

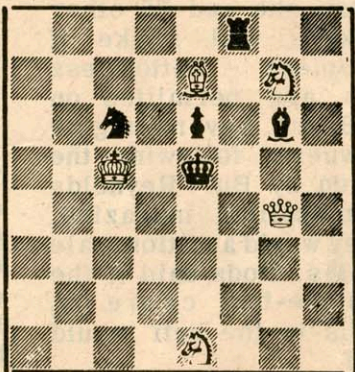
# CHESS



By George Koltanowski

PROBLEM NO. 47

Black: 5



White: 5

White to move and mate in two. Solution next Wednesday. The solution to problem no. 46 of last Wednesday: P-Q4.

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## Koltanowski Is Coming in Two Weeks!

On the evening of September 15, just two weeks from now, The Signal will sponsor a special exhibition of chess — the first of its kind in the history of Valencia Valley.

International Chess Master George Koltanowski, the editor of this chess column will appear in the main gallery at California Institute of the Arts and put on an exhibition of simultaneous and blindfold chess and perform his famous "Knight's Tour."

Koltanowski, whose column appears in numerous papers across the nation, is regarded as one of the finest exhibition players and promoters in the history of chess. He received the title of International Master playing for his native Belgium. During the Thirties and Forties, he became recognized as the finest blindfold player in the world when he set records for playing simultaneous and consecutive blindfold matches.

Koltanowski is currently directing the U.S. Open Tournament in New Jersey this week. He is also writing daily series on the Fischer-Spassky matches for newspapers and appears on television weekly with an analysis of the World Championship games.

His arrival in Valencia Valley will be shortly after the conclusion of the great match in Iceland, and he will include a brief lecture on that contest as part of the exhibition.

Highlight of the evening exhibition, scheduled to begin about 7:00 p.m., will be a simultaneous match against 25 local chess players. The Signal, according to a previous arrangement, has already picked 18 players to face the master. Those players, the champions of their divisions in The Signal's recent chess tournament and randomly selected participants are: Stewart East, Jeff Powers, Tim Hood, Kevin Gordon, Murphy Bruno, Don Crawford, Robert Fisher, Kim Monson, Julie Volkman, Monica Schmelling, Monte Reed, Linda Wedhoff, Peter Gelfand, John Williams, James Curtis, Ruth Newhall, Steve Phillips and Tony Martinelli.

All of these players will play their own games (the black pieces) against Koltanowski. There are seven places still open in this match. Next Wednesday, The Signal will present another problem contest in the chess column. The first five correct solvers of that contest will win a chance to play Koltanowski. If you want to play him — don't miss next week's Signal!

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## Winners of Problem Contest 14

The Signal's chess problem contest 14, printed in last Friday's edition was so tricky that it produced only three winners. The winning move was QxP(Q4) ch! — an extremely unlikely move, since it allowed Black to capture with one of seven different pieces, all resulting in checkmate.

The three winners were Don Lund (a winner of contest 13), James Curtis (winner of the recent brilliancy prize) and Jim Baber. Congratulations, gentlemen! Each of you will receive a special booklet on chess by George Koltanowski.

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**NEXT WEDNESDAY: A PROBLEM CONTEST AND A CHANCE TO PLAY KOLTANOWSKI!**