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Exhibition Wednesday

Top U. S. Chess Player, Reshevsky, to Play Here

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Sammy Reshevsky, generally considered the best chess player in the United States, will play 40 boards simultaneously in the Riviera Room of the Hotel Richelieu, Van Ness avenue and Geary street, Wednesday.

Reshevsky, a native of Poland, held the U. S. chess champion-ship from 1936 to 1946. Now 42, he achieved early fame as a child prodigy. At the age of 8 he began a series of electrifying simultaneous chess exhibitions throughout Europe and the United States.

Shortly after his arrival in this country, he retired temporarily to acquire an education.

At the age of 20 he returned

to chess competition and captured the Western tournament in Tulsa in 1931. His first big success was in Syracuse in 1934 when he took first place ahead of Kashden, Fine and other mas-

The next year he made his international debut, winning the Margate tournament ahead of Capablanca.

He came third in the battle for the world title in 1948 and tied for second in the recent Candidates' tournament in Switzerland.

Reshevsky's "secret weapon" is his ability to fight back in difficult positions. He is now a full-fledged professional. Grand-

master Reshevsky lives in Brooklyn with his wife and two children. Wednesday's exhibition will begin at 7:30 p. m. Reserved

spectator seats are 50 cents. Reservations may be made with C. McGinley, 2763 Chelsea drive, Oakland. The show is being



SAMMY RESHEVSKY
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Played in Boston, 1944: White: Reshevsky; Black: Vasconcellos.

2.P. Q4 P.O4 15.P.Pch X.
3.P. K5 P.OB116.B.R4 N-QN5(6)
4.P.P(b) N-Q2 17.N.K5ch K-1
5.B.-Q3 N-K2 19.B.Pch NxB(6)
6.B.-Q3 N-K2 19.B.Pch NxB(7)
6.D.-Q N-QB3 20.R.Pch B-K2(7)
6.D.-Q N-QB3 20.R.Pch B-K2(7)
6.D.-Q N-QB3 20.R.Pch B-K2(7)
6.D.-Q N-QB3 20.R.Pch B-K2(7)
6.D.-Q N-QB3 20.R.Pch K-1
6.D.-N3 P-QR3 22.Q-N5ch K-1
6.D.N3 QxP 24.Q-R6ch K-1
6.D.N3

(a) Reshevsky playing P-K4 insteadhis usual 1.P-Q4 is quite sensatio (b) 4.P-B3. 4.N-KB3 or 4.Q-N4 are possible. (c) Fine feels that PxP correct here. (d) B-K2 was best. (e) diagram. The fireworks really start in