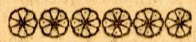


# CHESS



By E. J. CLARKE

The second team of the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club defeated the University of California chess team, 4½ to 2½, in a seven-board match Saturday night. C. L. Bagby captained the Instituters and Fred Christensen led the U. of C. players. Following is a tabulated score:

Bd.	M. I. C. C.	U. OF C.
1	Bagby . . . . . 0	Christensen . . . . . 1
2	Van Hoven . . . 1	Carmony . . . . . 0
3	Werner . . . . . 1	Belmont . . . . . 0
4	Schaller . . . . 1	Lowenthal . . . . 0
5	Adams . . . . . ½	Traum . . . . . ½
6	Sheldon . . . . 0	Lauderdale . . . . 1
7	Van Wolbeck . 1	Malozemoff . . . . 0
	4½	2½

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C. Van Hoven is leading the field in the minor tournament at the Mechanics' Institute with a score of 9 to 1. Others following closely are Adams, 8½ to 1½; Schaller, 6½ to 2½; Hildenbrand, 6 to 3.

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Chess is the one universal game! For instance, on the occasion of United States Champion Frank J. Marshall's recent visit at Tunis, he played thirty-one boards simultaneously. "The opposition included French officials, European visitors, Arabs, etc." Marshall won 26, lost 1, 4 drawn.

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## GAME NO. 171

Just now there is considerable discussion concerning competition by women with men on the athletic field, and its effect on the pulchritude, if any, and general well-being of the party of the first part. Whatever the M. D.s may decide about that, there is one game—chess—in which the fair sex compete with the male of the species without apparent injury! At the recent Hastings (England) Chess Congress, Miss Vera Menchik, woman chess champion of the world, entered the Premier Reserves tournament, numbering nine other strong English and American experts. The following "masterly game" was won by Miss Menchik from J. Rejfir, who finished third:

### QUEEN'S PAWN

Miss V. Menchik	J. Rejfir	Miss V. Menchik	J. Rejfir
White	Black	White	Black
1 P-Q4	S-KB3	17 S-K5	P-KS4
2 P-QB4	P-K3	18 B-KS3	KR-Q
3 S-QB3	B-S5	19 S-S4	SxS
4 Q-B2	P-B4	20 QxS	RxRch
5 S-B3	S-B3	21 RxR	R-Q
6 PxP	BxP	22 RxRch	QxR
7 B-B4	P-Q4	23 P-KR4	K-S2
8 P-K3	Castles	24 B-B4	B-K2
9 B-K2	PxP	25 PxP	PxP
10 BxP	QS-S5	26 B-K5ch	K-S3
11 Q-K2	QS-Q4	27 B-K2	B-KB3
12 Castles(K)	SxS	28 Q-R5ch	K-B4
13 PxS	P-QS3	29 P-KB4	BxB
14 KR-Q	Q-K2	30 B-Q3ch	QxB(a)
15 B-KS5	P-KR3	31 Q-R7ch(b)	K-B3
16 B-R4	B-S2	32 PxBch	Resigns

(a) Of course, not 30 . . . B-K4, because of 31, P-S4ch and QxP mate.

(b) 31 QxP ch, K-K5; 32 QxB mate would be equally effective!

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## GAME NO. 172

The following game was played during the Berlin Jubilee Tournament last year, and contains a wonderful "might-have-been" missed by the great master, Rubinstein, on his

27th move. See if you can find the saving combination.

### RUY LOPEZ

Spielmann	Rubinstein	Spielmann	Rubinstein
White	Black	White	Black
1 P-K4	P-K4	17 S-B5	KR-K
2 S-KB3	S-QB3	18 P-KB4	PxP
3 B-S5	P-QR3	19 BxP	SxB
4 B-R4	S-B3	20 RxS	P-Q4
5 Castles	P-QS4	21 QR-KB	BxS
6 B-S3	B-K2	22 RxB	PxP
7 Q-K2	P-Q3	23 SxP	SxS
8 P-B3	Castles	24 BxS	P-B3
9 P-Q4	B-S5	25 K-R	QR-Q
10 P-Q5	S-QR4	26 B-Q5ch	K-R
11 B-B2	P-B3	27 B-B7	R-KB(a)
12 PxP	QSxP	28 Q-R5	P-R3
13 P-KR3	B-Q2	29 Q-S6	Q-Q3
14 B-K3	Q-B2	30 B-Q5	R-Q2
15 QS-Q2	S-Q	31 B-K4	Resigns
16 S-R4	S-K3		

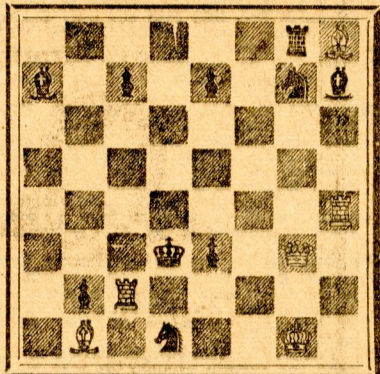
### NOTE

(a) The British Chess Magazine, from which we take the score, remarks on this move: "27 . . . R-KB, which loses! Black has here, however, a saving move, not observed by any of the masters and other spectators present when the game was played, nor discovered by any of the subsequent annotators, the winner among them! A New York amateur, Dr. Keidanski, has pointed out that Black can equalize by 27 . . . Q-R7ch, 28 KxQ, B-Q3ch; 29 R-K5, RxR, and White must lose his Queen for a Black Rook, with a certain draw on the board!" And just to think, the old game has become simple!

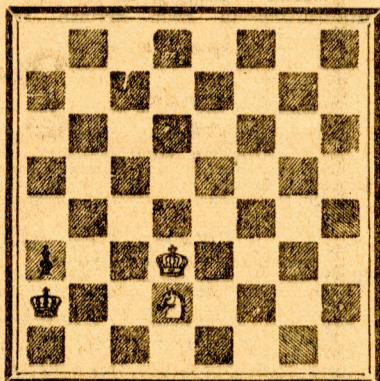
## PROBLEMS

A. J. F.

No. 190—N. Easter, England



W(6) B(10)—Mate in Two  
No. 191—O. Frink, Chicago



W(2) B(2)—White to Play and Win  
Solution No. 189—43 R-S7ch! (If KxR, then B-B8 dbl.ch.!)  
Solvers' list—Charles Clayton, Capitola; J. E. E., Los Gatos; R. Dunipace, Palo Alto; C. Bergman, Hanford; A. R., city; H. F. Marshall, Mill Valley; S. A. Reynolds, Chico; Merle Walters, Oakland.