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### THE HERMAN STEINER CHESS CLUB

For what may well be the first time in the history of American chess clubs, there has been provided, in the new quarters of the Herman Steiner Chess Club, a setting truly befitting the pursuit of the royal game. Designed and constructed by noted architect Lloyd Wright, the club bears an aura of quiet elegance that cannot but engender in its many members the feeling that an important step has been taken in the direction of according chess its deserved recognition as a respected art.

Located in a convenient section of the city, yet sufficiently removed from the commercial hubbub to permit it to function in undisturbed dignity, the new club will offer in addition to its physical attractions and comforts, a planned program of varied activities for members and outside groups, calculated to promote wider interest in chess and to further the development of the game as an educational force.

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Construction of the new club quarters is still in progress. Since the presence of "sidewalk superintendents" would hinder the work which must be finished in time for our opening, we respectfully request that our members control their curiosity, and refrain from visiting the club before the official opening date.

Much thought, worry, labor and money have gone into the creation of the new Herman Steiner Chess Club. The result will be a clubhouse and an institution that all our members will be proud of, and outsiders will regard with esteem. And with only a little effort and consideration on our part, it can remain so - always.

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OPEN HOUSE PARTY

RAPID TRANSIT TOURNEY \* \* \* \* \* REFRESHMENTS

Tuesday, July 25, from 7 to 12 P.M.  
Please bring your clocks for the Rapid.

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VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We need several sincere and able men and women to serve on various committees - e.g., membership, tournament, program. Please call Lina Grumette, 01 - 6-3670, if you wish to serve on one of our committees.

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THE MASTERS PLAY

TIBOR WEINBERGER

Strauss  
WhiteKovacs  
Black

1. P-K4
2. P-KB4
3. N-KB3
4. N-B3
5. B-N5
6. BxN +
7. 0-0

- P-QB4
- N-QB3
- P-K3
- P-Q4
- P-QR3
- PxB
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White makes a blunder on his 15th move after a good opening. Black exploits this error and secures an easy victory.

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7. P-Q3 is more accurate here, for Black's Queen Bishop would have a hard time to develop.

7. -
8. P-Q4
9. P-K5
10. N-K2!
11. P-KN4

- P-B5
- N-B3
- N-Q2
- B-K2
- 

22. QR-KB      R-KR2
23. B-B4      0-0-0
24. Q-Q2      P-Q5!
25. R-Q      -

This is a daring move but is fully justified for the white pieces are very active on the king-side.

The attempt to win the exchange here by 25. B-N5 fails on 25. - QxN+.

11. -      P-KR4
12. PxP      RxP
13. N-N3      R-R
14. P-B5      N-B
15. P-B6??      -

25. -      R-N

White resigned because Black's threat of 26. - NxB, followed by RxN+ cannot be prevented.

Up to this point White played very forcefully and attained a position with winning prospects. Here 15. N-K is indicated with N-N2-B4 to follow.



15. -      PxP
16. PxP      BxP
17. N-K5      BxN
18. PxB      Q-R5!
19. R-B2      N-N3
20. Q-K2      P-QB4
21. B-Q2      B-N2



CHESS LIFE

### FISCHER-RESHEVSKY MATCH

by Isaac Kashdan

The 16-game match between U.S. chess champion Bobby Fischer and his chief rival Samuel Reshevsky, is undoubtedly the most exciting chess event that could possibly take place in the United States right now.

Each is a grandmaster and ambitious to contend for the world championship, should an opportunity develop. Though Fischer may be favored in some quarters, because of his recent dominance in tournament play, a match is another matter. The Tal-Botvinnik strife would indicate that the experience of the older master is not to be discounted.

The first four games will be played in New York, the next eight in Los Angeles, and the remaining four in New York again. The Herman Steiner Chess Club which is sponsoring, through the American Chess Foundation, the Los Angeles half of the match, has ar-





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A book of tickets for the 8-game series is \$10.00. Single admissions are \$2.00 for the premiere at the Beverly Hilton, and \$1.50 for each of the other games. Members of the Herman Steiner club will be charged half of the above rates.

Advance subscriptions may be sent to Irving Rivise, treasurer, at 4050 W. Slauson, Los Angeles 43.

Schedule of Games:

NEW YORK, AT THE EMPIRE HOTEL

July 16, 18, 20, 24  
 Aug. 15, 17, 20, 22

BEVERLY HILLS, AT THE BEVERLY HILTON HOTEL

July 27 - 7:30 P.M.

LOS ANGELES, AT THE HERMAN STEINER CHESS CLUB  
 8801 Cashio St., L.A. 35

July 30 - 1:30 P.M.  
 Aug. 1, 3 - 7:30 P.M.  
 Aug. 6 - 1:30 P.M.  
 Aug. 8, 10, 12 - 7:30 P.M.

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ranged for a gala premiere Thursday evening, July 27, in the grand ballroom of the Beverly Hilton Hotel. Jose Ferrer, stage and screen star, and also a chess fan, will officiate as master of ceremonies. The subsequent seven games will be played at the club's new quarters. For the opening game at the Beverly Hilton, all participants in the recent all-city high school chess championship tournament have been invited to attend as guests of the Steiner Chess Club. Irving Rivise will referee the match. The games will be commented on by Mr. Rivise and other California masters, using a large chess wallboard on which the moves, as they are made, will be duplicated.

Chess players are looking forward to this provocative event which gives them a rare opportunity of watching top chess talent in action.

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## FISCHER - RESHEVSKY MATCH

Ed. Note: Believing, in view of the worldwide enthusiasm and speculation aroused by this match, that comments on it by two of the world's outstanding authorities would be of interest to our readers, we asked Mr. Folke Rogard, President of F.I.D.E., and international grandmaster Dr. Max Euwe, to express themselves on the subject. Their letters follow:

(From Mr. Folke Rogard) "I have just received your letter informing that the two last American chess generations will meet in a match between their two top representatives; Sammy Reshevsky and Bobby Fischer. I congratulate my American chess friends and I am sure that the entire world of chess will greet this big event with enthusiasm and a lot of speculation and that the coming news from the sixteen games will be followed with an excitement of the same kind which was caused by the just terminated match between Botvinnik and Tal, where also two chess generations were engaged. The two matches have indeed many things in common: on the one side of the chess board a man with an enormous experience and a firm conviction that "inside" he deserves to win. On the other side the youngster whose self-confidence is, whatever he says, based on a general feeling that his genius will serve as a view-finder where experience is not yet ready to give him the answer. Both matches will contribute to solve the fascinating problem of the relation between age and ability of production in the field of chess.

Yours sincerely,

Folke Rogard  
President of F.I.D.E.  
(World Chess Federation) "

(From Dr. Max Euwe) "Thank you for your letter in which you request a statement from me concerning the forthcoming Fischer-Reshevsky match.

I consider this match most important. The chess world would be very disappointed, were it to fail to take place. On the one hand, there will be the youthful Bobby Fischer, who has won the United States championship several times in succession, and who is considered by many as the better man both as to strength and to age. On the other hand, there will be the experienced grandmaster, Samuel Reshevsky, who has never lost a match of importance, and for whom many -- and especially among the older generation -- have much respect and sympathy. Many of them see in the result of the recent 1961 Tal - Botwinnik match a sign that the members of the younger generation do not always necessarily win.

Reshevsky and Fischer have approximately the same style of play. Both of them like solid positions in which they look for complications. This similarity of style does not mean that we have to expect dull games. On the contrary, if we look back at the 1960 Tal-Botwinnik match, we note that at that time these two players also had about the same style,\* and yet that their games were although not 100% correct, certainly very fascinating.

Cordially yours,

Dr. Max Euwe

\*i.e., they played for complications. This sounds strange, but during the past year Botwinnik completely reversed his style and in the 1961 match he consistently played for simplification. "

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