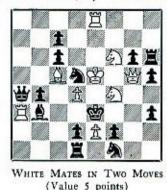
THE CHESS PLAYER

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TASK No. 16, by G. Heathcote



Answer to Task No. 14: R-Kt3,

Answer to Task No. 16 should be

postmarked not later than June 5. It is required only that White's first move be given.

THE Hollywood International Tournament was won by Grandmaster S. Gligoric of Yugoslavia with a score of 7½-1½, closely followed by Arturiro Pomar of Spain with 7-2.

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San Francisco 3-6, Ray Martin of Santa Monica 2½-6½, and Sonja Graf of Los Angeles ½-8½. The showing made by Cross, Pafnutieff and Martin was very creditable, since it was the first international tourna-

ment in which these California players had participated. With a little more hard tournament experience, these players will be very dangerous opponents for even the greatest

masters.

By drawing the fifteenth game, S. Reshevsky of New York was assured of victory in his match of eighteen games with M. Najdorf of Argentina. We have not as yet received the score of the tenth game, which was a draw, so we continue with the next three games, two of which were won by Najdorf, and the third drawn. The match had looked like a runaway for Reshevsky, but Najdorf scored four points out of five in the Mexico City session, so the final result will be fairly respectable. MATCH GAME NO. 11-Sicilian Defense White-M. Najdorf 23. B-R4 24. PxP 25. BxKt

Black-S. Reshevsky P-Kt5 PxP RxB Najdorf has gained his objective of trad-

White—M. Najdorf
1. P-K4 P-QB4
2. Kt-KB3 P-Q3
3. P-Q4 PXP
4. KtsP Kt-KB3
5. Kt-QB3 P-QR3
6. P-B4 P-K4
7. Kt-B3 Q-B2
8. B-Q3 B-K3
9. 0-0 QKt-Q2
10. QK1 B-K2 ing off the black Kt. after which the white Kt will strongly post at Q5.

B-K2 10. Q-K1 26. RxR BxR 11. K-R1 27, Kt-Q5 P-Kt6 12. Kt-KR4 QR-Q1 13. PxP PxP 14. Kt-B5 BxKt 28. Q-Q2 29. Q-B3 30. QxKtP B-Kt4 30. Q-B3 30. Q-KtP 31. R-QKt1 Q-K7 32. Q-Q1 Kt-B4

15. RxB P-KR3 R-Q3 P-QKt4 32. Q-Q1 33. Q-KB1 34. P-QKt4 16. R-B3 17. B-Q2 Q-B7 18. Q-K2 19. P-QR3 K-B1 RtxB Q-Q2 R-Q1 35. P-R3 B-BS 20, PxKt 21, B-K1 22, R-Q1 36. R-R1 Q-K67?? 37. Q-B5! Resigns P-QR4 There is no defense.

Score: Reshevsky 7½, Najdorf 3½.

MATCH GAME NO. 12—King's Indian Defense
White—S. Reshevsky Black—M. Najdorf 16. P-KH3 B-Q2 Q-KI 17. Q-Q3

Q-Kt3 18. QR-Kt1 19. P-QKt4 20, Kt-K2 21. PxP 22. P-R5 23. B-B1

Kt-K5 P-QKt3 KtPxP QR-K1

White—S. Reshevsky
1. P-Q4 Kt-KB3
2. P-QB4 Kt-KB3
3. P-KB43 B-Kt2
4. B-Kt2 0-0
5. P-K4 P-B4
6. P-Q5 P-K4
7. Kt-K2 P-Q3
8. QK1-B3 P-QR3
9. P-QR4 QKt-Q2
10. 0-0 Kt-R4
11. B-K3 P-B4
12. PXP PXP
13. P-B4 PXP R-B2 Kt-B3 24. K-R2 Kt-B3 25. B-Q2 R(B2)-K2 26. QR-K1 Q-R3 27. K-Kt1 Kt-K5 28. B-B1 Kt-B6

13. P-B4 PxP 14. KtxP KtxKt 15. PxKt Kt-B3 29. K-B2

Here Reshevsky resigned. His game is hopeless. Score: Reshevsky 7½, Najdori 4½.

2. Kt-KB3 Kt-QB3 11. 0-0 Kt-B5 3. B-B4 B-B4 12. BxKt OxB 4. P-B3 Kt-B3 13. OKtxP KtxKt 5. P-Q3 P-Q3 14. KtxKt QxKt 6, P-QR4 P-0R3 15. P-Q4 BxP 7. Kt-R3 P-04 16. QxB QxQ 8. PxP KtxP 17. PxQ B-Q2 9. B-Kt3 0-0 Draw agreed. Short and sweet! Reshevsky B, Najdorf 5. James Schmitt of San Francisco won the championship of the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club for the current year by defeating C. M. Capps of Oakland in the crucial play-off game.

San Francisco narrowly escaped defeat in a team match against the rest of the Bay Area played May 10. The final score was 11-10 in San Francisco's favor. The match was a tune-up for the North-South

13—Ginoco Piano

10. Kt-B4

Black-S. Reshevsky

Q-B3

MATCH GAME NO.

P-K4

White-M. Najdorf

1. P-K4

match to be played May 31. A. Palmin of the Russian Chess Club saved the day for San Francisco by defeating Lee Kerfoot of Modesto in the final game, after having an apparently lost game.

M. O. Meyer and Ray L. Richards shared first place in the tournament for the championship of Sacramento. There will be a two-game play-off.

The New York Metropolitan Club Championship was won by the Manhattan players when they defeated the Marshall Chess Club. The 17-board match was one

of the strongest ever held in the United States. The score was 10-6, with one game

yet to be decided.