## chess



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White brilliantly demonstrates how to convert a temporary advantage (development, space) into a permanent one (weak square) and follows through with a winning combination.

White: Adolf Anderssen.

Black: Louis Paulsen.

Vienna, 1873.

Philidor's Defense

(Notes by Yakov Neystadt in **Shakhmaty v SSSR, No. 7**, 1968)

1	P-K4	P-K4	21 P-R3	P-QR3
2	N-KB3	P-Q3	22 P-KN4	R-K1
3	P-Q4	PxP	23 P-B4	R-K3
4	QxP	N-QB3	24 P-N5	P-N4
5	B/QN5	B-Q2	25 P-KR4	R-K1
6	BxN	BxB	26 Q-Q3	R-N1
7	B-N5	N-B3	27 P-R5	P.R4
8	N-B3	B-K2	28 P-N4(g)	PxP
9	0-0-0(a)	0-0	29 PxP	QxP(h)
10	KR-K1	R-K1	30 QxBP	Q-B2
11	K-N1	B-Q2(b)	31 Q-Q3	B-Q2
12	BxN	BxB	32 N-K4	Q-B4(i)
13	P-K5!	B-K2	33 R-R1	R-K1(j)
14	N-Q5!(c)	B-K1	34 N/4-B6ch!	PxN
15	PxP	PxP(d)	35 NxPch	K-B2
16	RxR	BxR(e)	36 RxPch	B-N2(k)
17	N-Q2	B-B3	37 RxBch!	KxR
18	N-K4	P-B4	38 NxRch	K-B1
19	N-4-B3 (f)	Q-Q2	39 QxQch	BxQ
	P-QR3	Q-KB2	40 NxP, and WI	ite won

- (a) Anderssen's opening plan is well grounded positionally. World Champion Alekhine once played precisely the same line in 1936.
- (b) This harmless looking move lets Anderssen compound his advantage by saddling his opponent with a permanently weak center Pawn.
- (c) Now Black must accept an isolated QP, since 14...

  PxP loses the OB after 15 NxBch RxN 16 RxP! (but not 16 NxP? Q-K!!).
  - (d) Black cannot play 15 ... BxP because of 16 NxP.
- (e) The remainder of the game gives an excellent lesson on how to exploit the weakness of an isolated Pawn on an open file.
- (f) White's Knights occupy ideal posts, one sitting directly in front of the isolani and the other standing by in case of an exchange.
  - (g) Killing Black's Q-side chances.
  - (h) Stiffer resistance is possible with 29... B-Q2.
- (i) White threatened 33 R-R1 and N-B6ch. Bad is 32 . . . B-B4 because of 33 N-4-Bch.
  - (j) Black seems to have prevented the check on his KB3.
  - (k) If 36 . . . K-N3, then 37 Q-KB3 wraps it up.

## \* \* \* \* BLIND CHESS

In a small round robin tournament held at the Federal Building in San Francisco, September 14, for the Northern California Braille Chess Championship, first place (\$25 plus trophy) went to Grant Metcalf with a perfect score of 4-0. Edwin Lanini won second prize (\$15 plus trophy) for his tally of 3-1. Third place (trophy) was taken by Clarance Sewell with 1½-2½.

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The Hayward Chess Club, 2058 D St. (Hayward Arts and Science Center). Monday and Friday, 8-11 p.m.

Cherryland Cafe, 22472 Meekland Ave. (corner of A St. and Meekland Ave.), Hayward. Evenings, 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.

The Fremont Chess Club, School St., Niles (Niles Community Center, close to Niles High School). Monday, 7-11 p.m.

The Newark Chess Club, Cedar Blvd. (Newark Community Center). Friday, 7-10 p.m.