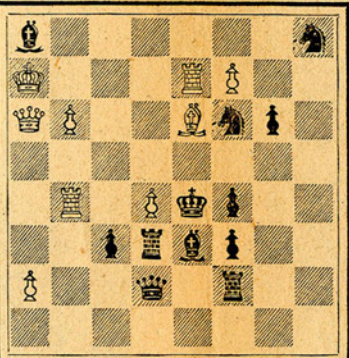


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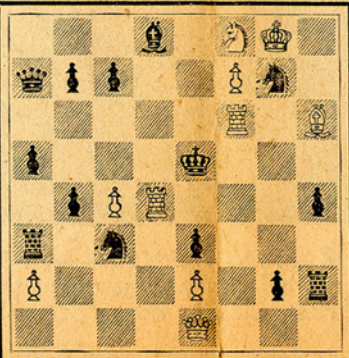
By J. van Dijk (2nd Pr.)



White mates in two. (Wh. 9; Bl. 12.)

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By M. Karstedt (3rd Pr.)



White mates in three. (Wh. 10; Bl. 14.)

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM NO. 1683:

Q-N4.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM NO. 1684:

N-N5.

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### EDITOR RETURNS

Grand Master Herman Steiner returned Thursday from participation in two tournaments in England and a series of exhibitions in the East and will resume his duties as editor of this column next Sunday.

Steiner also will resume his Tuesday lectures and simultaneous exhibitions this week in the headquarters of the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 N. Formosa Ave. For reservations call WE-8817 or WY-3510.

### HOW ABOUT IT, GIRLS?

Are women bad chess players? Detroit thinks so and its Department of Parks and Recreation has just opened a free co-educational course of chess lessons under Newell Banks, noted player.

### SPANISH BOY SHOWS WIZARDRY

As one of the 12 contestants in Section A of the London international chess masters tournament, in which Herman Steiner won the first prize, Arturito Pomar of Madrid was daily a center of interest. The 14-year-old Spanish boy, who earlier had earned the praise of Dr. Alexander Alekhine, world champion, was sixth in the standing, but his play demonstrated that he needs only further international experience to develop into a full-fledged master.

Here are some of his games. One of these is his draw with Dr. O. S. Bernstein, Franco-Russian master, on whom he forced a perpetual check in ingenious fashion.

In the long game he won from W. A. Fairhurst, champion of Scotland, Pomar displayed full knowledge of the opening.

high grade combinative ability and remarkable confidence in the handling of a difficult ending.

### QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED

Pomar	Bernstein	Pomar	Bernstein
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	P-Q4	15-Q-B3	NxB
2-P-QB4	P-K3	16-QxN	B-K3
3-N-QB3	N-KB3	17-Q-N5	B-Q4
4-B-N5	B-K2	18-N-K5	P-QN2
5-P-K3	P-KR3	19-KR-B	P-QB4
6-B-R4	N-K5	20-P-B4	PxP
7-BxB	QxB	21-R-Q	KR-B
8-PxP	NxN	22-RxP	R-B4
9-PxN	PxP	23-Q-Q3	Q-K3
10-Q-N3	Q-Q3	24-R-Q	BxRP
11-N-B3	Castles	25-R-Q8ch	RxR
12-P-B4	PxP	26-QxRch	K-R2
13-BxP	N-B3	27-N-Q7	QxPch
14-Castles	N-R4	28-K-R	Drawn

### GRUENFELD DEFENSE

Pomar	Fairhurst	Pomar	Fairhurst
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	P-Q4	44-N-R5	R-R
2-P-QB4	P-QB3	45-K-R4	K-B2
3-P-K3	N-B3	46-QN-N7	P-KR4
4-N-QB3	P-KN3	47-N-R5	R-R2
5-N-B3	B-N2	48-QN-N3	R-R
6-B-Q3	Castles	49-N-Q3	B-Q3
7-Castles	QN-Q2	50-N-K	B-K2
8-PxP	PxP	51-K-R3	B-Q3
9-B-Q2	N-N3	52-K-N2	P-R5
10-R-B	B-B4	53-N-Q3	PxP
11-BxB	PxB	54-P-R3	R-KN
12-Q-N3	P-K3	55-B-K	B-B2
13-N-QN5	N-B5	56-BxP	BxP
14-B-N4	R-K	57-NxB	P-K4
15-N-K5	P-QR3	58-K-B2	PxN
16-N-R3	P-N4	59-BxP	R-KR
17-R-B2	Q-N	60-K-N3	R-Nch
18-P-B4	Q-N2	61-K-B3	R-KR
19-KR-B	N-K5	62-N-B5	RxPch
20-B-K	KR-N	63-K-N2	R-R5
21-N-N	P-B3	64-K-N3	R-B8
22-N-KB3	R-QB	65-NxP	R-QB
23-N-B3	NxKP	66-B-K3	R-N8
24-NxN	RxR	67-N-B7	RxP
25-RxR	NxR	68-NxQP	R-QB7
26-N-B5	N-R8	69-N-N6	R-N7
27-NxQ	NxQ	70-N-Q5	R-QB7
28-PxN	B-B	71-K-B3	K-K3
29-P-QN4	K-B2	72-N-N6	K-Q3
30-K-B2	R-B	73-P-Q5	K-B2
31-N-B5	R-B3	74-K-B4	R-QR7
32-B-B3	B-Q3	75-KxP	R-K7
33-K-K3	K-K2	76-B-B5	R-K8
34-P-KN3	B-N	77-KxP	R-B8ch
35-N-K	B-Q3	78-K-N6	R-Q8
36-KN-Q3	B-N	79-P-Q6ch	RxPch
37-N-N3	R-B2	80-BxRch	KxB
38-N-R5	K-Q3	81-K-B5	K-B3
39-N-B5	R-R2	82-N-B8	K-Q4
40-K-B3	B-B2	83-N-R7	K-B5
41-K-N2	B-N3	84-N-B6	K-Q4
42-K-R3	B-B2	85-N-R5	Resigns
43-QN-N3	K-K2		

### QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED

Pomar	Broadbent	Pomar	Broadbent
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	20-Q-N7	R-K2
2-P-QB4	P-K3	21-Q-R6	N-N5
3-N-QB3	P-Q4	22-Q-R3	NxP
4-B-N5	B-K2	23-R-R	N-N5
5-P-K3	P-KR3	24-N-Q4	PxN
6-B-R4	Castles	25-QxN	P-Q6
7-N-B3	P-QN3	26-KR-Q	R-Q2
8-PxP	PxP	27-R-Q2	P-QR4
9-B-Q3	B-K3	28-Q-B3	K-R2
10-Castles	P-B3	29-R-QB	B-K5
11-R-B	R-K	30-Q-B4	Q-N3
12-N-K5	KN-Q2	31-Q-B8	R-Q4
13-BxB	QxB	32-P-K6	R-Q3
14-P-B4	NxN	33-P-K7	R-K3
15-QPxN	P-KB4	34-Q-Q8	Q-B2
16-N-K2	P-B4	35-R-B7	K-N3
17-BxP	BxB	36-Q-KB8	P-N4
18-QxPch	Q-K3	37-P-R3	Resigns
19-QxR	N-B3		

Here is another of the Los Angeles master's games:

### GRUENFELD DEFENSE

Steiner	Prins	Steiner	Prins
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	30-PxB	R-QB
2-P-QB4	P-KN3	31-K-Q3	K-B
3-N-QB3	P-Q4	32-K-B3	K-K2
4-N-B5	B-N2	33-K-N4	R-B3
5-P-K3	Castles	34-P-N4	P-R3
6-Q-N3	P-B4	35-P-B4	R-K3
7-PxQP	PxP	36-P-B5	PxP
8-NxP	QN-Q2	37-PxP	R-K5ch
9-B-K2	N-B4	38-K-R5	R-R5ch
10-Q-B4	P-N3	39-K-N6	RxP
11-N-B6	Q-Q2	40-P-B6	P-N5
12-P-QN4	KN-K5	41-P-B7	R-QB7
13-NxN	NxN	42-P-B6ch	K-K3
14-R-QN	N-B6	43-R-Q8	P-N6
15-R-N2	P-QN4	44-P-B3(Q)	RxQ
16-Q-Q3	P-K3	45-RxR	P-N7
17-R-B2	NxB	46-R-R8ch	KxP
18-KxN	B-N2	47-R-K	K-B4
19-KR-Q	QR-B	48-R-QN	K-N5
20-P-K4	PxP	49-RxP	P-B4
21-PxP	BxN	50-K-B5	P-QR4
22-PxB	Q-K3ch	51-R-KB2	P-R5
23-K-B	RxP	52-K-Q4	P-R4
24-RxR	QxR	53-K-K3	P-R6
25-B-K3	P-QR3	54-R-R2	K-R6
26-B-B5	R-R	55-K-B4	P-R5
27-Q-Q5	QxQ	56-RxPch	KxP
28-RxQ	B-B	57-KxP	Resigns
29-K-K2	BxB		

### CALIFORNIANS AID CHESS

Californians have rallied strongly to the support of the U.S. Chess Federation which this year is promoting several tournaments and other activities. Members will soon receive their 1945 year-books containing games from all of last year's major tournaments. To back the federation and obtain one of the year-books, send \$1 to Paul G. Giers, secretary, 2304 South Ave., Syracuse 7, N.Y.