



# CHESS



By E. J. CLARKE

H. P. Braig, chairman of the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club executive committee, announces that Dr. Alexander Alekhine will be the guest of the Institute Chess Club for two days, Friday, May 10, and Saturday, May 11, instead of the single appearance originally planned. Tentative arrangements call for an informal reception to the champion Friday afternoon and a few exhibition games against leading local experts in consultation. The main exhibition by the master is scheduled for Saturday evening, 7:30 o'clock, when Dr. Alekhine will play between thirty and forty games simultaneously against club members and visiting local and out-of-town enthusiasts.

Tuesday and Wednesday of next week Alekhine will be the guest of the Los Angeles Athletic Club, where the program calls for a forty-board simultaneous exhibition by the famous master. Clif Sherwood, chess editor of the Los Angeles Times, is in charge of arrangements. It is understood that Dr. Alekhine will have a few words to say to the Southland over radio station KFI.

Here are a few biographical items concerning the world's chess champion that are timely: Alexander Alexandrovitch Alekhine (the final spelling of the surname) was born in Moscow on October 19, 1892. When only 16 years he won first prize and mastership in the Russian amateur chess tournament held concurrently with the St. Petersburg masters' tournament of 1909. Between that year and 1914 Alekhine won first prize in three international tournaments. He was second to Capablanca at London international tournament, 1922; third (Lasker, first; Capablanca, second) at New York, 1924; second to Capablanca at New York, 1927, and defeated Capablanca for title of the world's chess champion at Buenos Aires in December of the same year. Since then he has obtained the degree of Docteur en Droit at Paris. Just before coming to the United States Alekhine completed his analytical notes to the games of the New York 1927 tournament, recently published in Germany. Alekhine is now a French citizen.

For the encouragement of amateur players who will face Dr. Alekhine at the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club Saturday night, May 11, here is a game won from the champion during a simultaneous exhibition at Brooklyn. Solomon, a high school student, residing in that city, after winning the exchange, played championship chess:

| SICILIAN DEFENSE |                 | SICILIAN DEFENSE |                 |
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| Alekhine. White. | Solomon. Black. | Alekhine. White. | Solomon. Black. |
| 1 P-K4           | P-QB4           | 28 B-Q6          | R-Q2            |
| 2 S-KB3          | P-K3            | 29 B-S3          | K-B2            |
| 3 P-Q4           | PxP             | 30 P-K4          | R-K             |
| 4 SxP            | S-KB3           | 31 R-S4          | KR-K2           |
| 5 S-QB3          | B-S5            | 32 P-QR4         | R-Q8            |
| 6 B-Q3           | P-K4            | 33 R-B4          | KR-Q2           |
| 7 S-B3           | P-Q4            | 34 P-K5          | QR-Q5           |
| 8 PxP            | P-K5            | 35 R-B8          | P-B4            |
| 9 B-S5ch         | B-Q2            | 36 R-B3          | P-B5            |
| 10 BxBch         | QxB             | 37 B-B2          | R-Q7            |
| 11 S-Q2          | BxS             | 38 R-B3          | P-KS4           |
| 12 PxB           | QxP             | 39 P-R4          | K-S3            |
| 13 B-R3          | P-K6            | 40 PxP           | KxP             |
| 14 PxP           | QxSP            | 41 BxP           | K-S5            |
| 15 Q-B3          | QxQ             | 42 R-B           | P-B6            |
| 16 SxQ           | S-B3            | 43 B-B5          | R-K7            |
| 17 Castles(Q)    | S-K5            | 44 B-Q6          | R-KB2           |
| 18 KR-S          | SxP             | 45 K-B4          | P-B7            |
| 19 R-Q2          | KR-S            | 46 K-Q5          | R-K8            |
| 20 S-S5          | P-KR3           | 47 RxP           | RxR             |
| 21 K-S2          | PxS             | 48 P-B4          | KB4             |
| 22 KxS           | QR-B            | 49 P-R5          | R-Q7ch          |
| 23 RxP           | S-K4ch          | 50 K-B5          | K-K3            |
| 24 K-S3          | S-B6            | 51 K-S6          | R-S8ch          |
| 25 QR-Q5         | SxR             | 52 K-B7          | R-QR7           |
| 26 RxS           | P-B3            | 53 P-B5          | RxP             |
| 27 R-S5          | R-B2            | Resigns          |                 |

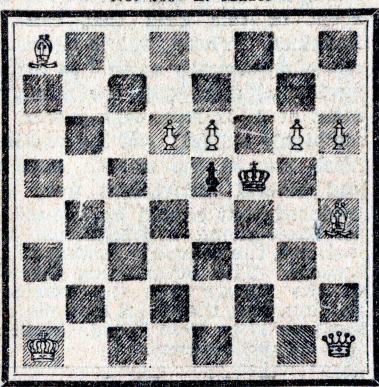
"Another clew in the Bishop murder mystery!" writes M. Walters of

Oakland, who claims that the position is to be found on page 37 of Mason's Art of Chess, and that the win was demonstrated by Dr. Lasker. The plot thickens!

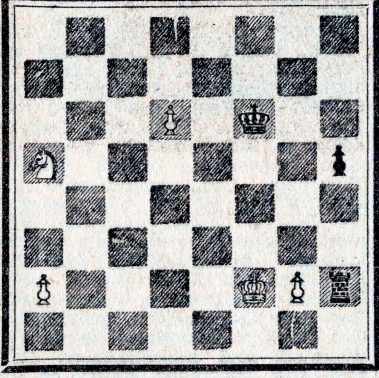
S. A. Reynolds and others point out a "cook" in Problem No. 196 (by Szaaz of Budapest). To correct, substitute white rook for white king, replacing the king on KR5.—A. J. Fink.

## PROBLEMS

A. J. F.



W(8) B(2)—Mate in Two  
No. 201—K. A. L. Kubbel



W(5) B(3)—White Plays and Wins  
Solutions: No. 198—S-B7; No. 199—S-R3, followed by S-QB4.  
Solvers' list: M. Walters, Oakland; S. A. Reynolds and A. R. Waters, Chico; R. B. Fitch, Modesto ("Chess for father, comics for kids; would like to see daily chess column."); R. Dunipace, Palo Alto; J. E. E. Los Gatos; T. Goodwin, Oakland; W. G. Van Doren, Marysville; I. M. Spencer, Vallejo; W. R. Shaw, city; A. R., city; R. W. Hummel and Ray Downs, Oakland; J. B. Price, Stanford University; David St. Johnson, Mill Valley. J. G. Smith, Stockton: Problems received. Thanks. Lew Kerfoot, Modesto; C. Bergman, Hanford; Fred Christensen, Oakland.

## Forger's Conscience Wins Him Probation

James Long, 22, was on his way back to Chicago yesterday under one year probation for forgery of a \$75 money order in Monterey two years ago. Last month Long walked into the Chief Postal Inspector in Chicago, said that his conscience bothered him, and confessed the forgery. He was sent here for trial, though no charges against him were pending. J. Fred McDonald, attorney for Long, pleaded with Federal Judge Kerrigan for leniency yesterday, saying that Long's conscience, he believed, would keep him out of trouble in the future.