

# CHESS

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North vs. South

## Correspondence Match

Several years ago a successful correspondence chess match was carried on between teams of twenty-five players, one representing Southern California and the other consisting of players living in the northern part of the State. After preliminary correspondence between captains chosen to head each team the match was started. Unfortunately the "official" organ which was to report on the games and final result of the match discontinued publication, and it remains a question which team won. Owing to this unexpected turn, certain prizes offered for best game, etc., were not distributed. It has been suggested that another correspondence match be played on the same lines as the former match. With this end in view, we have taken the matter up with the chess editor of the Los Angeles Express and Mlotkowski of the Mercury, who will rustle up the southern team, provided sufficient interest is shown by correspondence players of Northern California. No doubt all the correspondents of this column who took part in the trial of the composite chess idea several weeks ago will enter to represent the north. Straight out correspondence chess wherein the move decided on by an individual "goes" will be found more satisfactory than the uncertainty of composite chess. No entrance fee is required. Just send your name to The Chronicle Chess Editor and necessary details of pairing, rules of play, etc., will be announced in this column.

How many of those who represented Northern California in the first match are "still in the game?" How many of them will enlist for 1922-23 hostilities? We would like to hear from them. Here is the former team, in order, from board 1 to 25: George Hallwegen (captain), San Francisco; Professor A. W. Ryder, Berkeley; N. H. Greenway, Oakland; A. Boxall, Oakland; S. C. Haight, Berkeley; M. G. Eyre, Alameda; Professor B. A. Bernstein, Berkeley; H. W. Simkins, Palo Alto; F. W. Huber, San Francisco; A. B. Stamer, San Francisco; F. Sternberg, San Francisco; J. Fatjo, Santa Clara; R. Dunipace, Morgan Hill; H. E. Church, San Francisco; W. D. Moore, Alameda; Dr. B. Thomas, Palo Alto; E. W. Stoddard, Vacaville; P. V. Woolsey, Sebastopol; C. A. Haufe, San Francisco; W. E. Everson, San Francisco; G. Herington, San Francisco; Dr. W. J. Haber, San Francisco; G. C. Hunt, Sebastopol; T. H. Martin, San Francisco, and E. J. Clarke.

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## THE CHRONICLE CHESS COLUMN

A few weeks ago we printed a very neat end game (No. 107), sent to The Chronicle Chess Column by our valued contributor, W. Metzke of Firebaugh. Among the letters received, giving solution, was the following:

Chess Editor, The Chronicle—Dear Sir: Although a silent, I have been, nevertheless, a faithful follower of your department for a long time. But your offering of last Sunday

was of such excellence that I feel impelled to voice my appreciation of that and several previous gems. Yours truly, W. A. BEEBE.

Recently we received a letter from a reader of McAllen, Tex., inquiring as to the accuracy of diagramming of No. 107, and also commending The Chronicle Chess Column for the pleasure derived from it. And we know of, at least, one reader of the column in Omaha, Neb. All accounted for? Or are there a few others scattered around that appreciate the space given by The Chronicle and the stuff we put in it?

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## BERNARDO SMITH AT LONG BEACH

Playing simultaneously against a team of sixteen members of the flourishing Long Beach Chess Club, Bernardo Smith, well-known San Francisco expert and promoter of tournaments and telegraphic chess matches, made a score of fourteen wins, losing to C. H. Scoby and G. Barnet. Bernardo played rapid chess and wound up the exhibition in two hours and forty minutes. The match was witnessed by at least three hundred, including many of the fair sex. According to the Long Beach Press, the exhibition did so much to promote interest in chess that matches are being arranged with Pasadena and San Diego. Good for Bernardo!

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## GAME NO. 117

Here is Capablanca's opinion of his most noteworthy games in the recent London tournament:

"As to my games, those with Bogoljubow and Tartkower were the most exciting. In both cases, both onlookers and experts alike gave me up for lost. Yet their judgment did not prove accurate. I won one and drew the other. My best game was probably the one against Dr. Vidmar. All the experts think very highly of it, and one of the leading masters insisted upon my sending it in for the brilliancy prize, on account of the very long and difficult combination which I started on my fifteenth move, P-QR3. From the onlookers' point of view, probably my prettiest game was against Morrison."

With today's selection, all four of the above mentioned games have been printed in this column. While local experts recognize the accuracy and power of Capablanca in the Vidmar encounter, they are inclined to agree with the "onlookers" that the prettiest game of the four was that against Morrison. Following is the game, which "was worthy of the two great experts. Its perusal will be enjoyed wherever chess is played." It may be pointed out that Bogoljubow's failure to exchange bishop for knight on his move 21½ resulted in the bottling up of that dignitary and eventual loss of the game. But they say it is easy to make mistakes against Capablanca!

The small pineal body which arises from the middle of the human brain is believed to be the remnant of a third eye which animals had in the tops of their heads millions of years ago.

Capablanca	White	Bojoljubow	Black	Capablanca	White	Bojoljubow	Black
1—P-K4	P-K4	28—P-S4	B-S3				
2—S-KB3	S-QB3	20—P-B5	B-R2(f)				
3—B-S5	P-QR3	30—S-KS3	Q-K4				
4—B-R4	S-B3	31—K-S2	QR-S				
5—Castles	B-K2	32—QR-S	P-B3				
6—P-Q4	P-Q4	33—S-B3	R-S7ch(g)				
7—B-S3	P-Q3(a)	34—RxR(h)	QxRch				
8—B-B3	Castles(b)	35—R-K2	Q-S6				
9—P-Q4	PxP	36—S-Q4	QxQ				
10—PxP	B-S5	37—RxQ	K-S(i)				
11—B-K3	S-QR4(c)	38—R-QB3	K-B2				
12—B-B2	S-B5	39—K-B3	R-S7				
13—B-B	P-Q4	40—S-B3	P-R6				
14—P-QS2	S-QR4	41—S-K6	S-S6(j)				
15—B-S2	S-B3	42—P-B5	PxP				
16—P-Q5	S-B5	43—SxBP	S-Q7ch				
17—Q-S2	SxK	44—K-B2	K-K2				
18—QxS	R-K	45—K-K	S-S8				
19—Q-Q3	P-R3	46—R-Q3	P-R6				
20—P-Q4	S-Q4	47—P-Q4ch	K-Q				
21—P-KR3	B-R4	48—S-Q4	R-S3				
22—KS-Q2	B-B3	49—S(Q4)-					
23—BxB	QxR(d)	50—Kxch	BxS				
24—P-QR4	P-B5(e)	51—PxB	R-S(k)				
25—SPxP	S-B4	52—P-K7ch	K-K				
26—Q-K3	PxRP	53—SxP	Resigns(l)				
27—P-B4	Q-K2						

## NOTES

- In the memorable game between Capablanca and Marshall at the Manhattan Chess Club in 1918 Marshall castled at this point and, in reply to 8, P-B3, advanced P-Q4, sacrificing a pawn and paving the way for one of the most eventful games on record.
- Or Black may play 8½, S-QR4; 9, B-B2, P-B4; 10, P-Q4, Q-R2; 11, Q-S-Q2, B-B3, etc.
- Black sets out in pursuit of White's bishops, and eventually succeeds in exchanging one of them.
- Black has defended himself with great skill and his position on the whole appears to be entirely satisfactory. However, the real action starts with White's next move.
- Forcible, but at the same time practically forced. Were he to play 24... PxP, then RxP, leaving Black's QR-P very weak. On the other hand, 24... QR-S would be met by 25, PxP, with White in possession of the open file.
- This Bishop is now so badly out of play that White, despite Black's superiority on the Queen's side, is in a position to work out a winning continuation.
- If the Queen retreats the Knight will enter at Q4 with telling effect.
- By moving the king out of check, White can win the exchange. But Black would soon obtain a winning position.
- Once more Black has everything posted to the best advantage, with the one important exception of the Bishop remaining in durance vie.
- If 41½, R-S6; 42, SxS, PxS; 43, RxR, PxR; 44, K-K3, and Black's queen's side pawns cannot long survive.
- For if 50½, P-R7, 51, P-K7ch, followed by P-Q7ch, etc.
- There is no escape for if 52½, R-R; 53, S-B7ch, followed by SxR. If 52½, P-R7; 53, SxR, P-RS(Q); 54, P-Q7ch, winning by force.—Notes by Herman Helms, in New York Evening Post.

## Boy in Bed Bitten By Crazy Coyote

## Animal Attacks Lad Sleeping in Open

WHITE BLUFFS, Wash., Sept. 30.

—J. B. Tromanhauser was attacked by a coyote when returning home on foot from visiting a neighbor. The beast came up behind him and seized him by the calf of the leg and he had difficulty kicking it loose. It tried to get hold of him again, but after several vigorous kicks, it was driven away. Tromanhauser's cries brought the neighbor with his car and a gun and they trailed the animal for about half a mile, shooting it five times with small shot.

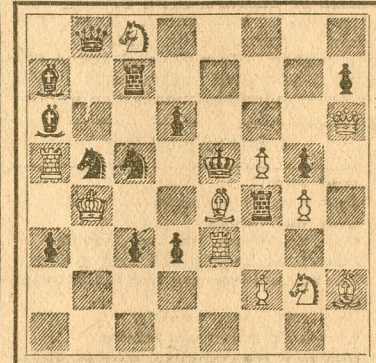
About an hour later, the coyote entered the yard of Mrs. Viola Dawson, about a mile from where it attacked Tromanhauser, where Kenneth and Frank Dawson were sleeping in a bed in the open. The coyote bit Kenneth Dawson on the cheek and mouth and his cry awoke his brother and his mother and sister in the house. Frank Dawson frightened the animal away and called to his sister to bring the gun.

# Problems

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## PROBLEM NO. 129

By L. Rohstein, W. Hoboken, N. J.

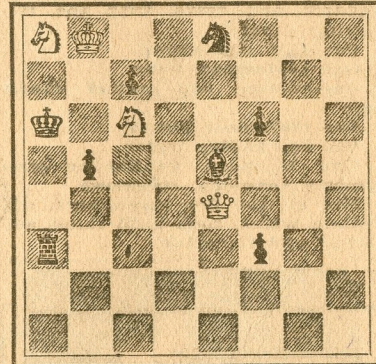


Mate in two

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## PROBLEM NO. 130

By Otto Wurzberg, Grand Rapids, Mich.



Mate in three

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Solution No. 128—Q-R sq.

Solvers' list—E. S. Van Camp, city; L. Sheppard, Weed, Cal. Full solution to No. 124 as requested: 1. R-B3, if B-R2 then R-KR3, etc.; if B-B7 then R-QB3, etc.; if BxP then R-Q3, etc.

A. J. H., Palo Alto; J. Ellis, Los Gatos; I. Schwartz, Stevinson; C. L. Bagby, city; B. Chavalas, Oakland. L. Sheppard—Recommend Mason's "Art of Chess." One of the best books on chess and end games ever published.

Letters acknowledged: W. Metzke, Firebaugh; F. Schmidt, Healdsburg; C. J. Bergman, Big Pine; E. Lewis, Sisson.

H. W. Simkins sends a specimen game of the "Palo Alto Gambit" for discussion, which will be taken up soon.

## Cow Eats Umbrella; Extra 'Rib' Cut Out

SOUTHAMPTON, L. I., Sept. 26.—For no one knows how long Mrs. Helen R. Bishop's cow had one more rib than any other cow in the country.

The distinction made her (the cow) sick, and Mrs. Bishop sent for Dr. Raymond A. Halsey, a veterinary surgeon.

Dr. Halsey made such personal investigations as a veterinary surgeon will make, and found the extra rib—the rib of a now lost umbrella—protruding from the cow's side. He extracted it and found that it was twelve inches long.