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Chess

INTERZONAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Representing the United States at the world championship candidates' tournament in Mallorca, Spain, are Robert Fischer, Samuel Reshevsky and William Addison.

After 13 of 23 rounds, Fischer leads the way with a score of 10-3, a full point ahead of Efim Geller of the Soviet Union, while grandmaster Reshevsky (New York) and international master Addison (San Francisco) trail far behind.

Fischer's victory over Addison appeared in the Spanish-language tournament bulletin with notes by international master Antonio Medina, translated especially for this column by R. J. Conway, director of the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club, San Francisco.

White: Robert Fischer **Black:** William Addison.

Palma de Mallorca, Nov. 1970.

Center Counter Defense

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| 1 P-K4 | P-Q4 | 13 B-N5! | B-K2 |
| 2 PxP | QxP(a) | 14 N-N3 | P-QR3 |
| 3 N-QB3 | Q-Q1(b) | 15 B-Q3 | Q Q1(f) |
| 4 P-Q4 | N-KB3 | 16 P-KR4 | P-KR4 |
| 5 B-QB4 | B-B4?(c) | 17 B-B5! | N-N3 |
| 6 Q-B3 | Q-B1 | 18 QN-K4 | NxP(g) |
| 7 B-KN5 | BxP | 19 KR-Q1 | P-B3 |
| 8 R-B1 | B-N3 | 20 N-B3 | Q-N3 |
| 9 KN-K2 | QN-Q2 | 21 RxN!(h) | PxR |
| 10 0-0 | P-K3 | 22 NxQF | QxNP |
| 11 BxN! | PxB(d) | 23 R-N1 | QxRP |
| 12 P-Q5 | P-K4(e) | 24 RxP | Resigns(i) |

(a) Addison, dreading Fischer's great theoretical knowledge, embarks upon this old and inferior defense in the vain hope of surprising his formidable adversary. Tactically, however, this move is bad, since Black will be fighting out of a defective position. As usual, early queen sorties lead to little more than lost tempi. Preferable is 2... N-KB3.

(b) Returning the queen home cannot be condoned, the only acceptable retreat being 3... Q-QR4.

(c) Another dubious excursion that gains White more time for development by sacrificing a pawn.

(d) Black seems obliged to re-capture with the pawn, for on 11... NxB the advance 12 P-Q5 proves even stronger.

(e) Backward development presents Black from opening up the game, but now Fischer exploits the weaknesses of KB5 and K4 by occupying them with his pieces.

(f) Black has no practical way to free his pieces or safeguard his king.

(g) Facilitates the final assault, but Black has no option, as he suffers from asphyxiation.

(h) Although not so obvious, nonetheless strong. The rest is a matter of technique.

(i) A categorical demonstration that employing theoretically flawed defenses against the extremely talented American grandmaster is still a very risky business.

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White: Tadev Uitumen (Mongolia). **Black:** Samuel Reshevsky (U.S.A.). Mallorca, 1970.

Sicilian Defense.

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| 1 P-K4 | P-QB4 | 2 N-KB3 | N-QB3 | 3 P-Q4 | PxP | 4 NxP | Q-B2 | 5 N-QB3 | P-K3 | 6 B-K3 | N-B3 | 7 B-Q3 | P-QR3 | 8 0-0 | N-K4 | 9 P-KR3 |
| P-QN4 | 10 P-B4 | N-B5 | 11 BxN | QxB | 12 Q-Q3 | B-N2 | 13 P-QR4 | QxQ | 14 PxQ | P-N5 | 15 N-3-K2 | B-B4 | 16 KR-B1 | P-Q3 | 17 K-B2 | K-Q2 |
| 18 N-QN3 | BxBch | 19 KxB | P-QR4 | 20 N-2-Q4 | KR-QB1 | 21 N-Q2 | RxR | 22 RxR | B-R3 | 23 N-4-N3 | N-N1 | 24 NxP | BxP | 25 KxB | RxN | 26 N-B4 |
| R-R3 | 27 K-B2! | N-B3 | 28 K-N3 | NxP | 29 KxP | N-B4 | 30 K-N5 | R-R2 | 31 N-N6ch | K-Q1 | 32 P-QN4 | N-Q2 | 33 R-B8ch | K-K2 | 34 P-R5 | P-Q4 |
| 35 P-R6 | P-Q5 | 36 R-B1 | K-Q1 | 37 NxN | RxN | 38 K-N6 | R-Q3ch | 39 K-N7 | R-Q2ch | 40 K-N8 | R-Q4 | 41 R-B8ch | K-Q2 | 42 R-B7ch | K-Q1 | 43 P-R7 |

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