

THE CHESS PLAYER

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TASK No. 76—By J. Keeble



WHITE MATES IN TWO MOVES
(Value 4 points)

Answer to Task No. 74: 1. KtxP, with the main line 1. . . B-K6!; 2. Kt-Kt3ch, followed by PxB and wins.

Answer to Task No. 76 should be postmarked not later than July 9. It is required only that White's first move be given.

AFTER eight games, S. Reshevsky had scored 4 points against M. Najdorf's 3 in their match being played in Buenos Aires. The seventh game was adjourned, with a probable win for Najdorf. The match therefore was being very closely contested, indeed, and the outcome was very much in doubt.

The match is arousing the greatest interest. It is said that several thousand persons try to see each game—far more than the hall can accommodate—and that the press is giving a great deal of space to an account of each game. Najdorf has the advantage of being on his home grounds, which means help from his chess friends in analyzing adjourned games. But no one can cavil at this, since the match between the same opponents last year was in New York during the period that Reshevsky built up his overwhelming lead. Moral encouragement means a lot in a contest like this!

We are pleased to announce that Mr. Hubert G. Webb of Pasadena is the winner on our ladder contest. He will receive a two-year subscription to the *British Chess Magazine*. The next prize will be awarded to the solver who first gains 236 points. The following list includes standings through Task No. 72:

	Points
Jerald Slavich, Marysville	186
Lee Kerfoot, Modesto	164
Henry Gross, San Francisco	153
Kenton Chambers, Stanford	132
Eric S. Bergstrom, San Jose	122
Boris Popoff, San Francisco	111
Guthrie McClain, San Francisco	109
Dr. Mark Eudey, Berkeley	55
Neil T. Austin, Sacramento	49
James Hill, San Francisco	39
Richard E. Burry, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.	20
Harold Branton, San Francisco	17
Hubert G. Webb, Pasadena	10

We continue with the games of the Reshevsky-Najdorf match. The third game was adjourned, and the complete score has not as yet been received. The fourth and fifth games follow:

MATCH GAME NO. 4—NIMZOINDIAN	
White—Najdorf	Black—Reshevsky
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. Kt-QB3	B-Kt5
4. P-K3	O-O
5. B-Q3	P-B4
6. Kt-B3	P-O4
7. O-O	Kt-B3
8. P-QR3	QxP
9. BxP	B-R4
10. Q-Q3	P-QR3
11. R-Q1	P-QKt4
12. B-P3	B-Kt2
13. PxP	BxKt
14. Q-B2	Q-K2
15. QxB	KR-Q1
16. B-Q2	Kt-K5
17. Q-P2	KtxQB
18. B-K1	QR-B1
19. OR-B1	Kt-R5
20. B-Kt1	P-Kt3
21. Q-K2	RxR
22. RxR	R-Q1
23. R-B1	Kt-Kt3
24. P-KR4	P-KR4
25. Kt-Kt5	Kt-Q4
26. P-B4	Kt-B3
27. P-OKt4	Kt-Q4
28. Q-KB2	P-R4
29. Q-Kt3	PxP
30. PxP	Kt-B3
31. B-B3	Kt-Kt5
32. Q-K1	R-QB1
33. R-Q1	R-Q1
34. R-B1	R-OB1
35. B-B2	Kt-Kt1
36. B-O3	Kt-QR3
37. B-B2	Q-Q3
38. B-Q1	Q-O6
39. B-Q2	R-Q1
40. BxKt	PxB
41. B-B3	R-QB1
42. K-R2	R-B5
43. B-R1	Kt-B2
44. Q-Q1	QxQ
45. RxQ	B-B3
46. R-Q8ch	Kt-K1

Draw agreed.

MATCH GAME NO. 5—NIMZOINDIAN	
White—Reshevsky	Black—Najdorf
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. Kt-QB3	B-Kt5
4. P-K3	P-B4
5. B-Q3	P-Q4
6. Kt-B3	O-O
7. O-O	Kt-B3
8. P-QR3	QxP
9. BxP	BxKt
10. PxB	Q-B2
11. P-QR4	P-K2
12. B-R3	P-QKt3
13. Q-B2	B-Kt5
14. Kt-Kt5	Kt-QR4
15. B-R2	B-R4
16. P-KB4	PxB
17. RxP	B-Kt3
18. Q-B2	QR-K1
19. R-KB4	P-KR3
20. Kt-B3	B-Q6
21. R-Q1	Kt-K5
22. Q-Kt2	B-B5
23. B-Kt1	B-Kt6
24. R-K1	B-Q4
25. B-Q3	Kt-B5
26. BxKt(B4)	BxB
27. Kt-Q2	B-Q6
28. P-B4	P-R4
29. Q-Kt3	Drawn