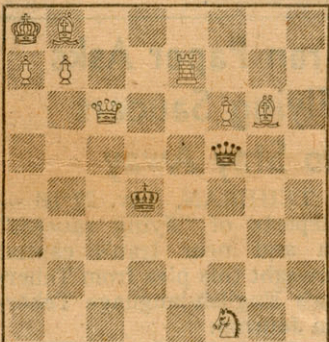


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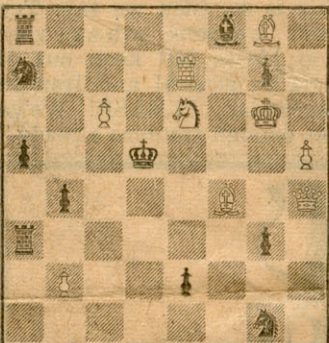
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TIMES PROBLEM 2603
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BLACK 2



WHITE 9
White mates in two.

TIMES PROBLEM 2604
BY R. SHALBERG
BLACK 11



WHITE 9
White mates in three.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 2599: B-K4.
SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 2600: R-K3

We received solutions from: Mrs. J. D. Frick (any beginners book on chess will have the explanation of the symbols), J. F. O'Brien, J. Kaufman, K. Haring (O-O. Castle King-side, O-O-O Castle Queen-side); L. Harvey; M. Litvak, C. B. Collins, J. C. Dickson, A. Krepky, L. A. Victor, Dr. J. A. Healy, R. Sinnott, J. L. Birkmire Jr., W. W. Irwin, J. E. McElree, M. McFarland, I. Manoir, A. E. Hampel, W. H. Yoder, T. Rothman, M. Morris, J. Ray, J. Austel, C. P. Ford, W. C. Everett, A. A. Adams, R. H. Bayne, Toscha Seidel, P. V. Nielsen, J. P. Walsh, S. J. Myzel, K. Chambers, J. Shershow, B. Christy, M. Jaglom, J. Munson, A. P. Berthold, E. E. Hetherington, C. Maltz, N. Lesser, D. A. Kersey, J. Davidson, Y. V. Ozanesov, W. B. Tudor, D. M. Fehling, C. G. Taber, D. C. Bransby.

SANTA MONICA BAY AREA 1955 CHAMPIONSHIP

The annual tournament for the Santa Monica Bay area championship will commence Monday, Jan. 3, at 7 p.m. Robert Cross will defend his title. The place: Lincoln Park, Wilshire Blvd. and 7th St., Santa Monica. Requirements: Club membership and \$2 entrance fee.

For further information communicate with Herbert T. Abel, tournament director, or John Keckhut, EXbrook 77548.

KOENIG SIMULTANEOUS

Imre Koenig, international master, will give a simultaneous exhibition at the headquarters of the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 N Formosa Ave., on Sunday, Jan. 2.

RAPID TRANSIT WINNERS

The weekly Tuesday evening Rapid Transit Tournament played at the headquarters of the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 N Formosa Ave., was won by Jack Moskowitz and Louis Spinner with the score of 11-2; third place went to Mrs. Nancy Roos, 10 1/2-2 1/2.

The tournament is open to anyone, and for further information call Webster 18817 or Wyoming 3510. The headquarters is open nightly and Saturday and Sunday afternoons and visitors are welcome.

HOLLYWOOD CHESS GROUP TOURNAMENT

The annual championship tournament for members of the Hollywood Chess Group will start the first week in January at their headquarters, 108 N Formosa Ave. There will be several groups for players of various strength. Requirements: Membership in the group, entrance fee, \$10. There will be one game a week and it will be a round-robin tournament. For further information call Webster 18817 or Wyoming 3510.

CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The first three rounds of the finals in the California State Championship Tournament were played at the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 N Formosa Ave., prior to Thanksgiving Day. Your editor won all his games, Irving Rivise won from Eugene Levin and Sven Almgren and lost to Herman Steiner; Ray Martin won from Almgren and Robert Cross and lost to Levin; Levin won from Martin and Cross and lost to Rivise; Almgren lost to Steiner, Rivise and Martin; Cross lost to Steiner, Levin and Martin.

Following are the games of the second and third rounds between the southern players. The remaining games were played in San Francisco last Thursday, Friday and yesterday and the final games will be played today. We shall report these in our next issue.

Fourth round results in San Francisco

were: Steiner 1, William Addison 0; Rivise 1, Martin 0; Levin 1, Milton O. Meyer 0; Almgren 0, Jim Schmitt 1; Cross 0, Poliakov 1.

Fifth round results: Steiner 1, Levin 0; Rivise 1/2, Schmitt 1/2; Martin 1, Poliakov 0; Almgren 1/2, Addison 1/2; Cross 1/2, Meyer 1/2.

Sixth round results: Steiner 1/2, Schmitt 1/2; Rivise 1/2, Addison 1/2; Almgren 0, Cross 1; Levin 1/2, Poliakov 1/2 (other game incomplete).

Standings after the sixth round (one game incomplete):

Steiner	5 1/2	2	Schmitt	3	3
Poliakov	4	2	Addison	2 1/2	3 1/2
Rivise	4	2	Meyer	1 1/2	3 1/2
Levin	3 1/2	2 1/2	Cross	1 1/2	4 1/2
Martin	3	2	Almgren	1/2	5 1/2

GRUNFELD DEFENSE

Steiner	Almgren	Steiner	Almgren
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	12-B-Q2	Q-R4
2-P-QB4	P-KN3	13-N-K5	Q-R5
3-N-QB3	P-Q4	14-NxB	KNxN
4-P-K3	B-N2	15-P-QR4	QR-N
5-N-B3	O-O	16-P-R5	N-B
6-Q-N3	P-B3	17-P-B4	KR-Q
7-B-K2	QN-Q2	18-R-B3	P-K4
8-PxP	PxP	19-B-K	Q-K2
9-NxP	Q-R4ch	20-BPxP	N-B
10-N-B3	N-N3	21-RxP	QxR
11-O-O	B-Q2	22-B-B4	Resigns.

PETROFF DEFENSE

Rivise	Levin	Rivise	Levin
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-K4	20-PxP	P-KN3
2-N-KB3	N-KB3	21-RxRch	RxR
3-P-Q4	NxP	22-B-N4	N-N
4-B-Q3	P-Q4	23-R-K	N-B3
5-NxP	B-Q3	24-RxP	P-KR4
6-O-O	O-O	25-B-Q7	K-N2
7-P-QB4	P-KB3	26-N-B4	K-R3
8-N-KB3	B-KN5	27-N-K6	R-QN
9-Q-N3	BxN	28-P-Q5	N-N5
10-PxB	P-KB4	29-P-R3	N-Q6
11-PxN	BxPch	30-P-E5	P-KN4
12-K-N2	Q-R5	31-P-N4	P-R5
13-B-K2	B-B5	32-P-B6	PxP
14-BxB	QxB	33-PxP	P-R6ch
15-Q-K3	QxQ	34-K-R2	R-N
16-PxQ	QPxP	35-NxP	RxN
17-N-B3	N-Q2	36-R-R4ch	R-R4
18-N-Q5	P-B4	37-RxRch	Resigns.
19-RxP	PxP		

QUEEN'S PAWN GAME

Cross	Martin	Cross	Martin
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	P-Q4	21-QxP	P-B4
2-N-KB3	N-QB3	22-Q-K5	NxPch
3-B-B4	B-B4	23-K-K2	N-R5
4-P-K3	P-K3	24-KR-KN	R-R4
5-B-Q3	B-N3	25-P-R4	K-B2
6-QN-Q2	B-Q3	26-QR-N	N-N3
7-B-N3	N-N5	27-Q-N3	QR-R
8-BxB(N6)	RPxB	28-P-N5	R(1)-R3
9-N-K5	BxN	29-PxP	QxP
10-BxB	N-KB3	30-Q-N2	Q-R3ch
11-B-N3	N-B2	31-R-N5	QxP
12-P-KR3	N-K3	32-QxPch	K-B3
13-P-QB4	N-B4	33-R-QB	RxP
14-B-R2	P-KN4	34-R-N4	Q-R6
15-Q-K2	P-B3	35-R(4)-N?	N-B5ch
16-P-QN4	N-K5	36-BxN	PxB
17-NxN	PxN	37-R-QR	RxPch!
18-Q-B2	Q-K2	38-PxR	QxPch
19-P-B5	N-R5	39-K-Q	R-R7!
20-B-Q6	Q-Q2	40-Resigns.	

FRENCH DEFENSE

Martin	Almgren	Martin	Almgren
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-K3	22-Q-K2	P-N4
2-P-Q4	P-Q4	23-P-KN3	N-B
3-P-K5	P-QB4	24-K-N2	R-QN
4-P-QB3	N-QB3	25-R-QR	Q-N3
5-N-B3	B-Q2	26-R-R	Q-B3
6-P-QR3	R-B2	27-N-KR4	R-N
7-B-Q3	PxP	28-B-R6	P-N5
8-PxP	Q-N3	29-BxN	BxB
9-B-B2	N-R4	30-PxP	RxP
10-O-O	N-K2	31-N-Q	P-QR4
11-N-B3	N-N3	32-N-KB3	P-R3
12-P-KR4	B-K2	33-N-Q2	P-R5
13-P-R5	N-B	34-NxN	RxN
14-R-K	N-B5	35-Q-Q3	Q-N3
15-R-N	Q-B2	36-N-B3	RxP
16-B-R4	P-QR3	37-NxRP	RxQ
17-P-R6	PxP	38-NxQ	P-B4
18-BxBch	NxB	39-R-R7	R-N3
19-BxP	R-KN	40-R-QB	B-K2
20-R-QB	R-N3	41-R-B8ch	K-B2
21-B-B4	Q-Q	42-R(8)-B7	Resigns.

RUY LOPEZ (Birds Defense)

Rivise	Steiner	Rivise	Steiner
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-K4	27-NxR	Q-K2
2-N-KB3	N-QB3	28-P-R5	Q-K5
3-B-N5	N-Q5	29-QxQ	PxQ
4-NxN	PxN	30-PxP	PxP
5-O-O	P-B3	31-P-N4	N-K2
6-B-B4	N-B3	32-N-B3	P-KB4
7-R-K	P-Q3	33-PxP	PxP
8-P-Q3	B-K2	34-P-N5	N-Q4
9-P-B3	O-O	35-PxP	PxP
10-P-KR3	P-Q4	36-N-R4	N-B5
11-B-N3	PxBP	37-N-B3	K-N2
12-NxP	B-K3	38-K-B	K-B3
13-B-N5	K-R	39-K-K	K-N4
14-P-K5	N-N	40-P-R4	K-N5
15-BxB	NxB	41-P-R5	K-B6
16-P-Q4	P-B3	42-K-B	N-Q6
17-B-B2	B-B4	43-P-Q5	PxP
18-P-K6	Q-Q3	44-N-N5	P-R3
19-BxB	NxB	45-N-Q4ch	K-B4
20-Q-N4	P-KN3	46-K-K2	K-K4
21-R-K2	QR-K	47-N-B6ch	K-Q3
22-R(1)-K	R-K2	48-N-Q8	P-Q5
23-P-R3	R(1)-K	49-P-B3	N-B5ch
24-P-N4	RxP	50-K-B2	P-K6ch
25-P-KR4	RxR	51-Resigns.	
26-RxR	RxR		

FRENCH DEFENSE

Cross	Levin	Cross	Levin
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	P-K3	24-B-Q6	Q-KB2
2-P-K4	P-Q4	25-Q-K3	P-N5
3-N-QB3	B-N5	26-PxP	P-Q5
4-P-K5	P-QB4	27-Q-N3	N-R4
5-P-QR3	PxP	28-Q-Q3	R-B6
6-PxB	PxN	29-Q-N6	QxQ
7-B-Q3	N-K2	30-PxQ	N-N6
8-N-B3	N-N3	31-N-R4	NxR
9-O-O	N-B3	32-RxN	R(1)-QB
10-R-K	NxNP	33-B-B5	P-Q6
11-PxP	NxB	34-R-Q	B-K5
12-PxN	O-O	35-P-B3	B-Q4
13-B-R3	R-K	36-P-B4	P-QR4
14-Q-Q2	P-N4	37-P-B5	PxNP
15-P-N3	P-B3	38-BxP	R(6)-B5
16-P-Q4	PxP	39-B-K7	RxPch
17-PxP	B-N2	40-K-B	PxP
18-N-Q4	P-QR3	41-R-N	K-R
19-P-R4	Q-Q2	42-K-B2	R-K
20-Q-Q3	QR-B	43-R-N5	B-B5
21-P-R5	N-K2	44-R-N7	P-Q7
22-P-N4	N-B3	45-R-Q7	RxB
23-N-B3	P-R3	46-Resigns.	