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## CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR

Our last issue, Vol. III, No. 4 (December 1953) was either approved or disapproved in no uncertain manner. The bulk of the issue was taken up with a work of fiction, "The Chessplayers," by Charles L. Harness. It had been our intent for some time to inject some humor into the Christmas issue, but it was accidental that the story took up nearly all of the space; a dearth of news and games happened to fall at the same time. It was regrettable that the issue was delayed until late January; the issue was prepared in December but circumstances beyond our control conspired against us. But whatever the reasons, we were a little surprised by the vehemence of the comments we have heard.

The first letter we received was warmly commendatory, and we basked in that warmth for 24 hours. Then a postal card arrived which sent us running for cover. It was very strongly anti-Zeno! A third was more or less neutral, and the next two were divided one pro, the other con. A number of oral reports now came in: Both pro and con were represented, but the "anti-Zenos" were in the majority.

One benefit of a little controversy such as this one is that the Editor finds out whether or not people read the magazine!

We hereby assure our readers that for the balance of 1954 THE REPORTER will bring them the usual news and games. We do not guarantee, however, that next Christmas we may not feel frivolous again! But if we do, we'll try to keep it short.

#### U. S. OPEN

We reported last month that the United States Chess Federation Open Championship would not be held in Hollywood, as previously announced. We briefly noted some of the details wherein the U.S.C.F. committee disagreed with the Hollywood group. Mr. Montgomery Major, editor of Chess Life and a committee member, wishes to set the record straight:

"In your story ... the inference is made that the U.S. Open was withdrawn largely on account of the distribution of prize money. This is quite incorrect. Please publish the fact that the U.S.C.F. rejected the bid from Los Angeles because the U.S.C.F. Tournament Plans Committee refused to accept a scheme of graded tournaments, segregating players in sections by classes, as an "Open" tournament.

"We do not object to graded tournaments as such, but we refuse to foist graded tournaments upon our membership under the guise of the U.S. Open Championship."

(We are pleased to correct any mistaken inferences we may have fostered. The prize money question was only one of many points of disagreement.)

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S.F. BAY AREA CHESS LEAGUE

In Division "A" the Russian Chess Club, defending champions, are off to a good start, but the strong Golden Gate team is pressing for the honors.

FIRST ROUND - January 16, 1954:

Oakland 1, U.C. 6 1) A. Loera O, R. Burger 1; 2) R. Trenberth O, R. Smook 1; 3) C. Stamer  $\frac{1}{2}$ , S. Sosnick  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 4) R. Freeman O, J. Fredgren 1; 5) R. Cuneo O, N. Hultgren 1; 6) C. Wilson  $\frac{1}{2}$ , W. Sprague  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 7) E. Ladner O, E. Simanis 1.

Russians 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Mechanics' Institute 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  1) D. Poliakoff 1, A. Fink O; 2) M. Rudniansky O, C. Bagby 1; 3) N. Preobrajensky  $\frac{1}{2}$ , W. Addison  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 4) B. Popoff  $\frac{1}{2}$ , J. Schmitt  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 5) C. Svalberg 1, C. Federoff O; 6) A. Palmin  $\frac{1}{2}$ , P. Peterson  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 7) P. Prokoodin O, A. Stamer 1.

Golden Gate 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Castle 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  1) I. König 1, G. McClain O; 2) H. Gross O, N. Falconer 1; 3) C. Capps 1, W. Hendricks O; 4) R. Currie  $\frac{1}{2}$ , M. Eudey  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 5) J. Myers 1, F. Christensen O; 6) K. Colby O; R. Hultgren 1; 7) H. Rosenbaum O, R. Willson 1.

SECOND ROUND - January 30, 1954:

U.C. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Golden Gate 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  1) R. Smook  $\frac{1}{2}$ , I. König  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 2) S. Sosnick O, V. Pafnutieff 1; 3) J. Fredgren O, H. Gross 1; 4) W. Sprague O, C. Capps 1; 5) N. Hultgren O, R. Currie 1; 6) J. Nichols O, J. Myers 1; 7) E. Simanis O, K. Colby 1.

Castle 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Mechanics' Institute 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  1) N. Falconer  $\frac{1}{2}$ , C. Bagby  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 2) G. McClain O, W. Addison 1; 3) R. Hultgren O, J. Schmitt 1; 4) W. Hendricks 1, P. Peterson O; 5) F. Christensen O, C. Linklater 1; 6) R. Willson 1, A. Stamer O; 7) M. Shimkin 1, C. Federoff O.

Russians 4, Oakland 3 1) D. Poliakoff 1, R. Trenberth O; 2) M. Rudniansky 1, C. Sedlack O; 3) N. Preo, Sr. O, C. Stamer 1; 4) B. Popoff 1, R. Freeman O; 5) C. Svalberg 1, R. Cuneo O; 6) P. Prokoodin O, E. Yaeger 1; 7) N. Preo, Jr. O, E. Lien 1.

In Division "B" the Palo Alto Club, champions of 1952, are making a strong bid to win 1954 honors.

FIRST ROUND - January 9, 1954:

Alameda 2, Russians 5 1) L. Talcott O, W. Leeds 1; 2) P. Kelly O, D. Shishkin 1; 3) C. Fontan O, P. Andreeff 1; 4) L.

Tianin  $\frac{1}{2}$ , A. Tokmakoff  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 5) D. Ogilvie 1, E. Yablonsky 0; 6) R. Holman 0, Helen Ivanoff 1; 7) L. Osternic  $\frac{1}{2}$ , D. McLeod  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Kings 2, Palo Alto 5 1) D. Peizer  $\frac{1}{2}$ , G. Petriceks  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 2) G. Ramirez  $\frac{1}{2}$ , L. Moses  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 3) T. Eisenstadt 1, E. Dana 0; 4) S. Gould 0, F. Morsman 1; 5) B. Zeiler 0, W. Shugert 1; 6) P. Chang 0, A. Guthrie 1; 7) A. Chris 0, C. Erickson 1.

Golden Gate 4, Mechanics' Institute 4 1) H. King 0, K. Bendit 1; 2) S.H. Van Gelder 1, H. Abella 0; 3) H. Dasteel, Jr. 1, R. Keil 0; 4) G. Lutz 1, M. Morinaga 0; 5) F. Burtner 0, F. Rosenthal 1; 6) C. Huneke  $\frac{1}{2}$ , L. Tomori  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 7) H. Dasteel, Sr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ , K. Bopp  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 8) Dr. M. Korshet 0, L. Post 1.

#### SECOND ROUND - January 23, 1954

Palo Alto 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Russians 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  1) J. Kliger 1, W. Leeds 0; 2) G. Petriceks  $\frac{1}{2}$ , G. Lewis  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 3) F. Morsman 0, D. Shishkin 1; 4) H. Edelstein 1, P. Andreeff 0; 5) E. Dana 1, A. Tokmakoff 0; 6) L. Moses 0, N. Beloff 1; 7) W. Shugert 1, M. Razumoff 0.

Mechanics' Institute 3, Kings 4 1) K. Bendit 0, T. Eisenstadt 1; 2) H. Branton 0, G. Ramirez 1; 3) N. Cappa 1, D. Peizer 0; 4) E. Kurman 0, H. Holder 1; 5) C. Norcia 1, S. Gould 0; 6) L. Post 0, P. Chang 1; 7) L. Tomori 1, B. Zeiler 0.

Oakland 4, Alameda 3 1) E. Yaeger 0, L. Talcott 1; 2) E. Lien 0, C. Fontan 1; 3) E. Simanis 1, P. Kelly 0; 4) E. Theodoroff 1, L. Tinnin 0; 5) C. Dodge 1, C. McGinley 0; 6) L. Ledgerwood, Sr. 0, D. Ogilvie 1; 7) K. Keplinger 1, R. Holman 0.

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CENTRAL VALLEY CHESS LEAGUEROUND 3 - November 22, 1953

Oakdale 3, Sacramento 9 1) W. Maxey O, R.E. Russell 1; 2) C.J. Smith O, M.O. Meyer 1; 3) E. Sai O, J.B. Gee 1; 4) H. Mortensen O, O.A. Celle 1; 5) J. Quayle O, A. Janushkowsky 1; 6) F. Kimball 1, F. Clawson O; 7) H. Tusoosian O, J.A. Celle 1; 8) A. Buerer 1, O. Bender O; 9) S. Sampson O, N. Zimmerman 1; 10) V. Smith O, W. Hartley 1; 11) S. Thomas 1, H. Keith O; 12) J. Smith O, A.W. Bishop 1.

Stockton 2, Fresno 7 1) J. David-Malig O, P.D. Smith 1; 2) R. Leigh O, M. Hailparn 1; 3) Dr. Saslaw O, T. Fries 1; 4) R. Juhre O, E. Achterberg 1; 5) J. Saxon 1, H. Kallman O; 6) P. Hubbard O, C. Fotias 1; 7) M. Sanders O, E. Thompson 1; 8) A. Stubbs 1, R. Clark O; 9) A.C. Saxon O, O. Maschke 1.

Pittsburg 3, Modesto 6 1) R. Burger O, L.E. Davis 1; 2) R.C. Guzman  $\frac{1}{2}$ , E.L. Jeffers  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 3) F. Olvera  $\frac{1}{2}$ , Lee Kerfoot  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 4) F. Weinberg O, Herb Betker 1; 5) C. Daggs 1, James Berry O; 6) T. Snavely O, L. Krogness 1; 7) W. Whisler  $\frac{1}{2}$ , Herb Paul  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 8) G. Garcia  $\frac{1}{2}$ , C.J. Cook  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 9) H. Lansing O, H. Wente 1.

ROUND 4 - December 13, 1953

Fresno 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Oakdale 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  1) P.D. Smith 1, W. Maxey O; 2) M. Hailparn O, E. Sai 1; 3) T. Fries 1, H. Tusoosian O; 4) R. Womack 1, S. Sampson O; 5) E. Thompson 1, C.J. Smith O; 6) C. Fotias O, F. Kimball 1; 7) H. Kallman 1, A. Buerer O; 8) O. Maschke 1, V. Smith O; 9) L. Legler  $\frac{1}{2}$ , J. Quayle  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 10) R. Clark 1, S. Thomas O; 11) L. Lamoreaux 1, J. Sai O.

Modesto 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Stockton 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  1) L.E. Davis O, J.M. David-Malig 1; 2) E.L. Jeffers 1, Bob Leigh O; 3) Lee Kerfoot  $\frac{1}{2}$ , J. Saxon  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 4) L. Krogness 1, R. Juhre O; 5) Herb E. Paul 1, Paul Hubbard O; 6) Herb Betker 1, H. Minchaca O; 7) James Berry 1, E. Neustadt O; 8) E. Hawksworth O, L. Saslaw 1; 9) H. Wente O, M. Ellenberg 1; 10) C.J. Cook 1, A.C. Saxon O.

Pittsburg 2, San Jose 6 1) R.E. Burger 1, J. Kalnins O; 2) R. Trenberth O, W.T. Adams 1; 3) S. Wilson O, M. Gazze 1; 4) R. Guzman O, L.H. Daugherty 1; 5) Escobar O, B. Mueller 1; 6) F. Olvera O, F. Crofut 1; 7) F. Weinberg O, D. Havill 1; 8) J. Smith 1, E. Dreis O.

## VALLEY LEAGUE - continued

ROUND 5 - January 10, 1954

San Jose 6, Modesto 2 1) J. Kalnins  $\frac{1}{2}$ , L. Davis  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 2) W. Adams 1, E. Jeffers O; 3) B. Mueller O, L. Kerfoot 1; 4) L. Daugherty 1, H. Betker O; 5) D. Havill 1, L. Krogness O; 6) H. O'Shaughnessy  $\frac{1}{2}$ , H. Paul  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 7) M. Gazse 1, C.J. Cook O; 8) F. Crofut 1, E. Hawksworth O.

Pittsburg 8, Oakdale 1 1) R. Burger 1, Ed Sai O; 2) R. Trenberth  $\frac{1}{2}$ , Jeff Smith  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 3) R. Guzman 1, S. Thomas O; 4) G. Garcia 1, J. Quayle O; 5) F. Olvera 1, H. Mortensen O; 6) F. Weinberg 1, F. Kimball O; 7) W. Whisler 1, W. Maxey O; 8) J. Smith  $\frac{1}{2}$ , A. Buerer  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 9) R. Gilfillan 1, C. Esgar O.

Fresno 5, Sacramento 7 1) P.D. Smith 1, R.E. Russell O; 2) M. Hailparn 1, M.O. Meyer O; 3) T. Fries 1, J.B. Gee O; 4) E. Achterberg  $\frac{1}{2}$ , A. Janushkowsky  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 5) R. Womack O, O.A. Celle 1; 6) S. Poulsen  $\frac{1}{2}$ , N.T. Austin  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 7) H. Kallman O, F.B. Jackson 1; 8) E. Cook O, J.A. Celle 1; 9) C. Fotias O, N. Zimmerman 1; 10) E. Thompson O, F. Clawson 1; 11) L. Legler O, W. Hartley 1; 12) O. Maschke 1, H. Keith O.

SACRAMENTO PRELIMINARY TOURNAMENT

This tournament ended with Doc Janushkowsky defeating Gee in a nice game, thus tying Hartley for first place with 4-1. Following the two leaders with scores of  $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$  are N.T. Austin, J.B. Gee; scores 3-2, Ojars Celle, Ed Horton, Fred Clawson, J.A. Celle, Harold Keith. These nine players will compete in a round-robin tournament for "Championship of the Club," January 20th.

The Consolation Flight consists of the following, with scores attained in the prelims: M.O. Meyer and C. Iverson,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ ; Sam Johnson, A.W. Bishop, Ostap Bender and Gene Gray, 2-3; followed by Howard Evanson and J.C. Lacey with 1-4.

SAN DIEGO Last October 31st International Master Imre Konig of San Francisco gave a simultaneous exhibition before the largest-ever audience, to our knowledge, in San Diego. Mr. Konig played 44 games in the Convair Recreation Hall, winning 35, losing one to H.K. Thurslund and drawing 8 (Victor Wildt, C.R. Bates, J.B. Grafa, W.W. Crane, George G. Ison, John Alexander, W.E. Aiken and Saheadar Ruvalcova).

1953 INGLEWOOD OPEN TOURNAMENT

The Inglewood Open was won by a non-member, William Carr. Karl Reissmann, current club champion and last year's Open Champion, finished in third place. The tournament, a seven-round Swiss, was held at the Inglewood Recreation Center and was directed by Hans Zander. The scores (not in order of rounds):

										Score	S - B
1.	W. Carr	W4	D5	W6	W8	W11	W13	W14		6 $\frac{1}{2}$	25.25
2.	H. Zander	W5	L6	D7	W12	W13	W16	W24		5 $\frac{1}{2}$	16.75
3.	K. Reissmann	L5	W7	L8	W9	W10	W14	W23		5	15.00
4.	A. Freeman	L1	W6	L13	W14	W15	W17	W22		5	15.00
5.	D. Gross	D1	L2	W3	W8	W11	W13	L20		4 $\frac{1}{2}$	18.75
6.	R. Reed	L1	W2	W4	L7	W9	D10	W11		4 $\frac{1}{2}$	18.75
7.	R. Tibbitts	D2	L3	L6	W8	W10	W14	W18		4 $\frac{1}{2}$	16.25
8.	C. Kodil	L1	W3	L5	L7	W13	W20	W22		4	11.50
9.	L. Weiss	L3	L6	D11	W12	L13	W17	W19		3 $\frac{1}{2}$	11.25
10.	J. Cary	L3	D6	L7	L11	W12	W16	W22		3 $\frac{1}{2}$	10.25
11.	N. Morrison	L1	L5	L6	D9	W10	W18	W23		3 $\frac{1}{2}$	8.75
12.	F. Ganzert	L2	L9	L10	W18	W19	D23	W24		3 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.75
13.	T. Goebel	L1	L2	W4	L5	L8	W9	W15		3	11.50
14.	W. Martin	L1	L3	L4	L7	W16	W17	W20		3	8.00
15.	A. Thompson	L4	L13	W16	L17	W19	L20	W21		3	8.00
16.	D. Dean	L2	L10	L14	L15	W18	W19	W21		3	8.00
17.	F. Morrow	L4	L9	L14	W15	L18	W21	W24		3	5.50
18.	B. Perkins	L7	L11	L12	L16	W17	W22	W24		3	5.00
19.	C. Taber	L9	L12	L15	L16	W21	W22	W24		3	4.00
20.	W. Banning	W5	L8	L14	W15	-	-	-		2	7.50
21.	M. Sewell	L15	L16	L17	L19	L22	W23	W24		2	1.00
22.	B. Moore	L4	L8	L10	L18	L19	W21	D24		1 $\frac{1}{2}$	2.25
23.	J. Stuntebeck	L3	L11	D12	L21	-	-	-		$\frac{1}{2}$	1.75
24.	N. Davidson	L2	L12	L17	L18	L19	L21	D22		$\frac{1}{2}$	.75

HOLLYWOOD CHESS GROUP  
CHAMPIONSHIP - 1953

		Score	S-B
1	H. Steiner	W36 W22 W6 W8 W10 W2 W4 D3 W5 D9	9 60 $\frac{1}{4}$
2	I. Rivise	Bye W24 D5 W3 W4 L1 W8 W21 W7 W10	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 52 $\frac{1}{4}$
3	S. Mazner	D12 W11 W25 L2 W23 W5 W13 D1 W8 D4	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ 50 $\frac{1}{4}$
4	E. Levin	W26 W19 D10 W5 L2 W14 L1 W23 W13 D3	7 44 $\frac{1}{2}$
5	R. Jacobs	W31 W13 D2 L4 W18 L3 W10 W14 L1 W8	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ 40 $\frac{1}{2}$
6	J. Alexander	W16 W9 L1 D18 D11 W24 D21 L8 W23 W17	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ 39 $\frac{1}{2}$
7	R. Harari	W14 L10 W20 D15 L8 W17 D11 W12 L2 W18	6 38
8	R. Banner	W32 W25 W23 L1 W7 W10 L2 W6 L3 L5	6 34
9	S. Geller	W28 L6 W33 L10 W27 W16 L14 D13 W21 D1	6 31 $\frac{3}{4}$
10	L. Woronzoff	W21 W7 D4 W9 L1 L8 L5 W24 W14 L2	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 35
11	F. Goehler	D15 L3 W32 W20 D6 D13 D7 D19 D12 D16	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 31 $\frac{3}{4}$
12	D. Karpilowsky	D3 L23 W21 W22 L14 W28 W26 L7 D11 D19	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 31
13	C. Gardner	W30 L5 D22 W17 W25 D11 L3 D9 L4 W21	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 30 $\frac{1}{2}$
14	M. Blumenfeld	L7 W29 W24 D27 W12 L4 W9 L5 L10 W25	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 29 $\frac{1}{2}$
15	Mrs. Grumette	D11 L18 W19 D7 L21 L23 W30 W27 D16 W22	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 29 $\frac{1}{2}$
16	Mrs. Roos	L6 D28 W35 L23 W22 L9 W25 W32 D15 D11	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 22 $\frac{3}{4}$
17	T. Zelig	L24 W34 D18 L13 W28 L7 W27 W29 W26 L6	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 22 $\frac{1}{2}$
18	D. Maron	D23 W15 D17 D6 L5 D25 D24 W26 D19 L7	5 29 $\frac{1}{4}$
19	E. Johanson	W29 L4 L15 W31 W30 D20 L23 D11 D18 D12	5 23 $\frac{1}{2}$
20	Mrs G Piatigorsky	D27 W31 L7 L11 L24 D19 D28 D25 W29 W32	5 19 $\frac{1}{2}$
21	A. Bakst	L10 W26 L12 W29 W15 W27 D6 L2 L9 L13	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ 23 $\frac{3}{4}$
22	E. Sleep	W37 L1 D13 L12 L16 L29 W31 W28 W32 L15	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ 14 $\frac{1}{4}$
23	J. Freed	D18 W12 L8 W16 L3 W15 W19 L4 F6	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
24	W. Wheeler	W17 L2 L14 W30 W20 L6 D18 L10 L25 D28	4 21 $\frac{3}{4}$
25	J. Wolfe	W35 L8 L3 W26 L13 D18 L16 D20 W24 L14	4 19 $\frac{1}{2}$
26	C. Henderson	L4 L21 W28 L25 W29 W31 L12 L18 L17 W30	4 15 $\frac{1}{2}$
27	T. Wyman	D20 D32 W30 D14 L9 L21 L17 L15 L31 W29	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ 15 $\frac{1}{2}$
28	O. Shearer	L9 D16 L26 W32 L17 F12 D20 L22 W30 D24	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ 15 $\frac{1}{4}$
29	R. Bain	L19 L14 W31 L21 L26 W22 W32 L17 L20 L27	3 11
30	Mrs C Henderson	L13 W36 L27 L24 L19 W32 L15 W31 L28 L26	3 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
31	M. Kleinberg	L5 L20 L29 L19 L32 L26 L22 L30 W27 Bye	2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
32	Dr. Burns	L8 D27 L11 L28 W31 L30 L29 L16 L22 L20	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ 5 $\frac{1}{4}$
33	H. Rogosin	D34 W35 L9 - - -	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
34.	L. Spinner	$\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ;	
35.	M. Lebow	0-3;	
36.	S. Frumkin	0-2;	
37.	M. Eucher	0-1.	



GAME OF THE MONTH -- by Imre König

The following game, played in the 1953-54 Hastings Tournament, is a good example of Bronstein's fine incisive play. The way in which he attacks on the King's side and switches over to the Queen's side to bring about a decision is a masterpiece of tactics.

Game No. 211 - Nimzo

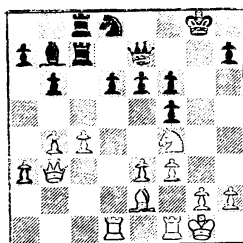
White Black

D. Bronstein D. Horne

- |     |        |        |
|-----|--------|--------|
| 1.  | P-Q4   | Kt-KB3 |
| 2.  | P-QB4  | P-K3   |
| 3.  | Kt-QB3 | B-Kt5  |
| 4.  | P-K3   | P-B4   |
| 5.  | Kt-B3  | O-O    |
| 6.  | B-K2   | Kt-B3  |
| 7.  | Q-B2   | P-QKt3 |
| 8.  | O-O    | BxKt   |
| 9.  | QxB    | B-Kt2  |
| 10. | PxP    | Kt-K5  |
| 11. | Q-B2   | KtxQBP |
| 12. | P-QR3  | P-B4   |
| 13. | P-QKt4 | Kt-K5  |
| 14. | B-Kt2  | P-Q3   |
| 15. | QR-Q1  | Q-K2   |
| 16. | Kt-K1  | R-B1   |
| 17. | Q-Kt3  | R-QB2  |
| 18. | Kt-Q3  | KR-B1  |

White has come out of the opening with the better game; still Black has a firm position and his weak pawn on the Queen's line is well defended. Bronstein, however, is able by clever maneuvering to break through.

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|-----|-------|-------|
| 19. | P-B3  | Kt-B3 |
| 20. | Kt-B4 | Kt-Q1 |
| 21. | BxKt  | PxB   |



22. P-K4!

The decisive move. Now on 22... PxP; 23. PxP, BxP; 24. Kt-R5, P-B4; 25. Q-Kt3ch would regain the pawn with advantage.

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| 22. | ...   | P-Kt4 |
| 23. | PxKtP | R-B6  |
| 24. | Q-Kt1 | RxRP  |
| 25. | B-Q3! |       |

Stronger than 25. PxP, as White now threatens with 26. PxP, P-K4; 27. Kt-K2, to cut off the black Rook and capture it after Q-Kt2 and B-B2.

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|-----|--------|----------|
| 25. | ...    | P-K4     |
| 26. | Kt-K2  | Q-KB2    |
| 27. | Kt-Kt3 | P-B5     |
| 28. | Kt-B5  | Q-B2     |
| 29. | KtxP   | Q-Kt3ch  |
| 30. | K-R1   | R(B1)-B6 |
| 31. | Kt-B4  | Resigns. |

A nice finish. After all the black Rook could not escape his fate.

CORRESPONDENCE Francis Crofut of San Jose writes: "With the U.S. Open scheduled for Hollywood, I thought the California players might be interested in how they could be expected to place in the tournament (note: although the Open was changed subsequent to Mr. Crofut's letter, the Hollywood tournament will be held anyhow, and the findings should still be of interest - Ed.).

PREDICTION FOR THE 1954 OPEN by Francis Crofut

Senior masters and masters will of course take the first few places in the 1954 U.S. Open. If the strength of the players and the size of the tournament is about the same as the 1953 Milwaukee Open, then the players classed as Experts should take most of the places from 20 to 56. Class A players will take most of the next 62 places, Class B the next 30, while positions 150 on down will be held by Class C players. Three Class D players entered the Milwaukee tournament, two of them doing much better than their ratings would indicate.

The following list is of the 57 California chessplayers who are listed by the United States Chess Federation. They are listed in order of their ratings and the number at the left of the name is how they should place in the 1954 tournament. (If it is comparable to the 1953 Open)

Players not on the list may be able to predict their own performance easily by finding a player of about their own strength.

- MASTERS: 6 Kashdan; 8 Steiner; 14 Levin; 17 Cross;  
19 H. Gross; 25 Rivise.
- EXPERTS: 34 Almgren; 35 Martin; 39 Addison; 40 McClain;  
45 Currie; 48 Pafnutieff; 52 Capps; 61 Remlinger;  
63 R. Gross; 65 Spiller.
- CLASS A: 70 Smith; 72 Schmitt; 82 Prokoodin; 87 Chase;  
92 Russell; 100 Hunnex; 102 Hendricks; 103\* Adams;  
103\* Meyer; 107 Alexander; 108 Kirby; 109 Crofut;  
110 Eucher; 112 Gee; 115 Hultgren; 117 Dana;  
119 Oakes.
- CLASS B: 121 Larsen; 124 Kupka; 125 Petriceks; 126 Lutz;  
127 Piatigorsky; 128 Stevenson; 129 Eudey;  
130 Austin; 131\* Colby; 131\* Nippell; 140 Fotias;  
144 Kurruk; 148 Weiss; 160\* Rinaldo; 160\* Thompson.
- CLASS C and D: 162 Chappell; 173 Wyman; 174 White; 176 Gray;  
177 Burns; 178 Evans; 179 Wong; 180\* Lacey;  
180\* Rudin.

\* These players have exactly the same national ratings and so are assumed to tie for position in the tourney.

Ray Guzman of Pittsburg, back from Mexico after an eight-year absence, writes: "... I am mighty glad to be back, as I did not know how much I miss such fine chess friends as Milt Meyer, Lee Kerfoot, Frank Olvera, Herbert Paul, and many others in the Central California Chess League and various other places in central California.

And from M.A. Michaels of Montreal, Canada: "Dear Dr. Ralston: I learn from THE REPORTER that you are making 'a speedy recovery' from the sick list. And I'm glad that you are recovering. I, too, have had quite a time of it, having spent half of July and August in the hospital... As I previously enjoyed good health for over the three score and ten allotted years, I feel now that I have a lot to be thankful for. My thanks, too, to Chess. It always provided enjoyable entertainment. And now it's a real boon and a wonderful solace.

"My appreciation of THE REPORTER is great. I like its format and its meaty content - included and by no means its least - its tasks. I congratulate you on the choice of menu you serve, especially the four by Sam Loyd. I found them most refreshing. So please accept my sincere good wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year."

And now for some "Zeno" correspondence:

"Congratulations on reprinting in THE REPORTER the delightful tale of The Chessplayers. Comment would be superfluous - it's a GEM. Most chess-nuts, including myself, will rave about it." - Maurice Korshet, M.D.

"At the close of Game #210 you ask if the readers would care to see more games by 'Zeno.' Please, Mr. Editor, I would prefer to never hear of Zeno again. I have Vol. I and Vol. II of the Chess Reporter bound in book form but if I bind Vol. III I will leave out No. 4." - J. R. Glover

"I count on THE REPORTER for all significant events in the lives of my old friends. And now 'The Chessplayers' recreates the exact atmosphere in which these lives are spent. A beautiful job. Zeno's games, however, are so meaty - one might say fruity - that one or two seem an ample diet." - D. M. Belmont

"Was a little disappointed in the last issue. The story was very funny but took too much space. I would imagine the subscribers

would like more game scores, results of local matches, local news and of course some information about the California State Chess Federation - what it does and what it plans to do." - Irving Rivise

## II PAN AMERICAN CHESS CONGRESS

The Hollywood Chess Group and the California State Chess Federation will sponsor this event at the Hollywood Athletic Club, 6525 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood 28, California, from July 10 to 24, inclusive.

The tournament is open to all chess players, whether or not affiliated with any chess organization. The sections:

1. Masters: Recognized and qualified masters.
2. Master Candidates: "Experts" in U.S.C.F. ratings.
3. First Class: "A" players in U.S.C.F. ratings.
4. Second Class: "B" players in U.S.C.F. ratings.
5. Third Class: "C" players in U.S.C.F. ratings.
6. Fourth Class: "D" players in U.S.C.F. ratings.

For players not rated by the U.S.C.F., California State Chess Federation ratings will be used. For this purpose, a committee including Dr. H. J. Ralston, John Keckhut, Neil T. Austin and Francis Grofut has been appointed.

There will be a 14 or 15 round Swiss in each group. Players are urged to bring chess equipment and clocks. Entries should be submitted at the earliest opportunity, but not later than July 9. Games are tentatively scheduled to be played from 7:00 P.M. to midnight.

Entry fee: \$15. For accommodations write: Hollywood Chess Group, 108 North Formosa Avenue, Los Angeles 36, Calif.

Management of the various events will be in charge of the Executive Committee: H. Steiner, I. Rivise, P.C. McKenna, G.F. Goehler, Mrs. G. Piatigorsky, H. Gross, Dr. H.J. Ralston, W.G. McClain, J.B. Gee and P.D. Smith.

U.S. OPEN The annual U.S.C.F. Open meeting will be held at New Orleans August 2-14, 1954. The play will take place at the Roosevelt Hotel.

LONG BEACH - U.S. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP The 1954 Junior will be held in Long Beach after all. The tournament will start at 2:00 P.M. on June 29, 1954, and will end July 9. With a number of promising young players on hand in both northern and southern California, a record turnout is expected. For further details, entrants should write John P. Looney, Secretary, Lincoln Park Chess & Checker Club, Lincoln Park, Long Beach, California.

CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP: To be held at the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 North Formosa, Hollywood, during the first part of April. There are a number of strong women players in southern California, and it is hoped that they will be joined by contestants from the northern and central parts of the State, to make the event a truly representative championship.

CSCF: Officers of the California State Chess Federation for 1954 were elected by a poll by mail of the ten directors during December. Re-elected for another term were:

President	LeRoy Johnson, 103 So. Union Ave., L.A. 26
Vice-President	Henry Gross, 1657 No. Point St., S.F.
Secretary	Don Maron, 1334 No. Harper Ave., Hollywood 46
Treasurer	Dr. Ralph Hultgren, 1501 LeRoy Ave., Berkeley 8

L.A. COUNTY CHESS LEAGUE Officers elected for 1954 are: President, Irving Rivise; Vice-President, Charles Gray; Secretary, George F. Goehler; Treasurer, William Wheeler; Tournament Director, Don Maron; Assistant T.D., Charles Kodil; Youth Director, John Keckhut. The current county championship is under way with 43 entries. The event is a 12-round Swiss. A high school league is being formed, under the joint sponsorship of the L.A. County League and the Valley High Schools Chess League.

RESHEVSKY EXHIBITIONS Sammy Reshevsky toured California in late January and early February, playing exhibitions in Los Angeles, Corcoran, Stockton and San Francisco. The master's only losses of the tour were at the Golden Gate Chess Club of San Francisco, where in 33 games he lost four (H. Gross, Dr. L. Bloch, W. Hendricks, and F. Rosenthal), and drew five. (Games from this exhibition in our next issue.)

CALIFORNIA OPEN, SAN JOSE, 1953

Game No. 212 - Nimzo  
 White Black  
 C. Bagby M.O. Meyer

- 1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3
- 2. P-QB4 P-K3
- 3. Kt-QB3 B-Kt5
- 4. P-K3 O-O
- 5. B-Q3 P-Q4
- 6. P-QR3 BxKtch
- 7. PxB P-B4
- 8. Kt-K2 Kt-B3
- 9. PxQP KPxP
- 10. O-O PxP
- 11. BPxP R-K1
- 12. Kt-Kt3 Kt-K5
- 13. Q-B2 P-B4

Forced. If 13...KtxKt; 14. BxPch, K-R1; 15. BPxKt.

14. P-B3

14. Kt-R5 seems interesting, followed by 15. Kt-B4 (threatening KtxQP), P-B3, etc. If 14...Q-R5; 15. Kt-B4, Kt-K2; 16. P-B3, Kt-B3; 17. P-KKt3!, Q-R3 (or Kt4); 18. P-K4!

- 14. ... KtxKt
- 15. PxB P-KKt3
- 16. R-R2

An interesting maneuver. By this and the next two moves White:

(1) puts the QR on the K-file, (2) puts the Q on QKt1, covering both the QKt file and the QKt1-KR7 diagonal, and (3) avoids forcing his QB to choose between the QR3-KB8 and the Qb1-KR6 diagonals.

- 16. ... B-K3
- 17. Q-QKt1 R-K2
- 18. R-K2 R-B1
- 19. K-B2 Kt-R4

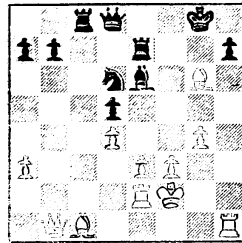
- 20. R-KR1 Kt-B5
- 21. P-Kt4 Kt-Q3

21...PxP was playable. After 22. BxP, P-Kt6ch!; 23. K-Kt1 (if 23. KxP, Q-Q3ch; 24. K-B2, PxB; 25. QxPch, R-Kt2; 26. Q-R5, Q-Kt6ch; 27. K-Kt1, R-KB, threatening either 28... B-B4 (and 29... R-R2) or 28... R-B4), Q-Q2; 24. B-Q3, R-KB2.

- 22. PxB KtxP?

22... BxP gave a good game, since White cannot play 23. P-K4 because of 23... PxB; 24. PxB, KtxPch!; 25. BxKt, QxPch and wins. Perhaps Black saw what was to follow, but overvalued the gain of the exchange.

- 23. P-Kt4 Kt-Q3
- 24. BxB



- 24. ... Kt-K5ch
- 25. BxKt

Not 25. PxB, PxB; 26. P-K5, BxP; 27. QxPch, R-Kt2 winning.

- 25. ... PxB
- 26. QxKP B-B5
- 27. Q-B2 BxR
- 28. QxB R(2)-QB2

White's pawn mass easily compensates for the exchange and, once started in motion, cannot be stopped. Black's only chance was to get his Rooks down to the sev-

enth rank at once. 28... Q-Q4!;  
 29. B-Q2, R-B7; 30. R-QB1!,  
 R(2)-QB2; 31. RxR, RxR; 32. Q-Q3,  
 Q-R7; 33. K-K2, R-Kt7 and, though  
 White should win, Black has some  
 play.

29. Q-Q3            Q-K2  
 Not 29... RxB; 30. QxPch.  
 30. B-Q2            R-B7  
 31. K-Kt3

To avoid 31... R(1)-B6.  
 31. ...            Q-KB2  
 31... R-Kt7 (threatening R(1)-  
 B7 appears much stronger.

32. R-R5            R(7)-B3

Now the pawns roll.

33. P-Q5            R-KKt3  
 34. P-K4            Q-B2ch  
 35. P-K5            Q-B4  
 36. B-K3            Q-R4  
 37. P-K6            R-K1  
 38. B-Q4            Q-B2ch

If 38... R(K1)xP?!; 39. Q-B4!  
 wins.

39. B-K5            Q-B8  
 40. QxRch!        Resigns.

Game No. 213 - Stonewall Def.

	White	Black
	V. Pafnutieff	E. Levin
1.	P-Q4	P-QB3
2.	P-QB4	P-KB4
3.	Kt-KB3	Kt-KB3
4.	P-K3	P-K3
5.	B-Q3	P-Q4
6.	QKt-Q2	B-Q3
7.	P-QKt3	O-O
8.	B-Kt2	QKt-Q2
9.	O-O	Kt-K5
10.	Kt-K5	Q-R4
11.	QKt-B3	Kt(Q2)-B3
12.	P-QR3	Q-Q1

13.	Q-K2	B-Q2
14.	KtxB	KtxKt
15.	Kt-K5	Q-B2
16.	P-B4	R-B3
17.	P-QKt4	R-R3
18.	BPxP	BPxP
19.	QR-B1	Q-Q1
20.	BxKt	QPxB
21.	KtxKt	QxKt
22.	R-B2	

White has emerged with the bet-  
 ter game. He has occupied the  
 QB file first, and his B is on  
 the diagonal QR1-KR8, which can  
 be opened at the price of a P  
 by P-Q5.

22.	...	P-KKt4
23.	P-KKt3	PxP
24.	KPxP	

KtPxP seems better; the QP is  
 more secure, and White need not  
 fear the KKt file. After 24...  
 K-B2; 25. K-R1, R-KKt1; 26. Q-  
 B4 with the better game.

(27. P-Q5 is threatened, and if  
 26... B-K2; 27. Q-B7, R-Q1;  
 28. R-KKt1.)

24.	...	B-B2
25.	K-Kt2	P-QKt4
26.	P-KR3	K-B2
27.	K-R2	R-KKt1
28.	B-B1	B-Kt3
29.	B-K3	Q-K2
30.	R-KKt1	R-Q1
31.	QxP	BxP
32.	BxB	RxB
33.	R(1)-QB1	R-Q4
34.	Q-K2	R-Q2
35.	K-Kt2	P-K4
36.	Q-B4ch	K-Kt2
37.	PxP	QxP
38.	Q-B5	Q-K3

38... QxQ seems better. If 39.  
 RxQ, R-Q7ch; 40. K-Kt1, RxRP;

if 39. PxQ, R-QB3 followed by R(2)-QB2 should draw. Now White's pressure becomes too strong.

39. Q-K3

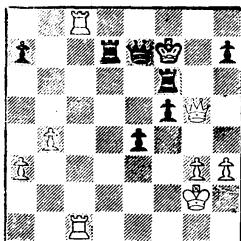
(Threatening 40. R-B4, Q-B3; 41. Q-B4, R-R4; and either 42. P-KKt4 or 42. R-B7 should win.)

39. ... Q-K2

40. Q-B4 R-KB3

41. Q-Kt5ch K-B2

42. R-B8



42. ... R-Kt3

Nothing else is better.

43. QxPch K-Kt2

44. QxR QxQ

45. R(1)-B7 R-Q3

46. RxQch RxR

47. K-B2 K-B3

48. R-B3 R-KKt2

49. P-KKt4 K-K4

50. K-K3 R-K2

51. R-B4 K-Q4

52. R-Q4ch K-B3

53. RxP and won.

This was Levin's only loss in the tournament - to Pafnutieff, who lost no games.

Game No. 214 - Q.G.D.

White	Black
V. Pafnutieff	R. Gross

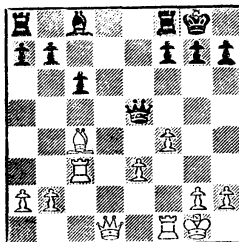
(Notes by Vladimir Pafnutieff)

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|-----------|--------|
| 1. P-Q4   | P-Q4   |
| 2. P-QB4  | P-K3   |
| 3. Kt-QB3 | Kt-KB3 |
| 4. B-Kt5  | B-K2   |
| 5. P-K3   | O-O    |
| 6. Kt-B3  | P-B3   |
| 7. R-B1   | QKt-Q2 |
| 8. B-Q3   | PxP    |
| 9. BxP    | Kt-Q4  |
| 10. BxB   | QxB    |
| 11. O-O   | KtxKt  |
| 12. RxKt  | P-K4   |

If 12... P-QKt3; 13. Q-B2, P-QB4; 14. PxP, KtxP; 15. P-QKt4, Kt-R3; 16. P-QR3, B-Kt2; 17. B-Q3, P-Kt3; 18. KR-B1 ± Capablanca-H. Steiner, Budapest, 1928.

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| 13. PxP   | KtxP |
| 14. KtxKt | QxKt |
| 15. P-B4  |      |

The Rubinstein Attack



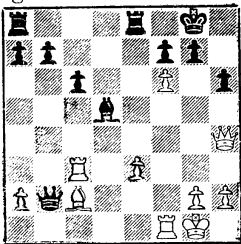
15. ... Q-K5

If (A) 15... Q-K2 (played in the exhibition game Rubinstein-Lasker, 1924, where this variation was



born); 16. P-B5, P-QKt4; 17. B-Kt3, P-Kt5; 18. P-B6! PxP; 19. QRxP, QxPch; 20. K-RL, B-Kt2; 21. QRxP± Euwe-Sir G.A. Thomas, Hastings, 1934-35. Or (B) 15... Q-B3; 16. P-B5 (16. P-K4, B-K3; 17. P-K5, Q-K2; 18. BxB, PxB! =), P-QKt4 (if 16... R-Q1; not 17. Q-R5?, P-QKt4; 18. B-Kt3, P-Kt5; 19. R-QB2, B-R3; 20. R-K1, B-Q6±; but 17. R-Q3! RxR; 18. QxR±, for if 18... P-QKt4?; 19. BxB, PxB; 20. Q-K4 and wins.) 17. B-Q3, P-Kt5 (17... B-Kt2; 18. Q-B3, QR-Q1; 19. BxP, R-Q7; 20. BxP (or 20. R-Kt3, suggested by Grunfeld: 20... RxP; 21. B-B4, RxR; 22. PxB =) 20... RxP; 21. KR-B1± (if 21. QR-B1, B-R3; 22. KR-K1, RxP; 23. B-Q5, R-Q7; 24. P-K4, B-B1±, Grunfeld-Becker, Vienna, 1934.) 18. R-B2, R-Q1; 19. Q-K2, P-QR4; 20. KR-B1, BxP = Tartakower.  
 16. B-Kt3            B-K3  
 17. B-B2            Q-Kt5  
 18. P-B5            QxP  
 19. Q-K1            B-Q2

Theory recommends here 19...B-Q4, based on a game played between Berkvist-Stoltz, Stockholm, 1937: 20. P-B6 (not 20. P-K4, KR-K1! ) 20... KR-K1; 21. Q-R4, P-KR3; see diagram.



This difficult position for many years has been known as a draw. White cannot improve, so must choose a drawish variation. 22. Q-Kt4, P-KKt4; 23. Q-R5, QxR; 24. QxRP, QxPch; 25. K-RL, BxPch! and a draw by perpetual checks. But the Czechoslovakian master K. Prooha found a really atomic variation, see above diagram; as this variation was known to White, he chose the Rubinstein variation (against which Black should play 16... B-B4, which leads to a draw; this is a Prooha innovation). 22. Q-Kt3, P-KKt4; 23. P-K4! BxKP; 24. Q-R3, K-R2; 25. Q-R5! B-Kt3 (25... QxP; 26. R-Kt3 ) 26. BxBch, PxB; 27. QxRPch!! KxQ; 28. R-KR3 mate.  
 20... KR-K1; 21. BxPch and wins.  
 21. Q-R4            K-R1  
 22. Q-R6            R-KKt1  
 23. R-QB4            Resigns.

23. R-KB4 wins too, but move made in the game is much simpler.

MECH. INST. vs. CASTLE 1/30/54

Game No. 215 - Four Knights

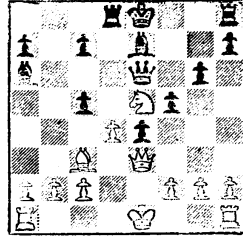
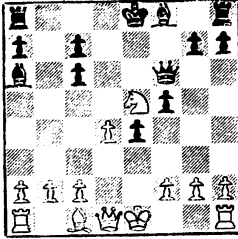
White            Black  
 A. Stamer      R. Willson

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|----|--------|--------|
| 1. | P-K4   | P-K4   |
| 2. | Kt-KB3 | Kt-KB3 |
| 3. | Kt-B3  | Kt-B3  |
| 4. | B-B4   | KtxP   |
| 5. | KtxKt  | P-Q4   |
| 6. | B-Q3   | P-KB4  |
| 7. | B-Kt5  | QPxKt  |
| 8. | KtxP   |        |

Threatening 9. KtxKt and also

- 8. ... Q-B3
- 9. BxKtch PxB
- 10. P-Q4 B-R3

Both sides play sharply. Now White cannot castle.



11. Q-R5ch?  
 11. P-QB4 was necessary after which White stands well. If 11 ... B-Q3; 12. Q-R4, BxKt; 13. PxB and wins. If 11... P-QB4; 12. Q-R4ch wins. If 11... B-Kt5ch; 12. B-Q2, BxBch; 13. QxB, P-QB4; 14. Q-R5, PxP; 15. Q-R4ch, P-B3; 16. KtxP, O-O; 17. QxB, R-QB1; 18. Kt-Kt4 wins. Nor is 11... B-Kt5ch, B-Q2; 12. B-Q2, BxBch; 13. QxB, O-O playable because of 14. Kt-Q7.

- 11. ... P-Kt3
- 12. Q-Kt5 Q-K3
- 13. B-Q2

White is in trouble, since now 13. P-QB4 (necessary to castle) is met by 13... BxP (as even 13 ... P-QB4; 14. B-B4, PxP; 15. O-O, B-K2; 16. Q-Kt3, P-KKt4 winning a piece, or 16. Q-R6, B-B3 winning).

- 13. ... B-K2
- 14. Q-K3 P-B4
- 15. B-B3 R-Q1

If now 16. Kt-Q3, PxP; 17. BxP, RxB and 18... PxKt disc.ch.  
 If 16. P-QKt3, B-B3. If 16. PxP, B-B3; 17. Kt-Q3, BxB; 18. PxB, O-O; 19. O-O, Q moves and wins the exchange.  
 A good try is 16. O-O-O?!, and if 16... QxP; 17. B-B6, PxP; 18. RxP, Q-R8ch; 19. K-Q2, QxR; 20. RxRch, BxR; 21. BxR draws (after, for example, 21... QxKtP; 22. KtxB, KxKt; 23. B-B6ch, K-B1; 24. QxRP, Q-B8, etc.).

- 16. Kt-B6

Desperation.

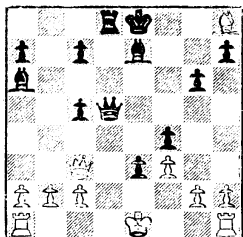
- 16. ... QxKt
- 17. P-Q5 QxP
- 18. BxR P-KB5!
- 19. Q-B3

If 19. QxP, B-Kt4, or 19. Q-B1, Q-B5.

- 19. ... P-K6!
- 20. P-B3

If 20. PxP, B-R5ch, or 20. R-B1, P-K7!

(see diagram)



(Position after 20. P-B3)

20. ... QxP!  
21. Resigns.

#### BOOKS RECEIVED

Judgment and Planning in Chess,  
by Dr. Max Euwe. G. Bell and  
Sons, Ltd., London, 1953.  
Price 18s 6d. (\$2.80 postpaid).

This fine book (in English, translated by J. DuMont) takes up where the books on openings leave off - at that awkward moment when a player has to stop and assess the situation, make a plan... or lose his grip on the game.

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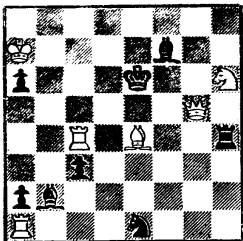
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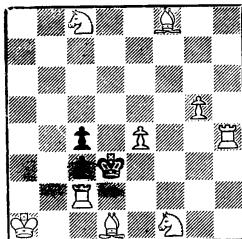
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