White (Gordon)

16. Q-R4	B-R1
17. QR-B1	P-QKt4?

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|-----|-------|-------|
| 18. | Q-R5  | R-QB1 |
| 19. | Kt-K2 | B-Q1  |
| 20. | Q-B3  | B-Kt3 |
| 21. | Kt-B4 | Q-Q1  |
| 22. | Kt-Q3 |       |

Board No. 13

Game No. 32 - English

	White	Black
E. Czapski (N)		R. Jacobs (S)

White is aiming for the weak square at QB5, or for K5.

... P-KB3

White has more weak squares to exploit, now on the K-side.

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|-----|--------|-------|
| 23. | Kt-B4  | B-Kt2 |
| 24. | B-R3   | R-B2  |
| 25. | B-K6ch | K-R1  |
| 26. | Q-Q3   | P-Kt4 |

White suddenly finds himself with hanging pieces. The game takes an unexpected turn!

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|-----|----------|-------|
| 27. | Kt-Kt6ch | K-Kt2 |
| 28. | B-B5     | B-B1  |
| 29. | P-KR4    | BxB   |
| 30. | QxB      | Q-B1  |
| 31. | P-KKt4   | R-K5  |
| 32. | K-B1     | RxKtP |
| 33. | QxQ      | RxQ   |
| 34. | P-B3     |       |

Another turn! The R is trapped.

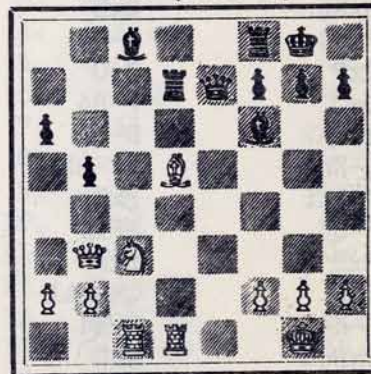
... R-Kt6

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|-----|---------|----------|
| 35. | K-B2    | PxP      |
| 36. | Kt-K7   | R-K1     |
| 37. | Kt-B5ch | K-Kt3    |
| 38. | KtxPeh  | K-Kt4    |
| 39. | KxR     | RxP      |
| 40. | RxP     | P-B4     |
| 41. | R-Kt6ch | K-R4     |
| 42. | RxPch   | Resigns. |

An exciting game.

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|-----|--------|--------|
| 1.  | Kt-KB3 | P-QB4  |
| 2.  | P-QB4  | Kt-QB3 |
| 3.  | P-Q4   | PxP    |
| 4.  | KtxP   | Kt-B3  |
| 5.  | Kt-QB3 | P-Q4   |
| 6.  | B-Kt5  | PxP    |
| 7.  | P-K3   | KtxKt  |
| 8.  | PxKt   | P-K3   |
| 9.  | BxP    | B-K2   |
| 10. | O-O    | O-O    |
| 11. | R-B1   | P-QR3  |
| 12. | BxKt   | BxB    |
| 13. | P-Q5   | P-QKt4 |
| 14. | B-Kt3  | PxP    |
| 15. | BxP    | R-R2   |
| 16. | Q-Kt3  | R-Q2   |
| 17. | KR-Q1  | Q-K2   |

Black (Jacobs)



White (Czapski)

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|-----|-------|------|
| 18. | R-K1  | Q-Q3 |
| 19. | QR-Q1 | Q-B5 |
| 20. | P-Kt3 | Q-B4 |

21. Kt-K4 R/1-Q1  
 22. Kt-Q6?

Very pretty. If 22...  
 RxKt, 23. BxPch, K any,  
 24. RxR wins.

... Q-R4  
 23. BxPch RxB  
 24. KtxR RxR  
 25. Kt-R6dch Resigns.

Board No. 20

Game No. 33 - Slav Def.

White Black  
 G. Steven (S) W. Hendricks (N)

1.	P-Q4	P-Q4
2.	P-QB4	P-QB3
3.	Kt-KB3	Kt-B3
4.	Kt-B3	PxP
5.	P-QR4	B-B4
6.	Kt-K5	P-K3
7.	P-B3	B-QKt5
8.	B-Kt5	P-KR3
9.	BxKt	QxB
10.	P-K4	B-R2
11.	BxP	O-O
12.	O-O	P-B4
13.	Kt-K2	R-Q1
14.	Q-Kt3	Kt-B3
15.	KtxKt	PxKt
16.	P-Q5	BPxP
17.	PxP	PxP
18.	BxP	QR-Kt1
19.	B-K4	B-R4
20.	BxBch	KxB
21.	Q-B2ch	K-Kt1
22.	QR-Q1?	RxP
23.	RxRch	BxR
24.	Q-K4	Q-Q3
25.	R-Kt1	RxRch

26.	QxR	P-B5
27.	Kt-Kt3	B-Kt3ch
28.	K-R1	Q-Q6
29.	QxQ	PxQ
30.	Kt-K4	P-B4
31.	Kt-B3	K-B2
32.	P-KKt3	K-K3
33.	P-B4	K-Q3
34.	K-Kt2	K-B4
35.	Kt-Q1	K-Kt5
36.	K-B3	K-Kt6
37.	P-R5	BxP
38.	Kt-K3	B-Kt3
39.	KtxP	P-Q7

Resigns.

An instructive game.

Board No. 22

Game No. 34 - Nimzo. Def.

White Black  
 P. Peterson (S) F. Byron (N)

1.	P-K4	Kt-QB3
2.	P-Q4	P-Q4
3.	P-K5	P-B3
4.	P-KB4	B-B4
5.	Kt-KB3	P-K3
6.	B-K3	Kt-R3
7.	P-B3	B-K2
8.	QKt-Q2	O-O
9.	P-KR3	B-K5
10.	KtxB	PxKt
11.	Kt-Q2	Kt-B4
12.	K-B2	PxP
13.	KtxP	B-R5ch
14.	P-Kt3	KtxP
15.	KtxKt	PxBP
16.	BxP	RxBch
17.	K-K3	BxKt
18.	KR-Kt1	B-B7ch

Resigns.

Board No. 27Game No. 35 - Dutch

White		Black
N. Austin (N)	W. Caverly (S)	

1.	P-Q4	P-KB4
2.	P-KKt3	Kt-KB3
3.	B-Kt2	P-Q4
4.	Kt-KR3	P-K3
5.	O-O	B-K2
6.	P-QB4	P-B3
7.	Kt-B3	O-O
8.	P-R3	P-QR3
9.	P-B5	P-QKt4
10.	PxPe.p.	QxP
11.	P-QKt4	Q-B2
12.	B-Kt2	R-K1
13.	R-B1	QKt-Q2
14.	Kt-B4	Kt-Kt3
15.	Kt-Q3	Kt-B5
16.	Q-B2	B-Q2
17.	Kt-Kt1	Kt-K5
18.	Kt-K5	Kt/K-Q3
19.	Kt-Q2	KtxB
20.	QxKt	KR-QB1
21.	R-B2	B-K1
22.	KR-B1	Kt-B2
23.	Kt/2-B3	Kt-Q1
24.	P-K3	Q-Kt3
25.	Kt-Q3	R-R2
26.	Kt/B-K5	R/2-B2
27.	B-B1	P-QR4
28.	Kt-B5	PxP
29.	PxP	R-Kt1?
30.	Kt-R6	R/2-Kt2
31.	KtxR	RxKt
32.	R-Kt1	QxKtP
33.	QxQ	RxQ
34.	RxR	BxR
35.	B-R6	B-Q3
36.	Kt-Q3	K-B2
37.	P-B4	K-B3
38.	Kt-K5	P-R3

39.	P-R4	P-Kt4
40.	RPxPch	PxP
41.	B-B8	BxKt
42.	BPxBch	K-Kt3
43.	K-B2	P-B5?
44.	KtPxP	PxP
45.	PxP	K-B4
46.	K-K3	K-Kt3
47.	R-QR2	K-B2
48.	R-R7ch	K-B1
49.	B-Q7	BxB
50.	RxB	K-K1
51.	R-QB7	K-B1
52.	K-B3	K-K1
53.	K-Kt4	K-B1
54.	K-Kt5	Resigns.

Board No. 33Game No. 36 - K. Ind.

White		Black
W. Leeds (N)	C. Marko (S)	

1.	P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2.	P-KKt3	P-Q4
3.	Kt-KB3	P-KKt3
4.	B-Kt2	B-Kt2
5.	O-O	QKt-Q2
6.	QKt-Q2	P-B3
7.	R-K1	O-O
8.	P-B4	Q-B2
9.	Q-B2	PxP
10.	KtxP	P-QKt4?
11.	B-B4	Q-Q1
12.	Kt/4-K5	Kt-Q4
13.	KtxP/B6	Q-Kt3
14.	Kt/3-K5	Kt/2-B3
15.	KtxPch	K-R1
16.	KtxKt	KtxKt
17.	BxKt	BxKt
18.	BxBch	P-B3
19.	BxR	PxB
20.	Q-QB5	Q-KB3
21.	QxP/K5	Resigns.

**REPORTER TASKS** Mr. F.W. Huber of the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club, San Francisco, has devoted many years to collecting and preserving gems from the chess board. It seems eminently proper to recognize his labors by starting off our new department with two tasks from his collection.

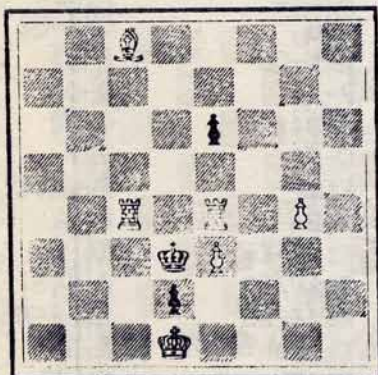
Task No. 1, according to Huber, first appeared in the expiring issue of a chess column edited by the late British master, W.H.K. Pollock. No solution was ever published. Harry Pillsbury, the late American champion, examined the problem and stated that it had no solution.

Task No. 2 is a position from a game played many years ago by Joe Ford at the Mechanics' Institute. It came to be known as "Joe's Legacy." The win, while not very difficult to find, is very pretty. Referring to this game, Huber remarks: "Capablanca once said that the average player plays his best when in a jam, while the master plays his best all the time. Joe got into a jam."

To the subscriber sending in the best solutions to all of the first eight REPORTER TASKS, we shall award as prize a copy of Dr. Henry Davidson's "A Short History of Chess." Solutions should be mailed within two weeks after each TASK appears.

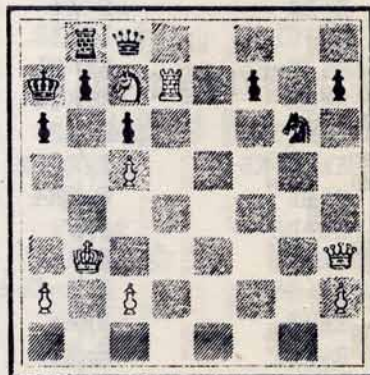
#### TASK No. 1

Can White Mate in Three?



#### TASK No. 2

White to Play and Win



Answers in next issue.

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