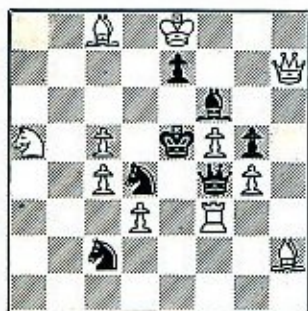


THE CHESS PLAYER

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TASK No. 14

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WHITE MATES IN TWO MOVES
(Value 4 points)

Answer to Task No. 12: B-R6.

Answer to Task No. 14 should be post-marked not later than May 22. It is required only that White's first move be given.

THIS WEEK we continue with games from the match between S. Reshevsky of New York and M. Najdorf of Argentina. In order not to hold you in suspense, we present four games, instead of the usual one or two. At last word, the match stood Reshevsky 7½, Najdorf 2½. Najdorf won the ninth game by a brilliant King-side attack against Reshevsky's Sicilian defense, and the tenth game was a draw.

MATCH GAME NO. 3—Nimzovitch Defense

White—M. Najdorf	Black—S. Reshevsky
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. Kt-QB3	B-Kt5
4. Q-B2	P-B4
5. PxP	O-O
6. P-QR3	BxP
7. Kt-B3	Kt-B3
8. P-QKt4	B-K2
9. P-K3	P-QKt3
10. B-Kt2	B-Kt2
11. B-Q3	R-B1
12. O-O	P-KR3
13. KR-Q1	P-R3
14. Q-K2	Q-B2
15. QR-B1	P-Q3
16. Kt-QKt5	PxKt
17. PxP	Q-Kt1
18. PxKt	RxP
19. RxR	BxR
20. Kt-Q4	B-Kt2
21. P-K4	Q-R1
22. P-B3	Kt-Q2
23. B-B4	Kt-R4
24. B-Kt3	B-R3
25. P-Kt5	B-Kt2
26. P-QR4	K-R1
27. Q-K3	R-B1
28. Kt-K2	K-R2
29. Kt-Kt3	Q-R4
30. P-B4	Kt-B5
31. BxKt	RxB
32. Q-Q3	QxRP
33. P-K5ch	K-K1
34. PxP	B-Q1
35. Kt-R5	R-B7
36. R-Q2	RxR
37. QxR	P-B3
38. Q-K2	Q-K5
39. QxQ	BxQ
40. P-Kt4	K-B2
41. K-B2	

The game was adjourned at this point. Najdorf resigned without further play. The end-game is hopeless. Score: Reshevsky 3, Najdorf 0.

MATCH GAME NO. 4—King's Indian Defense

White—S. Reshevsky	Black—M. Najdorf
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-KK3
3. Kt-QB3	B-Kt2
4. P-K4	O-O!
5. Kt-B3	P-Q3
6. P-KKt3	P-K4
7. B-Kt2	QKt-Q2
8. O-O	P-B3
9. P-KR3	Kt-R4
10. B-K3	Q-K2
11. R-K1	K-R1
12. Q-K2	Q-K1
13. QR-Q1	P-KB4
14. PxBP	P-K6
15. KtP!!	QxKt
16. Kt-R4	Q-K1
17. PxP	KKt-B3
18. Q-B2	Q-Q1
19. B-B4	Kt-Kt3
20. PxP	B-K1
21. B-Kt5	B-Q2
22. P-Kt3	RxRch
23. RxR	B-K1
24. B-K4	QKt-Q2
25. B-Kt6	BxB
26. KtBeh	KxP
27. Kt-K7ch	K-R1
28. R-K4	B-R3
29. R-R4	QxKt
30. RxBch	K-Kt1
31. Q-Kt6ch	Q-Kt2
32. BxKt	Resigns

Now comes a move which was a thunderbolt to the spectators, and probably to Najdorf. A beautiful long-range positional sacrifice!

Black enters the end-game three pawns down! One of Reshevsky's greatest games! Score: Reshevsky 4, Najdorf 0.

MATCH GAME NO. 5—Nimzovitch Defense

White—M. Najdorf	Black—S. Reshevsky
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. Kt-QB3	B-Kt5
4. Q-B2	P-B4
5. PxP	O-O
6. P-QR3	BxP
7. Kt-B3	Kt-B3
8. P-QKt4	B-K2
9. P-K3	P-QKt3
10. B-Kt2	B-Kt2
11. B-Q3	R-B1
12. O-O	P-KR3
13. KR-Q1	P-QR4
14. P-Kt5	Kt-Kt1
15. P-K4	Q-B2
16. Q-K2	P-Q3
17. Kt-QR4	QKt-Q2
18. P-R3	BxP!!
19. BxB	QxP
20. QxQ	RxQ
21. KtxP	RxB
22. KtxKt	KtxKt
23. QR-B1	Kt-B4
24. Kt-Q2	R-QR5
25. Kt-B4	B-Kt1
26. KtxQP	BxKt
27. RxB	RxKtP
28. R-B2	B-KB5
29. B-B1	R-B4
30. B-K3	Kt-K5
31. R-Q4	Kt-B3
32. P-Kt4	R(B4)-Q4
33. R-R4	Kt-Q2
34. R-B8ch	K-R2
35. R-QR8	Kt-K4
36. K-Kt2	Kt-K3
37. R-R6	Kt-Q6
38. R-R7	Kt-K8ch
39. K-R2	Kt-B7
40. B-B4	R-Q5
41. RxR	KtxR
42. B-Q2	Kt-B7
43. K-Kt2	PxP
44. PxB	R-Q4
45. B-Q2	Kt-B7
46. BxP	KtxP
47. B-Kt6	Kt-B5
48. B-R7	Kt-K4
49. R-R4	P-B3
50. B-K3	Kt-B2
51. R-Kt4	P-K4
52. R-Kt7	R-R4
53. R-Q7	R-R5
54. K-Kt3	R-R8
55. K-Kt2	R-QKt8
56. R-R7	R-Kt5
57. K-B3	Kt-R3
58. BxKt	KxP
59. R-K7	P-Kt1
60. K-Kt3	P-K1
61. K-B4	P-K6ch
62. KxP	RxP
63. K-B3	K-Kt4
64. R-OR7	R-Kt5
65. K-Kt3	R-Kt5ch
66. K-B3	P-B4
67. R-R5	R-Kt5
68. K-B3	R-Kt6ch
69. P-K3	R-K6
70. R-Kt5	R-R6
71. R-B5	R-Kt6
72. R-R5	R-B6
73. R-Kt5	K-R4
74. R-R5	R-B1
75. R-Kt5	R-B1
76. R-R5	Drawn

MATCH GAME NO. 6—Slay Defense

White—S. Reshevsky	Black—M. Najdorf
1. P-Q4	P-Q4
2. P-QB4	P-QB3
3. Kt-Kt3	Kt-B3
4. Kt-B3	P-K3
5. P-K3	P-QR3
6. B-Q3	PxP
7. BxP	P-QKt4
8. B-Kt3	P-B4
9. O-O	B-Kt2
10. Q-K2	QKt-Q2
11. R-Q1	Q-Kt3
12. P-Q5	P-K4
13. P-K4	P-B5
14. B-B2	B-B4
15. P-QKt3	PxP
16. BxP	QR-B1
17. B-Kt2	O-O
18. QR-B1	Kt-R4
19. P-Kt3	Kt(R4)-B3
20. Kt-KR4	P-Kt3
21. K-Kt2	B-Q3
22. Kt-B3	Kt-B4
23. B-B2	KR-K1
24. Kt-Q2	B-B1
25. P-QR4	P-Kt5
26. Kt-Kt1?	P-QR4
27. Kt-B4	Q-R3
28. Kt(Kt1)-Q2	B-R3
29. Q-B3	KKt-Q2
30. P-R4	R-QKt1
31. R-QR1	P-Kt6??
32. B-Kt1	B-Kt2
33. B-B3	B-QR1
34. KtxRP	Kt-Kt3
35. Kt(Q2)xP	KtxKt
36. KtxKt	KtxQP
37. B-K1	P-B4
38. PxKt	P-K5
39. Q-K3	BxR
40. KtxB	BxP
41. B-B3	QxP
42. B-B2	Q-B5
43. B-Kt3	RxB
44. KtxR	Q-Q6!
45. Kt-Q2	R-QB1
46. R-QB1	BxR
47. B-Kt2	R-Kt2
48. BxR	QxQ
49. PxQ	B-Q4
50. P-Kt4	PxP
51. K-Kt3	P-R4
52. K-B4	K-B2
53. KtxP	B-R7
54. K-K5	R-Kt8
55. B-R3	B-B7
56. B-Q6	B-Kt8
57. Kt-Kt5ch	K-Kt2
58. K-K6	B-K7
59. K-K7	B-Bt8
60. B-K5ch	K-Kt1
61. P-K4	Resigns

Score: Reshevsky 5½, Najdorf ½.

By the time this column appears in print, the Hollywood International Tournament will have concluded. Results will be given as soon as possible. The entrants were: Walter Pafnutieff, San Francisco; Arthur Duke, Portland, Ore.; Herman Steiner, Los Angeles; James Cross, Los Angeles; Ray Martin, Santa Monica; Sonia Graf, Los Angeles; Isaac Kashdan, Tujunga; Lionel Joyner, Long Beach; Svetozar Gligoric, Yugoslavia; Arturito Pomar, Spain. After two of the nine rounds, Kashdan led with two points.

James Schmitt of San Francisco, C. M. Capps of Oakland, and Fred Byron of San Francisco finished in a triple tie for first place in the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club tournament. They are playing a double round-robin to determine the club champion for the present year. In the first two rounds of the play-off, Schmitt defeated Byron and Capps and Byron played a draw.

Yugoslav Grandmaster S. Gligoric was opposed by 37 players in a simultaneous exhibition at the Mechanics' Institute April 24. He won 24 games, drew 9 and lost 4. One of the draws was with Leal Grupp, 12-year-old student of Lowell High School!

The Golden Gate Chess Club of San Francisco has clinched first place in the "B" division of the San Francisco Bay Area Chess League.