Chess

Bye-bye Belyavsky

BY HIS CRUSHING 6-3 wipe-out of fellow Soviet Alexander Belyavsky, Garri Kasparov has surmounted a major hurdle on his current world championship qualifying warpath. Although the 19-year-old prodigy from Baku was favourite to win this bestof-10-games Candidates quarter-final match, Belyavsky is an aggressive and ever-dangerous opponent. He showed it in this contest when, after losing the second game, he sacrificed two pawns in game four to gain an attack which levelled the match score. Kasparov took a time-out to recover, but when he came back in the fifth game it was in devastating fashion.

The result was effectively sealed when Kasparov won game eight as well, in 46 moves as Black in a Samisch King's Indian defence. Many grandmasters would have called it a day at this point, agreed a final draw and gone home — but not Belyavsky. Still fighting to win, he ended up losing game nine as well. Kasparov can now proceed to the Candidates semifinals well pleased with himself. The fiercely ambitious youngster makes no secret of the fact that he wants nothing less than present world champion Anatoly Karpov's crown. On current form he is on course to take it - the title match is a year away, and meanwhile Kasparov goes from strength to strength.

Certainly the consensus now is that it is going to be an all-Soviet final between Karpov and Kasparov, so the USSR looks like retaining its traditional hold on this prestigious title for some time to come. The Soviet hierarchy has encountered difficulties on other chess matters recently, however. The Moscow-based magazine 64, of which Karpov himself is editor, has again published its own edited version of the official international rating list. That is, minus the names of four defectors or emigres — Alburt, Ivanov, Kushnir and Lemachko.

But more disturbing is an incident from the Soviet women's championship in Tallin as reported in the Los Angeles Times. Here the wife of dissident GM Boris Gulko won a game on time against Nana Ioseliani. Ioseliani claimed the clock was faulty, and Moscow overturned the local arbiters' decision. This point cost Mrs Gulko the national title.

Here is the fifth game of the Candidates match in Moscow.

QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED

G. KASPAROV	A. BELYAVSKY	
1. d4	d5	
2. c4	e6	
3. Nc3	Nf6	
4. c×d5	exd5	
5. Bg5	Be7	
6. e3	h6	
7. Bh4	0-0	
8. Bd3	b6	
9. Nf3	Bb7	
10. 0-0	c5?l	
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In the seventh game Belyavsky chose



Garri Kasparov: on target.

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11. Ne5 12. Bf5!

Nbd7

Improving on 12.Qf3 which led to a quick draw in the third game.

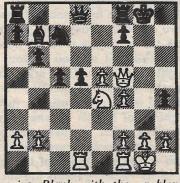
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12.			NX
13.	d×e5		Ne
14.	Bg3		Nc7
15.	Qg4		Qe

Belyavsky is worried by the White plan of Radl followed by Ne4, but he gets no time to consolidate with 16...

6.	Bd7!	Qd
17.	Rad1	h5
18.	Qh3	h4
19.	B14	Bg

19... g5 can be met by the pinning move 20.Qg4, and if then Black unpins. by 20... Kh8 White has 21.Bf5 with the awkward threat of 22.Qh5 ch and 23.Qh7 checkmate.

20.	Bf5		g6
21.	Ne4I	Wall was	g6 B×f4
22.	eXf4		g×f5
23.	QXf5!		



Leaving Black with the problem of how to deal with the threatened 24.Nf6 ch, as giving the king an escape square by, 23...Re8 fails to 24.Ng5! and f7 is indefensible (24...Re7 25.Qh7 ch and 26.Qh8 mate). Belyavsky elects to gain rook, bishop and knight for his queen. Normally this would be a good swap, but here Kasparov can exploit the exposed opposition king and unco-ordinated pieces.

	d×e4
Qg4 ch	Kh7
R×d8	Rf×d8
Qxh4 ch	Kg8
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A spirited try at counter-attack: 28.f×e3 Rd2 29.Q×c7 R×g2 ch 30.Kh1 Be4! and 28.Q×c7 e2 29.Q×b7 Rd1!! both win for Black.

28. Re1	e×f2 ch	
29. K×12	Rd2 ch	
30. Re2	R×e2 ch	-
31. K×e2	Ba6 ch	
32. Kf2	Ne6	
33. f5	Nd4	
34. e6	R18	
35. Qg5 c	h Kh7	
36. e7	Re8	
37. 16	Ne6	
38. Qh5 c		
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For 39.Qg4 ch Kh7 40. Q×e6! f×e6 41.f7 forces through a new queen.

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