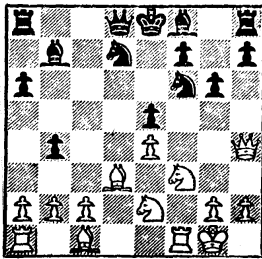


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THE FISCHER BOOK FLOOD

The effects of the capture of the World's Championship by Robert J. Fischer in 1972 were immediately felt by the reading public when a flock of match books appeared, some in a remarkably short time. Most of these quickies were based on the original newspaper accounts. A year or so later there appeared some more thoughtful match books.

The next happening was the explosion of actual playing by the public and the voracious appetite of these new players for books - any books - on chess. Book publishers rushed into the breach. New books were commissioned and old ones were reissued. Pitman, McKay, Dover, Bantam, Hippocrene and even Lyle Stuart and Chilton are putting out books in a veritable flood. This magazine's pile of book reviews is growing larger and we don't have space to print them all.

We, the chessplayers, have benefitted from the many books. We, the editors of the magazine, will continue to review them and discuss them. In this issue, Robert E. Burger, author of the distinguished The Chess of Bobby Fischer, discusses Kasparyan's two-volume work on endings. His findings are that even that monumental work has its limitations and drawbacks.

TARJAN WINS WESTERN TOURNAMENT

-by Isaac Kashdan

James Tarjan of Berkeley playing strong, steady chess throughout, won the Western Qualifying Tournament completed in April at the Chess Set in West Hollywood. He was the only player not to lose a game, winning five and drawing four for a total of 7 -2.

Tibor Weinberger of Santa Monica was a good second with $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$. He won six games, more than anyone else, drawing one and losing to Jeff Kent of Northridge and Frank Thornally of Boston. Weinberger played in most aggressive style, looking for a win in every game.

Weinberger qualified for the International Master Tournament that is being organized by the U.S. Chess Federation to be held in Cleveland starting May 1. Tarjan had already been invited and will also play there.

William Martz of Hartland, Wis. finished in third place with a score of $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$. He lost only to Weinberger, winning three games and drawing five. Dumitru Ghizdavu of Cleveland also had a plus score, 5-4.

The other final standings were: Kent, Thornally, Kim Commons of Los Angeles and Dennis Waterman of San Francisco, 4-5; David Strauss of Riverside $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$, and Andrew Karklins of Chicago $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $7\frac{1}{2}$.

(The tournament was under the sponsorship of Lina Grumette and the USCF. Isaac Kashdan was the TD. After running a smooth tournament he, and most of the players, are off to Lone Pine and still more chess. Grumette describes the event as terrific but rough and doesn't think she'll hold another (Don't bet on it.) If anyone wants to hold one next year contact the USCF. Besides those in the tournament worthy locals include: Saily, Christensen, Snyder, Stoutenborough, Ervin, Harari, Hoggatt and our Canadian visitor, Biyiasis - David Argall)

WESTERN FUTURITY QUALIFYING TOURNEY - LOS ANGELES, March 29-April 6

| | Rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Score |
|---------------------|--------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. James Tarjan | 2489 | X | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 - 2 |
| 2. Tibor Weinberger | 2346 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | X | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 3. William Martz | 2415 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | X | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 | 1 | $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 4. Dumitru Ghizdavu | 2387 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | X | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 | 1 | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 5 - 4 |
| 5. Kim Commons | 2437 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | X | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 4 - 5 |
| 6. Dennis Waterman | 2373 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | X | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 | 1 | 4 - 5 |
| 7. Jeff Kent | 2367 | 0 | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | X | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 | 4 - 5 |
| 8. Frank Thornally | 2267 | 0 | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | X | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 4 - 5 |
| 9. David Strauss | 2340 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | X | 1 | $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 10. Andrew Karklins | 2333 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | X | $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $7\frac{1}{2}$ |

BROWNE WINS PEOPLES TOURNAMENT

International grandmaster Walter Browne of Berkeley waltzed to first place in the second annual Peoples Chess Tournament, held by the CSCF at Chabot College in Hayward. Browne sewed up the title by defeating Nick Maffeo of San Francisco in the fifth round, after which a short draw with Donald Dean of Berkeley was sufficient to win. Maffeo was part of a five-way tie for second place with Boris Siff (San Jose), Marcel Sisniega (Sacramento - 15 years old), Dean, and David Brummer (Michigan). Sisniega could have been first expert, but because a tie for second in the Open Class made the bigger prize, four players with four points each tied for the expert prizes: Dennis Fritzingler, Borel Menas, Edward Rosenthal and Michael Tomey. Frank Flynn and Dr. Ben Gross tied for first in Class A.

SECOND PEOPLES TOURNAMENT, HAYWARD FEBRUARY 15-17, 1975

MASTER-EXPERT-CLASS A SECTION

| | Rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Score |
|-----------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|
| 1. Walter Browne | 2550 | W33 | W34 | W21 | W10 | W2 | D5 | 5½ - 1½ |
| 2. Nick Maffeo | 2264 | W29 | W13 | W5 | W11 | L1 | D7 | 4½ - 1½ |
| 3. Borris Siff | 2252 | W19 | L5 | W30 | D22 | W18 | W11 | 4½ - 1½ |
| 4. Marcel Sisniega | 2132 | W30 | D18 | L22 | W35 | W13 | W12 | 4½ - 1½ |
| 5. Don Dean | 2088 | W35 | W3 | L2 | W28 | W10 | D1 | 4½ - 1½ |
| 6. David Brummer | 2073 | D40 | W14 | W26 | D18 | D12 | W15 | 4½ - 1½ |
| 7. Craig Barnes | 2271 | L18 | W34 | W23 | D21 | W22 | D2 | 4 - 2 |
| 8. Dennis Fritzingler | 2151 | W15 | L10 | W31 | W20 | L11 | W18 | 4 - 2 |
| 9. Borel Menas | 2068 | W16 | L28 | L24 | W14 | W19 | W20 | 4 - 2 |
| 10. Edward Rosenthal | 2051 | W32 | W8 | W28 | L1 | L5 | W17 | 4 - 2 |
| 11. Michael Tomey | 2007 | W27 | W36 | W12 | L2 | W8 | L3 | 4 - 2 |
| 12. Martin Sullivan | 2155 | W23 | W17 | L11 | W24 | D6 | L4 | 3½ - 2½ |
| 13. Eleuteria Alasua | 2084 | W24 | L2 | D35 | W16 | L4 | W22 | 3½ - 2½ |
| 14. Daniel Switkes | 2035 | D26 | L6 | W40 | L9 | W24 | W29 | 3½ - 2½ |
| 15. Frank Flynn | 1936 | L8 | W32 | D16 | W26 | W21 | L6 | 3½ - 2½ |
| 16. Dr. Ben Gross | 1801 | L9 | W29 | D15 | L13 | W35 | W26 | 3½ - 2½ |

3 Points - 17. Michael Goodall, 18. Carl Shiflett, 19. Dr. Mitchell Bedford, 20. Janis Salna

2½ Points - 21. William Kennedy, 22. Robert L. Henry, 23. Clifford Kull, 24. Peter Schwartz, 25. Greg Payne, 26. Dave Denney, 27. Michael Padovani

2 Points - 28. Ziad Baroudi, 29. Colin Rammelkamp, 30. Peter Prochaska, 31. James Black, 32. Donald Lieberman.

1½ Points - 33. Duane Clark, 34. Gunnar Rasmussen, 35. Robert Tompkins,

1 Point - 36. Gary Pickler, 37. Robert Salgado, 38. Vincent Livermore, 39. Dean Hall.

½ Point - 40. Frank Berry.

Frank Harris of Vallejo was a runaway winner in Class B with a perfect 6-0 score. Allen Becker (San Mateo) and Charles Nevins (Fairfield) tied for second, 5-1. Norman Johnson of Berkeley won the Class C prize with a 5-1 score.

CLASS B AND CLASS C SECTION

| | Rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Score |
|----------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1. Frank Harris | 1680 | W33 | W45 | W7 | W10 | W3 | W5 | 6 - 0 |
| 2. Allen Becker | 1730 | W51 | L4 | W24 | W34 | W9 | W13 | 5 - 1 |
| 3. Charles Nevins | 1724 | W38 | W42 | W4 | W6 | L1 | W11 | 5 - 1 |
| 4. Norman Johnson | 1582 | W43 | W2 | L3 | W36 | W* | W6 | 5 - 1 |
| 5. Paul Friedrich | 1541 | W36 | W8 | D11 | W12 | W18 | L1 | 4½-1½ |
| 6. James Buff | 1774 | W17 | W37 | W9 | L3 | W10 | L4 | 4 - 2 |
| 7. Jerry Kearns | 1731 | W16 | W47 | L1 | W25 | L11 | W21 | 4 - 2 |
| 8. Jerry Rogers | 1723 | W32 | L5 | W40 | W29 | L13 | W25 | 4 - 2 |
| 9. Alan Friedman | 1712 | W24 | W52 | L6 | W27 | L2 | W26 | 4 - 2 |
| 10. Craig Mar | 1711 | W39 | W15 | W35 | L1 | L6 | W28 | 4 - 2 |
| 11. Chuck Ensey | 1689 | W41 | D29 | D5 | W28 | W7 | L3 | 4 - 2 |
| 12. Steven Bell | 1643 | W26 | D18 | W19 | L5 | D23 | W29 | 4 - 2 |
| 13. Wayne McClintock | 1606 | L15 | W41 | W42 | W35 | W8 | L2 | 4 - 2 |
| 14. LaRoy O'Doan | 1548 | L35 | W17 | L28 | W47 | W27 | W18 | 4 - 2 |
| 15. John Barr | 1424 | W13 | L10 | D22 | D31 | W37 | W20 | 4 - 2 |

3½ Points - 16. Ken Bame, 17. Chris Mavraedis.

3 Points - 18. Raymond Fong, 19. Randall Pina, 20. Gaudencio De La Cruz, 21. Michael Plate, 22. Ben Fong, 23. Melvin Petersen, 24.

Rick Kiger, 25. Daniel Sunnerborg, 26. Leo Connolly, 27. Phil Hanshaw, 28. Joe Meyer, 29. Abraham Sprinsock.

2½ Points - 30. Gregory Krimer, 31. Jim Yarbrough, 32. Todd Phillips, 33. Tracy Gray, 34. Robert Blumenthal.

2 Points - 35. Leroy Post, 36. Eric Burris, 37. Michael Ruchlis, 38. James Freeman, 39. Robert Oliver, 40. Myron Johnson, 41. Richard Strauss, 42. Alfred Hansen, 43. James Pascrell.

1½ Points - 44. David Turner.

1 Point - 45. Steven Joplin, 46. George Vaughan, 47. Paul Gregson.

½ Point - 48. Elizabeth Shaughnessy.

0 Points - 49. Thomas Willis, 50. Max Grober, 51. Guy Fitzer, 52. Quenten Nickell.

In the slender D-E Unrated section, Ross Boysfield of Oakland won Class D, 4½-1½, Charles Moore of San Bruno won Class E, 4-2, and Ricardo Cruz of Pittsburg won the Unrated prize, 5½-½.

CLASS D, CLASS E AND UNRATED SECTION

| | Rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Score |
|--|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|
| 1. Ricardo Cruz | UNR | BYE | W7 | D2 | W6 | W5 | W8 | 5½ - 1½ |
| 2. Ross Boysfield | 1294 | W14 | W8 | D1 | W12 | W2 | L4 | 4½ - 1½ |
| 3. Charles Moore | 1194 | W* | W5 | L6 | W10 | L3 | W11 | 4 - 2 |
| 4. Gary Roe | UNR | L7 | L12 | W11 | W14 | W10 | W2 | 4 - 2 |
| 5. Charles Rego | UNR | BYE | L3 | W7 | W13 | L1 | W6 | 4 - 2 |
| 3 Points - 6. Edward Bazo, 7. Jeff Peterson, 8. Steve Bloomfield. | | | | | | | | |
| 2½ Points - 9. Claus Schilling, 10. Edward Helvik, 11. John Treseder | | | | | | | | |
| 2 Points - 12. Albin Burger | | | | | | | | |
| 1½ Points - 13. Marc Samuelson | | | | | | | | |
| 1 Point - 14. Frederick Gass. | | | | | | | | |

FINANCIAL REPORT

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|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Entry Fees | \$2,661.50 | Prizes | \$1,495.00 |
| USCF Commission | 6.00 | Trophies | 191.70 |
| Total Receipts | <u>\$2,667.50</u> | Tournament Directors | 308.10 |
| Net Loss | 82.69 | Rent to Chabot College | 627.02 |
| | <u>\$2,750.19</u> | Rating Fees | 28.90 |
| | | Circulars, Postage, etc. | 99.47 |
| | | | <u>\$2,750.19</u> |

Note: Prizes were \$5 short because two \$2.50 prizes were not paid.

The low attendance was another disappointment for the CSCF, and the prize list had to be reduced (there were 106 contestants and prizes were based on 200). The College charged more for the playing room than did the Claremont Hotel on Labor Day, and between the high cost of doing business there and the attitude of the head janitor (forgive me - custodial engineer) who evidently resented us, there probably will not be any more CSCF chess tournaments at Chabot College.

There were a few players who withdrew without notice and will have to pay a \$5 forfeit fee before playing again: Gregory D. Krimer, Paul Gregson and Albin Burger.

BIYIASIS AND STRAUSS SHARE LOS ANGELES CHESS CONGRESS TITLE

International master Peter Byiasis of Canada, who has been spending a lot of time in California, and David Strauss of Riverside, current champion of California, tied for first place in the chess congress held at the Airport International Hotel, February 15-17. Besides drawing their individual game, Biyiasis and Strauss had draws with William Batchelder

and Robert Snyder. The tournament was sponsored by the Continental Chess Association and was directed by Ben Nethercot.

SIXTH ANNUAL CHESS CONGRESS, LOS ANGELES, FEBRUARY 15-17, 1975

| | Rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Score |
|----------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1. Peter Biyiasis | 2479 | W33 | W16 | D2 | W14 | D3 | W5 | 5 - 1 |
| 2. David Strauss | 2343 | W26 | W7 | D1 | W6 | W14 | D4 | 5 - 1 |
| 3. Wm. Batchelder | 2281 | D6 | D11 | W13 | W17 | D1 | W15 | 4½-1½ |
| 4. Robert Snyder | 2267 | W18 | W8 | L14 | W12 | W15 | D2 | 4½-1½ |
| 5. Robert Gauntt | 2210 | L7 | W12 | W11 | W8 | W16 | L1 | 4 - 2 |
| 6. Lee Corbin | 2041 | D3 | W32 | W19 | L2 | W11 | D9 | 4 - 2 |
| 7. Richard Glass | 2017 | W5 | L2 | L23 | W32 | W20 | W17 | 4 - 2 |
| 8. Don Cotten | 2008 | W15 | L4 | W24 | L5 | W19 | W16 | 4 - 2 |
| 9. Richard Borgen | 2184 | W10 | L14 | L22 | W28 | W26 | D6 | 3½-2½ |
| 10. Robert Gudino | 2005 | L9 | D13 | W21 | L11 | W29 | W20 | 3½-2½ |
| 11. Bruce Bowe | 1956 | W27 | D6 | L5 | W12 | L6 | W23 | 3½-2½ |
| 12. Juan Gomez | 1954 | W28 | L5 | W* | L4 | D23 | W22 | 3½-2½ |
| 13. Michael Kleinick | 1948 | D23 | D10 | L3 | D29 | W28 | W25 | 3½-2½ |

3 Points - 14. Kim Commons, 15. Arthur Spiller, 16. Richard Fowell, 17. Nick DeFirmian, 18. Francis Banffy, 19. Fernando Gamboa, 20. Diane Savereide.

2½ Points - 21. Roland Harper, 22. Ronnie Williams, 23. Robert Ash, 24. Don Ifill, 25. John Dill.

2 Points - 26. Barney Hughes, 27. Carey Milton, 28. Kerry Lawless, 29. Perry Youngworth.

1½ Points - 30. Van Leeuwen, 31. Phil Chase.

1 Point - 32. George Trammell

0 Points - 33. Larry Nezhni, 34. Elliott Simon.

FOUR-WAY TIE FOR FIRST IN PACIFIC COAST OPEN

Julius Loftsson, Lee Corbin, Perry Youngworth and Greg Fields tied for first place in the Pacific Coast Open held at the City of Commerce Hyatt House in March with 4-1 scores. Loftsson and Fields, 16, are from Los Angeles and Corbin and Youngworth (12) are from Riverside. There were 46 players in the Open section. A Reserve section of 50 was won by Juan Fong of San Pedro with a score of 4½-½. It was a Continental Chess Association event and was directed by Ben Nethercot and David Harris.

THIRD PACIFIC COAST OPEN, COMMERCE, MARCH 22-23, 1975

| | Rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Score |
|---------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-------|
| 1. Julius Loftsson | 2212 | W8 | W20 | W11 | D2 | D3 | 4 - 1 |
| 2. Lee Corbin | 2041 | W22 | W10 | W14 | D1 | D4 | 4 - 1 |
| 3. Perry Youngworth | 2029 | W34 | D12 | W15 | W6 | D1 | 4 - 1 |

Third Pacific Coast Open (Continued)

| | Rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Score |
|--------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 4. Greg Fields | 1990 | W43 | D18 | W30 | W12 | D2 | 4 - 1 |
| 5. James Maki | 1990 | L12 | W26 | W35 | W21 | W13 | 4 - 1 |
| 6. Enrique Conejo | 2148 | W9 | D21 | W25 | L3 | W22 | 3½-1½ |
| 7. Ron Frasco | 2114 | L21 | W35 | W26 | D11 | W19 | 3½-1½ |
| 8. Robert Symonds | 1981 | L1 | W32 | W31 | D15 | W23 | 3½-1½ |
| 9. Robert Gudino | 1979 | L6 | W27 | W38 | W17 | D12 | 3½-1½ |
| 10. Arthur Kaufman | 1871 | W42 | L2 | D32 | W39 | W28 | 3½-1½ |
| 11. Matthew Beelby | 1758 | W37 | W28 | L1 | D7 | W20 | 3½-1½ |
| 12. Zaki Harari | 2273 | W5 | D3 | W24 | L4 | D9 | 3 - 2 |
| 13. R. Harshbargar | 1983 | L18 | W31 | W37 | W14 | L5 | 3 - 2 |
| 14. Barry Noble | 1747 | W40 | W44 | L2 | L13 | W33 | 3 - 2 |
| 15. Scot Nelson | 1711 | W16 | W19 | L3 | D8 | D21 | 3 - 2 |
| 16. Tom Weissbein | 1646 | L15 | W46 | L22 | W35 | W29 | 3 - 2 |
| 17. Wolfram Blume | 1400 | L26 | W40 | W29 | L9 | W31 | 3 - 2 |

2½ Points - 18. Wm. Batchelder, 19. Don Cotten, 20. Joachim Van Leeuwen, 21. Ruth Cardoso, 22. Ned McCune, 23. Joe Schwartz, 24. Wm. Duckworth, 25. Wm Bartlett, 26. Chris Hans, 27. Rudy Aversa.

2 Points - 28. Bob Salgado, 29. Phil Gatlin, 30. Larry Goss, 31. Charles Larsen, 32. Bruce Guynn, 33. Robert Chess, 34. E. J. Bramlett.

1½ Points - 35. Larry Hetter, 36. Wm. H. Smith, 37. Hylen Smurr, 38. Masashi Matsushima, 39. Dane Hinrichsen, 40. Bill Kan.

1 Point - 41. Derik Price

½ Point - 42. Larry Wolfley, 32. Wageeh Boctor

0 Points - 44. Larry Nezhri, 45. Richard Whittemore, 46. Wm. Martino.

RADKE INDIVIDUAL WINNER, BUT UCLA COLLEGE TEAM CHAMPS

Harry Radke of Cal State U at San Jose won the regional tournament of the Association of College Unions, held at the University of California at Davis in February, by the score of 4½-½. Harry defeated both players from UCLA and drew with one from UCLA-B. However, UCLA won the two-man team championship by scoring 7½-2½ with both its A and B teams. Cal State Sacramento was third, 7-3 followed by Radke's team, San Jose, and UC-Davis tied with 6½-3½. The tournament was directed by D. H. Bultman of Davis and the spark plug was George M. Lewis of Calpoly, regional V-P of the Intercollegiate Chess League of America.

Plans for the 1975-76 Team Championship appear to be leaning toward the Monterey Chess Center with Ted and Ruby Yudacufski directing.

REGIONAL COLLEGE TOURNAMENT, UC-DAVIS FEBRUARY 14-16, 1975

| | Rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Score |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-------|
| 1. Harry Radke, San Jose | 2150 | W22 | W20 | D6 | W2 | W5 | 4½-½ |
| 2. Michael Pollowitz, UCLA-A | 2071 | W21 | W12 | W13 | L1 | W7 | 4 - 1 |
| 3. Steven Tyler, UCLA-B | 1616 | L18 | W24 | W23 | W17 | W9 | 4 - 1 |
| 4. Jan Kuba, Sac. | 1675 | W30 | W19 | L5 | W14 | W12 | 4 - 1 |
| 5. Jeff Rabin, UCLA-A | 2012 | W9 | D10 | W4 | W8 | L1 | 3½-1½ |
| 6. Steve Pollack, UCLA-B | 1908 | W23 | W11 | D1 | L7 | W18 | 3½-1½ |
| 7. Robert Zentner, UC Davis | 1728 | W25 | D18 | W15 | W6 | L2 | 3½-1½ |
| 8. Erwin Hamm, Sac. | 1750 | D15 | W16 | D18 | L5 | W21 | 3 - 2 |
| 9. Steve Matthews, UC Davis | 1533 | L5 | W* | W19 | W16 | L3 | 3 - 2 |
| 10. Craig Loop, San Luis Ob.-A | 1557 | W29 | D5 | L16 | D21 | W22 | 3 - 2 |
| 11. Ronald Lunday, San Luis Ob.-A | 1554 | W24 | L6 | W22 | * W* | | 3 - 2 |
| 12. Louis Foch, Long Beach -A | 1581 | W14 | L2 | W27 | W* | L4 | 3 - 2 |
| 13. Charles Cole, USC-A | 1719 | W26 | W27 | L2 | D18 | D15 | 3 - 2 |
| 14. Jay Spowart, San Luis Ob.-B | 1521 | L12 | W28 | W26 | L4 | W24 | 3 - 2 |
| 15. Steve Roesch, Pacific-A | UNR | D8 | W29 | L7 | W20 | D13 | 3 - 2 |

2½ Points - 16. Scott Nelson, Long Beach-A, 17. James Galloway, USC-A,
18. Joseph Malumphy, Long Beach-B.
2 Points - 19. Gary Olson, San Jose, 20. David Yee, San Luis Obispo-
B, 21. Doug Richardson, Pacific-A, 22. Russell Sheetz, Long Beach-B,
23. John Jones, USC-B, 24. Michael McNamara, USC-B, 25. James Bell,
Pacific-B.
1½ Points - 26. William Neilsen, U.C. San Francisco
1 Point - 27. Steven Berger, Pacific-B, 28. Norman Ozaki, U.C. San
Francisco, 29. Stanley White, Fresno.
0 Points - 30. Greg Witach, Northridge, 31. Mark Phigler, Northridge.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TOURNAMENTS

We have no cross-tables or incomplete ones for the following tournaments:

The Chess Set Third Anniversary tournament held in Brentwood in December was won by David Strauss with 4-1, breaking a tie with four others.

The West Covina Holiday Special was won by Julius Loftsson, breaking a tie with Steve Spencer at 4½-½. This event was also in December.

The West Covina Amateur, held January 18-19, was won by Shawn Aegerter, 4½-4. The West Covina Royal Round Robin was also won by Aegerter.

The Reseda Open had 67 in the Open Section and 84 in the Amateur; Zaki Harari and David Berry tied for first place with $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$. Charles Crittenden was first expert, Lawrence Wolfley and Elliott Simon divided the A prize, and the B money was divided by John Owen, Larry Hetter, and Thor Thorodsson. Nicholas Meyer won the Amateur section with 5-0. John Barnard was tournament director.

The West Covina Lincoln Open, February 8-9, saw a three-way tie between Alan Pollard, Julius Loftsson, and Robert Salgado, all 4-1. The tournament director was John Rykowski, who also directed the events on page 100.

Bakersfield Patriots Open, February 15-16, had a tie between four players: Julius Loftsson, Dann Krystall, Paul Smith and Mike Mills.

The Los Angeles Amateur Class Championships were held February 22-23 and drew 159 contestants. Michael Kleynick of San Diego was first A with $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$, Chris Hans of Crestline was first B, 5-0, and David Skillman tied with Antonio Chavez for first C, $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$. John Barnard directed.

SANTA ROSA RATING TOURNAMENT

The first USCF tournament held in Santa Rosa in many years took place on April 5, 1975. Tournament director Roger Blaine plans more tournaments this Summer and Fall.

| | Rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | Score |
|---|--------|-----|-----|----|--------------------------------|
| 1. Al Nova, Santa Rosa | 1813 | W9 | W8 | W4 | 3 - 0 |
| 2. Tom Conray, Santa Rosa | 1550 | D3 | W5 | W6 | $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 3. Charles Noland, Santa Rosa | UNR | D2 | W9 | W8 | $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 4. Jim Cornwell, Petaluma | 1717 | W12 | W11 | L1 | 2 - 1 |
| 5. Rick Kadello, 6. Melodie Meixsell, 7. Don Meizsell, 8. Roger Blaine, 9. Kurt Luoto, 10. David Hansel, 11. Stephen Trussel, 12. William Fowler. | | | | | |

VON OETTINGEN HONORED BY DAVIS CHESS CLUB

Sergius von Oettingen came to Davis in 1959 as a research associate in the university and founded the Davis Chess Club. The club quickly became the strongest in its area and a center for USCF rating tournaments.

Von Oettingen, who is noted for (1) winning the club championship nine or ten times and (2) playing 1. P-KB4 in the hopes of getting into a King's Gambit, was given a handsome trophy by the chess club.

GAME OF THE MONTH - by Bob Burger

Grandmaster Walter Browne added lustre to the Second Peoples Tournament at Chabot College in Hayward this year with a clear demonstration of how to win a Swiss System. Against opponents rated four or five hundred points below him he played solid positional chess, without risks, mopping up in the endgame. Against the only master to face him, Nick Maffeo of San Francisco, the "chess pro" at Enrico's, Walter was forced to show grandmaster cunning. When he forced mate in a time scramble, he could then wrap up first place by taking a five-move draw in the final round.

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Game No. 1351 - Queen's Pawn

| <u>White</u> | <u>Black</u> |
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| <u>N. Maffeo</u> | <u>W. Browne</u> |
| 1. P-Q4 | Kt-KB3 |
| 2. Kt-KB3 | P-KKt3 |
| 3. B-B4 | B-Kt2 |
| 4. P-K3 | P-Q3 |
| 5. QKt-Q2 | O-O |
| 6. P-B3 | |

White's opening system is something of an "advanced Colle" -- with the Queen Bishop developed early. It may seem passive, but then Black poses no immediate threats either.

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| 6. ... | QKt-Q2 |
| 7. B-B4 | Q-K1 |

Because Browne meticulously keeps clock times on his scoresheet, we know that he took eleven minutes to decide on this method of attacking the White center. He now had spent 38 minutes against Maffeo's 17.

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| 8. B-KKt3 | P-K4 |
| 9. O-O | P-K5 |

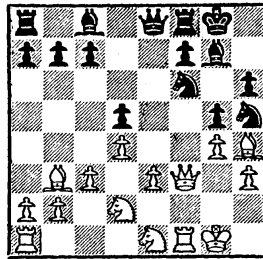
This is the type of move which sets a game on a long-term course. So much for maneuvering; the game will be decided on the inevitable opening up of White's Kingside to offset Black's threatening spearhead at K5.

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| 10. Kt-K1 | Kt-R4 |
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| 11. B-R4 | QKt-B3 |
| 12. P-KR3 | P-KR3 |
| 13. P-B3 | |

Calculation now becomes paramount. White could not play P-KKt4 at once because of P-KKt4 in reply, when White's KR3 becomes weak after captures on the Rook file.

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| 13. ... | P-Q4 |
| 14. B-QKt3 | PxP |
| 15. QxP | P-KKt4 |
| 16. P-Kt4 | |



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| 16. ... | Kt-K5! |
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A nice surprise, since it seems to open up lines for White and merely trade off an undeveloped White piece

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| 17. KtxKt | PxKt |
| 18. Q-Kt2 | PxB |
| 19. PxKt | K-R1 |
| 20. R-B4 | P-KB4 |
| 21. Q-K2 | |

BOOK REVIEWS

THE GAMES OF ANATOLY KARPOV, by Kevin J. O'Connell and Jimmy Adams (Pitman, 1975, 352 pp., illustrated, \$12.95)

A co-author of The Games of Robert J. Fischer (reviewed in the Reporter in 1973) has returned with an equally comprehensive collection of the games of his heir apparent. The 347 games they have culled from all available sources are presented in chronological order, most with annotations picked up from the players and other magazine accounts. As good as this volume is in depth of information and readability, it seems incredible to this reviewer that: (1) there is no well-conceived biography or account of Karpov's career -- only snips here and there largely from previously published material; and (2) there is no coverage at all of his most interesting and historically important games to date, i.e.; from the 1974 Olympiad, where he received the top board prize, and from the highly charged match with Korchnoi, which may be considered a world championship match if Fischer fails to play at Manila. Yet the authors must be given full marks for a thoroughly scientific approach to opening analysis, to the collection of anecdotal material, and to the assembly of Karpov's tournament and match record. I am fully aware of the difficulty of this process, since I have been simultaneously trying to do the same for a book of a less comprehensive nature.

This type of games collection, with a high price tag and the mark of the specialist all over it, represents something of a departure from the classic volumes. On one hand there are the "total collections" which German publishers have brought out on Lasker, Capablanca, etc. On the other hand are the Alekhine, Keres, Botvinnik, Larsen, Fischer selected collections. The first type is for posterity, and for scientific thoroughness. The second is for self-improvement and enjoyment. The O'Connell books seem to fall somewhere in-between - and only the recent rapid growth of a tournament-player audience seems to me to justify their format. --- Bob Burger

INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP CHESS, by Bozidar M. Kazic. Pitman, New York, \$13.95. 360 pages. A Pitman Chess Series book, Walter Korn, General Editor.

The subtitle of this book is "A complete record of FIDE events," and that's for sure! To some minds, and mine is one of them, history, statistics, and tabulations are fascinating. All sports thrive on statistics, batting averages and various records. It is no accident that the St. Louis Sporting News is 89 years old and very prosperous, publishing 12 assorted statistical annuals and many books and guides

to games in addition to its weekly newspaper. The California Chess Reporter is based on reports and statistics rather than games and instruction. It is just as fascinating to learn that Kashdan scored 86.7% in the Chess Olympiad at The Hague 1928, 82.4% at Hamburg, 1930, 70.6% at Prague 1931 and 71.4% at Folkestone 1933 - all on first board - as it is to learn that Babe Ruth hit 60 home runs. If you're a chess-player, that is.

The main sections of the book are: 1. The founding of the Federation International des Echecs (why do they call it World Chess Federation?) in 1924 and the history of the Chess Olympics, begun in 1927; 2. The Women's Olympics, 3. the Student Olympics, 4. The World's Championship, including an account of Bobby Fischer's winning of the title in 1972, 5. The women's World Championships, 6. The Correspondence Championships, and 7. Lists of the world's grandmasters, masters, judges, and the member-federations.

The book was published in Yugoslavia in shorter form, while the English edition has been updated and contains more games, tables and articles. Various parts of the book have been borrowed from European books and magazines. The English printers have given the author a lovely vehicle for his work; the typography is excellent, the diagrams are clear and the format is admirable. I don't know how much Walter Korn is responsible for; he may have simply bought the whole thing from B.T. Batsford Ltd. or he may have organized everything, but either way, he has brought forth a fine book. Korn tells me that he has eight more books coming out for Pitman.

The author, Kazic, also knows where to go for good material. For example, two parts of the book, "The Chess Olympiads" and "World Champions and their Challengers," which run for 122 pages and 42 pages, respectively, were contributed by Ozren Nedeljkovic. The latter account covers the Fischer-Spassky match. One of the good quotes: "The suspicion (by the Soviet delegation that chemicals or electronics were affecting Spassky's game) seemed rather unusual and odd, but the organizers tried to check it out. This was diverting material for the journalists who now had an opportunity of changing the themes of their repertoire. There was lively commentary as to whether the commission would come to the fantastic revelation that Fischer's strength was in his chair and not in his head."

The book contains games, too - more than 300; and for good measure, an engrossing article by Mikhail Botvinnik on his Meetings with World Champions.

- Guthrie McClain

KASPARYAN, ROYCROFT AND HOW TO TREAT ENDINGS -by Bob Burger

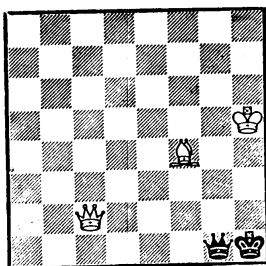
To Jude Acres' excellent review of G. M. Kasparyan's two-volume collection of endgame studies, (The Reporter, Nov/Dec 1974), I would like to add a few notes. First the subtitle of this set, "Dominatzi," indicates that Kasparyan has purposely avoided (a) draws, (b) positions which hinge on promotions and accordingly (c) pawn endings. Yes, there are promotions and there are endings with pawn moves; but they are only introductory to piece play in which White wins.

This is, then, far from a comprehensive collection of endgame studies (perhaps Kasparyan envisions a continuing series). It is a scientifically thorough organization of how knights win against bishops, all the way up to how queens win against rooks (and in this sense I compare it to the O'Connell-Adams book). Yet, analogously to the classic games collections, it is not really intended for self-improvement or enjoyment, as is Fine's masterpiece Basic Chess Endings or Chernev's Chess Magic! It is a bargain, diagram for diagram, and an indispensable reference work (we will not comment on the typically shoddy Soviet book work), but it does not explain - it only states.

I would like to elaborate on this crucial criticism. A. J. Roycroft's Test Tube Chess is truly an exposition of, indeed an enticement to, the pleasures of chess studies. Roycroft carefully outlines the various appeals of this art/science, only one of which, the "seeker after truth" syndrome, forms the basis of Kasparyan's work. The greatest deficiency in the latter approach is that the reader is shown only what happens, not why it happens.

A few examples will make this clear. First, Kasparyan rarely gives what is commonly taken to be a full solution -- which includes moves which fail. Occasionally he indicates a surprising move with an exclamation point, and gives a sub-variation, but seldom a question mark for false tries. Second, a glance at his sources shows that he sometimes picks up simple, almost typographical errors (such as 13. Qa8 in No. 2000, when 13. Qd8 works as well and is more obvious - a study I am familiar with because it appears as a subvariation in one of my own). Third, he unaccountably ignores some well-known studies (incredibly, none of San Francisco's Howard Branton's work is quoted); and the criterion of leaving out promotion studies eliminates many rook and pawn endings which depend half on promotion threats and half on combinations of the kind Kasparyan studies.

The importance of a more thorough analysis can perhaps be brought out best by concentrating on a small segment of one chapter: Queen and Bishop vs. Queen. The key position is No. 2209, Centurini, 1853.

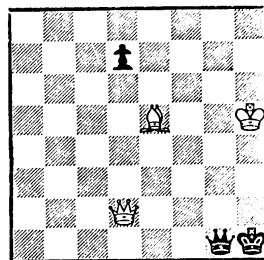


If White were on the move, he would win by forcing the Black King to g2 and then getting his own King to the fourth rank: 1. Qe4ch, Qg2; 2. Qd1ch, Qg1; 3. Qh4ch, Kg2; 4. Qg3ch, Kf1; 5. Qd3ch, Kg2; 6. Kg4 when Black's only plausible move leads to mate in four: 6...Khlch; 7. Bg3, Qg2; 8. Qblch, Qg1; 9. Qh7c Kg2; 10. Qh3, mate. With Black on the move it takes two more moves, since White gets to e4 only after 1 ... Qg2; 2. Qblch, etc.

From this basic idea it becomes clear that if the White King can approach without fear of checks (or stalemate, as we shall see), Black will soon be smothered. But the White Bishop must be at f4: otherwise, Black need not make the discovered check with his King on the sixth move (6...Khl ch), but can exit with his Queen since there is no fork at e3: 6...Qb6; 7. Qf3ch, Kg1 and there is no win.

However, if the Bishop is originally positioned as far away as d6, and the White Queen is one square closer, at d2, the win is surprisingly different (this is a study by I. Berger, 1890).

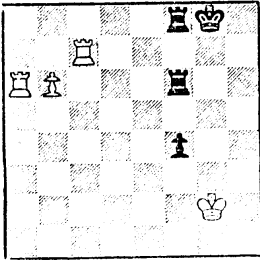
The key move is now 1. Kh6! (as shown in Kasparyan, No. 2206). The idea now is that the White Queen will get in a check at h5, when the King is forced to g1, with mate after Bc5ch and Qd1. The placement of the Bishop prevents a Black Queen check. And Black cannot avert his fate with 1...Qf2, since 2. Qd5ch forces Qg2 anyway, as the Bishop can skewer Queen and King if the King tries to run. So far so good. Now we come to two positions by Horwitz and Kling, 1851 (Nos. 2204 and 2205 in Kasparyan). I re-set the first on the Kingside for comparison with Centurini and Berger. Note the Black pawn at d7. The position of the White Bishop apparently rules out the Centurini "method" as Kasparyan calls it. And the "Berger" method (although it is forty years younger) looks doubtful, both because Black gets in a few checks and because the White Queen cannot go from d5 to h5, directly. But it all works out: 1. Kh6!, Qb6ch; 2. Kh7, Qblch; 3. Kh8, Qg1; 4. Qd5ch, Qg2; 5. Qdlch, Qg1; 6. Qf3ch (this is the stop on the way that forces the right King-Queen alignment by Black) Qg2; 7. Qh5ch, etc.



But a glance at the similarity of the Centurini and the Kling and

Kasparyan! It may also be impossibly long. In a quick review of the chapter on Queen versus two bishops, I found the same to be true. The ending in the teletype game Zeno vs. New York Stockbroker (Reporter, Nov/Dec 1972) contained most of these positions in variations, and quite a bit more. Kasparyan's book is a monumental archive; but how far should we go into the study of chess?

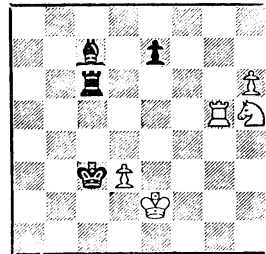
Jude Acers rightly pointed out that Kasparyan is a past master at settling old issues of cooked studies, and his collection is perhaps the most accurate ever undertaken. In most cases soundness presents few problems. The numerous studies by Rinck for example, are usually simple demonstrations that leave little room for error. But when an artistic study is attempted - and composers such as Kasparyan generally publish nothing but truly demanding works - the solver has to be constantly on his guard for flaws.



I started on Volume 1 by looking up Kasparyan's two studies involving rooks and pawns at the end of the book. The first, from the British Chess Magazine, 1938, is strikingly game-like: His solution runs 1. aRa7; Pf3+ 2. Kf2, Rg6 (to stop the mate threat, which could be done also with Rh6 with similar results) 3. Pb7, Rg2+; 4. Kf1, Pf2 (seemingly powerful, but:) 5. Rf7!, Rb8 (neither King or Rook can take the Rook without allowing White to queen and mate in a few) 6. Ra8, Kf7; 7.Rb8, Rg1+; 8.Kf2, Rb1; 9.Rh8,

etc. In speed chess a player would consider 4...Rb2, hoping to draw after either 5. Ra8 or 5. Rc8, when Black checks the King up to g3 and plays Pf2. Yet Kg2! wins handily.

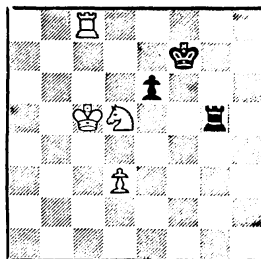
The second study won first prize in an important tourney honoring Kubbel, in 1945-46, so it seems highly unlikely that a flaw could be found after all this time. Kasparyan's solution runs 1.Sg7, Rh6; 2.Rc5+, Kd4; 3. Rc4+, Ke5; 4. Rc7, Kf6; 5. Se8+, Kf7; 6. Rc8, Re6+; 7. Kd1!, Rg6 (threat: Rg8); 8. Sc7, Rc6; 9. Kd2!, Rc5; 10. Rf8+ and the Knight fork wins. (7.Kd2?, Rg6; 8. Sc7, Rc6; 9. Pd4, Rc4; 10. Pd5, Kg6!) Note that the position is drawn if White loses his Pawn. Thus 1.Ph7 doesn't work because White loses the QP: 1...Re6+; 2. Kf3, Rh6; 3. Rc5+, Kd3.



Therefore, the skeptical solver must consider later attempts by

Black to win or trade off that Pawn. For example, instead of 8... Rc6; Black plays 8...Rg1+!; 9. Rd2 or c2, Rg2+ and now:

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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 10. Kc3 Rg1 | Kb3 Rg3 | Kc4 Rg4+ | | |
| 11. Pd4 Pe5! | (see | Pd4 Pe4! | | |
| 12. de Ke7! | below) | | Kc5 Rg5+ | |
| 13. | | | Sd5 Pe3 | Kc6 Rg6+ |
| 14. | | | | Kb7 Rd6 |



A critical position occurs in (4) above (see diagram); 1. Rc7+, Kf8!; 2. Rd7, ed; 3. Rd5:, Rg1!; 4. Re5 (if the King isn't cut off no win is possible), Rcl+; 5. Kd5, Rc8; 6. Kd5, Rc8; 6.Pd4, Kf2 (with a theoretical draw because the King must be on the fifth rank to prevent the "frontal attack!"); i.e., 7. Ke4, Rc4; 8.Kd3, Ra4; 9. Pd5, Kf3, 10. Rel, Kf2; 11. Pd6, Ra6.

But the story has a happy ending. In the line (2) 10. Kb3, Rg3, White has the simple answer 11. Rd8. Simple, but the simple moves are what make the difficult and beautiful moves possible.

If only there were space, and time, for fuller presentation of the false starts as well as the main-line solutions in the similar endings in Kasparyan's monumental book!

GAMES

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| <u>Game No. 1352 - Sicilian</u> | |
| <u>White</u> | <u>Black</u> |
| <u>E. Kennedy</u> | <u>W. Browne</u> |
| 1. P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| 2. Kt-KB3 | P-Q3 |
| 3. P-Q4 | PxP |
| 4. KtxP | Kt-KB3 |
| 5. Kt-QB3 | P-QR3 |
| 6. P-Kb4 | QKt-Q2 |
| 7. B-Q3 | P-K4 |
| 8. Kt-B3 | P-QKt4 |
| 9. O-O | B-Kt2 |
| 10. Q-K1 | P-Kt3 |
| 11. PxP | PxP |
| 12. Q-R4 | P-Kt5 |

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| 13. Kt-K2 | |
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| 13. ... | KtxP |
| 14. Kt-Kt5 | KtxKt |
| 15. BxKt | B-K2 |

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| 16. B-QB4 | Q-Kt3ch |
| 17. K-R1 | P-B3 |
| 18. B-Q2 | Q-B3 |
| 19. Q-Kt4 | P-B4 |
| 20. Q-B3 | P-K5 |
| 21. Q-QKt3 | Kt-K4 |
| 22. B-K6 | P-K6 |
| 23. Kt-B4 | PxB |
| 24. B-Q5 | Q-Kt4 |
| 25. BxB | QxB |
| 26. QR-Q1 | R-Q1 |
| 27. Kt-K6 | R-Q3 |
| 28. R-B4 | Q-B1 |
| 29. Kt-Q4 | Q-B5 |
| 30. Q-K3 | Kt-Kt5 |

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| 31. QxP | 0-0 | 34. PxB | KR-Q1 | 37. QxR | R-K3 |
| 32. R-B3 | B-B3 | 35. R-B4 | R-K1 | Resigns | |
| 33. P-B3 | BxKt | 36. R-K1 | RxRch | | |

Game No. 1353 - French

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| <u>White</u> | <u>Black</u> |
| W. Browne | E. Rosenthal |

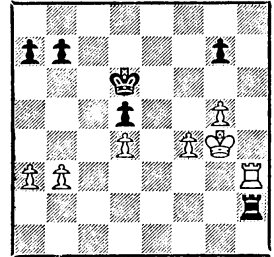
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| 1. P-K4 | P-K3 |
| 2. P-Q4 | P-Q4 |
| 3. Kt-K2 | Kt-KB3 |
| 4. P-K5 | KKt-Q2 |
| 5. B-Q3 | P-QB4 |
| 6. P-QB3 | Kt-QB3 |
| 7. Kt-K2 | Q-Kt3 |
| 8. Kt-KB3 | PxP |
| 9. PxP | B-Kt5ch |

A possible line here is 9... P-B3; 10. PxP, B-Kt5ch; 11. B-Q2, BxBch; 12. QxB, KtxBP with active game for both sides. Editors of the Reporter have played around with this variation, but have not seen any grandmaster examples.

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| 10. B-Q2 | BxBch |
| 11. QxB | Q-Kt5 |
| 12. P-QR3 | QxQch |
| 13. KtxQ | Kt-Kt3 |
| 14. R-QB1 | B-Q2 |
| 15. P-B4 | R-QB1 |

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| 16. K-B2 | K-K2 |
| 17. P-KKt4 | P-KB3 |
| 18. K-K3 | Kt-R4 |
| 19. P-Kt3 | P-R4 |
| 20. PxPch | KxP |
| 21. P-Kt5ch | K-K2 |
| 22. R-B5 | Kt-B3 |
| 23. Kt-KB3 | P-R5 |
| 24. R-KKt1 | B-K1 |
| 25. Kt-K5 | KtxKt |
| 26. RxR | Kt-Kt5ch |
| 27. RxKt | KtxR |
| 28. Kt-Kt1 | Kt-Q3 |
| 29. Kt-B3 | P-R6 |
| 30. Kt-K5 | Kt-B4ch |
| 31. BxKt | PxB |
| 32. R-Kt1 | K-Q3 |
| 33. R-QB1 | B-R4 |
| 34. K-B2 | R-K1 |
| 35. R-B3 | B-Kt5 |
| 36. KtxB | PxKt |
| 37. K-Kt3 | R-K7 |
| 38. KxP | RxP |
| 39. RxP | |
| (see diagram) | |
| 39. ... | R-Q7 |
| If RxR; 40. KxR, P-KKt3; 41. K-Kt3, K-K2 (forced-P-B5 was th- | |



reatened) 42. K-Kt4, P-Kt3; 43. P-R4, P-R4; 44. K-B3, K-B2; 45. K-Kt3 and Black cannot keep the option of playing to both squares Kt3 and K3 (if 45...K-Kt2; 46. K-Kt4 and if 45...K-K2; 46. P-B5!

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| 40. R-R7 | RxP |
| 41. RxR | K-B3 |
| 42. P-Kt6 | R-Q8 |
| 43. R-Kt8 | K-Q2 |
| 44. K-B5 | R-KKt8 |
| 45. K-B6 | P-Q5 |
| 46. R-Kt8 | |

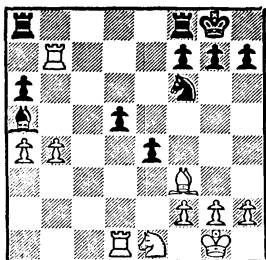
Resigns

Game No. 1354 - Sicilian

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| <u>White</u> | <u>Black</u> |
| D. Clark | W. Browne |

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| 1. P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| 2. Kt-KB3 | P-Q3 |
| 3. P-Q4 | PxP |
| 4. KtxP | Kt-KB3 |
| 5. Kt-QB3 | P-QR3 |
| 6. B-K3 | P-K4 |
| 7. Kt-B3 | Q-B2 |

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| 8. B-K2 | QKt-Q2 |
| 9. 0-0 | P-QKt4 |
| 10. P-QR4 | P-Kt5 |
| 11. Kt-Q5 | KtxKt |
| 12. QxKt | B-Kt2 |
| 13. Q-Kt3 | Kt-B3 |
| 14. QxP | KtxP |
| 15. KR-Q1 | B-K2 |
| 16. B-Kt6 | Q-B3 |
| 17. Kt-K1 | P-Q4 |
| 18. Q-R5 | 0-0 |
| 19. B-B3 | Kt-B3 |
| 20. P-B4 | QxBP |
| 21. QR-B1 | Q-QKt5 |
| 22. R-B7 | QxQ |
| 23. BxQ | B-Q1 |
| 24. RxB | BxB |
| 25. P-QKt4 | P-K5 |
| Resigns | |



26. BK2?!
White rejects the easy

PxB, PxB; 27. KtxP for the prospects of a win over the grandmaster.

- 26. ... B-Q1
- 27. Kt-B2 R-K1
- 28. Kt-K3 R-K4
- 29. Kt-Kt4 KtxKt
- 30. BxKt B-Kt5
- 31. B-K2 B-K2
- 32. R-Kt6

This was White's last chance to obtain an easy draw (R-Q7).

- 32. ... P-QR4!
- 33. PxP B-B4
- 34. R-B6 P-Q5
- 35. B-B4 P-Q6
- 36. P-Kt4 K-B1
- 37. R-B7 R-R2
- 38. RxR BxR
- 39. K-B1 R-B4
- 40. B-Kt5 R-B7
- 41. BxP RxFch
- 42. K-K1 PxB
- 43. RxP R-B3
- 44. K-Q2 K-K2
- 45. K-B3 R-B5

Game 1355 - Sicilian

| White | | Black | |
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| W. Browne | V. Livermore | | |
| 1. e4 | c6 | | |
| 2. d4 | d5 | | |
| 3. Nc3 | de4: | | |
| 4. Ne4: | Nf6: | | |
| 5. Nf6:+ | gf: | | |
| 6. Nf3 | Bg4 | | |

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| 7. Be2 | Qc7 | 15. Be3 | h5 |
| 8. O-0 | e6 | 16. Bf5 | e4 |
| 9. c4 | Rg8 | 17. Qd4 | cd5: |
| 10. Kh1 | Bd6 | 18. cd5: | Qc2 |
| 11. h3 | Bh5 | 19. Rac1 | Qd3 |
| 12. d5 | e5 | 20. Qa4 | b5 |
| 13. Nh4 | Bg6 | 21. Qa6 | Be5 |
| 14. Bg4 | Nd7 | 22. Bd7:+ | Resigns |

Game No. 1356 - Ruy Lopez

| White | | Black | |
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| B. Menas | B. Gross | | |
| 1. P-K4 | P-K4 | | |
| 2. Kt-KB3 | Kt-QB3 | | |
| 3. B-Kt5 | P-QR3 | | |
| 4. B-R4 | P-Q3 | | |
| 5. BxKtch | PxB | | |

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| 6. P-Q4 | P-B3 | 14. KtxB | QxKt |
| 7. B-K3 | Kt-K2 | 15. P-R5 | O-0 |
| 8. Kt-B3 | Kt-Kt3 | 16. P-B4 | Kt-B5 |
| 9. Q-Q3 | B-K3 | 17. P-B5 | Q-B2 |
| 10. O-0-0 | B-K2 | 18. P-R6 | KR-Kt1 |
| 11. P-KR4 | PxP | 19. PxP | RxP |
| 12. KtxP | Kt-K4 | 20. RxP | R1-Kt1 |
| 13. Q-K2 | Q-Q2 | 21. R1-R1 | Resigns |

Game No. 1357 - French

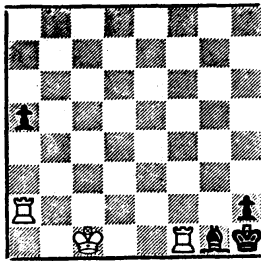
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| D. Dean | B. Siff | | |
| 1. e4 | e6 | | |
| 2. d4 | d5 | | |
| 3. Nd2 | Nf6 | | |
| 4. e5 | Nfd7 | | |
| 5. Bd3 | b6 | | |
| 6. Ne2 | Ba6 | | |

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| 7. BxB | KtxB | 16. b4 | Qb7 |
| 8. O-0 | c5 | 17. a4 | a6 |
| 9. c3 | Qc8 | 18. Bc1 | Ne8 |
| 10. Nf3 | Qc6 | 19. Ba3 | Nf8 |
| 11. Qd3 | Nc7 | 20. Nd2 | g6 |
| 12. Bg5 | h6 | 21. Ne2 | h5 |
| 13. Bd2 | Be7 | 22. f4 | Ng7 |
| 14. Ng3 | c4 | 23. g3 | Nf5 |
| 15. Qc2 | O-0-0 | 24. Rf3 | Nh7 |

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| 25. Raf1 | Kb8 | 32. BxN | BxB | 38. Qe3 | Qd6 |
| 26. R1f2 | Qd7 | 33. g4 | h3 | 39. Nf5 | Qf8 |
| 27. Nf1 | g5 | 34. Neg3 | Rh4 | 40. Qxe | Rxg+ |

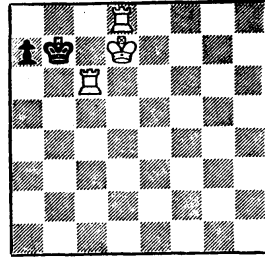
Sam Loyd, 1859

No. 355



Mate in Four

No. 356



Mate in Three

Any great artist contains elements of all future art; Sam Loyd prefigures the modern German school of composition, in which difficulty is not as important as simplicity and clarity with a minimum number of pieces. Little did his solvers more than a century ago realize that Loyd was dashing off more than puzzles. Yet the puzzle element exists here in sufficient strength to make the above problems worth your time. At the same time, I think you will agree with me that there is an undeniable pleasure in seeing how only one solution works with such restricted force.

In the three-mover, the Rooks work overtime to weave a net. In the four-mover, the White King sets up an "Indian," with careful square selection by one of the Rooks to make it possible. Light summer fare, easy once you know how.