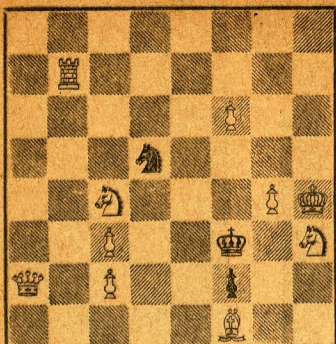


TIMES PROBLEM 2477
By K. Stal (3rd prize)

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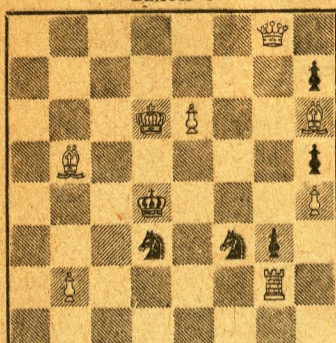
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White mates in two.

TIMES PROBLEM 2478

By Dr. E. Hallgren (Hon. ment.)

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White mates in three.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 2473: N-K7.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 2474: R-R6.

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RAPID TRANSIT WINNERS

The weekly Wednesday evening Rapid Transit Tournament held at the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 N Formosa Ave., was won by James Cross by a score of 17-2; second place went to Harry Borochow, 16-3; third to J. R. Lazos and E. Rubin, 15½-3½; fifth was also tied between R. W. Banner and S. Almgren, 14-5. The tournament is open to anyone interested in playing in it and visitors are welcome at any time. Call Webster 1-8617 for information.

HERMAN STEINER WINS CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

On Labor Day the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 N Formosa Ave., was the scene of the 1953 California State Championship finals, where five northern players participated against five from the south. Steiner's only loss was to Poliakov, and he drew with Burger. Henry Gross from San Francisco came in second by virtue of defeating his chief rival, Irving Rivise, with whom he was co-champion last year. William was a good third, with only two losses to Rivise and Steiner. Below is the complete table.

EUGENE LEVIN WINS CALIFORNIA OPEN

San Jose was host to the California Open which is held annually over the Labor Day week end. Eugene Levin was first with a score of 6-1 in a seven-round Swiss System. His only loss was to V. Pafnutieff from San Francisco. W. Papekin of Los Angeles was second; V. Pafnutieff was third; M. Gordon, fourth; J. Alexander of San Diego fifth. A complete table will be published later.

WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP CHALLENGER TOURNAMENT

After seven rounds of the World's Championship Challenger Tournament played in Nauhausen, Switzerland, Samuel Reshevsky, former U.S. champion, and V. Smyslov of the U.S.S.R. are tied for first place. Close behind them are Keres, Najdorf. There are 21 more games to be played and predictions are difficult, as anything may happen in such a grueling tournament, where the last player is able to win from the leading players. We are most fortunate in having Philip C. McKenna, member of the Hollywood Chess Group, a delegate of the USCF at the FIDE, send us games, round by round, along with interesting highlights of the tournament. A chart showing the daily progress of the tournament may be seen on the bulletin board in the headquarters of the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 N Formosa Ave., where visitors are welcome at any time.

We hope to publish each round of seven games in this column, space permitting.

Standing of players after seven rounds:

	W	L
Reshevsky (U.S.)	5	2
Smyslov (U.S.S.R.)	5	2
Keres (U.S.S.R.)	4½	2½
Najdorf (Argentina)	4	2
Boleslavsky (U.S.S.R.)	3½	2½
Bronstein (U.S.S.R.)	3½	3½
Euwe (Holland)	3½	3½
Gligoric (Yugoslavia)	3	3
Taimanov (U.S.S.R.)	3	3
Averbach (U.S.S.R.)	3	4
Szabo (Hungary)	3	4
Stahlberg (Sweden)	2½	4½
Geller (U.S.S.R.)	2	4
Petrosian (U.S.S.R.)	2	4
Kotov (U.S.S.R.)	1½	4½

WORLD'S CHAMPION CANDIDATES TOURNAMENT

FRENCH DEFENSE

White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-K3	13-N(4)-Q2	P-B3
2-P-Q4	P-Q4	14-N-B4	NxN
3-P-K5	P-QB4	15-BxN	P-B4
4-Q-N4	PxP	16-Q-N3	K-R
5-B-Q3	N-QB3	17-P-KR3	R-B
6-N-KB3	KN-K2	18-QR-B	RxR
7-O-O	N-N3	19-RxR	Q-N3
8-R-K	B-K2	20-B-R4	Q-Q
9-QN-Q2	N-N5	21-Q-N5	R-B2
10-NxP	NxB	22-BxB	RxB
11-PxN	O-O	23-N-N5	P-KR3
12-N(2)-B3	B-Q2	24-N-B7ch	Resigns

CALIFORNIA STATE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

FINALS FOR 1953

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Won	Loss
1. Herman Steiner	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0½	1	1	7½	1
2. Henry Gross	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6½	2
3. William Addison	0	1	1	0½	1½	1	1	1	1	1	6	3
4. Irving Rivise	0	0	1	1	0½	1	0	1	1	1	4½	4½
5. Bob Currie	0	0	½	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	4½	4½
6. Hyman Gordon	0	0	½	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	4½	4½
7. Sven Almgren	0	0	0	½	0	1	1	1	1	1	4½	4½
8. Dimitry Poliakov	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	4	5
9. Robert Burger	½	½	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	7
10. Jerome Wolfe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	8

Averbach	Smyslov	Averbach	Smyslov
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-K4	18-N-R2	QR-Q
2-N-KB3	N-QB3	19-Q-B3	B-N2
3-B-N5	P-QR3	20-KR-Q	B-K3
4-B-R4	N-B3	21-B-N	Q-K2
5-O-O	B-K2	22-N(2)-N4	NxN
6-R-K	P-QN4	23-NxN	N-R4
7-B-N3	P-Q3	24-P-QN3	N-B3
8-P-B3	O-O	25-B-K3	RxRch
9-P-KR3	N-QR4	26-QxR	R-Q
10-B-B2	P-B4	27-Q-B3	R-Q2
11-P-Q4	Q-B2	28-R-Q	P-N5
12-QN-Q2	B-Q2	29-RxR	BxR
13-N-B	KR-K	30-N-R6ch	BxN
14-N-K3	B-KB	31-BxB	PxP
15-B-Q2	P-N3	32-QxP	N-Q5
16-R-QB	N-B3	Draw agreed	
17-PxBP	PxP		

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

St'hlb'rg	B'l'sl'vsky	St'hlb'rg	B'l'sl'vsky
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	26-BxB	KxB
2-P-QB4	P-KN3	27-RxP	NxBP
3-P-KN3	B-N2	28-R(6)-Q	B-K3
4-BN2	O-O	29-Q-B2	P-B3
5-N-QB3	P-Q3	30-N-B3	B-B2
6-N-B3	QN-Q2	31-P-K5	PxP
7-O-O	P-K4	32-NxKP	NxN
8-P-K4	R-K	33-RxN	RxR
9-P-KR3	PxP	34-PxR	RxP
10-NxP	N-B4	35-R-KB	R-B4
11-R-K	P-QR4	36-Q-Q4ch	K-N
12-Q-B2	P-R5	37-RxR	PxR
13-B-K3	P-B3	38-Q-5	Q-N3
14-QR-Q	N(3)-Q2	39-QxP	B-N3
15-P-B4	Q-R4	40-Q-K5	N-Q6
16-B-B2	N-N3	41-Q-K6ch	K-N2
17-B-B	B-Q2	42-Q-K7ch	B-B2
18-P-R3	QR-Q	43-N-K4	QxP
19-K-R2	B-QB	44-N-Q6	Q-KB7
20-N-R2	N(3)-Q2	45-N-K8ch	K-N
21-B-N2	N-B3	46-N-B6ch	K-N2
22-N-QB3	R-Q2	47-N-R5ch	K-N3
23-N-B3	R(2)-K2	48-P-N4	N-B4
24-N-KN	N(3)-Q2	49-Draw agreed	
25-B-Q4	N-N3		

NIMZO INDIAN DEFENSE

Geller	Euwe	Geller	Euwe
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	15-P-B5	P-B3
2-P-QB4	P-K3	16-R-B4	P-QN4
3-N-QB3	B-N5	17-R-R4	Q-N3
4-PP3	P-B4	18-P-K5	NxKP
5-P-QR3	BxNch	19-PxP	NxB
6-PxB	P-QN3	20-QxN	QxP
7-B-Q3	B-N2	21-QxP	K-B2
8-P-B3	N-B3	22-B-R6	R-KR!!
9-N-K2	O-O	23-QxR	R-B7!
10-O-O	N-QR4	24-R-QB	RxB7!
11-P-K4	N-K	25-K-B	Q-N6!
12-N-N3	PxP	26-K-K	Q-KB6
13-PxP	R-B	27-Resigns	
14-P-B4	NxP		

BLUMFIELD COUNTERGAMBIT

Taimanov	Broinstein	Taimanov	Broinstein
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	23-P-K5	QxQ
2-P-QB4	P-B4	24-NxQ	PxP
3-P-Q5	P-KN3	25-RxP	K-B
4-N-QB3	P-Q3	26-N-N3	P-B5
5-P-K4	P-QN4	27-N-B5	R-R8ch
6-PxP	B-N2	28-K-R2	N-B3
7-N-B3	O-O	29-N-K4	N-Q2
8-B-K2	P-QR3	30-R-N5	R-R7
9-PxP	BxP	31-R-N4	P-B4
10-O-O	Q-B2	32-R-B4	N-N3
11-R-K	QN-Q2	33-N-N5	NxP
12-BxB	RxB	34-R-Q4	N-N3
13-Q-K2	KR-R	35-R-Q8ch	K-N2
14-P-KR3	N-N3	36-P-B4	P-R3
15-B-N5	N-K	37-N-K6ch	K-B2
16-B-Q2	N-R5	38-N-Q4	N-R5
17-NxN	RxN	39-R-B8	NxP
18-B-B3	BxB	40-RxP	N-Q4
19-PxB	Q-R4	41-N-B3	RxPch
20-Q-Q3	Q-R3	42-K-R	R-KB7
21-Q-Q2	RxP	43-Resigns.	
22-RxR	QxR		

ENGLISH OPENING

Szabo	Geller	Szabo	Geller
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-QB4	N-KB3	31-B-R3	R-K2
2-P-KN3	P-K3	32-K-B?	K-B2!
3-B-N2	P-Q4	33-K-K	R-B2
4-P-Q4	PxP	34-R-Q3	B-N2
5-Q-Q4ch	QN-Q2	35-N-K3	RxP
6-N-KB3	P-QR3	36-N-B5	B-B3
7-QxBP	P-QN4	37-N-Q6ch	K-B
8-Q-B6	R-QN	38-B-N2	P-N3
9-B-B4	N-Q4	39-K-Q2	K-K2
10-B-N5	B-K2	40-N-K4	R-B5
11-BxB	QxB	41-P-B3	P-B4
12-O-O	B-N2	42-N-B2	R-QR5
13-Q-B2	P-B4	43-N-Q	P-K5
14-PxP	NxP	44-PxP	PxP
15-R-B	R-QB	45-R-N3	R-Q5ch
16-N-B3	N-B3	46-K-B	P-N5
17-P-QN4	N-R5	47-N-K3	N-B6
18-Q-N3	NxN	48-PxP	NxPch
19-RxN	RxR	49-K-N	B-R5
20-QxR	O-O	50-R-N2	N-B6ch
21-R-QB	R-Q	51-K-B	PxP
22-P-QR3	N-Q4	52-R-Q2	RxR
23-Q-Q4	P-B3	53-KxR	K-Q3
24-N-K	P-K4	54-N-N4	K-B4
25-Q-B5	QxQ	55-P-R4	K-Q5
26-PxQ	B-B3	56-P-R5	PxP
27-R-Q	R-Q2	57-N-K3	N-N8ch
28-B-R3	R-K2	58-K-K2	B-N4ch
29-N-B2	P-QR4!	59-K-B2	B-B3
30-B-N2	R-Q2	60-Resigns.	

BENONI GAMBIT

Euwe	Kotov	Euwe	Kotov
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	21-PxR	B-R3
2-P-QB4	P-B4	22-Q-Q3	R-K
3-P-Q5	P-K3	23-K-R2	RxP
4-N-QB3	PxP	24-QxRP	R-K4
5-PxP	P-Q3	25-R-B	B-B2
6-N-B3	P-KN3	26-Q-N5	B-Q2
7-P-KN3	B-N2	27-N-B6	K-N2
8-B-N2	O-O	28-R-R6	N-B
9-O-O	P-QR3	29-Q-N8!	QxQ
10-P-QR4	QN-Q2	30-NxQ	R-B4
11-N-Q2	R-K	31-R-B6	R-K
12-P-R5	P-QN4	32-P-K4	B-Q2
13-PxP e.p.	NxNP	33-P-K5!	RxP
14-N-N3	Q-B2	34-NxB	NxN
15-N-R5	B-Q2	35-RxN	R-K4
16-P-R3	B-N4	36-R-QB6	N-K4
17-B-K3	N(3)-Q2	37-RxQP	R-Q6
18-Q-N3	N-B3	38-R-Q	R-K6
19-KR-B	B-Q2	39-R-QB6	Resigns
20-Q-Q	RxB		

NIMZO-INDIAN DEFENSE

Najdorf	Reshevsky	Najdorf	Reshevsky
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	14-Q-B2	N-QR4
2-P-QB4	P-K3	15-PxP	PxP
3-N-QB3	B-N5	16-P-B4	B-K5
4-P-K3	P-B4	17-Q-B3	QR-N
5-B-Q3	O-O	18-KR-Q	RxRch
6-N-B3	P-Q4	19-RxR	B-B3
7-O-O	N-B3	20-Q-B2	P-KR3
8-P-QR3	BxN	21-P-R3	N-N6
9-PxB	BxBP	22-B-N2	N-Q2
10-BxP	Q-B2	23-Q-B3	P-B3
11-P-QR4	P-QN3	24-N-R2	N-N3
12-B-R3	B-N2	Draw agreed	
13-B-K2	KR-Q		

ENGLISH OPENING

Petrosian	Keres	Petrosian	Keres
White	Black		