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CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENTS

The California State Championship finals will be played at the quarters of the Hollywood Chess Group, 108 N. Formosa, Hollywood, over the Labor Day week end. Qualifying tournaments in Hollywood, San Francisco, and Modesto have selected seven players to compete with the three seeded players in the finals. The players are: H. Gross and I. Rivise (Co-Champions), S. Almgren (Open Champion), H. Steiner, J. Wolfe, H. Gordon, W. Addison, D. Poliakoff, R. Currie and R. Burger. Charles E. Kodil will be tournament director. First prize will be in the neighborhood of \$100.

The California Open Championship will be played at the Saint Claire Hotel, San Jose, at the same time. This looks like the best ever! The San Jose Chess Club and the Chamber of Commerce are putting on a really big show. Friday night, September 4, at approximately 8 o'clock, there will be a free barbecue for players and friends at Alum Rock Park. The tournament will be a 7-round Swiss, and will be directed by Guthrie McClain, California's leading tournament director, and one of the best in the country. Entrance fee will be \$5.00, and California players will be required to show their CSCF membership cards (which may be bought at the time).

A number of special prizes are promised, including books, merchandise, chess sets, etc.

Reservations should be sent to the Saint Claire Hotel. If any difficulties arise, communicate with Howard O'Shaughnessy, 602 East Empire, San Jose. Players should bring chess sets and clocks.

EUROPEAN DIARY By Guthrie McClain

March 27, 1953 The Golden Gate Chess Club team left San Francisco Airport at 11:50 p.m. and arrived in New York the afternoon of March 28. The party consisted of Henry and Ida Gross, Guthrie and Ted McClain, and Dr. Kenneth and Yvonne Colby. George Koltanowski was already in Europe.

March 29 The Sabena Airlines flight to Brussels was scheduled for 1:30 p.m. The original plane was delayed, so we left Idlewild at 5 p.m. in the maiden voyage of a new DC-6B which was pressed into service. The first stop was Gander, Newfoundland, from which we hopped off over the Atlantic. But after two hours of flying the "fasten seat belts" order was given. Engine trouble had developed and we returned to Gander.

March 30 After an uncomfortable night at Gander, we waited all day while engine repairs were being made. We finally took off, almost 28 hours late. Our only interest by this time was in arriving at Luxembourg in time for our first match.

March 31 Brussels: Since we had missed connections for our plane, we were furnished with a bus, complete with driver and guide, for the 5-hour trip to Luxembourg. We were tired, dirty and sleepy when we arrived. When George saw us he winced, for we obviously were not in the best of condition for a hard chess match. A representative of the Luxembourg Chess Federation made a speech, and we sat down to play at tables decorated with U.S. and Luxembourg flags.

McClain won, Gross and Colby drew, and Koltanowski played four simultaneously, scoring one win and three draws. We won our first match, $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$.

April 1 A small reception was held in the morning and we were each given a plaque representing the seal of the city of Luxembourg. We left by train for Strasbourg, where we were met by a delegation.

In Strasbourg there is a large club called the California Club, which contains a considerable number of people who have never been in California! Some of these persons attended the reception given us by the American consul. In the evening we played in the hotel ballroom. The tables were roped off and there were a lot of spectators. Gross, McClain and Colby won, and Koltanowski drew. Henry and Ken were pretty lucky, especially Henry, whose opponent resigned when he had a mate in three!

April 2-6 This period originally was set aside for either an international tournament or a round-robin team match at Ghent, but both plans miscarried. Ken, Yvonne and George went on to Brussels, and the Grosses and McClains took a trip to Denmark.

April 7 The group was reunited at Dusseldorf. Play was held at the "Owl's Nest," a dark cafe where we played upstairs. Our opponents were all much stronger than our previous opposition, and we were all soon in trouble. Koltanowski met his first strong opponent, W. Niephaus, and lost at the 40th move. McClain and Colby went down fighting, while Gross weathered a terrific attack and scored our only win. We lost, 1-3. Ida Gross and Ted McClain salvaged some honors by trouncing two of the chess club members in bridge, and made the headlines in the next day's newspaper (which implied that the men might have done better at cards!).

April 8 Up the Rhine by steamer to Mainz, thence by train to Frankfurt.

April 9 We played an afternoon match against the picked team of the State of Hesse. Colby drew, McClain lost (an 18-move blitz by an 18-year old, Walter Metternich). Koltanowski won. Gross' game had to be adjourned, and he lost the ending after dinner. We lost, $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$.

April 10 George and Ken went ahead to Saarbrucken, while the ladies visited Heidelberg on their way to Switzerland.

April 11 Gross and McClain joined George and Ken at Saarbrucken. We were taken almost directly off the train (4:38 p.m.) and played a match without any dinner. This might have accounted for our poor showing, for after drawing the match 2-2, we felt that we should have won handily.

April 12 After a very long and trying day, we arrived in Schaffhausen at 2:00 p.m., where we received a shock. They wanted us to play a match at 3:00! We won a reprieve until 4:15. Gross and McClain lost, in games they would like to play over again when they are not so tired. Koltanowski and Colby won. Our team record was still even: 2 wins, 2 draws and 2 losses.

April 13 Arthur Bisguier joined the team at Zurich and was promptly made an honorary member of the Golden Gate Chess Club. George stayed in Zurich, where he played a match during the next week with Henri Grob, winning $3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$. Bisguier replaced Koltanowski during our Italian trip.

April 14 We arrived at Milan at 3:00 p.m., and were met at our hotel by Mr. Gian Carlo Dal Verme, the Milan FIDE representative. After dinner he took us to the chess club, which again was located over a cafe. We trounced the Milan Chess Club decisively, $3\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$, the first three boards winning. After the match our hosts presented us with Italian chess books, autographed by our opponents.

April 15 Without having a good look at Milan, we took the train to Venice and the high spot of our trip so far. When we arrived at Venice we were met by a large number of porters. It was raining and each porter had an umbrella for each of us. We were whisked off to the waiting Chris-Crafts for the ride up the Grand Canal to the luxurious Hotel Europa. Everything was paid for by Szabados. (Eugenio Szabados is probably the only really rich chess master. A child prodigy at chess, he was more or less adopted by a ship-owner when he was about twenty, turned to business, and was very successful at it. He now is the owner of a shipping line, and is ranked as International Master of the FIDE.) We played a double round with the Carlo Salvioli Chess Club of Venice. Although we were trounced 7-1, both matches were really close affairs. In the first match we were playing for a win all along. McClain and Colby had draws, Bisguier seemed to have an advantage at first, but drifted into a loss, while Gross lost his winning chances just before the time control, adjourned, and lost the ending the next day.

April 16 The second round with the Venetians: Colby lost, Gross was robbed of a won game (later Fletzer, who is a magistrate, told Gross that if he ever came to San Francisco he would expect to be prosecuted for theft), so Bisguier and McClain put their heads together and almost pulled out the match. McClain declined a draw, then blundered in time pressure and lost. Bisguier was confident until just before the end, but Szabados was too steady for him, and the Venetians scored a clean sweep. We had played a very strong team, but we are sure we ordinarily would have done much better. Now our score was even against clubs, but one down in matches played.

April 17-19 Sight-seeing in Venice and Rome.

April 20 More sight-seeing in Rome, then to the airport for our plane to Nice. After boarding the plane we were told that there would be a delay and were sent back to the airport. While waiting we sent telegrams, since we still hoped to be in time for our evening match. We finally took off five hours late, and a message at the Nice airport told us that the match was cancelled.

April 21 Nice: The match was held in the afternoon at the hotel in which the Club Alekhine is located. We now had a team of five. Everybody played carefully. Bisguier won an ending against Gibaud, and the other four drew, so we won 3-2. The team was ahead again, and with tough opposition before us in the three remaining matches, it looked as though we might break even on our European trip. This was much better than we had anticipated. We met Victor Kahn, former French Champion and confidant of Alekhine and Capablanca. Kahn autographed a few of his books "Au maitre...." to Gross and McClain - very complimentary, we think.

April 23 Port Bou, on the Spanish frontier: Here we had our first real delay with customs. We arrived at Barcelona at 3 o'clock and were met by representatives of the Club Ajedrez de Barcelona. We played in the evening at the club's quarters, which were the best we had seen. After speeches, the Golden Gate Chess Club was given an enormous silver trophy cup, and we were given lapel pins which seem to make us honorary members. When we started to play, we found that we were up against something tough. Not a single one of us had any advantage at all. Bisguier and Koltanowski managed to draw, and the rest went down to defeat after hard struggles. Score: 1-4.

April 25 We went by Air France to Paris. Our hotel, the Normandy, was conveniently located, with the Louvre a short distance on our right, the Cafe de la Regence nearby, and the Cafe de la Paix about five blocks away. We find, unfortunately, that there is hardly any chess played any more at the Regence.

April 26 We took our 50% record into the Cercle Caissa, to face Masters and Grandmasters: Dr. O.S. Bernstein, N. Rossolimo, Dr. X. Tartakower, A. Muffang, and C. Boutteville. There wasn't a weak spot in their line-up. We were given a nice reception by our old friend Dr. Boris Eliacheff, wartime French consul in San Francisco (who still carries his Mechanics' Institute membership card). But the nice things said did not help us when we sat down. Bisguier, who always played first board when he was with us, scored the only half-point. Koltanowski found Rossolimo too much for him, and so it went down the line. But we knew we were going to lose this match, and we didn't let it spoil our enjoyment of Paris.

April 27-30 Fun in Paris. Everybody wired home for more money.

May 1 A match having been scheduled tonight against the Harrow Chess Club, to be played at the National Chess Centre in London, our three couples met at the Paris airport. Again we were delayed, and by the time we got to London it was 7 p.m. The Harrow chess team was ready and waiting, but we learned the National Chess Center was to be closed at 10:15 p.m. It was after eight when we arrived at the club. How could we play a decent match in two hours? (Note by the Editor - the extraordinary limitations set on hours of play in England must be the principal reason why England, in spite of its great love of chess, produces so few great players. It is a popular saying throughout the world that no Englishman ever learns how to win a won game because the game is always adjudicated? Out here in California, we believe in finishing games, no matter how long it takes, and we believe that that is true in most places in the world. We wish the British Chess Magazine would some day explain just how this ridiculous state of affairs ever came about. It certainly is not of recent date!) Some of the Harrow people wanted to play at 50 moves per hour, but we refused to play at other than the normal 20 moves per hour. It was suggested that we play the next afternoon, but Gross' schedule at Bognor Regis called for the first round to be played then. We finally agreed to call the match off. We had counted on this match to even our score, but we had to finish with the score at 5-6.

Bognor Regis The chess congress gave Henry Gross an opportunity to match his game with that of some of England's leading masters. Gross played seven hard games in the eight-man Premier, but got only two draws, although practically every game went over into two sessions. How things would have gone had the California co-Champion been better rested, nobody can tell. A re-playing of Henry's games shows a remarkable number of pawn-grabbing instances by his opponents, where the grabber was able to hang on to the pawn and win the end-game. Gross usually makes things pretty tough in such cases. (Note by the Editor - Gross' play was far below par. It is clear that he was tired and wanted to go home.)

SUMMARY In retrospect, the European junket of the Golden Gate Chess Club of San Francisco was extremely successful. When we started out we were resigned to losing all but a few matches, and just where we were going to win was not clear. We knew we were not even the best possible team from the Golden Gate Chess Club, let alone the best in San Francisco. We were playing, usually, the best team of a particular city, and sometimes a picked team from a wide area. Lack of sleep, continuous travel, etc., etc. told against us. But it was fun, and we made a lot of good friends.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT This event was again won by Bob Burger of Lafayette, who thereby goes into the finals at Hollywood. M.O. Meyer was a strong second, and the remainder of the field was strong enough to make the two-day, four round Swiss a gruelling event.

		Round				Score
		1	2	3	4	
1.	R.E. Burger	W5	W3	D2	W4	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$
2.	M.O. Meyer	D8	W6	D1	W3	3-1
3-4.	J.M. David-Malig	W4	L1	W7	L2	2-2
3-4.	R.E. Russell	L3	W5	W6	L1	2-2
5.	F. Crofut	L1	L4	W8	W7	2-2
6.	W.T. Adams	W7	L2	L4	W8	2-2
7.	N.T. Austin	L6	W8	L3	L5	1-3
8.	L.H. Daugherty	D2	L7	L5	L6	$\frac{1}{2}$ -3 $\frac{1}{2}$

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT This event, a 10-round Swiss played at the Hollywood Chess Group's quarters, has been won very convincingly by International Master Herman Steiner, former U.S. Champion. (Score at last report, 9-0.) A few games remain to be played at this writing because of the absence of Steiner and Larry Remlinger in the east, but the first three places have been determined. Steiner, L. Wolfe and H. Gordon have qualified for the finals. Details will appear in the next issue of THE REPORTER.

CHESS FRIENDS CHAMPIONSHIP The top four players in Groups A, B and C of last season's Swiss System tournament for the championship of the Chess Friends of Northern California, Inc., met in three separate double-round tournaments. Henry Gross has added another title to his collection in Group A:

		1	2	3	4	Score
1.	H. Gross	X	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ 1	5-1
2.	V. Zemitis	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	X	$\frac{1}{2}$ 0	1 1	3-3
3-4.	R. Burger	0 0	$\frac{1}{2}$ 1	X	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	2-4
3-4.	R. Currie	$\frac{1}{2}$ 0	0 0	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	X	2-4

The tournament was held in various clubs in San Francisco and the Bay Area.

The Group B and Group C tournaments have had several postponements. Detailed results in these events will probably appear in the next issue of THE REPORTER.

SONOMA A record crowd of 240 turned out on Sunday, August 16, 1953, for the Valley of the Moon Chess Festival. The affair, which was held in the Sonoma Plaza, consisted of 53 four-man sections. Prizes for the best relative showings were awarded to Bob Currie (San Francisco) in Division A, R.J. Allen (San Carlos) in Division B, and Jack Fraser (San Francisco) in Division C. In a simultaneous exhibition George Koltanowski won 26, drew 3 (Dave Peizer, S.F., H. Minchaca, Richmond, G. Farly, Berkeley), lost 1 (to W. Shugert, Redwood City) and won 4 blindfold games.

KANSAS CITY The U.S. Junior Championship was won by Saul Yarmak of Passaic. The only California player in the tournament was 11-year-old Larry Remlinger of Long Beach. Larry was the sensation of the tournament, winning a special prize for the contestants under 15 years of age. Herman Steiner and Imre Konig have said of young Remlinger that his style is amazingly profound and mature for his years, and predict a great future for him.

HOLLYWOOD In a training match which also served the purpose of raising funds to defray the expenses of Larry Remlinger's trip to Kansas City, Herman Steiner leads John Alexander of San Diego, 3-0. The conditions of the match are that when Steiner has attained a plus score of 4, the sum of \$100 goes to the Remlinger fund. (We understand that the \$100 has already been paid over in order to make Remlinger's trip possible.)

LOS ANGELES A match is being played between Irving Rivise, State Co-Champion, and Sven Almgren, present Open Champion. After six games Rivise is leading, 4-2.

MILWAUKEE The U.S. Open Championship has been won by Donald Byrne of Brooklyn, $10\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$, ahead of Max Pavey and Nicolas Rossolimo. Plus scores were achieved by Californians Jim Cross, Herman Steiner, Vladimir Pafnutieff and Adolph J. Fink.

BUENOS AIRES S. Reshevsky won the match with M. Najdorf by the comparatively close score of $9\frac{1}{2}-8\frac{1}{2}$, although losing the 18th game. Reshevsky scored 4-1 in games 11 through 15!

GOLDEN GATE CHESS CLUB Arthur B. Bisguier, the club's honorary member on the European tour, gave a simultaneous display on August 25. Bisguier won 18, lost 1 to H. Gross, and drew 1 with J.C. Myers. Bisguier's next exhibition is at Walnut Creek, 8:00 p.m. on September 4.

GAME OF THE MONTH

(We are pleased to present the following game, with comments and notes by International Master Imre Konig - Ed.)

The recently played revenge match between Reshevsky and Najdorf proved to be a much tougher affair than the first one, and it is significant that the Nimzoindian Defense played a prominent role in the match. The climax of the match came when Reshevsky, playing Black in the 14th game, adopted a line played by Najdorf in the 5th game, and, improving on it, scored a remarkable victory. Yet the anti-climax soon came when Najdorf found an improvement for White and was able to turn the tables in the 16th game. The latter game follows:

Game No. 184 - Nimzoindian

White	Black
Najdorf	Reshevsky

1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. Kt-QB3	B-Kt5
4. P-K3	P-B4
5. B-Q3	O-O
6. Kt-B3	P-Q4
7. O-O	Kt-B3
8. P-QR3	QPxP
9. BxP	BxKt
10. PxB	Q-B2
11. P-QR4	...

Kotov's invention, which infused new life into the variation previously thought obsolete!

11. ...	P-QKt3
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This is the right continuation, as on 11...R-Q1; 12. B-R3, PxP; 13. BPxP, KtxP; 14. KtxKt, QxB; 15. B-K7, R-Q4; 16. BxKt, PxP; 17. Q-B3, B-Q2; 18. QxP, Q-B2; 19. QR-Kt1 (Kotov-Matanovic, Saltsjobaden 1952) White stands better.

12. B-R3	P-K4
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12...R-Q1 is not good, as Black

would be unable to play the important move ...P-K4 because of Kt-Kt5.

13. Q-B2	B-Kt2
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This is better than 13...B-Kt5 as played by Najdorf in the 5th game of the match: 14. Kt-Kt5, Kt-QR4; 15. B-R2, B-R4; 16. P-KB4, PxBP; 17. RxBP with the better game for White.

14. B-K2?	...
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This is an improvement on the line played in the 14th game, when after 14. Q-B5, P-K5; 15. Kt-Q2, QR-Q1; 16. Q-Kt5, Kt-QR4; 17. B-R2, KR-K1; 18. Q-Kt3, Q-B3; 19. KR-B1, B-R3; 20. B-Kt2, P-B5; Black was able to consolidate his position in the center and blockade White's center pawns. The idea of the move is to prevent Black from answering 15. PxB with Kt-QR4, winning a tempo by attacking the B. Besides, White is able to play PxB, which he could not do in the 14th game because his Kt on Q2 was unprotected.

14. ...	P-K5
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15. Kt-Q2 Kt-QR4
 16. PxP PxP
 17. P-QB4 ...

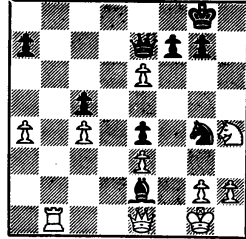
31. PxR Kt-Kt5
 32. P-K6! ...

White has achieved his strategical aim: opening up a fine diagonal for his QB and weakening Black's QBP.

17. ... KR-K1
 18. KR-Q1 QR-Q1
 19. Kt-B1 P-R4

Reshevsky undertakes a desperate maneuver to prevent 20. Kt-Kt3, with the threat of B-Kt2 and Kt-B5.

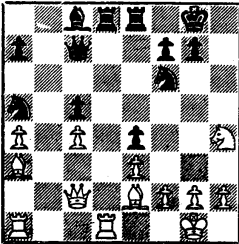
20. Kt-Kt3 P-R5
 21. Kt-B5 B-B1
 22. KtxRP! ...



Again a fine move. Now on 32... PxP; 33. Q-Kt3! with the threat of 34. Kt-Kt6, would decide. Against the many threats like R-Kt8ch and R-Kt2, Black would have no defense.

32. ... BxP
 33. PxPch BxP
 34. Q-Kt3 Q-Kt4
 35. R-K1 Q-R4
 36. R-KB1 Kt-R3
 37. P-R3 K-R2
 38. Q-B4 B-Q4
 39. Kt-B5 Kt-B2
 40. Q-B7 P-B5
 41. Q-Q7 B-R1
 42. R-B4 Resigns

There is no good defense against R-R4, as on 42...P-Kt4; 43. Kt-Kt3 follows.



On 22...P-Kt4, which seems to trap the Kt, there follows 23. B-Kt2, R-Q3; 24. RxB, QxB; 25. Q-B3 and wins.

22. ... Kt-B3
 23. B-Kt2 Kt-K4
 24. Q-B3 RxB
 25. RxB B-Kt5
 26. P-B3 B-R4
 26...PxP was better.
 27. Q-K1 Q-Kt2
 28. BxKt RxB
 29. P-B4 BxB
 30. R-Kt1!

Stronger than QxB or PxR.
 30. ... Q-K2

IN MEMORIAM

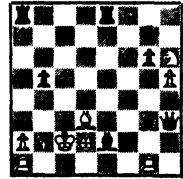
Hubert G. Webb of Pasadena died suddenly on June 16, 1953, at the Veterans Hospital, Sawtelle, from a heart attack. Mr. Webb had just won a problem solving contest in The Argonaut, and was a most loyal and enthusiastic supporter of chess.

CORRESPONDENCE Chris Fotias, President of the Visalia Chess Club, writes: "Don't worry about the delay in ordering Chess Archives. I'm too busy promoting chess anyway. For example, our kid's project on Saturdays is so successful that we plan to have a different member of our club on hand every night of the week at Recreation Park to instruct and play all comers.

"Further, we plan a tour of 12 towns surrounding Visalia. Letters to Recreation Departments go out today - instruction and simultaneous exhibitions featured...

"Our club played a friendly match with Corcoran July 22. Seven players came over, and we will visit them in two weeks... The Secretary of the Corcoran club is H.M. Baker, Box 911, Corcoran, Calif." (The splendid promotional work of the Visalia Club is an example for others to follow - Ed.)

Sven Almgren writes: "I received the June issue of THE REPORTER and I find my game with Levin... (Game No. 177 - Ed). I remember I handed the score to you at San Luis Obispo with one purpose: To point out that I had a win on the 34th move by BxKKtP - and not by Kt-B5ch, as is suggested. After 34. BxKKtP (see diagram) White wins in a few moves. Levin agrees with me..."



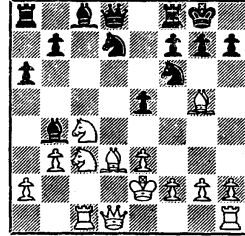
Emil Ladner of Berkeley says: "Here is my renewal for the vastly interesting little chess magazine of yours. I certainly hope it keeps on and on! Robert H. Kannapell of Jeffersonville, Indiana, and myself are battling five games for the National Chess Championship of the Deaf, sponsored by The Courier. I won the first game:

Game No. 185 - French Defense

White	Black		
E. Ladner	R. Kannapell	8.	B-Q2 P-B5
		9.	P-Kt3 B-Q2
(Notes by the winner)		10.	B-Kt2 B-B3
1.	P-K4 P-K3	11.	O-O Kt-Q2
2.	P-Q4 P-Q4	12.	Q-Kt1 Q-R5
3.	Kt-QB3 B-Kt5	13.	Kt-R4 O-O
4.	P-K5 P-QB4	14.	P-B4 QKt-Kt3
5.	P-QR3 BxKtch	15.	P-B5 PxP
6.	PxB Kt-K2	16.	KtxP KtxKt
7.	Kt-B3 Q-R4	17.	RxKt Q-R4
		18.	Q-QB1 Kt-R5

Here ... B-Q2 should have been played.

- 19. B-R6 QxP
- 20. BxKtP B-Q2
- 21. R-Kt5 QxPch
- 22. K-R1 B-K3?



An oversight, but there is no adequate defense against B-B6. For example: 22...KR-B1; 23. B-B6ch, K-B1; 24. R-Kt8ch?, KxR; 25. Q-Kt5ch, K-B1; 26. Q-Kt7ch, K-K1; 27. Q-Kt8 mate. Or if 22...P-B3; 23. BxPch, K-B2; 24. R-Kt7ch, K-K1; 25. R-K7ch, K-Q1; 26. RxPch, K-B1 (cannot capture the R on account of P-K6ch); 27. RxRP with overwhelming advantage.
23. B-B6 mate.

- 14. ... BxKt?
- 15. BxKt QxB
- 16. BxPch KxB
- 17. Q-Q3ch P-K5?
- 18. QxB QxQ
- 19. RxQ P-QKt4
- 20. Kt-Q6 Kt-B3
- 21. R(R1)-QB1 B-K3
- 22. P-B4 KR-Q1
- 23. R-B6 B-Q4
- 24. R-B8?? RxKt
Resigns.

The following game was played by young Larry Remlinger of Long Beach in the current Southern California Championship. The game is noteworthy for showing how the boy takes advantage of weak play.

NO. CALIF. CHAMPIONSHIP, 1953

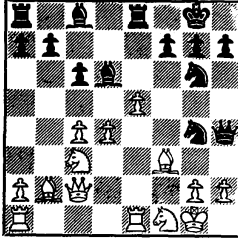
Game No. 186 - Q.G.D.

White	Black
S. Geller	L. Remlinger
1. Kt-KB3	P-Q4
2. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
3. P-B4	P-K3
4. B-Kt5	QKt-Q2
5. P-K3	B-K2
6. QKt-Q2	P-B3
7. B-Q3	O-O
8. R-QB1	PxP
9. KtxP	P-B4
10. P-QKt3?	PxP
11. KtxP	B-Kt5ch
12. K-K2?	P-K4
13. Kt-Kt5	P-QR3
14. Kt-B3	...

Game No. 187 - Q.G.D.

White	Black
R. Currie	H. Gross
1. P-Q4	P-Q4
2. Kt-KB3	Kt-KB3
3. P-B4	P-K3
4. Kt-B3	P-B3
5. P-K3	QKt-Q2
6. Q-B2	B-Q3
7. P-QKt3	O-O
8. B-K2	PxP
9. PxP	P-K4
10. O-O	R-K1
11. R-K1	Q-K2
12. B-Kt2	P-K5
13. Kt-Q2	Kt-B1

- 14. P-B3 PxB
- 15. BxP Kt-Kt5
- 16. Kt-B1 Kt-Kt3
- 17. P-K4 Q-R5
- 18. P-K5



- 18. ... RxP?
- 19. RxR Kt/3xR
- 20. PxKt B-B4ch
- 21. K-R1 Kt-B7ch
- 22. K-Kt1 B-B4?
- 23. QxB Kt-R6ch
- 24. K-R1 Q-B7

Resigns.

A pretty game!

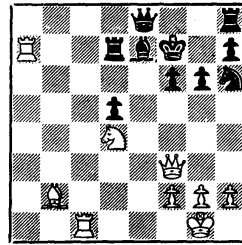
Game No. 188 - Sicilian

White Black

D. Poliakoff J. Petriceks

- 1. P-K4 P-QB4
- 2. P-Q4 PxB
- 3. Kt-KB3 Kt-QB3
- 4. KtxP P-KKt3?
- 5. KtxKt KtPxKt
- 6. Q-Q4 P-B3
- 7. B-QB4 Q-Kt3
- 8. Q-Q3 P-QR4
- 9. O-O B-QR3
- 10. Kt-R3 P-K3
- 11. R-Q1 P-Q4
- 12. FxF BFP
- 13. BxB QxB

- 14. Kt-Kt5 K-B2
- 15. P-QB4 R-Q1
- 16. P-QR3 B-B4
- 17. P-QKt4! RPxB
- 18. B-Kt2 KtPxP
- 19. KtxP Kt-R3
- 20. Q-KB3 B-K2
- 21. Kt-Kt5 Q-B3
- 22. R-R7 R-Q2
- 23. PxB PxF
- 24. Kt-Q4 Q-B1
- 25. R-QB1 Q-K1



- 26. R/1-B7 RxR
- 27. QxQPch K-Kt2
- 28. Kt-K6ch K-Kt1
- 29. KtxR Q-B2
- 30. R-R8ch B-B1
- 31. Kt-K6 Resigns.

Game No. 189 - Q.P.

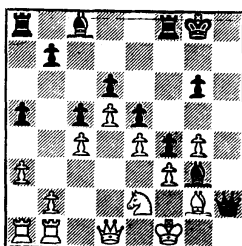
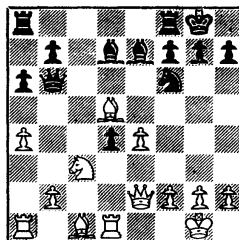
White Black

A. Chappell W. Addison

- 1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3
- 2. P-QB4 P-K3
- 3. B-Kt5 P-KR3
- 4. BxKt QxB
- 5. Kt-KB3 P-KKt3
- 6. P-KKt3 B-Kt2
- 7. Kt-B3 O-O
- 8. B-Kt2 P-Q3
- 9. P-K4 Kt-B3
- 10. P-Q5 Kt-Q5

- 11. O-O KtxKtch
- 12. BxKt Q-K2
- 13. Q-B2 P-QB4
- 14. B-Kt2 P-K4
- 15. P-QR3 P-B4
- 16. P-B3 P-B5
- 17. Q-B2 P-QR4
- 18. P-KKt4 P-R4
- 19. P-R3 B-B3
- 20. KR-Kt1 B-R5
- 21. Q-B1 B-Kt6
- 22. Q-Q1 Q-R2
- 23. Kt-K2 PxP
- 24. RPxP Q-R7ch
- 25. K-B1

- 10. Kt-B3 B-K2
- 11. P-Q5 PxB
- 12. BxQP O-O
- 13. P-K4 Kt-Q5
- 14. KtxKt PxKt



- 25. ... BxP?
 - 26. KtxB PxB
 - 27. Q-K2 BxP?
- Resigns.

- 15. P-K5 B-KKt5?
- 16. B-B3 BxB
- 17. QxB PxB
- 18. PxB P-B7

If 18...QxBP; 19. QxBP, QxQ; 20. PxB, B-B3; 21. R-Kt1, followed by B-Q2 and B-K1, with a draw in sight.

- 19. R-Q2 BxB
 - 20. RxB QR-B1
 - 21. Q-B5 QR-Q1
- Draw agreed.

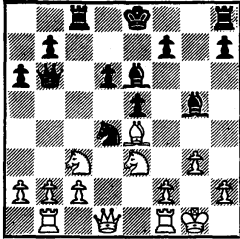
Game No. 191 - Sicilian

Game No. 190 - Q.G.A.

	White	Black
	V. Zemitis	P. Dahl
1.	P-Q4	P-Q4
2.	Kt-KB3	Kt-KB3
3.	P-B4	PxB
4.	P-K3	P-K3
5.	BxB	P-B4
6.	O-O	P-QR3
7.	P-QR4	Kt-B3
8.	Q-K2	Q-Kt3
9.	R-Q1	B-Q2

	White	Black
	H. Gross	S. Poulsen
1.	P-K4	P-QB4
2.	Kt-KB3	Kt-QB3
3.	P-Q4	PxB
4.	KtxP	P-K4
5.	Kt-Kt5	Kt-B3
6.	QKt-B3	P-Q3
7.	B-Kt5	P-QR3
8.	Kt-R3	B-K3
9.	Kt-B4	B-K2
10.	BxKt	PxB
11.	Kt-K3	R-QB1

- 12. P-KKt3 Kt-Q5
- 13. B-Kt2 Q-Kt3
- 14. R-QKt1 P-B4
- 15. O-O Pxp
- 16. Bxp B-Kt4

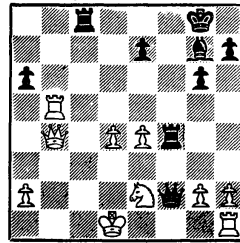


- 17. QKt-Q5 QExKt
- 18. KtxB Q-Q1
- 19. P-KB4 B-R3
- 20. Pxp Pxp
- 21. Q-R5 Resigns.

Game No. 192 - Grunfeld

White	Black
T. Fries	D. Poliakoff
1. P-Q4	Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-KKt3
3. Kt-QB3	P-Q4
4. Pxp	KtxP
5. P-K4	KtxKt
6. PxKt	P-QB4
7. B-QB4	B-Kt2
8. Kt-K2	Kt-B3
9. B-K3	Pxp
10. Pxp	Q-R4ch
11. B-Q2	Q-R4
12. Q-Kt3	O-O
13. B-B3	Kt-R4
14. Q-Kt4	KtxB
15. QxKt	B-Q2
16. QR-Kt1	P-QR3
17. Kt-Kt3	Q-KKt4

- 18. B-Q2 Q-R5
- 19. Rxp? B-Kt4
- 20. Q-Kt4 QR-B1
- 21. B-K3 P-B4
- 22. Kt-K2 P-B5
- 23. Bxp RxB
- 24. RxB QxPch
- 25. K-Q1



- 25. ... RxB
 - 26. Q-Kt3ch P-K3
 - 27. Q-Q3 R-K6
- Resigns.

Game No. 193 - Pirc Def.

White	Black
R. Cuneo	A. Chappell

- 1. P-K4 P-Q3
- 2. P-Q4 Kt-KB3
- 3. Kt-QB3 QKt-Q2
- 4. Kt-KB3 P-KKt3
- 5. B-Q3

Questionable. 5. B-QB4? would threaten Bxpch followed by Kt-Kt5ch and Kt-K6.

- 5. ... B-Kt2
- 6. O-O P-K4
- 7. B-KKt5 O-O
- 8. Q-B1 R-K1
- 9. Kt-Q5 P-B3
- 10. Kt-QB3 Pxp
- 11. KtxP Kt-B4
- 12. R-K1 Q-B2

- 13. Kt-B3 B-Kt5
- 14. Q-B4 Kt-K3
- 15. Q-Kt3 BxKt
- 16. BxKt BxB
- 17. QxB B-Kt2
- 18. B-B4 Kt-Q5
- 19. Q-Q1 R-K2
- 20. R-Kt1 QR-K1
- 21. B-Q3 P-KB4
- 22. Q-Q2 PxP
- 23. RxBP RxR
- 24. KtxR P-Q4
- 25. Kt-Kt3 Kt-K3
- 26. P-QB3 Kt-B5
- 27. B-B1 B-R3
- 28. Q-B2 Q-R4
- 29. Q-Kt3 P-QKt4
- 30. R-R1 K-R1
- 31. P-QR4 R-K4
- 32. Q-Q1 Q-Kt3
- 33. PxP PxP
- 34. Q-Kt3 P-Q5
- 35. PxP QxP

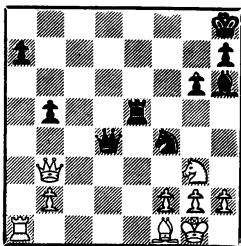
- 36. R-Q1 Q-B4?
- Black is in time trouble. White now finishes in neat fashion.
- 37. R-Q8ch B-B1
 - 38. Q-B7 Kt-K3
 - 39. R-K8 Q-Q3
 - 40. Q-B6ch K-Kt1
 - 41. RxBch? QxR
 - 42. QxR Resigns.

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Game No. 194 - Ruy
(First match game)

White Black
S. Almgren I. Rivise
(Notes by Irving Rivise)

- 1. P-K4 P-K4
 - 2. Kt-KB3 Kt-QB3
 - 3. B-Kt5 P-QR3
 - 4. B-R4 Kt-B3
 - 5. O-O B-K2
 - 6. R-K1 P-QKt4
 - 7. B-Kt3 O-O
 - 8. P-QR4
- A slight attempt to avoid the Marshall Attack.
- 8. ... R-Kt1
 - 9. PxP PxP
 - 10. P-B3 P-Q3

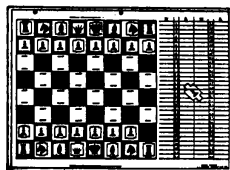


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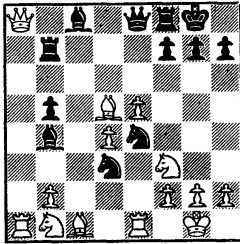
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10...P-Q4 is also good here but I, too, wanted to be different.

11. P-Q4 Q-K1
12. Q-Q3? PXP

White's previous move was weak and permits Black to burst his restraining bonds and seize the initiative.

13. PXP Kt-QKt5
14. Q-B3 P-Q4
15. P-K5 Kt-K5
16. QxP? R-Kt2
17. Q-R5 Kt-Q6
18. BxP B-QKt5
19. Q-R8



19. ... BxR?

19...R-B2 was better. After this the game is lost for Black.

20. BxR BxPch
21. K-B1 P-B4
22. BxKt PxB
23. QxP KtxB
24. KxB B-B4
25. Q-Kt7 Kt-Kt6
26. R-R7 Q-Kt3
27. Kt-B3 KtxP
28. Kt-Q5 K-R1
29. R-R8 Kt-K3
30. Kt-B4 Resigns.

Game No. 195 - Ruy
(Second match game)

White Black
I. Rivise S. Almgren
(Notes by Irving Rivise)

1. P-K4 P-K4
2. Kt-KB3 Kt-QB3
3. B-Kt5 P-QR3
4. B-R4 Kt-B3
5. O-O B-K2
6. Q-K2 P-QKt4
7. B-Kt3 O-O
8. P-B3 P-Q4
9. P-Q3 B-Kt5

The third time in three years Sven has played this against me. He has lost all three games.

10. PXP

The first time, in 1951, the game continued 10. P-KR3, B-R4; 11. QKt-Q2, K-R1; 12. PXP, KtxP; 13. Q-K4 winning a piece.

10. ... Kt-QR4
11. B-B2 QxP
12. QKt-Q2 P-B4

Losing a Pawn. In our second game with this variation Black played 12...B-Q3. There followed 13. P-QKt4, Kt-Kt2; 14. P-B4, Q-B3; 15. P-B5, P-QR4; 16. B-Q1 and White soon had a powerful attack.

13. QxP Q-Q2
14. P-KR3 Kt-B3
15. Q-Kt3 B-B4
16. Kt-K4 P-B5
17. B-Kt5

If I must say so myself, a neat move, developing and threatening all sorts of things.

17. ... Kt-KR4
18. Q-R4 BxB
19. QxB B-Kt3

19...PXP is refuted by 20. BxP, QxB; 21. QxB, threatening Kt-B6ch, QxKt, etc.

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| 20. P-Q4 | P-R3 |
| 21. Q-R4 | Q-Q4 |
| 22. QR-K1 | P-QR4 |
| 23. Kt/3-Q2 | QR-Q1 |
| 24. P-B4 | KtxQP |

His only chance, but this, too, fails.

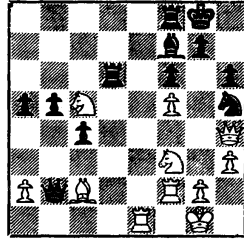
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| 25. PxKt | QxPch |
| 26. R-B2 | |

This came as a surprise to Alm-gren. He had counted on 26. Q-B2, which is decidedly inferior to the text continuation.

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| 26. ... | QxP |
| 27. Kt-KB3 | P-B3 |
| 28. P-B5 | B-B2 |
| 29. Kt-B5 | R-Q3 |

Black is so intent on watching his rooks that he becomes oblivious to the "battery" on White's second rank.

(See Diagram)



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| 30. Kt-K6 | R-Kt1 |
| 31. P-Kt4 | BxKt |
| 32. PxB | Kt-B5 |
| 33. B-R7ch | KxB |
| 34. RxQ | KtxKP |
| 35. Q-Kt3 | R/1-Q1 |
| 36. RxP | P-B6 |
| 37. Q-B2 | Kt-B5 |
| 38. Q-B2ch | K-R1 |
| 39. QxP | R-Q6 |
| 40. Q-B7 | KtxPch |
| 41. K-R2 | Kt-B7 |
| 42. K-Kt3 | Kt-Q8 |
| 43. R-Kt7 | Resigns. |

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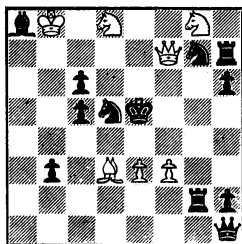
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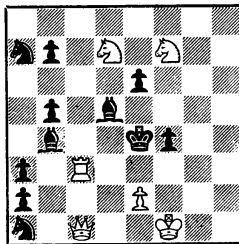
Mr. Bolton barely nosed out Jerald B. Slavich of Marysville, whose solutions also were excellent.

Tasks No. 37 and No. 38 in this issue are two famous 4-movers by the late, celebrated English composer Godfrey Heathcote. These problems will not count as part of a contest, but are given merely to keep solvers busy for a month or so, while we prepare for our sixth contest.

TASK No. 37
White Mates in Four



TASK No. 38
White Mates in Four



ANSWERS: TASK No. 35: 1. R-K5, with the main line 1...K-Q3;
2. Q-K4.

TASK No. 36: The key move is 1. B-R8, and if 1...
BxB; 2. Q-R1.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Owing to the illness of the Editor, this issue of THE REPORTER has been delayed. The Associate Editors have completed Dr. Ralston's work on this issue, and will carry on in the future. But henceforth the Editor's labor on THE REPORTER will have to be confined to REPORTER TASKS and an occasional editorial.

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