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on the cover...in keeping with the holiday spirit, artist David Miller, a native Ill., and I met in Atlanta, GA, extend reflections these greetings

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What's New

SEVEN TIE IN REGION VII TOURNEY

Seven players—four from Missouri, two Iowans, and an Illinois—shared first place in the First Region VII Championship tournament held in Burlington, Iowa on Nov. 1-2. Winning the Region VII Championship trophy was Master Terry Niehoff of St. Louis. His sole loss was at the hands of fellow Missouri master Michael Brooks. Brooks was among the seven who scored 4-1 to take the Missouri trophy. Sam Naylor from Carthage, Illinois won the Illinois trophy and top Iowa scorer Darryl Clemmons took the Iowa trophy. Naylor also won the honors for top Category I scorer, and Clemmons tied for first place honors in Category II. Victor Ellison of Kansas City, Bob Holliman of Independence, MO, and Leroy Gay of Iowa shared first with identical 4-1 scores. Ellison also tied for Category II honors, while Gay won the Upset Prize by defeating expert Mitch Weiss.

Craig Perri of Oglesby, IL won the Junior title and also scored at the top of the pack to take the Category III prize, while Dave Humm took second Junior and won the Jerger clock contributed by Helen Warren. Hook prize went to highest scoring senior citizen, Dr. Robert Cook. Category IV honors went to Shawn Laughlin.

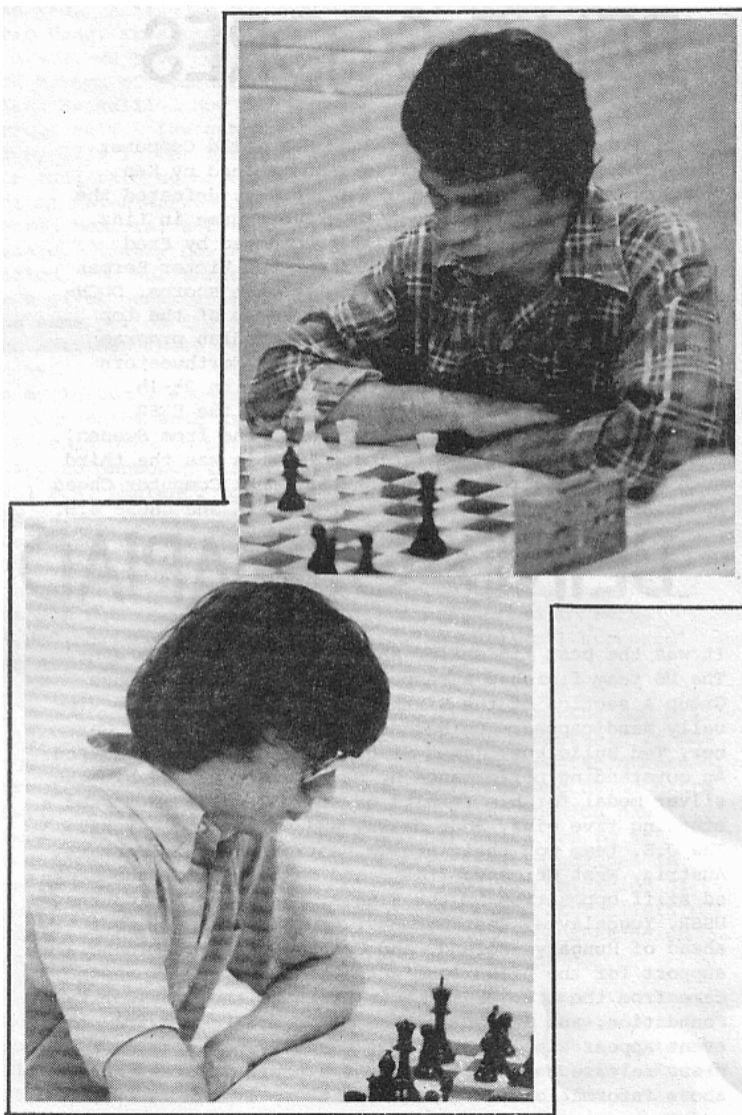
The odds on favorite at tourney start had to be Mike Brooks rated at 2341. But Dennis Younglove, fast-rising St. Louis junior, had other ideas in Rd. 3 and held a draw with Brooks. In the last round Bob Holliman managed to do the same, edging into the seven-way tie group himself.

Tournament organizers Carl Dunn, Ron Chaney, and Dave Robinson are to be congratulated for an excellent maiden voyage for Region VII's Championship. Veteran TD John Osness of Waterloo directed. The YWCA was the site in downtown Burlington.

Organizers and players were delighted with the turnout of 55 for a first-time event, and hope this figure will grow next year for the Second Region VII Championship. If your city and club would like to host next year's event, contact Regional V-Ps (Mike Zacate, Helen Warren (both of Illinois) or Bill Merrill of Missouri). The RVPs will assess bids and award this tournament to a venue showing interest and attractive tournament site and structure. It is the hope of the organizers of this first Region VII event, echoed by many players at the Burlington event, that the Region VII championship rotate among the three states composing Region VII (Illinois, Iowa, and Missouri). Crosstable of this tournament elsewhere in this issue.

ACF PROGRAM

The American Chess Foundation is seeking talented youngsters and qualified teachers for its new nationwide teaching program. Private lessons and group classes will be offered to chessplayers who cannot afford to pay for lessons and who have demonstrated a high level of chess potential. The "ELIGIBILITY INDEX" (EI) of a player is calculated as follows: Rating minus 100 times age = EI. Players with EI



at top...Region VII's first Champion, Terry Niehoff of St. Louis, MO...below Michael Brooks of Kansas City, MO who won the Missouri trophy.

over 500 may apply for private lessons and those over 300 will be considered for classes. Teachers (preferably rated 2200 or higher) will be paid directly by the ACF. Interested youngsters under the age of 21 may apply by writing to the ACF. Include age, rating, a brief chess autobiography and family financial information. Teachers may apply by furnishing age, USCF rating, FTDE rating and title (if any), teaching experience, rate of pay expected, a brief chess autobiography and availability. Teachers may suggest students; students may suggest teachers. There is no assurance that any particular applicant will be accepted for the program. Factors other than

rating will be considered and the decision of the ACF will be final.

The ACF hopes that by making it possible for dedicated young chessplayers to study with conscientious teachers, both (as well as American chess) will benefit. Contributions to the ACF will help support this program and are tax deductible. They should be sent to the American Chess Foundation, Box 15, Whitestone, NY 11357.

Illinois Juniors!! Do you qualify for the above program? If so, don't hesitate to apply. The ACF will expand this program if it succeeds. YOUR interest will not only help YOUR chess, but will support this most worthwhile ACF undertaking. Let's remember that it was the support of the ACF during 1980 which benefited the ICB; this organization contributed \$400 towards the publication of this magazine.

BELLE SCORES

The computer program BELLE is the New World Computer Chess Champion. BELLE, written and refined by Ken Thompson and Joseph Condon of New Jersey, defeated the CHAOS program in a head-to-head playoff game in Linz, Austria. Both BELLE and CHAOS, programmed by Fred Swartz, Mike Alexander, Jack O'Keefe and Victor Berman at the Univ. of Mich., finished with 3½-½ scores. DUCHESS (Duke Univ.) completed the U.S. sweep of the top three places with a 3-1 score. The Canadian program L'EXEQUIQUE finished tied for 4th with Northwestern University's CHESS 4.9. Both finished with 2½-1½. Eighteen programs, including KAISSA from the USSR (7th finisher), two from West Germany, one from Sweden, and one from England, participated. This was the third such event sponsored by the International Computer Chess Association; previous winners were KAISSA and CHESS 4.9.

BLIND OLYMPIAD

It was the best finish for an American Blind Team ever. The US team finished a respectable fifth in the tough Group A section of the Sixth Chess Olympiad for the Visually handicapped. Chicagoan Albert Sandrin, Mack Garner, Ted Bullockus, James Slaque, and E Schuyler Jackson. An outstanding performance by Mack Garner earned him the silver medal for his results on Board 2 where he amassed a stunning five wins, four draws, and not a single loss. The U.S. team won their prelim section ahead of Denmark, Austria, West Germany, Italy, and Belgium, but encountered stiff opposition in the Finals, finishing behind the USSR, Yugoslavia, East Germany, and West Germany, but ahead of Hungary, Poland, and Czechoslovakia. Financial support for the Blind Team's travel and other expenses came from the ACF, USCF, Louis Statham, the Piatigorsky Foundation, and Judson Burnham. Several games from this event appear elsewhere in this issue. Thanks to USCF press release and Bruce Leverett's touny notes for the above information.

roecker

John Roecker won the Peoria City Championship for the UMPteenth time (John and Peoria players have lost count!) by sweeping through four rounds without defeat ahead of Ron Millard and Doug Mohr who scored 3-1. A field of 10 participated.

esposito

Fast-rising junior Tim Esposito won the Oak Park-Forest Park Chess Club Championship ahead of Master Sheldon Gelbart and a host of higher rated contenders. It looks like Tim is headed for an expert's rating soon. Good going, Tim!

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BY HAROLD WINSTON, Director

Sixteen teams have entered the 1980-81 Illinois Chess League. Hillside and Oak Park deserve a lot of credit for fielding four teams each, while Homewood-Flossmoor comes next with three. After the team captains were consulted a two-division format was established. Two upsets occurred at the start: powerful Chessmates was tied by Hillside's B team while last year's winner of the South division, U of Chicago A fell to H-F B 4½-1½.

The results of Round 1:

West/North Section:	Hillside A	6	Oak Park D	0
	Chgo Chess Club	5	Oak Park C	1
	Chessmates	3	Hillside B	3
	Oak Park A	5½	Hillside C	½
South Section	H-F A	5½	Tuley Pk	½
	H-F B	4½	U Chgo A	1½
	H-F C	4½	U Chgo B	1½
	Hillside D	6	Oak Park B	0

STANDINGS AFTER RD 1:

West/North:	Hillside A	6	South:	Hillside D	6
	Oak Park A	5.5		H-F A	5.5
	Chgo CC	5		H-F B	4.5
	Chessmates	3		H-F C	4.5
	Hillside B	3		U of C A	1.5
	Oak Park C	1		U of C B	1.5
	Hillside C	.5		Tuley Park	.5
	Oak Park D	0		Oak Park B	0

Late Flash: UC A 5 Tuley Pk 1
UC B 5 H-F B 1

The West/North Division has 6 masters, 13 experts, and 12 players rated in the 1900's, while the South Division has two masters, 13 experts, and ten players rated in the 1900 range.

All prelim matches are scheduled to finish by DEC. 6.

Sheldon Gelbart is Associate League Director.

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Last April Oak Park brought 16 players to the south side of Chicago and scored an upset win over higher ranked U of Chicago. On Oct. 14 UC sent 13 players to the west suburbs with little hope of revenge since five of their top 10 players couldn't make it. Oak Park outrated UC on 11 of the 13 boards and the two boards on which UC had higher rated players were drawn. But a series of upsets gave the Maroons a 7½-5½ victory. Ken Larsen (2207) downed Sheldon Gelbart (2261), Bill White (1684) beat Tim Esposito (1851), Paul Lanzkron (1672) won over Bud Radonich (1784), and George Fowler (1841) scored against Joe Moore (1863). The main bright spot for the hosts was Oak Park's organizer Chris Musgrave's (1857) notching a solid victory against UC's new president Rick Heyn (1728).

A new Soviet emigre has already made her mark on Illinois chess. TD Todd Barre reports that Lucy Guysinsky scored 3½-1½ in her first rated event, the Chicago Chess Center's Fall Fianchetto Festival, Nov. 1-2. She included Expert Al Chow among her victims. Ed Perelmutter won the event 4½-½, Chow was second with 4-1. (Game by Ms. Guysinsky elsewhere in this issue. An interesting statistic provided by Harold Winston reveals that as of the June supplement Illinois had 11 women actively rated over 1200. Now we have 17.

PLAY IN A CHESS TOURNAMENT THIS MONTH!

from the editor

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

by TIM REDMAN

We are happy to announce that the position of Games Editor is now held by Master Shedon Gelbart. He replaces Senior Master Jeremy Silman who has now left for "back home" in San Francisco. Luckily for ICB readers Jeremy will remain very much a part of this publication. You will see his byline in the future as he contributes feature material.

Our former Scholastic Editor, Chris Slupik is now a student at Illinois Wesleyan University with limited time for chess (although he is remaining active in his area, we're glad to know!) We have appointed Illinois Junior Champion William Harris of Bourbonnais to the post of Scholastic Editor. He begins with this issue.

Edgar Holladay, a longtime contributor to the ICB as Problem Editor, will begin his own new Problem Bulletin in 1981. We have indeed been fortunate to have this distinguished expert in the art of the chess problem as part of the ICB staff. We wish him luck in his future endeavors! Replacing Holladay is a native of Rockford, Illinois and one of the most knowledgeable artists in chess composition and problems, David Brown. Solvers will get an introduction to David's skills in this month's issue, Edgar Holladay's last, and the February, 1981 ICB will run David Brown's first byline. Veteran solvers will remember Brown from his long-running column in NORTHWEST CHESS.

Welcome aboard to Master Gelbart, Bill Harris, and David Brown!

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Just days before our press time we were informed of the death of Master Paul Tautvaisas, many time Illinois State and Greater Chicago Open Champion. A native of Lithuania, Tautvaisas was one of the chess powers in Chicago throughout the fifties and sixties. We hope to present a feature tribute with biographical notes in our next issue. Farewell to a great hearted and noble devotee of the game.

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With this issue we establish the ICB as a bimonthly publication. All ICA members will have received a sixth issue with their 1980 membership. Elsewhere in this issue you will find a notice announcing raises in ICA dues effective March 15. Also included in this issue is the ICA ballot for election of officers for 1981-82. We hope you will vote!

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A notice to organizers: come Jan. 1, 1981 the two posts of clearinghouse directors will change to the two vice-presidents, Bill Wilkinson will handle downstate dates and Helen Warren metro-Chicago dates. Organizers can expect some changes in procedure in notifying the clearinghouse of prospective tournament dates.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS...to assure that you will receive your ICB any address changes should be sent to the editor at least three weeks in advance of mailing, i.e., for the next issue our mail date is FEB. 2. Bulk mail is NOT forwarded, so if you miss an issue and want a replacement you must be sure to include \$1.00 to cover the cost of magazine and mailing.

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SUBMITTING MATERIAL TO THE ICB...we are always pleased to receive material for publication, photos, cartoons, whatever, but we cannot return these items to you unless accompanied by a stamped self-addressed envelope. Photos should be in black and white since colored film does not run well for offset reproduction. We urge organizers to submit reports of their local and club events as soon as possible after completion of the event. Sending a copy of the report transmitted to USCF is an ideal way to kill two birds with one stone.

Fifteen months ago I wrote to you asking for your vote. I appreciated your support. Since my term will expire at the end of the year, I felt that my last president's column should be an accounting of my time in office. To do this, I will compare what I promised you in my campaign letter with what we have achieved. I will then offer some views about the future of ICA. In my campaign letter I outlined three areas of concern:

1) Financial Stability. When I became president, we were beginning a transition from a cash to an accrual system of accounting, a change I had suggested to the previous treasurer. This change revealed that the ICA was about \$1,000 in the red. Acting in concert with ICA Membership Secretary Eric Vann, Treasurer Walter Brown, and Finance Chairman Jim Brotsos, we have completed our transition to the more standard method of accounting. And we have gone well into the black as well! How did we manage that, with ICA memberships priced only a few cents above their cost to the association? In my 1979 letter I stated that "we should keep an eye open for fund raising opportunities." We did so. Last spring editor Helen Warren and myself conducted a campaign for new Patron Members, a category created by former President Mike Zacate. Twenty new Patrons joined during that two month period, and our thanks goes to all of them. Patron members have given generously in order to see chess succeed. During the same period the ICB was awarded a generous grant from the American Chess Foundation for its overall excellence.

In my letter I suggested that "by bidding for a major national tournament such as the U.S. Amateur for 1980 or 1981 the ICA could hope to both profit and promote chess." I am happy to announce that the ICA has just been awarded the 1981 U.S. Amateur, to be held next Memorial Day weekend at the Palmer House. This tournament will have the most generous prizes in its history, and will make a profit for the ICA. On a final fund raising note, I am also happy to announce that Fred Gruenberg has accepted the chairmanship of the ICA Fund Raising Committee, and has agreed to raise \$1,000 for the association. I hope you will all support his efforts.

2) Membership Benefits. What I said fifteen months ago still holds true. "The principal benefit of ICA membership is the regular receipt of the ICB." We have increased the number of issues received by each member, as promised, and at no extra cost. In addition, the size and quality of the ICB have increased as well. Editor Warren and her staff are to be congratulated for bringing us one of the finest magazines in the country, a fact amply attested to by its domination of the recent national awards given by the Chess Journalists of America. And finally, I am pleased to announce that Helen has agreed to remain as editor for another year.

3) Membership Growth. "With a sound operation, and the increased benefits of a bi-monthly ICB, we will have a solid foundation for a successful membership drive. This in turn will allow us to increase the level of chess activity throughout the state." These words have proven true. ICA membership has increased from 500 to 700, half of whom were brought in by the membership drive. I expect the figure to be higher before the year's end. And the ICA has expanded its activity downstate, holding the first downstate Illinois Open in Peoria this year. We hope for more next year.

4) Future of the ICA. We have every reason to be optimistic about the future of our state association. We need to continue fiscal prudence, but now that we are well into the black we can start to think about expanding our promotional activity. A Civic Center simul during the World Champion Match (such as the one held by Richard Verber in 1972), and an Illinois Closed come to mind; we are considering an ICA banquet during the U.S. Amateur, and a chess picnic this summer. Other worthwhile projects will suggest themselves. David Sprenkle has begun the long process of applying for a

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USCF commentary

TIM REDMAN



The Policy Board met recently on Staten Island, NY, and though the total number of board motions was less than usual, background discussions on computerizing USCF inventory, pursuing a 501(c)3 status, purchasing the building, and the upcoming FIDE meeting in Malta made for two very busy days. New PB member David Love of upstate New York made his debut as a full-fledged board member, and contributed quite a bit to both the substance and wit of the deliberations.

Two possible bids for the 1981 U.S. Closed were discussed, one from Robert Karch of Washington State and the other from Eric Schiller of New York City. The U.S. Women's was awarded to Utah on a bid by Robert Tanner, and the 1981 U.S. Amateur was awarded to Chicago on a bid by the Illinois Chess Association. The possibility of a first U.S. Senior Championship, to be held in Sun City, Arizona and sponsored by the Del Webb Corporation, was reported by Myron Lieberman.

The PB discussed ways to capitalize on the publicity about chess which occurs during the World Championship Match, with reference to the upcoming Karpov-(Korchnoi, Huebner) match. Publishing a special match issue of Chess Life, with a four color cover, a longer run, and special biographies, programs, and prognostications inside, was the chief focus of the discussion, with the possibility of a special introductory membership rate also considered. The latter would have to be approved by the delegates.

The report on the purchase of the USCF office building took up a great deal of time. There will be no trouble in securing a favorable mortgage from our bank, but in order to secure the best possible purchase price a zoning variance is needed for the property. Executive

Director Gerry Dullea estimated that we have better than a fifty-fifty chance of getting the variance, and will know by the end of this year. A fund raising drive is planned right after the purchase contract is signed. The PB then reviewed the quarterly financial statement, which showed USCF to be in excellent financial health.

A report on the possibility of securing a 501(c)3 status from IRS was discussed, and the board decided against pursuing the matter. In order to achieve the tax exempt status the USCF would have to radically restructure its activities, giving up book and equipment sales, the rating of tournaments, and the co-sponsorship of tournaments offering cash prizes. The board felt that such changes would be excessive.

The upcoming FIDE agenda for the Malta meeting was then reviewed. The FIDE Bureau will make two proposals, both of which the USCF will oppose. The first would reduce the number of male American Interzonal qualifiers from three to two, and the second would change the Candidates Matches back to the round robin format long opposed by American players due to allegations of Russian collusion. Gary Sperling reported that the USCF will once again have the greatest number of title applicants, more than fifteen, at the FIDE meeting, though possible problems with Seirawan's and Soltis' norms were anticipated. The next Olympics will be held in Switzerland in 1982, and the USCF FIDE delegate was instructed to seek a post on the FIDE Bureau in the election to be held that year.

NATIONAL OPEN CHAMPION

CALVIN BLOCKER

photo by Pally Peterson



BLOCKER TAKES NATIONAL

by JOHN TOMAS

Calvin Blocker won the latest of Dick Verber's national tournaments by scoring a perfect 5-0 ahead of 206 entries in the top section of the National Open at the Palmer House October 17-19. Last December Blocker won Jose Cuchi's Heraldica Imports Chicago Christmas Championship ahead of three grandmasters.

Blocker's play seemed a little shaky at times. He botched a simple pawn-plus position before winning a study-like ending in the second round, had an obscure game against Gennady Kudelman in the third round, and botched another vastly superior ending in the 4th round. Still, it is measure of his practical playing strength that he still had 4-0 going into the final round on Sunday and once there played his best game of the tournament.

Lesser known Illinois players Leonid Kaushansky and George Alexopoulos distinguished themselves with 4½ points. Kaushansky managed a steady draw with top ranked Leonid Bass while Alexopoulos had a relatively easier time after scoring a second round draw.

Other noteworthy results were Larry Dripps 4-1 for a share of the Category I money, Wayne Wheeler's 3½-1½, including victories over Tomas and Sanrin, and Rod Kinnaird's tying for the Category II prize.

The Reserve Section attracted 146 entrants and was topped by Alan Price of neighboring Wisconsin and Richard Rateike, both with a clean 5-0. Close behind were Gregory Windom and Mark Wolfe.

Full list of prize winners below.

Following several games from the event.

F Stein-Calvin Blocker

1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Ng8 3 Nf3 d5 4 d4 Bg4 5 Nbd2 e6 6 Bd3 c5 7 c3 Nc6 8 O-O cd 9 cd Qd7 10 Qa4 a6 11 b3 Nh6 12 h3 Bf5 13 Be2 Be7 14 Ba3 Nd4 15 Qd7+ Kd7 16 Nd4 Ba3 17 Nf5 Nf5 18 Nf3 Rac8 19 Rfd1 Rc3 20 Bd3 Ne7 21 Nd4 Rbc8 22 Ne2 R3c7 23 g4 h6 24 f4 Nc6 25 Rab1 Nb4 26 Bh7 Na2 27 Ral Nc1 28 Ng3 Bc5+ 29 Kg2 Nb3 30 Rab1 Na5 31 f5 Nc4 32 fe6+ fe6 33 Resigns 0-1

Blocker-Anderson

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 Bc5 4 O-O Nd4 5 Nd4 Rd4 6 c3 Bb6 7 d4 c6 8 Ba4 d6 9 de de 10 Qd8+ Bd8 11 Rc3 Bb6 12 Bb6 ab 13 Bb3 Ke7 14 Nd2 Be6 15 Be6 Ke6 16 a4 Nf6 17 f3 Na6 18 Nc4 Rd8 19 Rad1 Ra4 20 Rd1 Ra4 21 Nd6 Ra8 22 Nb7 Rc8 23 Rd2 Rc7 24 Nd6 Rd7 25 Nc4 b5 26 Rd7 Nd7 27 Ne3 Nc5 28 Kf1 Na4 29 Nd1 Nb6 30 Ke2 f6 31 Kd3 Nc4 32 b3 Na5 33 Kc2 Nb7 34 Kb2 Nc5 35 Nf2 Kd6 36 Ka3 Ke6 37 Kb4 Kd6 38 c4 Na6+ 39 Ka5 Nc7 40 Kb6 bc 41 bc Ne6 42 Nd3 Nd4 43 c5+ Kd7 44 Nb4 h5 45 Na6 h4 46 Nb8+ Kf8 47 Nc6 Ne6 48 Na7+ and Black resigns 1-0

Kus-Dripps

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bg5 c6 7 f4 b5 8 e5 de 9 fe Qc7 10 Qc2 Nf47 11 O-O-O Bb7 12 h4!2 Nc6 13 Nc6 Qc6 14 Rh3 h6 15 Bb3 h9 16 Ra7 Bc7 17 Nb5! ab 18 Qb5 O-O 19 Nb7 Qb5 20 Bb5 Bc5 21 a4 Qh 22 c6 Bf2 23 b4 Bg3 24 a5 Be5 25 Kc2 g5 26 a6 Rfc8 27 c4 q4 28 Re1 Bd6 29 Re4 f5 30 Re6 Bb4 31 Rg6+ Kh8 32 Kh6+ Kq8 33 Bc6 Re6 34 Re6 h3 35 Qh Qh 36 Bb4 and Black resigned 1-0

OPEN SECTION

1st 5-0 Calvin Blocker, Shaker Heights, OH
\$1000
2nd-6th
4½-1½
\$220
George Alexopoulos, Calasium, IL
Leonid Bass, W Lafayette, IN
Leonid Kaushansky, Chicago
Tom Unger, Minneapolis, MN
James Ellis, Madison, WI
CATEGORY I
1st-3rd
\$233.33
4-1
Dewey Maynard, Hilliard, OH
Lawrence Dripps, Chicago
Paul Eggers, Seattle, WA
CATEGORY II
1-4th
\$175
3½-1½
Wayne Wheeler, Evanston, IL
Jerome Keisler, Madison, WI
Rodney Kinnaird, Chicago
David C Hansen, Huntington, WV

UNRATED Roland Jordan, Chicago
1-2nd
3½-1½
\$50
Damjan Betinski, Elgin, IL

Organizer was Richard Verber
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Assistant TDs: Paul Segedin, Todd Barre,
Walter Brown, Chris Musgrave

RESERVE SECTION

1-2nd 5-0
\$400
Alan Price, Appleton, WI
Richard Rateike, Woodridge, IL
3rd 4½-½
\$200
Gregory Windom, Ft. Wayne, IN
4-14th 4-1
Steve Urban, Villa Park, IL
Reymuel Betia, Chicago
B Brodersen, Minneapolis, MN
William Wellman, Canal Fulton, OH
Brian Golchert, Urbana, IL
Greg Zipfel, Milwaukee, WI
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Isidko Tamez, Chicago
Bijoy Choodhary, Omaha, NE
Craig Borri, Oglesby, IL
Roger Rolden, Chicago
CATEGORY IV
1st 4½-½
\$400
2-6th 4-1
\$60
Greg Berman, Louisville, KY
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A LETTER TO THE EDITOR...AND AN EXCITING PROSPECT FOR ILLINOIS CHESS...

Dear Ms. Warren,

This is a very important, but long-delayed letter, and hopefully contains news of superb information for chess players within the range of Channel 11.

Some six months ago, at the request of ICA, I talked with top management at WTTW about the possibility of televising (!) the 1981 World Championship. The response was amazingly gratifying... "we'll probably be able to accede to your request..." That response came from top management, not some 88th level executive in charge of mollifying feelings of people who call with program ideas (any television station, especially one as outstanding as 11, receives dozens of such calls weekly).

Encouraged by this, some ICA members and "old-timers" held a meeting in my new, lovely home last spring. We had lots of wine, beer, champagne, and my wife's fabulous baked goods. My wife, who was summa cum laude in the University of Wisconsin system and is used to being surrounded by my friends, still maintains that, "Your chess friends are the most intelligent and interesting people we've met."

Well. Sometimes I think I should have been a gossip columnist instead of an editorial commentator and newspaperman, but we sure had a lovely evening. We even managed to discuss the reason we came--setting up a situation in which the incredible success of 1972 would be repeated.

For the benefit of the children who don't remember it, in 1972 Channel 11 televised the Fischer-Spassky match, with myself as host. It was a tremendously successful show, in fact on one Sunday it is said we outdrew a Sox-Yankees doubleheader. My major assistant on that show, in front of camera, was Dick Verber, but we had dozens upon dozens of guests who helped analyze the play, tell chess stories, and otherwise try to keep an audience fascinated between moves (which were relayed by telephone from Iceland).

We had Judge Leighton and Dr. Martinovsky, Pete Wolf and Shelley Gelbart; we had women chess players and patzers, masters and C players. Always we kept the show "moving", and we were a bit more than quite a hit. In fact, our cameramen had a board on a stool between them and were skittling during the telecast. We had the help of literally hundreds of Illinois chess players, and we brought in guests from Wisconsin and Indiana as well.

For both chess and Channel 11 it was a great success--more than 1,000 letters were received with contributions to Channel 11! Imagine Fischer-Spassky (or was it Lerner, Verber, and Illinois chess?) brought in needed dollars that have since brought us Monty Python, Dr Who, Carl Sagan, Masterpiece Theater, and so on through the spectrum of public television. Indeed, we have always believed that it was chess that brought Channel 11 into the realm of the foreign-born segment of Chicago's chess community--if the name is hard to pronounce in English, the chances are good it subscribes to public television.

Anyway, it was a tremendous show. The number of people who worked the boards, ran moves, answered telephones, and otherwise helped out in the production is prodigious. It is a matter of pride to hundreds to have claimed they worked with me on producing one of television's most under-rated hits--the

World Championships of 1972. In the future, Ms. Editor, I am going to rack my memory for as many of the names as possible, and write you an article in commemoration of them all.

One letter from an Executive of the FIDE (World Chess Federation) read, in part, "...The Chicago broadcast of the world championship with Lerner and dozens of guests was the most exciting, most professional, most "watchable" public televising of chess we have ever seen. With intelligence, humor, grace, motion, and their sense of history, the Chicago show was never dull. It was even of good interest to the non-player. It was good television, regardless of its subject material. Lerner, an award-winning newspaper journalist, had the presence to give us analysts who ranged from the cool masters to the excitable patzers. We've seldom seen a report on chess that built such excitement..."

But that was more than eight years ago. Nothing is louder than yesterday's newspapers. Today, we may have a new chance to repeat that quiet triumph.

The meeting in my home decided to make me chairman of the committee to beg WTTW. It also promised the total support of all of chess in the midwest, which goes without comment.

Now since then: WTTW, like many stations, is not prepared to make commitments too early. A month's notice is all that's often required, and often all that a station can make. So progress talking with WTTW has been almost non-existent, because the station is in no way able to commit itself fully at this time--in fact, for all we know it may be the better part of a year before we'd know how likely the possibility is.

We can most likely assume that the televising of the Karpov vs Mr. X is a bit more probable than not. Whatever "we" ends up "running the show" will be calling on all of chessdom for help, and we'll get it, of course, so don't be surprised if your telephone rings. Regardless of Channel 11's ultimate decision, we will be prepared to give them the show on very short notice.

The biggest problem is preparing for a dozen different types of shows. Will we be three hours live, such as '72? Will we be 15 minutes twice a week with an update? Will we be somewhere betwixt and between? We need to be prepared for every eventuality, to give Channel 11 whatever it wants and needs. I'll even get a haircut.

Anyway, what this really is, Ms. Editor, is a public statement of what's been rumor. The possibility of televising the match is strong. How strong I won't know until it's reasonable to discuss the matter with Channel 11 executives again. We have to be prepared in so many ways--depending on where the match is held, the time frame is complicated by the time differential...and arrangements have to be made for move transmission. We don't even know if Channel 11 wants a repeat of the '72 format (although it certainly worked well in building audience and creating contributions for the station, which--believe it or not--is my major concern: public television is as important as the public schools, and must be preserved).

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In following editions of the ICB I'll update matters more briefly. For all we know, the preparation may be in vain, and this all a tempest in a teapot--but a lot of folks thought that was the case in 1972, and ended up on Channel 11 telling the world what they thought Fischer's next move would be! Heck, we even had (mac)lock, I think) the computer at Northwestern University linked by telephone, and had it predict some of the moves! We didn't miss a trick, did we?

Before closing this epistle, which already has been stretched out as if it were a human figure painted by the Manncrists, may I remind you that in the

state of Illinois (or anywhere) there are more people who play chess than any other game or sport. More people have heard the name of Robby Fischer than of Terry Bradshaw, Reggie Jackson, or Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

So, in the words of the legendary Frank Skoff, "Don't fall for any cheap traps." Take all his pawns in the Danish. Don't get into a Dragon with Leighton. Don't forget to castle. And in memory of "Gumbie" ..don't go to a tournament in Milwaukee without a chicken...

Robert Lerner
Lerner Newspapers
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World View

by JOHN TOMAS, Assoc.Ed.

ARGENTINA: Tony Miles and S. Djubojevic tied for first in the Buenos Aires Quadrangular with 4-2. Fanno, with 2½-3½, and Quinteros with 1-5, trailed the field. Bent Larsen led after 7 rds. in the Clarin Cup. His score of 6½ was far ahead of, among others, Karpov, who trailed with 4-3.

AFRICA: After the half-way point in this year's Tunsgaard tournament in Baden-Baden Boris Spassky led with 5½-2½ ahead of Belyavsky and Nunn with 5-3, Smekikal at 4½, Vaganian, Byrne, and Vander Wiel with 4. Among those lower in the lists are Miles, Stean, and Selrowan.

ALBANY: Anatoly Karpov added to his reputation as the most successful world champion by winning yet another "open" tournament (average rating: 2618). His score of 7½-4½ was ahead of Portisch with 7, Timman 6½, Spassky and Kozmko at 6, Tal with 5½, Hort and Larsen with 5, Andersson, Bubner and Ribli at 4½ and Kavalek with 4. Larsen became only the second GM in the last ten years to win a second game against Karpov, this time on the black side of a Petroff. Bubner's showing in this event is a very bad omen for his upcoming match with Korchnoi. Highlight of this stellar event was the appearance of Dutch GM Jan Donner. He acted as the analyst for the press, T-V, and general audience after each game. The following games from this event are given per courtesy of the AIPP.

MEXICO: Csom of Hungary won the Mexico City Invitational ahead of Vaganian, with Lombardy in 3rd and Romanishon. Csom went 10-2 and was undefeated.

USSR: Maya Chiburdanize qualified for the First League USSR Championship by finishing second in the Leningrad Semifinal ahead of, among others, Taimanov (whom she beat) Bronstein, and Gipslis. This is arguably the best performance ever by a woman chess player. Her incisive style is represented by her win over Dvoris.

CHIBURDANIZR-DVORIS Sicilian

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Ne3 a6 6 Bg5 e6 7 f4 Nbd7 8 Qf3 Qc7 9 O-O-O b5 10 Bd3 Bb7 11 Rhel Qb6 12 Nd5! ed 13 Nc6!! (see diagram) Rc6 14 cd5+ Ne7 15 dc Nc5 16 Bf6 gf 17 Sf5 Qc7 18 b4 Ne6 19 Qh5 Qg7 20 Bd7+ Kf8 21 Qh6 d5 22 Re7! Ke7 23 Rel+ Kf8 24 Qf6 Kg8 25 Re7 f8 26 Ne6 Qc7 27 Qc7 le 28 c7 h5 29 Qf8+ 1-0

YUGOSLAVIA: Tony Miles won his tenth straight tournament at Vrbas with 7-4, ½ pt ahead of Sax and Ivanovic. These results make Miles a real candidate for the Chess

GAMES FROM TILBURG, HOLLAND.....

Karpov + Spassky

1. e4, c5 2. Nf3, d6 3. d4, cd4 4. Nxd4, Nf6 5. Ne3, d6 6. g4, h6 7. g4, Nc6 8. Nc3, d5 9. Bb5, Bb7 10. exd5, Nxd5 11. Nxd5, exd5 12. Re3, Re7 13. Qd3, Bxh4 14. O-O-O, Bf6 15. Nf5, Bxf5 16. gxf5, h6 17. Bxc6+ hxc6 18. Re4, Bb8 19. h4, Bb5 20. Rge4, Kd7 21. e4, Bxc5 22. Bxc5, Bb5 23. f4, Kf6 24. exd5, Qd4 25. Kd7, Qxd7+ 26. Kd3, Qxd7+ 27. Kxd7, Bxf4 28. Rg2, exd5 29. Bxd6, h5 30. Kd4, h4 31. Kxd5, Bb8 32. f6, gxf6 33. Bxf6, Bg3 34. Rxf7, Kd8 35. Rf7+ 1-0.

Karpov + Hübner

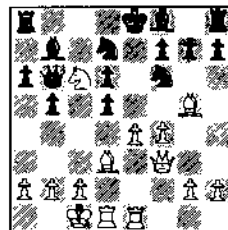
1. d4, Nf6 2. e4, g6 3. Ne3, d5 4. exd5, Nxd5 5. e4, Nxc3 6. Bxc3, Bg7 7. Nf3, c5 8. Re3, Qa5 9. Qd7, O-O 10. Re1, exd4 11. exd4, Qxd7+ 12. Nxd7, e6 13. Nb3, Rd8 14. Ng5, f6 15. Re3, f5 16. exf6, gxf6 17. Bbb, Nd3 18. Qc2, Nf6 19. Bf5, Bd7 20. Bc4, b6 21. Nd1, Ne8 22. Nf3, Re6 23. Ne5, Bdb 24. Bb5, Reeh 25. a4, Ne4 26. Rf4, Nf8 27. f3, Nf6 28. Bf5, Ke7 29. Ra6, Rxe1 30. Exel, Bdb 31. Nc4, Bb4 32. Ne3, Re8 33. Bbb, Rf7 34. Bf4, Kgf 35. Kf2, Be7 36. Re7, Rf7 37. Re2, Rf8 38. Bc4, Re4 39. Bb3, Re7 40. h4, h6 41. g3, Bb3 42. Ne4, Bb5 43. Ba2, Bxc4 44. Bxc4, h5 45. Bb3, Kf7 46. Rc6, Bb2 47. Ke1, Nd5+ 48. Bxd5, exd5 49. Be5, Re6 50. Rc7+, Re7 51. Rc2, Bb3 52. Kf4, a6 53. Kxf5, b5 54. Rc6, b4 55. Rb6, Ke8 56. g4, Kd7 57. gxf6 Rf7+ 58. Kg4 1-0.

Karpov - Larsen

1. e4, e5 2. Nc3, Nf6 3. d4, Nxd4 4. Bb3, d5 5. Bxc3, Nd7 6. Qe2, Nxe5 7. Bxc4, dxc4 8. Qxc4, Re8 9. Qxc5, Qd7 10. Qe3, O-O-O 11. Be1, Bb4 12. Ne3, f6 13. Qg3, Bxc3 14. Bxc3, Re1 15. h4, g5 16. f3, Rdg8 17. Rf2, Qe6 18. Re1, g4 19. f4, Bc4 20. g5, Bxd5 21. f5, Re8 22. g3, Re4 23. Re1, Bhe8 24. Bxc4, Nxe4 25. Kh2, Qe5 26. Rf4, Re1 27. Bg2, Ral 28. Qc3, Qd6+ 29. Rf4, b6 30. e4, Bxc4 31. Qd4, Qxd4 32. Rxd4, Bb5 33. Bb6 Bxd3 34. Bf7, Bd7 35. Rf4, Ra5 36. Bxf6, Bxf6 37. c3, Be6 38. Kg3, Rd5 39. Re4, Kd7 40. Re5, Rd2 41. Kf4, Nxe3 42. Kf5, Re2 43. Kxh5, g3 44. Bxc3, Bxc3 45. Be5, Rd4 46. Re7, Bb5 47. Ra3, Ke6 48. Bg3, Kf5 49. Kh6, h5 50. Kx7, Kd4 51. Kf6, h4 52. Re3, Bf1 53. Re1, Re1 54. Re7, Kh3 55. Bb2, Ne4 56. Re3, Kg2 57. Be1, Re1 58. Bb2, Rd1 59. Bc3, c5 60. Re7, h5 61. Re4, a3 62. Re7, b4 63. h4, b3 64. h3, h4 65. Re7+, Kf2 66. Bg3+, Ke3 0-1.

Hibli - Karpov

1. e4, e5 2. Nc3, Nc6 3. f3, g6 4. Bg3, Bg7 5. d4, d6 6. e3, Nge7 7. Nge2, O-O 8. Qc2, Bd7 9. h3, Bb5 10. Qc2, Be6 11. Na5, Qd7 12. Kh2, f3 13. f4, b5 14. Bb1, Bxc4 15. dxc4, e4 16. b4, Na5 17. Nd4, Nxd4 18. Nxe7+, Qxe7 19. Qc2, Bxd4 20. exd4, Nb6 21. Bb2, Nd5 22. a3, Ne3 23. Qc3, Nxf1 24. Bxf1, Bb5 25. Bc4, Qe6 0-1.

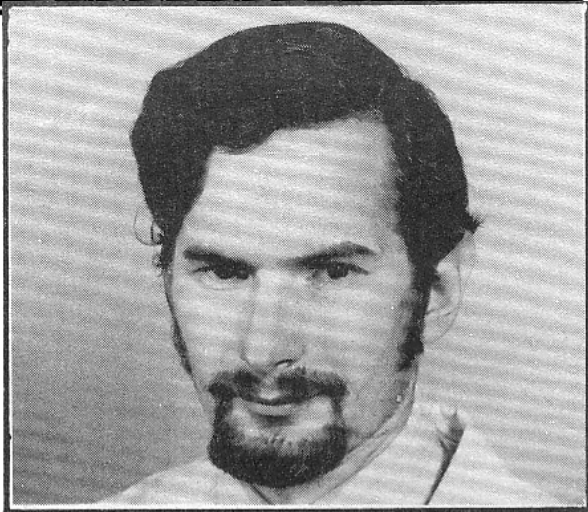


Position after 13 Nc6

Oscar this year. Only Karpov has a comparable record and it should be remembered that Miles won the first board prize ahead of Karpov and beat him in their individual game at Skara in January.

Games Editor

Master Sheldon Gelbart



(This is the latest theoretical innovation recommended by Gipslis, played by Menic vs Buljovcicoh 1965, Hartstton vs Larsen 1966, and many others since. In almost all cases White won. Black follows the book and loses, just as predicted.) 16...Q-B4 (Fischer tried 16...O-O against Minic and got away with it, but 17 NxKP FxN 18 BxP+ K-R1 19 N-Q5 Q-N2 20 NxB! threatening N-N6+ and P-F5 should have put him away!) 17 N-N3 Q-N3 18 P-B5 N-B4 (if O-O 19 PxP threatening N-Q5! wins, e.g., 19...PxP 20 BxP+ K-R1 21 Q-R3 or 19...N-B4 20 NxN QxN 21 N-Q5!) 19 NxN FxN 20 PxP Pxp 21 KR-B1! R-B1 22 Q-R5+ P-N3 23 RxxR+ BxR 24 QxRP B-Q3 (if P-K4 BxP) 25 QxP+ K-Q1 26 P-K5 R-Q5 27 PxB RxxR+ 28 NxB R-Q2 (if QxP simply Q-Q3 wins easily.) 29 Q-N8+ B-K1 30 QxP and Black resigns.

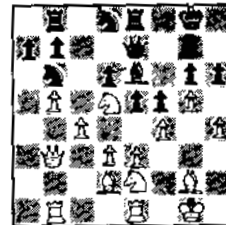
Let me take this opportunity to introduce myself. I am a USCF Master, attaining that distinction in 1978 after 17 years of tournament play. I am an active member of three Chicago-area clubs: Gompers Park (past president and currently on the board of directors), West Suburban (formerly Hillside), and Oak Park-Forest Park. I am Associate Director of the Illinois Chess League and former treasurer of ICA. The main purpose of this column will be to entertain all classes of players. To accomplish this any well-played game will be judged for novelty and interest regardless of the strengths of the competitors. Anyone who has games for this column should send them to me, Sheldon Gelbart, 2237 S 10th, North Riverside, IL 60546.

I will not fill this column with my own games, but will take this opportunity to correct an unfortunate error. When the following game was first published the names were reversed (because they were reversed on the score sheet submitted) and a move was omitted. Tim Esposito, a student at Willowbrook High School in Villa Park is currently the Oak Park Club Champion, scoring 5½-4 in the September tournament. This game was played in the Club Ladder Tournament last July.

This is the final round game of Put the Fun Back into Chess Tournament. Senior Master Richard Verber gives 14 year old Expert Billy Colias an impressive lesson in positional play. First he attacks Q-side, but finds that young Billy can meet all the positional threats tactically. He then retreats and attacks K-side, expanding in that wing, and leaving his opponent devoid of any possible counterplay. The youngster defends well, but ends up squeezed into a box. He panics, making one ill-advised exchange which opens lines. When Verber finally plays a center pawn to the fourth rank on move 30, it is decisive, winning a pawn due to an earlier pin. Verber's piece placement and patient handling of the position are especially instructive.

VERBER-COLIAS Symmetrical English

1 P-QB4 P-QB4 2 P-KN3 N-QB3 3 B-N2 P-KN3 4 N-QB3 B-N2 5 P-QR3 N-B3 (Safer is 5...P-QR3 6 R-N1 R-N1 7 P-QN4 PxP 8 PxP P-QN4 maintaining symmetry.) 6 R-QN1 O-O 7 P-QN4 Pxp 8 Pxp P-Q3 9 P-N5 N-K4 10 P-Q3 R-QN1 11 Q-R4 KN-Q2! 12 B-Q2 (if QxP NxQP+) 12...N-N3 13 Q-R2 (if QxRP?? R-R1) Q-B2 14 P-B4 N-N5 15 P-R3 N-R3 16 P-N4 P-B4 17 P-N5 N-B2 18 P-R4 B-Q2 19 P-K3 P-K4 20 KN-K2 KR-K1 21 O-O B-K3 22 Q-N3 P-KR3 23 KR-QB1 Q-K2 24 R-K1 N-Q1 (Black has no constructive way to improve his position because he has no meaningful pawn break.) 25 N-Q5!



Position after 25 N-Q5

25...BxN? (I think that this is the losing moment. The Bishop is necessary to the defense. 26...Q-KB2 offers better chances because it keeps the QB file closed. If here 26 NxN FxN the doubled pawn is difficult to exploit and after Black plays Q-QB2 he may be able to develop counter-

ESPOSITO-GELBART QGA

1 P-Q4 P-Q4 2 P-QB4 Pxp 3 N-KB3 N-KB3 4 P-K3 P-K3 5 BxP P-B4 6 Q-K2 (Usual is 6 O-O P-QR3 7 Q-K2 P-QN4 8 B-N3 intending to answer 8...PxP with 9 R-Q1. Although the QGA is not currently fashionable, it is not a bad defense. Tim's move prepares 7 PxP by preventing a subsequent QxQ. This eliminates the isolated QP seen in the usual variation.) 6...P-QR3 7 Pxp Bxp 8 O-O P-QN4 9 B-Q3 (In this variation the B is better at Q3 where it eyes KR?) 9...QN-Q2 (B-N2? loses to BxP!+) 10 R-Q1? (This is a mistake in this variation. The rook is needed at K1!) 10...Q-N3 11 P-K4 N-N5! 12 R-B1 (forced) N5-K4 13 B-B2 B-N2 (=) 14 N-B3 O-O 15 B-B4 P-B3 (Black is solid with the KP blockaded) 16 QR-Q1 KR-Q1 (the wrong rook) 17 NxN NxN 18 BxN PxB (Black has two Bishops to compensate for the doubled pawns.) 19 Q-R5 R-KB1 20 QxKP BxP+ (This move was omitted in the previous publication) 21 K-R1 B-Q4 (Black stands better because of the well posted bishops.) 22 Q-R5 P-N3 23 Q-R3 K-R1 24 B-N3? (This loses, but White is in trouble in any event, e.g. 24 P-K5 K-N2 but 24 QR-K1 is relatively best.) 24...P-N5! 25 N-R4 Q-N4 26 KR-K1 BxKP 27 QxKP (both rooks are pinned to the back rank to prevent R-KB8 with mate to follow.) 27...R/R-K1 28 Q-B4 B-R2 29 P-KR3 (if 29 QxQ? PxxQ wins the Knight.) 29...Q-KB4 (threatening QxRP!+) 30 RxB QxR 31 QxRP? (The game is lost anyway, but this allows forced mate.) 31...Q-K8+! 32 RxxQ RxxR+ 33 K-R2 B-N1+ 34 P-N3 R-B7#

Here is an interesting game from the State Championship Tournament in Peoria. Upcoming youngster Zlatko Koprivec, one of my students, shows his Class A opponent why this variation is considered favorable to White.

KOPRIVEC-SPLINTER Najdorf Sicilian

1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 P-Q4 Pxp 4 NXP N-KB3 5 N-QB3 P-QR3 6 B-KN5 (Sharpest!) P-K3 7 P-B4 B-K2 (Preferring not to enter the exhaustively analyzed poisoned pawn variation 7...Q-N3?! 8 Q-Q2 QxNP.) 8 Q-B3 Q-B2 (preventing 9 B-QB4) 9 O-O-O QN-Q2 10 P-KN4 P-QN4 11 BxN NxB (BxB? allows BxNP! which gives White three pawns for the piece and a strong attack.) 12 P-N5 N-Q2 13 P-QR3 R-QN1 14 P-KR4 P-N5 15 Pxp Rxp 16 B-R3

play with P-K5. He must look for counterplay!) 26 Px8
 N-B2 27 QR-B1 KR-B1 28 B-R3! (Pinning the KRP) N-Q2
 (Better is R-R and R-QB1) 29 Q-R3 N-B4? (loses a pawn
 but the game cannot be salvaged. 29...P-K5 loses to
 N-Q4) 30 P-K4! Px8P 31 NxP Q-Q1 (if 31...R-PxP 32 NxP
 intending Px8P threatening N-K7) 32 NxP B-N7 (despera-
 tion) 33 Qx8 NxQP 34 Q-Q4 NxKR 35 RxN R-B2 36 BxP
 N-K4 37 NxN PxN 38 QxKP R-K2 39 B-K6+ K-R2 40 P-N6+!
 KxP 41 Q-N3+ K-R4 42 Q-N4 mate.

And speaking of youngsters...we already gave a game of
 Tim Esposito's which he lost; following is one he won
 in pursuit of the Oak Park-Forest Park Club Championship.

ESPOSITO-RADONICH King's Indian

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 f3 e6? (trying
 to take his young opponent out of book at the expense of
 a very cramped game. Usual is O-O 6 Be3 Nc6 (See Wat-
 son's series in the last several ICBS.) on 6...N8d7 or

6...a6, just to mention a few of the many exhaustively
 analysed variations.) 6 Be3 Nc6 7 a3 a5 8 Bd3 Nd7
 9 Nge2 Qe7 10 Qd2 f5? (White already has a large Q-side
 advantage. Black cannot develop active counterplay be-
 cause he has not challenged White's control of the center.)
 11 Nb5! Nf6 12 O-O Nd1 13 c5! (Tim has played
 very well. This is a decisive Q-side break so common
 in King's Indian positions.) 13...Nf7 14 cd cd 15 Racl O-O
 16 Nc7 Rb8 (If Ra2 d5! wins.) 17 Qa5 Bd7 18 Qd2 Bc6 19 Na6
 Rbc8 20 Nb4 Bd7 21 ef gf 22 Nf4 Kh8 23 Rc8 Bc8 24 Rcl
 e5? 25 Nfd5 Nxd5 26 Nxd5 Qh4 27 Rf2 Qh5 28 de Ne5 29 Be2
 Nc5 30 f4 Qg6 31 b4 Rg8 32 Bf3 (32 Rxc8 intending Ne7, re-
 gaining the exchange and advancing the QRP is quicker, but
 Tim's way wins easily enough.) 32...Qh6 33 Qd1 Bb2 34 Rc2
 Qq7 35 b5 Nd4 36 Rc7! Nf3+ 37 Qf3 Qf8 38 a4 Rg7 39 Rg7
 Qc7 40 Qe2 h6? (This loses a piece. Bd7 was necessary, but
 Black is clearly lost after Qe7 etc etc) 41 Qe8 Qq8 42 Qg8+
 Kg8 43 Ne7+ Kf7 44 Nc8 Ke6 45 a5 Kd7 46 Ne7 Kc7 (Kxe7 ad
 etc. and the pawn queens.) 47 Nf5 and White won in 57 moves.

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3	Darryl Clemmons	IA	1722	W4	W14	L9	W17	W22	4
4	Sam Naylor	IL	1945	L3	W35	W52	W13	W20	4
5	Leroy Gay	IA	1848	L15	W26	W34	W39	W18	4
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8	Trung Nguyen	IL	1955	D13	W10	W24	W9	L1	3.5
9	Jim Davies	MO	2152	W36	D27	W3	L8	W19	3.5
10	Craig Borri	IL	1518	W38	L8	W31	D11	W24	3.5
11	Robert Sutter	MO	1837	W37	D25	D15	D10	W23	3.5
12	Craig Myers	IA	1829	L1	D44	W38	W43	W25	3.5
13	Robert Cook	MC	1727	D8	W20	D17	L4	W35	3
14	Jim Nicks	MO	1956	W29	L3	W23	W28	L7	3
15	Dave Robinson	IA	1636	W5	D17	D11	L19	W38	3
16	Brian O'Hara	IA	1863	W32	L2	W30	L7	W34	3
17	Tom Smit	IA	1912	W39	D15	D13	L3	W37	3
18	Mitch Weiss	IA	2166	W31	W45	L1	W25	L5	3
19	Dave Humm	IA	1834	W52	L1	W44	W15	L9	3
20	James Crowell	IL	1515	W49	L13	W29	W45	L4	3
21	Lawrence Pierson	IL	1562	L23	L7	W54	W48	W36	3
22	Dennis Younglove	MO	1909	W7	W34	D2	L6	L3	2.5
23	Dan Wojciechowski	IL	1476	W21	D53	L14	W27	L11	2.5
24	Mark Kotlarsky	IA	1763	D6	W50	L8	W33	L10	2.5
25	Harvey Krebill	IA	1533	W51	D11	W27	L18	L12	2.5
26	Shawn Laughlin	IA	1370	W41	L5	D37	D31	D32	2.5
27	Ron Chaney	IA	1771	W53	D9	L25	L23	W43	2.5
28	Todd Plagemann	IL	1823	L2	W46	W50	L14	D30	2.5
29	Robert Reynolds	IA	1730	L14	W42	L20	D44	W45	2.5
30	Charles Van Winkle	IA	1597	L45	W40	L16	W41	D28	2.5
31	Mike Coveyou	IA	1800	L18	W55	L10	D26	W44	2.5
32	Art Speece	IA	1655	L16	L48	W46	W50	D26	2.5
33	Richard Stotler	IL	1515	W55	L47	D36	L24	W49	2.5
34	Paul Rader	IA	1568	W48	L22	L5	W40	L16	2
35	Roy Wojciechowski	IL	1469	W42	L4	L39	W49	L13	2
36	Robert Beelman	IA	1771	L9	W49	D33	D37	L21	2
37	Paul Sholl	IL	1622	L11	W51	D26	D36	L17	2
38	Mike Hitch	IA	1257	L10	Bye	L12	W46	L15	2
39	Helen Warren	IL	1662	L17	W41	W35	L5	wd	2
40	Vince Estrada	IA	New	L43	L30	W42	L34	W50	2
41	Ron Nurmi	IA	1543	L26	L39	W55	L30	W51	2
42	John McCann	IA	1556	L35	L29	L40	W54	W48	2
43	Aulden Van Winkle	IA	1527	W40	L6	D45	L12	L27	1.5
44	Mike Cornelis	IA	1553	D46	D12	L19	D29	L31	1.5
45	McCawley Suits	MO	1830	W30	L18	D43	L20	L29	1.5
46	Ed Doran	IL	1414	D44	L28	L32	L38	W54	1.5
47	Howard Bohannon	IA	1760	Bye	W33	L6	wd		1.5
48	Steve Shanks	IA	1505	L34	W32	L7	L21	L42	1
49	Nike Bowen	IA	1592	L20	L36	W51	L35	L33	1
50	Dave Shanks	IL	1524	W54	L24	L28	L32	L40	1
51	Robert Babbitt	IA	1342	L25	L37	L49	W55	L41	1
52	Melvin Hanson	IL	1608	L19	W54	L4	wd		1
53	Andrew Hood	NE	2020	L27	D23	wd			.5
54	Lisa Parker	IL	new	L50	L52	L21	L42	L46	0
55	John DeKeyser	IL	1595	L33	L31	L41	L51	wd	0



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A PLAYER TO WATCH....

From the Fall Fianchetto Festival...

LUCY GUYSINSKY (UNR)-ALBERT CHOW (2025)

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nd7
 5 Rd3 c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Ne2 cd 8 cd f6
 9 ef Nxf6 10 Nf3 Bd6 11 Nc3 O-O 12
 O-O e5 13 de Nxe5 14 Be2 Kh8 15 Nd4
 Nc4 16 h3 Nh2 17 Re1 Bxh3 18 gh
 Ne4 19 Nxe4 de 20 Be3 Qh4 21 Nf5
 Rxf5 22 Qxd6 Nf3+ 23 Kg2 Rf6 24 Qd7
 Rg6+ 25 Kh1 Rd8 26 Qf5 Nxe1 27 Rxe1
 b6 28 Bh5 Rd6 29 Bg4 Rd5 30 Qxe4 h5
 31 Bf5 Qf6 32 Bg5 Qxg5 33 Qe8+ 1-0

FROM THE BLIND OLYMPIAD...

SANDRIN (USA)-VACCANI (Italy) 1 e4 c5
 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 c3 d5 4 d3 de 5 de Qxd1+
 6 Kxd1 Bg4 7 Bb5 O-O+ 8 Kc2 Bxf3
 9 gf Kc7 10 Bf4+ e5 11 Bxc6 cf 12
 Bd5 Nh6 13 Na3 a6 14 Nc4 f6 15 a4
 Bd6 16 Rhd1 Be5 17 Ra3 b6 18 Rb3
 Rb8 19 Be6 Rhe8 20 Rd7+ Kc6 21 Rxb6+
 1-0



BISQUIER, VERBER DRAW RAE INVITATIONAL

On October 30, a single game of chess was played for stakes of \$300. No, it wasn't the last round of a rated tournament--though the combatants, Arthur Bisquier and Richard Verber, often find themselves playing for the big money in

By NEWTON BERRY

such events. Nor were Bisquier and Verber wagering their own money. Moreover, the only title in question--laughingly referred to as "the championship of 110th Place"--belonged unofficially to their host, Fred Gruenberg. In fact it was RAE Products and Chemical Corp., which Fred and his son Guy Gruenberg own and operate, that provided the prize fund.

Called the First RAE Invitational, this match took place in Fred's Morgan Park home. With Billy Colias, Fred and myself looking on and Fred's wife Donna providing beverages and snacks, the game began at 2:30 in the afternoon. Grandmaster Bisquier won the draw for colors, chose White and played his favorite opening move: 1 d4. Verber replied 1... g6 and a quiet positional game ensued. After essaying a knight exchange on move 25, Dick offered a draw. The four-time U.S. champion studied the board a few minutes, then accepted the draw.

After splitting the prize money--\$150 to each--Verber and Bisquier played a series of speed games in hopes of providing more decisive results. Ironically the first two games ended in draws, the clock playing a major role in the first. Seeing that Dick's flag was about to fall, Bisquier realized that he had only to move quickly to win on time. He moved carelessly and Verber hit him with two quick knight forks to snatch off the two bishops. Dick now had a theoretically won game on the board: bishop, knight, and king against two isolated pawns and king. With sufficient time he could capture both pawns and then mate. But with his flag looking as though it were about to fall at any moment, Verber found a more practical plan. He sacrificed his pieces for the two pawns for the most elementary of all draws: king vs. king. How much time remained on his clock? About 40 seconds. Both players had been deceived by the clock. A most exciting and amusing draw!

The third speed game went to Verber, the fourth to Bisquier. "One last game for the speed championship of 110th Place," challenged Verber. And he maintained the honor of his home state by taking the final contest, a well-played game on both sides.

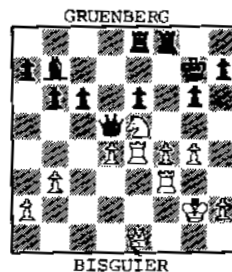
Colias, an expert at the age of 14, then sat down in Bisquier's seat and had a go at Verber in some speed games--with notably less success than the IGM. Puzzled by an

opening line Verber had used against him several times, Billy asked, "How should I answer that move?" Verber often gives lessons in chess, but he obviously didn't wish to further arm an already dangerous adversary on this afternoon. "They say that the main duty of a teacher is to stimulate interest," he replied. "You'll remember it better if you look it up yourself." (A warning to future opponents of Billy Colias: Don't expect to surprise him with the c3 line against his Sicilian!)

With the lesson he administered to Billy, Verber's chess playing was through for the day. But Bisquier's was just beginning, for RAE Products had arranged for him to give a simul at the Homewood-Flossmoor Park District Chess Club that evening. This exhibition had been arranged on just a few days notice after the Gruenbergs learned that the former national champ would be in the area. Thus, despite a ridiculously low charge--\$3 a board and a chance to get it back in free doughnuts and apple cider Sharon Gruenberg, Guy's wife, offered--only sixteen local players turned up to challenge Bisquier.

What this group lacked in numbers it made up for in strength, for it included a number of experts, A and B players. Among Bisquier's victims were experts Dave Rubin, who had drawn the grandmaster a month earlier at the Tanglewood Open, and Walter Brown. I had gambited a pawn in the opening and never got it back. Kevin Lane, an A player, looked at my still playable position some forty-odd moves later in glassy-eyed wonder. "You're doing better than me," he said. "I just got rolled!" I lasted another ten moves, then dropped a second pawn and any chance of holding a draw.

Although nobody would beat Bisquier that night, three did manage draws: Phil Weiss, Fred Gruenberg, and Billy Colias. Bisquier, who has won the U.S. Open three times and the U.S. Closed once, chased Billy's king all around the board with repeated mate threats, but the young expert defended resourcefully to earn a Certificate of Award from the Homewood-Flossmoor Club. In addition to his certificate, Fred figured he also won back at least a partial claim to that 110th Place title by drawing the wily IGM. Having arrived at the following position,





Arthur Bisquier, Richard Verber, and Billy Colias at the "Battle of 110th Place" Photos by Guy Gruenberg

Fred is threatening to win the exchange with ...c5. His fear that even that might not be enough against so formidable an opponent prompted him to offer the draw.

All in all it was a wholly pleasant day of chess. And according to Fred and Guy, Illinois can look forward to more of the same: more simuls with visiting GMs and more RAE Invitational matches pitting top Illinois masters against those luminaries. There is also a plan in the works for RAE to sponsor an Illinois entry in the National Chess League in 1981.

In addition, we can look forward to an RAE sponsored Illinois Invitational and to more RAE's Put the Fun Back Into Chess Tournaments. The first such event took place last June, and even though it attracted 120 entrants at \$10 and \$12 each, it lost \$750. Mismanagement? Anything but! Besides offering attractive cash and chess clock prizes, RAE gave participating players a chance to "eat their entry fees" by providing free food and drinks throughout the two-day tourney.

"Our Second Put the Fun Back Into Chess tournament should be even better," said Guy Gruenberg, "because we plan to give each player one ticket for every game he or she loses. Then we'll have a drawing at the end for special prizes. The idea is to keep people playing even when they no longer have a shot at the regular prizes." The event, which will also feature free food, is scheduled for March 14 and 15.

Following is the Bisquier-Verber game with notes by both players.

NOTES BY BISQUIER

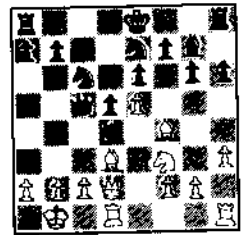
- (A) Here 5 P-KR3 transposes into better-known lines. Now the game assumes the characteristics of a hybrid French.
- (B) And so Black divests himself of his "bad" Bishop.
- (C) Another way of playing was 11 B-Q3, aiming at K-side castling. The text looked more aggressive, but aggressive does not necessarily mean better.
- (D) A good move which prepares a K-side pawn advance and prevents a possible white B-KR6.
- (E) Another tough decision. 15 B-R2 would lead to a difficult game for both sides, but I felt the bishop's absence over the Q-side could prove costly.
- (F) Forced, since the sacrifice of the KP, necessary to avoid the exchange, was unconvincing.
- (G) Another good maneuver. With this activating of the bishop on the Q-side, Black finally succeeds in equalizing.
- (H) DRAW. Verber offered the draw and I accepted, since after 26 PxN N-K2 followed by 27...N-B3, White must prepare to defend his QP with his rook, and there is not much in the position.

BISQUIER-VERBER (Cap notes are Bisquier's; lower case notes are Verber's)

- 1 P-Q4 P-KN3
- 2 P-K4 B-N2
- 3 N-KB3 P-QB3
- 4 QN-Q2 (a) P-Q4
- 5 P-K5 (A) (b) B-N5 (B) (c)
- 6 P-KR3 BxN
- 7 NxB P-QB4
- 8 PxP (d) N-QB3
- 9 B-KB4 Q-R4+
- 10 Q-Q2 QxBP
- 11 O-O (C) P-K3
- 12 K-N1 KN-K2
- 13 B-Q3 P-KR3 (D) (e)

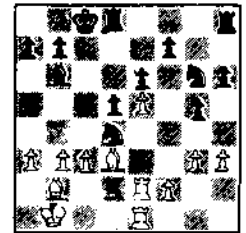
(see diagram)

- 14 KR-K1 P-KN4
 - 15 B-K3 (E) Q-R4
 - 16 QxQ (F) NxQ
 - 17 P-QN3 N4-B3
 - 18 B-QB1 N-N3
 - 19 B-N2 B-B1 (G) (f)
 - 20 P-N3 B-B4
 - 21 R-Q2 H-N5
 - 22 P-B3 B-B4
 - 23 P-R3 B-N3
 - 24 R2-K2 O-O
 - 25 N-Q4 NxN (H)
- Draw agreed (g)



Position after

13...P-KR3



Final Position

NOTES BY VERBER

- (a) More usual here is N-QB3. The text is apparently home cooking on Arthur's part, intended to take the game out of normal channels.
- (b) Major alternatives are P-KR3 (recommended by Fischer) and P-QB3. After either Black would play PxP. My recent game with Dr. Martinovsky at the Vano Labor Day Tournament is a good example of the type of game produced after 5 P-KR3 PxP: 6 NxP QN-Q2 7 B-QB4 KN-B3 8 NxN+ NxN 9 B-KB4 N-Q4! 10 B-K5 P-B3 11 KB-N3 B-K3 12 Q-K2 B-B2 13 O-O O-O 14 KR-K1 R-K1 15 QR-Q1 P-QR4 16 P-QR3 P-QN4 17 B-QR2 Q-N3 with a very double-edged game.
- (c) This leads to an exciting game. A more restrained approach is 6 P-KR3 P-KB3!
- (d) Very good. Bisquier realizes that he must open lines to activate his bishops. 8 P-QB3 would have been a serious mistake, allowing PxP and saddling White with a weak QP. Now White has the initiative.
- (e) Necessary. White was threatening B-R6!-P-KR4-KR5 with an overwhelming K-side attack.
- (f) This bishop is more versatile on the Q-side where it can attempt to provoke weaknesses in the White pawn structure.
- (g) The draw is a reasonable result here. The White QP will be something of a target, but it can be easily defended by White's Bishop and Rook.

focus on the club affiliates



THE ROCKFORD CHESS CLUBS

By ROY ERVIN

The Rockford Chess Club is a new one, an outgrowth of an older organization that became inactive. It was rebuilt through the efforts of Dale Murphy, a beginner at the game with no place to go for competition or instruction, and Dave Brown, an old veteran organizer with the insights needed to get a new club off the ground. The combined talents of the twoblended to create not one but four separate clubs united under one overhead organization. To know the Rockford Chess Club you must know each its component 'mini-clubs'.

The Flagship Club is the Rockford Chess Club. It meets every Wednesday night at 7 PM at the county Public Safety Building in downtown Rockford. Dues are \$5 per year, with skittles play, monthly tournaments, and public participation encouraged.

The second wing is the Ken-Rock Chess Club, located at the Ken-Rock Community Center in southeast Rockford. Dues are \$4 a year; the club meets on the first and third Thursday of each month. Instruction and special events like simulms and team tourneys are usual features.

The third arm is the Rockford College Chess Club of Rockford College. It is open to students, faculty, and alumni of the college. A big asset of the RCCC is the presence of Dr. Donald Walhout, its director. Dr. Walhout is one of the strongest blind chessplayers in the country. Rockford College offers the use of its campus to the many major tournaments held in the city.

The fourth wing of the RCC is the newly created Blackhawk Chess Club in southwest Rockford. It is open to residents of the Blackhawk Housing Authority. Although small in size, the members more than make up for lack of numbers in spirit and determination.

The benefits of four united clubs are many. We are unique since we enjoy an "affiliation within an affiliation" with a charter of over sixty members and with at least that many more who visit us over the year to promote chess in the Rockford area. We are able to pool our resources, both financial and time-wise. A Rockford resident can visit a chess club four nights a week! And just two years ago no club existed at all!

Dr. Walhout plays at the Rockford College Chess Club. Note his peg-in set and the braille score sheet.



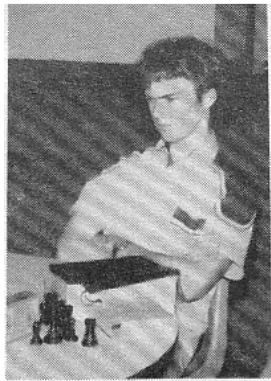
Having three experts in our area provides an opportunity for the beginners among us to receive instruction, gives added balance to team tourneys, and serve as fair game for the occasional simulms we twist their arms to present for our pleasure.

Special events also break up the regular routine. For example, International Master William Martz recently delighted us with a simul at a local shopping mall. Assisted by RCC officers, IM Martz racked up a stunning score of 161 wins, two losses, and three draws!! The two defeats were at the hands of club president Robert Licht, and a new member recruited at the exhibition. (After defeating an IM we weren't about to let that fella get away!)

The Rockford Chess Organization has its own newsletter, The R.C.O. CHESSLETTER. It utilizes a new format for local bulletin-type publications, blending local news with events, problems, puzzles, editorials, and even humor. It is published bi-monthly for R.C.C. members at no additional cost. It should be noted that copies are also available to ICA members on request at no cost, and we will also be glad to publish tournament announcements of other ICA affiliates when the information is submitted. Write to Roy Ervin, 2920 Ashbrook Dr., Rockford, IL 61109.

The Rockford Chess Club and its sister clubs strive to help the chessplayer in every way we can, and through the efforts of its officers Bob Licht, Heinz Lange, Gary Sargent, Joe Drennan, and Dr. Walhout, we think we do a good job! This makes the Rockford Chess Club the Top of Illinois. When in Rockford visit any one of our clubs and receive a warm welcome.

Ed. note...although this concludes the series FOCUS ON THE CLUB AFFILIATE for the near future, we hope to revive it from time to time as new affiliates join with the Illinois Chess Association. Any new affiliate is invited to contact the editor about appearing in this column.



SCHOLASTIC CHESS

William Harris

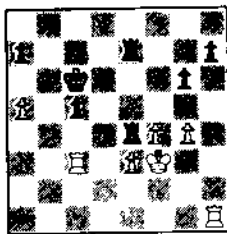
The summer and early fall months have always been slow ones for scholastic chess. There is no better time, then, to change scholastic editors. Chris Slupik, this column's editor for the past two years, has decided to concentrate on his studies at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington. Helen Warren wrote to me and asked if I would be the new scholastic editor. I was happy to accept.

The fall is reorganization time for high school chess teams with the first scholastic tournament held in November. But then the pace picks up. By February team matches are under way, chess activity increases, and important tournaments are held in late winter and early spring, finally culminating with the state high school team and individual championships in late April and early May. Some teams even go on to the national championships. The Illinois Junior Championship in late May rounds off the season. I am looking forward to an exciting year.

Dave Rubin, former Illinois Junior Champion, tied Grandmaster Arthur Bisquier for third place in the Tanglewood Open in Massachusetts. Their individual encounter was drawn:

BISQUIER-RUBIN Dutch Defense

1 d4 d5 2 Nf3 e6 3 Bf4 f5? (*Putin likes Stonewall systems*) 4 e1 Nf6 5 c4 e6 6 Nc3 Re7 7 Rd3 O-O 8 Ne5 Nbd7 9 O-O Nxe5 10 Rxe5 Ne4 11 f3 Nxc3 12 bxc3 Rf6 (*otherwise the Bishop on c6 becomes a tower of strength for a coming king-side attack*) 13 Rxf6 Rxf6 14 Rb1 Rb6 15 Qe1 Qd6 16 f4 Qg3? 17 Qd2 b6 18 cxd5 exd5 19 c4 dxc4 (*apparently trying to expose the weak white pawn position.*) 20 Bxc4 Re6 21 Rbc1 Bd5 (*Now White is thrown on the defensive.*) 22 Qd3 Re4 23 Rc3 R6e6 24 Rf3 Kf8 25 Bxd5 Qxd5 (*The open file after end6 will probably be more useful to White than to Black.*) 26 Qa6 Qd7 27 h3 Qe7? (*The Queen trade seems to benefit White, for it allows him to open up another front by g4, a move too risky with Queens on the board.*) 28 Qc8+ Qe8 29 Qxe8+ Kxe8 30 Kf2 Ff7 31 g4 Q6 32 Rg3 fxg4 (*Prevents White from opening and using the g-file, but improves White's central pawn position and opens the h-file.*) 33 hxg4 Kd6 34 Kf3 Kd5 35 Rg1 Re7 36 Rg2 R7c6 37 Rb1 c5 40 dxc5 bxc5 41 Rd1+ Kc6 42 Rb1 Re7



Position after 42...Re7

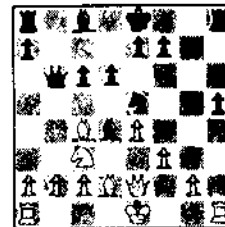
43 Rh7? (*Not Rh1 Kd6 44 Rxb3 Rxb3+, or 43 f6 attempting to create connected passed pawns, and 44 gxf5 Ra4, Rf7, Kd6. But 43 Rh7 may be a good try, removing the threat of Rxb7 and making f8 more powerful because of the pin on the g-pawn*) Rxf4+ 44 Kxf4 Rxb7 45 Kg5 Rh2 46 Kxg6 Kb5 47 g5 Kb4 48 Rc2 Rg1 49 Kf6 c4 50 Rb2+ Kc3 51 Rb7 Kd3 52 Ra7 c3 53 Rd7+? (*Looks like a waste of time to me, but Bisquier probably knows what he is doing.*) Kxe3 54 Rc7 Kd2 55 g6 c2 56 Qf7 Rf1+ 57 Ke7 Re1+ 58 Kf8 Rf1+ 59 Kg8 (*One last winning try.*) c1=Q 60 Rxc1 Rxc1 61 a6 Ra1 62 Kf7 Rf1+ 63 Ke6 Re1+ 64 Kd6 (*He is one*

tempo short of a win. If the a-pawn were on a7, he would win by Kd7.) Re8 65 a7 Rg8 66 Ke6 Ra8! (*The key. Whenever the King gets close enough to attack the Rook, it shifts its attack to the other pawn. The King cannot cross the 7th rank without allowing the sacrifice to sacrifice itself for both pawns.*) 65 Kd5 Kd3 4-4

Here's another game by an Illinois junior. Played in the last round of the Illinois Open, it decided first place. Sprenkle had 5 points, I had 4; if I had won, I would have been champion. Here's how I "only" drew:

SPRENKLE-HARRIS Modern Defense

1 e4 Q6 2 h4 (*Poor tournament tactics, playing such a risky move when a draw is sufficient for first place.*) Bg7 3 h5 c5 4 Nc3?! d6 5 Bc4?! Nc6 6 Nf3 gxf5 7 Rxf5 Nf6 8 Rh4 h5 9 d4 cxd4 10 Nxd4 Ng4 11 Nxc6 bxc6 12 Qe2 Qb6 13 Rb1 Bd4 14 f3 Ne5 15 Bd2



Position after 15 Bd2

15...Nxc4? (*Possibly best was Qxb2, but that might have led to some unpleasant defensive tasks for Black. But the move that maintains black's advantage without risk is 15...Rb6! White is reduced to moves like 16 Nd1 or 16 Rb1 just to survive. After ...Rg8 White will be under pressure in the center and on both flanks. He would be unlikely to survive.*) 16 Qxc4 Rf2+ 17 Kd1 Ra6 18 Qb3 Bg3? (*Again, Rb8 was better with some advantage due to the two Bishops and pressure down the h-file*) 19 Qxb6 axb6 20 Be3 Be5 21 a4 Bxc3 (*White has been gradually freeing himself. Afraid of losing through pressure on my b-pawn and on my h-pawn, I simplify my few winning chances away.*) 22 bxc3 Bb5 23 Bxb6 Rxa4 24 Kd2 Rxa1 25 Rxa1 Kd7 26 Bf2 Ke6 4-4

Illinois Juniors, send me your games! Even if your best game is not a surprising upset or a sparkling brilliancy, I'd still like to have it. Send games to: William Harris, PO Box 143, Bourbonnais, IL 60914.

ICA DUES RAISE

The Board of Directors of the Illinois Chess Association voted a dues increase effective March 15, 1981. REGULAR MEMBERSHIP will be \$7 annually. JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP (under 19) will be \$5. You may renew before March 15 at the present \$5 rate, but NO MULTIPLE year memberships will be allowed.

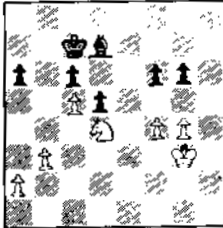
ICA Membership dues should be sent to Jim Warren, ICA Treasurer, PO Box 70, Western Springs, IL 60558. Checks should be made payable to the ICA.

Beginning with the ending

In this, the final article on basic endgames, we will examine the fight between the Bishop and the Knight. Which is superior?

We will then conclude our study with two often occurring endings: A B&RP vs lone King and B N+RP vs King.

Diagram 1

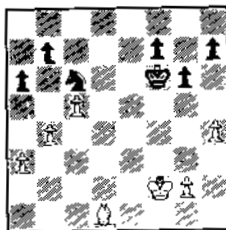


Averbakh-Lilienthal, Moscow, 1949

Here is a fine example of a good Knight vs a bad Bishop theme. White's Knight occupies an impressive post on d4 while the Black Bishop on d7 is blocked by its own pawns, thus playing a passive part in the game. White's first move is very instructive:

1 g5! (This advance does many things: a) gets the vulnerable pawn on g4 onto a black square where it is safe from attack, b) fixes the Black pawn on g6 on a white square thus further limiting the Bishop's mobility, c) eradicates the f6 pawn and so destroys black's control of the e5 square. This allows White to put his Knight or his King on e5.) 1...f5 (1...f6 would only further entomb the black Bishop. White could then win by creating a passed pawn in the following manner: 2 Kf3 Be8 3 Ke3 Kd7 4 Nf3 Ke6 5 Kd4 Bf7 6 Nd5 Be8 7 Nd3! Bd7 (Black cannot move his King and allow Ke5 by White.) 8 Nb4! (Forcing Black to push his a pawn which will allow White to create a passed pawn.) 9...a5 9 Nd3 Be8 10 a4 Bd7 11 b4 ab 12 Nb4 and the passed RP will win easily.) 2 f4 Bc8 3 Kf4 (Usually one would play 3 b4 in order to keep the enemy pawns fixed on white squares, thus killing off the Bishop. Here White decided that the text led to an easy win and so did not bother with more elaborate methods.) 3...a5 4 Ke5 Ba6 5 Kf6 Bd1 (Now White cannot win with Nf3-e5x g6 as after a Black trade by Bxg6 & d4 the Black d pawn would become a force.) 6 Ke7 (White correctly goes after the Black c pawn.) 6...Bb1 7 a3 Be4 8 Ne6ch (This illustrates one of the great advantages of the Knight over the Bishop: the Knight, unlike the Bishop, can go the opposite color square. Thus, nothing is safe from its attack. Here the target is the black King which is being pushed back, away from the defense of the c6 pawn.) 8...Kb7 9 Kd6 Bc2 10 Nd4 Bd1 11 Nc6 and Black resigns since 11...Bb3 12 Na5ch is unhealthy.

Diagram 2



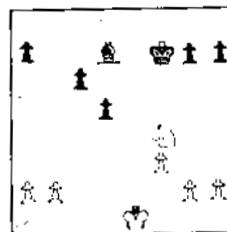
Vaganian-Donchenko, Dubna 1973

This position shows a favorable situation for the Bishop. Here the Bishop has plenty of scope. Add to this the fact that Black's pawns are all vulnerable on white squares. It is clear that the Bishop is superior. 1...Ke5 2 Ke3 h6 (Black does not wait for White's plan of Bf3, g4, g5, & Be4 which would leave Black paralyzed.)

3 g4 f5? (This opens up the position even more and so helps the Bishop. Better was 3...Nd4 4 g5!, fixing the pawns on white, 4...hg 5 hq Nf5ch 6 Kd3 Kf4 7 Bb3 Kg5 8 Bf7 Ne7 9 Ke4 though this is also very good for White.) 4 gf gf (4...Kf5 5 Bc2ch Kf6 6 Ke4 is also good for White.) 5 Bf3 f4ch 6 Kd3 Nd8 7 a4 Nc6 8 Kc3 Ke6 9 b5 ab5 10 ab Ne5 (Black is desperate. The retreat with 10...Nd8 11 Kd4 Kf5 12 Bb7 also loses.) 11 Bb7 f3 12 Kd4 f2 13 Bg2 Ng4 14 b6 Kd7 15 c6ch Kd6 16 e7 Kd7 17 Bb3 Black resigns (17...h5 18 Kc5 Kc8 19 Kc6 and mates by b7.)

Such favorable situations for the Knight (Diagram 1) or for the Bishop (Diagram 2) don't always manifest so clearly. Often both sides start a vicious fight to create superiority for whatever piece they have.

Diagram 3



Matulovic-Korchnoi
Yugo.-USSR Match 1972

Here is a fine example of minor pieces fighting for superiority. To quote from P.F. Griffiths: "To hold his own against a Bishop in an open position, a Knight must have access to a secure advanced post near the center, preferably supported by pawns. If this is not possible, he will become a very inferior piece and will be out-maneuvered at every turn by the speedy Bishop. In this ending (Dia. 3) White threatens 29 Nd3, after which he would achieve his aim by f4 & Ne5, or even better, f4 & Ne5, when his Knight would be at least a match for the Bishop. Therefore, Black's first move is forced." 1...f5! ("It would take several moves now to re-direct the Knight towards one of the strong points referred to, by which time Black would in any case have consolidated his position by Ke7, Kd6 and e5.") 2 h2? (Trying to maintain the position of the Knight. 29 B4, fixing the black pawns on the white squares would have been superior. Now Black prevents this.) 2...a5! 3 Kd2 (3 a3 a4! would immobilize the white pawns.) 3...d4! 4 a3 c5 (Korchnoi has squeezed the maximum out of his position. Note how the black center pawns and Bishop form a barrier against the White King.) 5 g1 (If White does nothing then Black would increase the pressure by walking his King to the center. Also poor is 5 Nd3 due to 5...f4 6 Kd3 d1 and Black wins because of his protected passed pawn on d4, i.e., 7 Ke4 Ke6 8 g3 Kd6 9 g4 Ke6 10 f4 g6 11 f5ch g1 12 g4ch Kf6 wins.) 5...Bg6 6 g5 (6 Ng6 Kg6 7 b3 Kf6 8 Kd3 (?! Bb1!) 8...Ke5 9 a4 Kf4 10 Ke2 Kg3, etc.) 6...h6 7 g6 qh6 8 Ne2 a4 9 Ng3 Ke6 10 f4 Kd5 11 Ke1 Bd3 12 Kd2 Bb1 13 Kc1 Bd3 14 Kd2 c4 ("Black's policy of centralization has reached its peak. Note how the Knight is completely dominated and the King and the Bishop are ready for action on either wing." Griffiths.) 15 Kc1 c3 16 Nn1 Kc4 17 Ng3 (?? Bc2 Bc2) 17...Kb3 18 bc3 dc3 19 f5 Ka3 20 f6 Bc4 21 Nf5 Kb4 22 Nd4 a3 23 Kbl Bf7 24 Nc6ch Kc5 25 Ne5 a2ch 26 Kc1 c2 27 Nd3ch Kd4 28 Nc1 Ke5 29 Nd3ch and White resigned without waiting for a reply.

From these examples we can come to the following general conclusions:

1. A Knight does best in closed or semi-closed positions as the Bishop will often be blocked by pawns.
2. Try to fix your opponent's pawns on the color of his Bishop.
3. A Knight needs central support points to be effective against a Bishop.
4. A mutual pawn race on both sides of the board will almost always favor the Bishop.

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POSTAL CHESS NEWS

Heien Warren

The preliminary round of the first ICA Postal Chess Championship started in mid-October with six seven-layer sections. Two early withdrawals made room for latecomers who wanted a slot in the competition and we were happy to oblige. Following are the lineups in the six assigned sections:

80 ICA-1

Hector Hernández-Madriral (Chicago)
Paul Sholl (New Windsor, IL)
Max Zavanelli (Park Ridge, IL)
Larry Jamison (Herrin, IL)
Walter Brown (Mokena, IL)
Steeve Kydberg (Tinley Park, IL)
Bill Naff (Peoria)--replacement

80 ICA-2

Chris Musgrave (Oak Park, IL)
Herb Baumann (Yuma, AZ)
Keith Taylor (Bourbonnais, IL)
Robert Ladd (Palatine, IL)
George Kowbush (Ferguson, MO)
John Tomas (Chicago)
Jerry Leag (Chicago)

80 ICA-3

Vic Swanson (River Grove, IL)
Don Ellenwood (Westmont, IL)
David Taylor (Kankakee, IL)
Newton Berry (Hazel Crest, IL)
Fred Bender (Maywood, IL)
Jim O'Hearn (Portland, OR)
Mike Zacate (Mokena, IL)

80 ICA-4

Donald Walhout (Rockford, IL)
Jim Warren, Western Spgs., IL)
Louis Spitznagel (Chicago)
Murray Smith (Miami, FL)
Larry Sims (Chicago)
Charles McKinney (Gurnee, IL)
Dr. Victor Jablockow (LaGrange Park, IL)

80 ICA-5

Michael O'Keefe (Florence, VT)
Kevin Nomura (Chicago)
Jan Bogin (Skokie, IL)
William Harris (Bourbonnais, IL)
Chuck Harnach (Homewood, IL)
Kurt Stein (Westchester, IL)--replacement
Tim Just (Waukegan, IL)

80 ICA-6

John Roecker (Peoria, IL)
Robert Ladd (Palatine, IL)
Len Archer (Middleton, WI)
Mike Zacate (Mokena, IL)
Jim Warren (Western Springs, IL)
Fred Jesse Smith (Rockford, IL)
Jim Swicegood (Winston-Salem, NC)

correction: our cover letter to players erred in last line of para. 5. "within 18 moves" should read "within eighteen months". of course. We do move things along briskly, but we can't hope for a blitz on every board! By next issue (FEB.) it's likely we'll have a few early results to report, and thereafter, we'll publish some games.

Meanwhile, we're delighted that Chicagoan and postal player in ICCF (international) events has sent us some of his games from foreign competition. Unlike domestic postal play which uses a three-day time control for each card received (discounting Sundays & holidays), ICCF play uses a 10 move in 30 days time control with Sundays and holidays counting.

It's really apples and oranges in time budgeting. The advantages of the ICCF time policy are evident: the player is free to budget his time as he sees fit, accumulating time saved by fast response in the opening for more leisurely and studied use in the middle game.

We think you'll enjoy Tim Bogan's guided tour to the world of international postal play.

WORLD CUP IV by Tim Bogan

The second round of World Cup IV is about to begin. The prizes in this huge postal tournament conducted by the International Correspondence Chess Federation (ICCF) and open to players of all classes are places in the quarter-finals or semi-finals of the World Correspondence Chess Championship. 2,619 players participated in its predecessor, World Cup III, and to handle the huge number of competitors, the Silli System was devised by the Italian organizer, TD Armando Silli. Under this system first round players are assigned to groups of 100 and each plays ten opponents from the hundred at random. The top 20% of the scorers advance to a second round from which only the top 15% go on to the Finals. Play began on Sept. 1, 1977 and the second round starts on Jan. 1, 1981. This is no week-end Swiss! Nine years is a long time for a chess tournament!

I was very pleased to qualify for the second round. My score in Group 5 was nine out of ten points, without loss, but I hasten to add that two points were from silent withdrawals and two from vastly weaker opponents. Add one more easy point from a blunder, and I worked hard for the rest of my points.

International postal play is my favorite way to play chess. I like the slow rate of play: there is plenty of time to study a position in depth, and plenty of time to forget about it for a week when interest wanes. I find it much easier to maintain my lust for battle over a two year period if I leave the game alone at regular intervals. Another common selling-point for this (or any) kind of chess is that it may be enjoyed between players who do not speak the same language--a cynical friend of mine thinks otherwise, that men who do speak the same language, just don't bother to communicate at all while playing chess. But in postal play it is possible both to play and exchange messages without either activity interfering with the other. Many opponents restrict themselves to sending moves only. My opponent in the following game is the happy exception he wrote interesting letters about chess, his mother, current events, and baseball, in flawless, idiomatic English!

T. J. Bogan- P. Erbacher World Cup IV Group 5, Sept. 1, 1977-
Nov. 15, 1978, Ruy Lopez

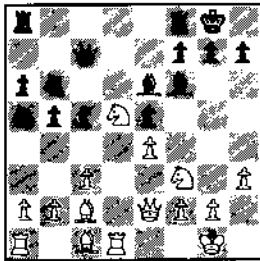
"Write out some of the scores of some of your games and comment upon them. Attempt before all to discover the last mistake committed, because that one is directly responsible for the result. Let your method be that of trying, judicious trying, often repeated." Emanuel Lasker, Lasker's Chess Primer

This is the advice of the sagest of chess philosophers, and he set me a difficult task. When I wrote out the following game and attempted "...to discover the last mistake..." I was forced to give up the illusion which colored my mood during play...I thought I had a win by move 18.

1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 B-N5 P-QB3 (Some very strong players have thought this an inferior move, Lasker among them, and though this opinion is open to dispute, the student player over master games should keep his eye on the weakness of the Black Q-side pawns caused by 3...P-QB3.) 4 B-R4 N-B3 5 O-O B-K2 6 Q-K2 (This, the Mamuli Attack, favored by Lasker, Keres, Fine, Reshevsky, and Spassky, differs in interesting ways from the more ponderous 6 N-B2. Also, it shows the virtues of the Marshall Counter-Attack.) 6...P-QK4 7 B-N5 O-O 8 P-B3 P-Q3 (If 8...P-Q4 a la Marshall 9 P-QK4)

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9 P-KR3 N-QR4 10B-B2 P-B4 11 P-Q4 N-Q2 12 R-Q1
(White's rook uses the square vacated by the Queen, a key idea of the Wornall. 12...B-B3 13 PxEP PxP 14 QN-Q2 Q-B2 (MCO says this is "=", but neglects to mention how much play is left.) 15 N-B1 N-N3 16 N-K3 B-K3 17 N-Q5



If 17...NcN 18 PaN B-QR 19 P-Q6 Q-Q1 (19...Q-B15 20 NcP! R-K1 21 Q-R5 P-N3 22 NcN!) and although 20 NcP doesn't work, White's position is excellent. One possibility is 20 Q-K4 P-B3 21 NcP R-K1 22 QcR QcQ 23 NcR.) 17...BxN 18 PxB QR-Q1 (during play I thought this the decisive error, but Black could have improved on his next and 31st move.) 19 B-N5 (If 19...NcP? 20 Q-K4. 19...PcP is better, but after 20 PxB NcR 21 Q-K4 R-Q1 22 QcP+ K-B1 23 Q-RA+ K-B1 24 BcB+ PcP White has a passed KRP, Black a homeless King.) 19...Q-K2 20 Q-K4 P-N3 21 Q-KR4 N-Q2P (This is the last mistake. Black could have played on indefinitely with 21...PcP 22 NcR P-KR4.) 22 P-QR4! (Black's pieces are tied up on the K-side, so White shifts! Now if 22...PcP 23 NcR P-KR4 24 P-Q6.) 22...R-R1 23 P-Q6 (The threats multiply: 23...Q-Q1 24 BcB NcR 25 NcP. Or 24...QcR 25 QcR NcP 26 NcP.) 23...Q-K3 24 B-K4 (If 24...P-B2 25 Pcl wins.) 24...Q-B5 25 BxR QxQ 26 BxQ BxR 27 NxB RxB 28 PxB and Black resigned. (A lightweight pin ends the game, 28...PcP 29 P-QN4.)

501(c)3 status from the IRS. Now that our bookkeeping is in order we may be able to achieve it within the next two years. The Illinois Chess League seems increasingly popular, due to the efforts of Chris Musgrave and Harold Winston. And thanks are also due to our tireless secretary Paul Segeidin, and all the others who worked for the ICA.

For the first time, all candidates for ICA office this year are running unopposed. I hope that this signals the end of the devisiveness which has occasionally handicapped our efforts. The upcoming world championship match will again focus considerable public attention on chess, and we want ICA to be in a strong position to capitalize on this.

FLASH!!

We have just learned that the Korchnoi-Hubner match to determine the challenger to World Champion Anatoly Karpov will be held starting DECEMBER 20 in northern Italy. The purse for the event is set at \$67,000.

The northern Italian town of Merano will host the event. So the Christmas Season should be an especially festive one for chess enthusiasts this year, and our next issue, which we hope will be mailed on or near FEBRUARY 1, may well have all--or most--of the Korchnoi-Hubner games.

Jim Bogan, writer-contributor of the article on World Op. 7, is also the editor of "My Chess Adventure", written by Thomas Sanderton, a veteran of the postal chess campaigns. Sanderton will be remembered as the chief exponent of the British Chess Association's magazine, "BRITISH CHESS NEWS" during the 1970s. "My Chess Adventure" is available from Jim Bogan for \$4.50. You may order from him at 3449 N. Greenwood, Chicago, IL 60657.

SILMAN, continued...

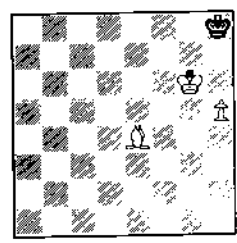
5. If pawns are present on only one side of the board, then the Knight is generally superior. The Bishop's long range powers would be unimportant while the Knight's ability to hit any color square would be a great asset.

The content of Diagrams 1-3 has been more complicated and involved than usual. To get the maximum profit from them, I strongly urge the reader to get a friend to play out the diagrammed positions several times on either side of the board. Each time, try different defensive and attacking ideas from those used in the actual games. The understanding you will obtain from doing this will be well worth the effort.

A. Usually if one is a piece up you would expect an easy win. But there are a couple of cases when the weaker side can draw due to stalemate possibilities. The case of B and wrong color RP happens quite often and, due to its simplicity, is easy to understand.

First, it should be made clear that B and any pawn vs King is an easy win. The only exception is when you have a RP that queens on the opposite color of your Bishop.

Diagram 4



From the diagrammed position Black would draw without any trouble by 1...KgE 2 h6 Kh8 3 Kf6 (3 Bd5 stalemate) 3...Kg8 4 h7ch Kh8 5 Kg5 Kg7 and Black draws going back and forth between h8 and g7 until White plays his King to g6, or h6, f6, f7, or f8 and stalemates Black. (Note that White would win easily if

(the pawn were on the d-side.)

Thus it should be clear that in Diagram 5 Black can draw by 1...Rg6 (White to move could do 1...Rc4 Bc7 2 Kf4 Rg4! and draws as in Diagram 4.

Diagram 5

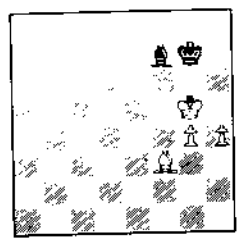
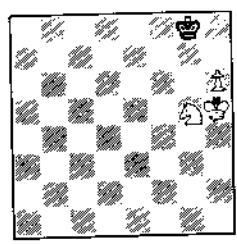


Diagram 6



Knight and RP vs King is also a simple win. There is a way to go wrong, though ...DON'T put your pawn on the 7th!! Diagram 6 shows a typical case. With 1 h7?? the position turns from an easy win to a dead draw! 1...Kg7 2 Kg4 Kh8 3 Kf5 Kg7 4 Ke6 Kh8 5 Kf6 Kg7 4 Ke6 Kh8 5 Kf6 stalemate! (Of course, White should have played 1 Kg8 Kh8 2 Nf7ch Kg8 3 h7ch winning instantly.)



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SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS #91-96:

- No. 91 Wojtyla. Set play 1...Sa5/Sc5 2 K(x)c5. Solution 1 Qa7, waiting. 1...S any 2 Sb6. 1...Pc5 2 Pxc6 e.p.
- No. 92 Nabokov. Try 1 Pb8=S?, waiting. 1...Pd6+ 2 Sd7. 1...Pd5+ 2 Qc7. 1...Pxe6+ 2 Sf7 1...Pc2! Solution 1 Kc2, waiting. 1...Pd6 2 Rf5 1...Pd5 2 Qc7 (changed strategy here). 1...Pxe6/K any 2 Qc5.
- No. 93 Foltanowski. Set play 1...Kxf5 2 Qh7. 1...Kxd5 2 Qb7. Solution 1 Qe8, waiting. 1...Kxf5 2 Sxg3. 1...Kxd5 2 Qa8. 1...Pxf5 2 Rd4. 1...Pxd5 2 Rf4. 1...Bd4...a1 2 Kxc3. 1...Bf4 2 Qa4.
- No. 94 Lasker. 1 Qb5 Kd4 2 Qxd5+. 1...Be6 2 Qb2+. 1...Bb7 2 Pxd5 (Qb2? Pd4+!) Pc5 3 Pxc6 e.p. 1...Pxd6 2 Bb2+. 1...Pc5 2 Qxc5.
- No. 95 Kashtan. 1 Sd3, threat 2 Rxa7+ Kb6 3 Pc8=S. 1...Ka6 2 Rb5 Bf3 3 Sb4. 1...Pa6 2 Rb4 Rf3 3 Sb3. 1...Se5 2 Sc5 Bd1 3 Kb5; 2...Be2 3 dSb3. Two of the five models are echoes.
- No. 96 Keres. Tries 1 Rd2? Rc7! 1 Bf4? Sf7! (1 Kc3? Rd7!) Solution 1 Bg5 Rf7 2 Bf4 Sc6 3 Bd2.

All readers are eligible to compete in the problem ladder. Deadline for submission of solutions to #97-102 is JANUARY 30, 1980. Please note: solutions should be sent to the new Problem editor, David Brown, 204 Irving Ave., Rockford, IL 61103

CHANGE OF EDITORS.

Because I am undertaking another editorial position (see the note on the "U.S. Problem Bulletin" which follows), I am reluctantly giving up my ICB problem editorship after this issue. But the problem section will continue in the very capable hands of David L. Brown, who during 1973-1979 edited a fine problem section in NORTHWEST CHESS, whose composing tourneys attracted an international following. During the early 1970s, I watched David rapidly develop into one of America's very good problem composers, and his work has received many honors in international competition. His early problems were mostly two-movers, many of them having brilliant keys. But he has also done notable work in longer directmates, selfmates, helpmates, and a number of heterodox problem types. His published problems now number close to 300. One of his valuable contributions to problem chess is his invention of a heterodox chess piece, the orphan (an orphan takes on the attacking powers of any opposite-color piece which attacks it), which a number of the world's leading composers have found a useful addition to their composing tools. Still only 35 years old, Dave can look forward to many more years of high-quality composing activity. Problems 97, 98, 99, and 104 in this issue are representative of his work.

AN AMERICAN PROBLEM PUBLICATION...The "U.S. Problem Bulletin" (from which problems 100 and 102 in this issue are taken), active during 1963-1967, is being restarted beginning with the January-February, 1981, issue. As before, there will be a solvers' ladder, composing tourneys, quoted problems, and articles. Editor: Edgar Holladay. Subscriptions are \$6.00 per year (6 issues), payable to David L. Brown, 204 Irving Ave., Rockford, IL 61103.

PROBLEMS IN THIS ISSUE...

The keys in Nos. 97 and 98 are excellent thematic introductions to the play that follows. Which Nowotny white move to c2 solves No. 99? In No. 100, the set play and the solution, taken together, have the q7 pawn promoting to both queen and knight on each of three squares; Sir Jeremy Morse was the Executive Director of the Bank of England. In the previously unpublished No. 101, a letter problem (C), the drastic key is well atoned for by the quiet white second moves leading to model mates. No. 102 has five model mates. The complex main-plays in No. 103 are perfectly matched thematically. The entertaining play in No. 104 includes selfblocks and sacrifices.

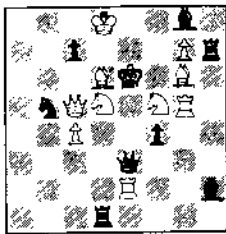
MISCELLANY...

No. 91-96 completed another leg of the solvers' ladder--details in the next issue. Solutions to No. 97-104 should be sent to the new problem editor David L. Brown (address above).

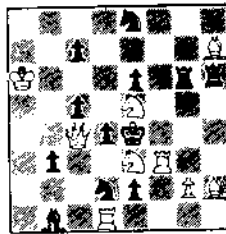
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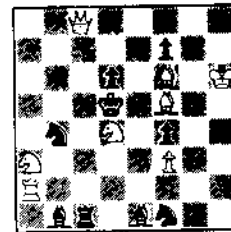
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"British Chess Magazine"
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PROBLEMS No. 100-104 ARE ON THE NEXT PAGE....

QUERY: Does any reader have the early-1976 ICB containing the problem section with problems 12-17? I'd much appreciate being able to borrow it long enough to xerox the problem section so that my collection will be complete. If you have it, please send to my address above, Edgar Holladay.



BOOK REVIEW

BY JOHN TOMAS, Associate Editor

CHESS IS MY LIFE, Anatoly Karpov and Aleksander Roshal, Pergamon Press, 359 pages, index, photographs, List \$30 (HB) available from APCT for \$25.25; List \$14 (PB), APCT price \$12.85.

This book purports to be a biography of world champion Anatoly Karpov with autobiographical fragments and games. It is nothing of the sort. It is a work of propaganda in which the real life Karpov is only a subsidiary figure. The real hero is the Soviet state on which the book closes. Karpov's role is to be the perfect citizen of that state, different in degree but not in kind from any other citizen of that state--a sort of super soviet boy scout.

It goes without saying that this boy scout can do no wrong--even when his actions are diametrically opposed. If Karpov doesn't need a win and plays for a draw, his "realism" is praised; if, in an identical situation, he plays for a win, his fighting spirit is praised. If he refuses a chance for revenge, his equanimity is praised; when he takes a chance for revenge his personal pride is lauded.

If this was the intent of Roshal's silliness it would be relatively benign. Unfortunately, for Roshal at least, the existence of a hero presupposes a villain, and he didn't have to look very far to find one. Why else would the Soviets insist on the same English title for this book as for the previously published Korchnoi autobiography? Occasionally Roshal's need to expunge every mention of Korchnoi's name is unintentionally humorous. In an interview, Robert Byrne listed "Karpov, Tal, and Larsen" as favorites for the qualifying spots from the 1973 Leningrad Interzonal. In the next paragraph, however, he is quoted as saying "...I merely singled out these four." Any bets on whose name was dropped?

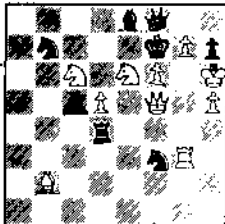
There is little humorous, however, about the long diatribe against Korchnoi. Roshal denigrates his ability, attacks his manners at and away from the board and

subjects his personality to the most self-serving pseudo "psychological" analysis. Were these Karpov's opinions there might be some justification for their inclusion. As it is they are merely one more attempt by the Soviet state to exact its revenge upon Viktor Korchnoi--the same state, it must be recalled, which attempted to strip Korchnoi of all FIDE titles, introduce a FIDE organized boycott of him and now boycotts every organizer who dares invite him, while preventing his wife's emigration and imprisoning his son.

These are not the only lies the book propounds. There is a consistent, subtle attempt to rewrite history--much as Kotov does in his biography of Alexander Alekhine. Sato Flohr is given a patronymic, just as though he is originally Russian and not an emigre from Czechoslovakia in the 1930s. The sections on Fischer and FIDE are masterpieces of innuendo; any FIDE vote Roshal dislikes is a result of the Machiavelian machinations of Ed Edmondson; any vote he likes is a triumph of the democratic process that he otherwise deplores.

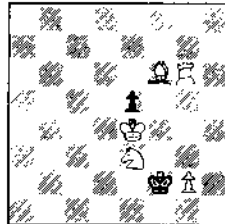
The prime virtue of the book is that in it Karpov annotates his own games. In the last two decades only Fischer, Tal, Karpov, Reshevsky, and Larsen have done so among the great players. Since many of the games annotated here are also annotated in RHM's volume of Karpov's best games, the large number of unannotated games appended to the text by the English publishers should give it the edge. While I don't really like Karpov's often dry style or believe that his annotations are the equal of Fischer's or Larsen's (both of whom make me want to play chess), he should be commended for the attempt. Let us hope that this volume is remembered for Karpov's chess and not Roshal's propaganda.

No. 100
C Jeremy Morse and Edgar Holladay
"U.S. Problem Bulletin"
1963



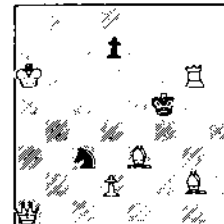
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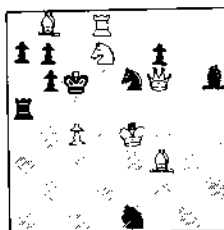
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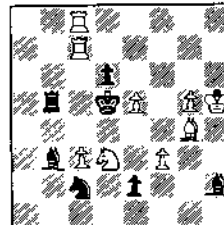
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No. 103
Herbert Graseman
First Prize
Haden-Berlin Match, 1953



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No. 104
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MATE IN FIVE

NOTE We give full crossable in Open section up to & including 3 pters; thereafter we give summary listings by point totals. In Reserve Section we give only point groupings.

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5 UNGER, TOM	NY	2166	2208	4-59	4-36	4-82	4-38	4-40	4.5
6 ELLIS, JAMES S	MI	2129	2217	4-52	4-03	4-05	4-82	4-21	4.5
7 ANDERSON, BJORN	NY	2336/4	2325	4-14	4-26	4-15	4-21	4-54	4.0
8 VAN BUSKIRK, CHARL	IL	2307	2315	4-46	4-13	4-68	4-39	4-17	4.0
9 BERGSTROM, CHRISTE	NY	2262	2295	4-31	4-32	4-16	4-28	4-21	4.0
10 FISCHBEIN, GREGORY	OH	2206	2214	4-60	4-12	4-28	4-23	4-50	4.0
11 MORRIS, KEN C	IL	2165	2166	4-27	4-27	4-67	4-26	4-50	4.0
12 GIASSUNG, JEFFREY	OH	2148	2184	4-53	4-23	4-44	4-73	4-74	4.0
13 KUDRYAN, GENRADY	IL	2145	2170	4-49	4-68	4-11	4-21	4-60	4.0
14 MAYNARD, CHERY G	GA	2128	2156	4-83	4-77	4-75	4-70	4-47	4.0
15 KARLINS, ERIK I	IL	2119	2140	4-19	4-55	4-77	4-75	4-61	4.0
16 FRIEDMAN, EDWARD	RI	2117	2135	4-18	4-15	4-55	4-24	4-63	4.0
17 CARLIT, ALFRED BLA	LA	2046	2124	4-34	4-96	4-38	4-79	4-28	4.0
18 STEVANOVIC, MICHA	IL	2051	2105	4-20	4-24	4-30	4-22	4-75	4.0
19 DRIPPS, LAWRENCE	IL	1998	2032	4-39	4-83	4-37	4-76	4-21	4.0
20 EGGERS, PAUL S	VA	1964	2013	4-22	4-56	4-34	4-42	4-46	4.0
21 BERGSTROM, MAGNUS	NY	2440/4	2337	4-58	4-25	4-95	4-24	4-26	3.5
22 KORTFELD, ALLEN I	IL	2314	2311	4-20	4-49	4-39	4-14	4-36	3.5
23 DAVIS, LOCAL A	CA	2216	2217	4-13	4-12	4-81	4-53	4-28	3.5
24 TONS, JOHN M	IL	2126	2157	4-67	4-27	4-74	4-03	4-22	3.5
25 TALL, JERIC	MI	2120	2136	4-21	4-21	4-27	4-23	4-01	3.5
26 TAYLOR, STEVEN A	RI	2110	2137	4-94	4-23	4-79	4-21	4-04	3.5
27 ARRENS, LARRY C	RI	2113	2151	4-11	4-24	4-33	4-83	4-24	3.5
28 BISKUPSKI, MARTIN	MI	2085	2156	4-59	4-46	4-10	4-29	4-23	3.5
29 CZERNIECKI, K A	IL	2060	2071	4-23	4-52	4-70	4-02	4-93	3.5
30 ROSEN, DAVID E	IN	2059	2108	4-16	4-45	4-83	4-26	4-97	3.5
31 CHUR, ALBERT C	IL	2059	2063	4-29	4-01	4-54	4-98	4-05	3.5
32 KUDRITSKY, YAN	IL	2054	2059	4-46	4-29	4-31	4-22	4-41	3.5
33 ROTH, ROBERT K	RI	2005	2061	4-15	4-91	4-99	4-56	4-98	3.5
34 PINTO, MARK A	MI	1990	2024	4-41	4-24	4-22	4-23	4-23	3.5
35 PULASKI, MERIC	IL	1986	1987	4-55	4-71	4-01	4-57	4-09	3.5
36 COLLINS, MILLY	IL	1978	2015	4-71	4-25	4-64	4-71	4-22	3.5
37 ARTS, ALAN L	IL	1977	1966	4-65	4-27	4-51	4-06	4-10	3.5
38 FUELL, RODNEY	IL	1687	1968	4-17	4-54	4-28	4-25	4-82	3.5
39 GHELEN, WAYNE A	IL	1673	1970	4-74	4-08	4-06	4-17	4-85	3.5
40 KEISLER, M JEROME	RI	1642	1895	4-82	4-67	4-61	4-45	4-25	3.5
41 APPEL, JIM K	IL	1861	1900	4-34	4-19	4-64	4-72	4-32	3.5
42 WHELEN, MUGH	IL	1781	1840	4-50	4-43	4-63	4-61	4-23	3.5
43 KIRKLAND, RODNEY M	IL	1643	1761	4-93	4-42	4-63	4-46	4-90	3.5
44 MARSH, DAVID C	NY	1606	1723	4-75	4-94	4-60	4-46	4-89	3.5
45 HORVATZ, RICHARD P	OH	2306	2272	4-17	4-40	4-24	4-40	4-27	3.0
46 WILSON, ALEX	RI	2184	2165	4-63	4-28	4-19	4-20	4-20	3.0
47 CRIFE, PAUL G	IL	2141	2130	4-01	4-37	4-22	4-22	4-14	3.0
48 YOUNG, JOHN S	IL	2132	2123	4-57	4-21	4-39	4-25	4-25	3.0
49 SAUNDY, ALBERT	IL	2102	2087	4-62	4-22	4-76	4-75	4-11	3.0
50 SPIGUSA, PAUL	IL	2016	2029	4-24	4-26	4-54	4-07	4-10	3.0
51 RAYAN, CASIMIR	IL	2005	1949	4-124	4-31	4-71	4-54	4-22	3.0
52 SPANAZZ, BARBARA	CA	1975	1982	4-66	4-57	4-25	4-61	4-34	3.0
53 SPYTHE, BILL	IL	1968	1967	4-12	4-24	4-46	4-24	4-36	3.0
54 JANKAUSKAS, RAZYS	IL	1958	1995	4-22	4-12	4-56	4-45	4-27	3.0
55 STEIT, PETER	IL	1959	1967	4-21	4-37	4-54	4-51	4-20	3.0
56 WHITE, GARY M	MO	1939	1925	4-195	4-113	4-54	4-47	4-33	3.0
57 BURKE, JOHN F	IL	1934	1930	4-106	4-121	4-62	4-61	4-29	3.0
58 SPATILLO, SAMUEL	IL	1927	1946	4-21	4-34	4-136	4-49	4-11	3.0
59 ALFUGO, JOSEPH U	IL	1912	1917	4-25	4-68	4-179	4-174	4-137	3.0
60 LEVERICH, STEVEN	OH	1885	1910	4-10	4-159	4-44	4-134	4-13	3.0
61 KRYKATON, R	IL	1844	1908	4-84	4-164	4-139	4-57	4-15	3.0
62 KALLAHO, DAVID H	MI	1872	1878	4-29	4-135	4-57	4-181	4-142	3.0
63 RODRIGUEZ, ADOLPHO	IL	1865	1844	4-46	4-177	4-43	4-135	4-16	3.0
64 SELZER, GASIL H	PA	1859	1850	4-18	4-143	4-36	4-164	4-116	3.0
65 FERRACIZ, ADRIANA	IL	1856	1847	4-37	4-79	4-178	4-145	4-147	3.0
66 GARRETT, DAVID	IL	1851	1850	4-32	4-138	4-195	4-139	4-140	3.0
67 COUDRON, JAMES K	IL	1840	1854	4-112	4-153	4-111	4-107	4-135	3.0
68 WHITE, WILL F	IL	1817	1864	4-100	4-59	4-24	4-107	4-125	3.0
69 HERRY, GREGORY F	IL	1803	1824	4-24	4-70	4-180	4-185	4-144	3.0
70 RUDOLPH, ALEXEY A	NY	1785	1842	4-97	4-69	4-29	4-14	4-121	3.0
71 SILVERBERG, ARON	IL	1783	1838	4-63	4-35	4-51	4-36	4-111	3.0
72 MICHALAK, JIM	IL	1783	1802	4-91	4-76	4-197	4-116	4-170	3.0
73 PARLORIS	IL	1762	1813	4-68	4-22	4-23	4-12	4-113	3.0
74 LUCIANO, THOMAS L	IL	1766	1837	4-84	4-14	4-24	4-111	4-12	3.0
75 CAECCIA, JAMES E	IL	1752	1829	4-30	4-88	4-112	4-117	4-118	3.0
76 HANSEL, MARK	IL	1747	1781	4-161	4-72	4-49	4-119	4-108	3.0
77 BROWN, CHRISTOPHER	IL	1716	1767	4-180	4-14	4-117	4-163	4-123	3.0
78 WILEY, JR, EDGAR D	IL	1693	1742	4-166	4-71	4-92	4-41	4-124	3.0
79 SULLIVAN, JOHN A	IL	1679	1762	4-122	4-85	4-26	4-92	4-126	3.0
80 HARRIS, JEAN	IL	1633	1711	4-75	4-157	4-73	4-152	4-155	3.0
81 VALSBERG, ARADY	IL	1630	2020	4-109	4-132	4-23	4-52	4-19	3.0
82 KANTI, GYSEV, EUGEN	IL	2.5	115	LOUNG, STEVE P	IL	2.0			
83 KUS, CHRISTOPHER	IL	2.5	119	KEISLER, THOMAS D	MI	2.0			
84 TILTINS, RAYMOND V	MI	2.5	117	SCHROEDER, ANTHONY	IL	2.0			
85 SANDRI, ANGELO	IL	2.5	118	CUMMOR, PETER Y	IL	2.0			
86 JESU, IENAS, LEGA	IL	2.5	119	OUTSON, JOHN D	IL	2.0			
87 LEE, DAVID L	IL	2.5	120	ESPOSITO, ILY J	IL	2.0			
88 KREINDEL, PALM A	IL	2.5	121	BECKNER, RONALD L	IL	2.0			
89 BUSSON, JOSHUA	IL	2.5	122	FRIEDMAN, WAYNE A	NY	2.0			
90 MILLS, PAUL D	IL	2.5	123	KRAUSE, BILL	IL	2.0			
91 KANE, DAN	IA	2.5	124	KATH, RONALD D	IL	2.0			
92 JARRETT, PHIL	IL	2.5	125	RUSH, JOHN D	IN	2.0			
93 BATEK, RICHARD L	IL	2.5	126	HIGDON, RICHARD L	MO	2.0			
94 BOARDMAN, LARRY U	IN	2.5	127	PERE, JIS, VIDUONS	IL	2.0			
95 CASTRO, JOE, IEL	MO	2.5	128	GOPEL, AUGUSTINE R	MI	2.0			
96 SIL DELAN, PERIC	IL	2.5	129	KRESS, LAWRENCE E	MI	2.0			
97 SLONSKIS, ANDY	IL	2.5	130	VOSE, CLAYTON P	IL	2.0			
98 WILSON, DEANIS P	IL	2.5	131	HUTCHINGS, HARLAN	IL	2.0			
99 GUDONAN, HARRY E	IL	2.5	132	KARAS, PAUL	MI	2.0			
100 BELKLOUS, PETER	IL	2.5	133	HEWELL, LESTER H	GA	2.0			
101 ZELAKOVSKY, NILA	IL	2.5	134	KLINGLER, DAVID C	IN	2.0			
102 SPALVERN, ANVEYAL	IL	2.5	135	ILOSVAY, PAUL J	IL	2.0			
103 COULTER, DOUGLAS G	IL	2.5	136	HART, HUGH E	IL	2.0			
104 MC GURRY, JIM	MO	2.5	137	SHUBERT, ROGER G	OH	2.0			
105 PUPAK, JEFF D	MI	2.5	138	JACKSON, JIMMY E	IL	2.0			
106 LEE, TYRONE J	IL	2.5	139	RUSTON, C RICHARD	IL	2.0			
107 GRANT, JUEL	IL	2.5	140	COHEN, FREDRIC S	IL	2.0			
108 SAUNDY, ANTONIO	IL	2.5	141	BAKER, JOR C	MI	2.0			
109 SAUNDY, ROBERT L	IL	2.5	142	HICKEY, PILOS	IL	2.0			
110 ALBERRY, KELVIN	IL	2.0	143	YOKURA, KEVIN	IL	2.0			
111 BRANJASON	MO	2.0	144	FORD, SAMUEL M	IL	2.0			
112 GARDNER, ROBERT C	IL	2.0	145	FICHRAN, EDGAR G	IL	2.0			
113 ZAMONIZ, MICHAEL	CT	2.0	146	LAWRENCE, CHARLES	IL	2.0			
114			147	HANDTKE, GREGORY E	IN	2.0			

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DECEMBER

- 6 Peoria Winter Quads (A)
- 6-7 Chicago Chess Center (A)
- 13 4th 1980 Springfield Tornado (A)
- 13-14 Chicago Chess Club (A)
- 14 Janesville (WI) Tornado (A)
- 20 Chessmates 3-SS, Evanston (A)
- 20-21 Chicago Chess Center (A)
- 26-28 Heraldica Imports Palmer House Christmas Tournament

JANUARY

- 2-4 Chicago Chess Center (A)
- 10 Homewood-Flossmoor (A)

FEBRUARY

- 8 Hyde Park Open, Scholastic, and Ground Hog Swiss (A)
- 21 Chessmates Chicago (A)
- 28 Oak Park (A)

MARCH

- 7-8 St Charles Open (A)
- 14 Proviso Open, Illinois High School, II. Grade School Championships
- 14-15 Put Fun Back Into Chess, RAE
- 28 Chessmates Chicago (A)

APRIL

- 11-12 Midwest Women's Open, Chicago Chess Center (A)

- MAY, 1981 U S AMATEUR, sponsored by the Illinois Chess Assoc. This is a national tournament run in concert with USCF

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