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12v7 Mate in 2

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11v10 Mate in 3

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4v13 Mate in 3

We are pleased to announce that the McSherry Memorial Shield, originally donated for the "N. Z. Chessplayer" problem solving championship will be presented to the winner of the "CN" 1961 open solving contest.

Because of this, results of the January problems are held over, to enable addit-

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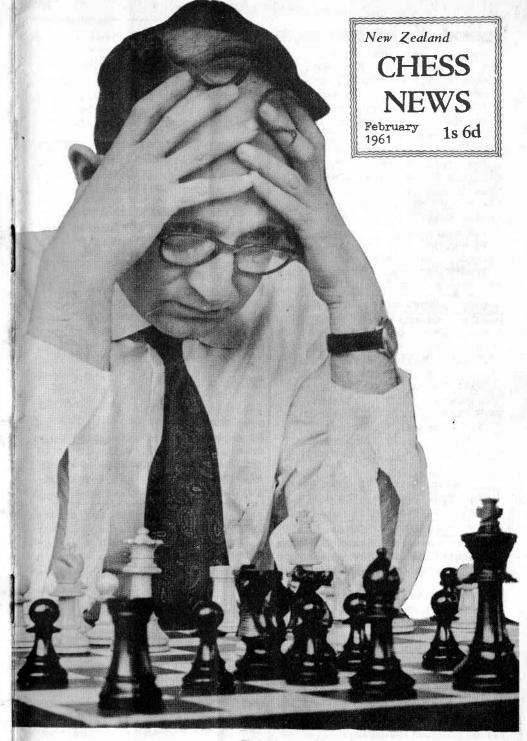
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ional solvers who might be interested to join the competition. We would remind solvers that for 3-movers a point is awarded for each second move by White leading to a different variation and mate. Our competition rules will be sent to anyone interested, on request.

Marking No. 92 was a most interesting task, with claims of R-K6 and P-K6 to contend with. The necessity for 1.P-R4, the composers' solution, which threatens N-K6ch, is illustrated in these lines:
(a) 1.P-K6, RxP and White cannot mate with the R, which is pinned, or play NxRch because of KxP. (b) 1.R-K6, BxR and the Q is pinned. Thank you, solvers who reported Q-QR8 in No.83 in answer to K-N8.

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Congratulations to N.Z.C.A. on the inauguration of a national rating list. Results at Congress confirmed accuracy of the list for the top players, except for a couple out of form and one improver (the latter tend to play ahead of their rating).

The list, however, is not so reliable for players lower down. This is due to several factors, one being the limited number of events taken into account. It is not unexpected.

We suggest that the list be enlarged to take in as many events played under suitable conditions as qualify them for inclusion.

CORRESPONDENCE MATCH. - Progress results in the match B.C.C.A. v a New Zealand team: -

B.C.C.A. NEW ZEALAND 1.R.C.Mitchell... A.Feneridis. 13 1.R.C.Mitchell. A.Feneridis. 15 2.E.L.Clegg....O J.R.Phillips.2 3.J.E.West..... J.Eriksen....1 14.B.Casson....O J.H.Patchett.2 17.B.J.C.Brown..2 L.Russell....0 18.G.Smith..... D.Robertson..1 19.J.H.Trumper. 0 B.F.Barnard. 2

The match is due to conclude in June, and players are asked to report progress.

VISIT BY KERES? - "Chess World" reports that Paul Keres can come to Australia and New Zealand in August-September if a tour can be arranged.

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COVER PHOTO: A sequel to the picture which appeared last month, for while O. Sarapu was looking over the shoulder of G.G. Haase. he apparently had left his opponent, Z. Frankel, with plenty to think about. Our photo, also by the "Auckland Star," is a delightful study of Frankel.

ERRATA. - Our apologies for errors in the January issue, as follows:

Crediting Court with a win against T. Phillips in the Reserves at Congress, when he won from H. P.Whitlock in round 1.

Putting a White Pawn on Black's K4 in the diagram on page 4. This should have been a Black Pawn.

Referring to the passing of Mr F.E. Hansford when the Hutt C.C.'s loss was of his father, Mr A. E. Hansford.

\*\*We hate errors. but are grateful for having any pointed out, so we can correct them and keep the record straight.

The 68th Congress was held in the Auckland Bridge Club's rooms. possibly the best rooms in which a Congress has ever been held. The D.O.P. was Mr A.L.Fletcher.

The Championship was won for the sixth time in six attempts by O.Sarapu and for the second successive year his winning margin was just half a point. Although the winning margin was the same as last year. the tournament was even more tense this time, for it was not until round 10 that Cuthbert scored the winning halfpoint for Sarapu by drawing with Phillips in 50 moves.

The pressure was on right from the start and two games in the first round went to three sessions. Sutton beat Menzies in 87 moves and Phillips, who had won a pawn on move 32, finally admitted he had made nothing of his advantage and agreed to a draw with Haase in 83 moves.

Sarapu, who had beaten Cuthbert in 19 moves, had little trouble against Frankel in round 2 and took the sole lead with 2 points. Equal in second place were Phillips (who beat Sutton), Haase (who beat Feneridis) and Vincent.

In round 3 Hease, inspired by his performance to date, replied to Sarapu's 1.P-K4, P-K4; 2.N-KB3 with 2..., P-Q4?! and obtained strong pressure (and a lot of time) for the pawn. Sarapu beat off the attack and entered the ending a pawn up. However, in time trouble, he mishandled the position and lost two pawns, although with Bishops of opposite colours, Haase had no winning chances. Leading scores after three rounds were: Sarapu, Phillips, 21; Haase, Cuthbert, Douglas, 2. Feneridis and Sutton drew and were equal on 15 with Vincent and Menzies.

All eves were on Haase in round 4. He drew rather a weird game with Cuthbert after missing a clear win. Phillips blobbed a Pawn in the opening against Baeyertz, but soon had ample compensation for it and won without overmuch difficulty.

Baeyertz also supplied the next bit of drama in round 6 when he reached an endgame against Sarapu in which each side had a Rook, a Bishop (of opposite colours) and three Pawns -- all on the Kingside. Baeyertz, who held the edge at first, played very passively. Sarapu managed to win the last remaining Pawn and eventually the game as well, thus scoring a vital half-point and keeping up with Phillips. who beat Menzies in 25 moves in this round.

Sarapu was not out of the woods yet. Although he obtained the better opening, he was driven completely on the defensive by Kay. But he freed himself beautifully approaching the time control and won the ensuring Rook and Pawn ending. Phillips, too, did not have things all his own way by any means in this round, although he eventually won perhaps the most interesting game of the Congress against Brian Douglas.

This was the end of the first week's play and scores at this stage were: Sarapu, Phillips,  $6\frac{1}{2}$ ; Feneridis (who was, as he himself observed. "slipping under the tram") 5; Cuthbert, Sutton, 45; Menzies, Frankel, Haase (who had only scored half a point in the last three rounds), 3; Douglas, 21: Vincent, 11: Baeyertz, Kay, 1.

Monday was Phillips's big day and was generally expected to be the day which would decide first place. The main game of the morning was Phillips v Feneridis. "Feny" handled the opening in-

differently and was in trouble in Sarapu from castling, but in his 11 moves, by which stage he had eagerness to attack quite unnecto lose a Pawn. In winning it essarily sacrificed a Pawn on the back he allowed Phillips to trap 11th move which left him with a and win a Knight in 21 moves and lost game. Cuthbert, by a quite although the game lasted another | fortuitous transposition of moves 50 moves the result was never in doubt. Sarapu always held the edge against Menzies, who missed his only chance (which would have given him fair drawing chances) on move 28. Sutton drew with Douglas so that Cuthbert, who beat Kay, moved into third place alone.

Much interest centred on the evening game between Sarapu (with White) and Phillips. Sarapu opened with 1.P-K4 expecting a Caro-Kann, Phillips replied 1.....P-K4 expecting after 2.N-KB3, N-QB3 that Sarapu would enter a Ruy Lopez. Sarapu, however, did not wish to take the risk at this stage of meeting Phillips's Schliemann (which Phillips wasn't going to play) and continued 3. B-B4. Phillips now tried 3...., N-KB3, hoping for 4. N-N5, P-Q4: 5. PxP. P-QN4 when he would have had the Ulvestad Variation of the Two Knights. Sarapu, however. played the rather dead 4. P-Q4. a line into which he tried to infuse some life on move 10 when he followed some recent Yugoslav analysis. Phillips. who did not know this analysis, quite by accident played the best reply (not even seeing one line which led to wild complications in White's favour) and Sarapu had nothing better than to force the exchange of a few pieces after which he offered a draw on move 14. Phillips accepted and the two Aucklanders remained locked together with only two rounds to go.

In round 10 Sarapu was Black against Feneridis and Phillips fairly straightforward defence White against Cuthbert. Feneridis played an unusual line against which he exploited to the full.

in the opening, avoided Phillips's prepared variation but still mishandled the opening and gave Phillips a good game. Phillips. however, began to play mechanically, missed two opportunities of a strong initiative, and began to find himself being steadily outplayed for the first time in the tournament. Fortunately for him. Cuthbert did not play the latter part of the game too exactly and Phillips once more obtained better prospects but was unable to make anything of them. Points after 10 rounds were: Sarapu, 9; Phillips, 85; Sutton, Cuthbert, 7; Feneridis, Haase, 6: Frankel, 45; Menzies, Douglas, 4; Vincent. Kay, 12; Baeyertz, 1.

Haase and Menzies drew quickly in round 11. Shortly after. Cuthbert, who had grabbed two Pawns rather riskily, lost a piece and the game against Feneridis, upon which Sutton, who only needed a half-point for third place, offered Kay a draw. This left three games: the battle between Vincent and Baeyertz for the wooden spoon and the games Douglas-Sarapu and Frankel-Fhillips. When Baeyertz won a hard-fought game, only the two games which would decide the first two places were left. Frankel had missed his only opportunity (and a good one) on move 7, and was lost by move 9, finally resigning when about to lose both Rooks. Douglas transposed the moves of his attack against Sarabu and instead of obtaining tremendous pressure gave Sarapu a and excellent counter-chances, Sarapu's Benoni and prevented Douglas's game collapsed quickly

"Chess News" and he lost in 31 moves.

I felt that, as was apparently the case in Australia, Sarapu was not playing as well as he has in past years. Certainly this is an inescapable conclusion if the number of difficult games he had is taken into account. Another possibility which Sarapu himself. always modest, stresses is that the standard of play in the Championship is rising steadily. If this is so, it is due to no one more than Sarapu himself.

As for myself, I was very pleased with my play, especially after my poor results during the last two University terms. My marathon first round with Haase gave me a good sight of the board and for the rest of the tournament I think I could only say that I played with far deeper positional understanding than ever before. In this connection, the most significant aspect of the Congress for me was that it showed me in what direction I could still develop my chess. During the past year I felt my style had reached something of a cul-de-sac, and that this was at least partially responsible for my performances earlier in 1960.

The Reserves Tournament was very convincingly won by R. A. Court. who sent in a late entry for the Championship. R.M.O'Callahan. another late Championship entrant, nosed out H. P. Whitlock (who lost his last two games) and D. Cooper, a promising young member of the Onehunga C. C. in Auckland. from second place.

## THE CHAMPION'S BEST AND MOST INTERESTING GAME

(Notes by O. Sarapu) Nimzovitch Defence

R.J.Sutton O.Sarapu 1. P-Q4 N-KB3 2. P-QB4 P-K3 3. N-QB3 B-N5

4. P-B3

For many years P-K3 dominated Candidates' Tournament games and lesser tourneys. The Rubinstein Variation gradually levelled off chances for both sides. Then a discovery was made by Paul Keres in the old variation. Botvinnik's impressive play with Black against 4.P-B3 based on the line 4.P-B3, P-Q4; 5.P-QR3, BxNch; 6. PxB. P-B4: 7.PxP. NxP meant that White was unable to form a strong Pawn-centre. Keres found that 8. PxP! in connection with P-K4 and the two Bishops still gives White the better position.

But 4.P-B3 is still not the most accurate move, as it allows Black another possibility in the game. Therefore better is 4.P-QR3. BxNch: 5.PxB. P-Q4 and now 6.P-B3! transposing into Keres's 8. PxP! idea.

> 4. ... P-04 5. P-QR3 B-K2

There is a new idea to play B-Q3! here. My move is a copy of Tal-Keres in the last Candidates' Tourney.

6. P-K4 PxKP P-K41 7. PxP 8. P-Q5 B-QB4

An improvement for Black here is N-N5! and if 9.B-K2 then B-QR4; 10. BxN, Q-R5ch; 11.P-N3, OxB: having 2 Bishops for White's Q-side advantage.

9. B-N5 Q-Q3?

Keres played here P-QR4, which was correct. I forgot and played impulsively, without much thought on my last move. My 1960 habit, which I developed in Australia.

10. P-QN4!

Taking advantage of my last move. I realised as soon as I played Q-Q3 that now my game is positionally gone if there is nothing to find in the tactical part of chess. To my joy, I soon realised there was a chance, if I sacrificed a piece for the time

BxN10. ... 11. RxB NxKP!

This is it! Black can win his piece back in a few moves, but only on terms White will dictate.

Q-KN3! 12. NxN B-B4 13. B-03

14. R-KB1

As later pointed out by my opponent, this move turns out a loss of time and he even blames it for leading his position to a loss. Better was the 14.P-Q6! sacrifice with even chances. I agree!

14. ... BxN

15. Q-N4

This move would follow also in the P-Q6 variation, and it looks very dangerous for Black now too.

> 15. ... P-KB4 16. BxB PxQ17. BxQch PxB

A Pawn up, but those triple Pawns and weak KP make the material advantage useless. On the other hand there are also some weak spots in White's position, not so clearly visible.

> 18. K-B2 R-R4 N-Q2 19. B-Q2 20. K-N3 N-B3 21. QR-K1 K-02 R-K1 22. B-B3

Just at the right time both sides have developed all their pieces, but what next?

23. P-N5

White is not well placed with his pieces to use his Q-side advantage of space and extra Pawn. Therefore perhaps the whole development plan with pressure on the KP was faulty.

> 23. ... R-B411

Perhaps I. as well as Sutton, did not fully appreciate just how good this move is in this position. Now White is lost or hopelessly placed whether he takes the KP or not.

24. RxR PxR 25. BxP P-N4! LETTERS TO ..... The Adelaide THE EDITOR ..... Congress

Sir. - In your issue of December 1960, c.68, you correctly quote my editorial comment from the "N.S.W. Chess Bulletin" on the Sarapu-Lapin game, Adelaide 1960.

In the same issue, p.70, by means of a aubtle twist, you give the impression that I favoured the arrangement of this game and welcomed the result of it. I do not say the twist was malicious or even intentional; it was there nevertheless. and could, if not refuted, endanger the amicable relations established between Mr Sarapu and myself at Sydney 1958.

I repeat the relevant parts of my editorial comment (p.68), in which the Bad clearly outweighs the Good -- one naturally places at the end of a sentence the point one wishes to stress: ".... this was a Good Thing in that Endzelins had to earn a point.... just fancy....a bye in his programme....it was a very Bad Thing for Sarapu. who lost....a game which should never have been allowed to start."

These words, particularly the carefully-chosen order in which I placed them, make it quite clear that in this sorry affair I was wholly pro-Sarapu: I confidently rely on Mr Sarapu himself to support this contention .- I am, etc., T.C.GALLERY, Editor, "N.S.W. Chess Bulletin."

(We assure our correspondent that we intended no "subtle twist" and so we gladly publish his letter, which clears the air. As Mr Gallery states, we correctly and fully quoted his editorial comment. - Editor.)

The point. With mate threats and a pin White wins at least the exchange with an easily-won ending. Therefore -

White resigns.

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SARAPU VERSUS THE GRANDMASTERS. . . Australian Championship Games 

Notes by O. Sarapu.

French Defence

0.Sarapu V. Bagirov 1. P-K4 P-K3 2. P-Q4 P-Q4 3. N-Q2 N-KB3

4. P-K5 N-N1

Usual here is N/3-Q2. but this Russian idea to have the KN to defend against White's threat of P-KB4-B5 is not bad here, as White's N on Q2 is also badly placed and White has to lose time moving his QN. It is interesting that if I play N-ON1 we have the old French Defence and N-N3 does not place the N better than on QB3.

> 5. B-03 P-QN3

To exchange the QB on R3 and further eliminate K-side danger. Perhaps Grandmaster Bagirov overdefends himself and concedes too much space.

6. P-QB3 Q-Q2

Now the exchange of the B is unavoidable, as 7.0-K2 is answered by P-QR4 and P-QN4 is premature.

> 7. N-K2 B-R3 8. BxB NxB

Black's success in completing his plan also has drawbacks. He is a bit disorganised for effective play in the centre, as his QN is not well placed.

> 9.0-0 N-K2 10. P-QN41

This gains space on the Q-side and discourages Q-side castling as well as Q-side counterplay. P-KB4 and K-side pressure is well defended by Black with his N on

> 10. ... P-QB3 11. P-QR4 N-B2 12. P-R5

Too soon. Better now is N-ON3. threatening P-R5. Now Black can consolidate on the Q-side and safely castle Q-side.

12. ... P-QN4 13. N-QN3 N-R3 14. B-N5 0-0-0

15. P-KB4

Averbakh after the game demonstrated that here 15.N-B5 NxN: 16.QPxN, P-QR3; 17.N-Q4, P-R3; 18.BxN. BxB: 19.P-KB4 with Q-B3 and KR-QB1 threatening P-QB4 has strong winning chances for White.

> 15. ... P-R3 16. BxN BxN

17. Q-Q3

Here Bagirov offered a draw and I accepted. White still has better chances, but the K-side could have become dangerous after 17... .,P-KB4 and P-KN4 or 17.....P-B3.

Bagirov, who firished above V. Smyslov, D. Bronstein, Y. Averbakh, Taimanov, Spassky, etc., in the U.S.S.R. Championship, is hard to beat.

Benoni Defence Deferred

Y.Averbakh O.Sarapu 1. P-Q4 N-KB3 2. P-QB4 P-KN3

3. P-KN3 P-B4

Transposing into a favourable Benoni Def. Deferred variation. as a K-side fianchetto is not the best White has in that defence.

4. P-Q5 P-Q3 5. N-QB3 B-N2 6. B-N2 0-0 7. N-KB3 P-K3

8. 0-0 PxP

9. PxP P-N3 With the idea of playing B-QR3 to exchange the N if White plays the manoeuvre N-Q2-QB4.

10. P-KR31

Preparing P-K4, as now 10.P-K4 is answered strongly by B-N5 and the exchange of B for N gives strong dark-coloured squares to Black in the centre.

10. ... B-QR3 This makes P-K4 difficult for

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White to play for a while, but better was 10...., N-R3 followed by N-B2 and then B-QR3.

11. P-QR4

To stop P-QN4 was necessary, Now Black has difficulty in putting his QN usefully in play.

> 11. ... N/1-Q2 12. N-Q2 Q-B2

13. P-N3

Preventing P-B5 and defending the Q-side centre squares. Averbakh as usual makes sure of not giving his opponents too many chances of becoming dangerous.

13. ... QR-N1

Preparing to open up the Q-side before White is ready for count-erplay on the K-side with P-K4 and P-KB4.

14. B-N2 P-QN4 15. PxP BxP 16. NxB RxN 17. P-K4 KR-N1

Black's initiative on the QN file is well held by the N on Q2. Therefore a better plan was to counteract on the K-side by N-KR4 followed by P-B4.

18. B-QB3 N-K1

Also here N-R4 was better. It prevents the immediate P-KB4 and keeps the N in play.

19. BxB NxB

Now the N is out of position in controlling the dark - coloured squares.

20. R-K1 R-N5

21. R-R3!

Again preventing Black's chance of involved play on the Q-side with the sacrifice P-B5.

21. ... N-N3?

Weakening the squares K4 and KB3. Averbakh thought R-Q5 would still have held the position in balance.

22. Q-R1! N-B1

23. B-B1!

Black's initiative on the Qside is now completely eliminated and White is ready for a K-side advance.

23. ... Q-K2
To defend the K-side and perhaps destroy all threats before
White is ready to advance.

24. B-B4 P-B3 25. P-B4 N-R4

26. K-N2

White is threatening to play P-K5 and break through on the K-file. I decided to open up the K-side for counter-threats instead of getting pressed down in the centre. My 21..., N-N3 weakened the square K4 decisively.

26. ... P-KN4!? 27. PxP Q-KN2 28. P-R4 R/5-N2

PxP instead would lead into the endgame after QxQch and PxP with a clear win for White. Perhaps this was better than the move in the game, but against Averbakh, who is reputed to be the finest endgame player in the world today, it is also hopeless.

29. B-K21

I completely overlooked this possibility, otherwise 28..., Q-N3, as Averbakh pointed out, was necessary for me besides PxP.

29. ... Q-N3

30. B-N4!

Even stronger than BxN and QxP!

R-K2 30. ... 31. B-B5 0-N2 PxP 32. Q-Q1 PxP 33. QxN 34. Q-N4 QxQ 35. BxQ R-KN2 36. B-K6ch K-R1 37. P-KN4 P-R4 Resigns. 38. R-KR1

The last eight moves I played in terrific time trouble, so I had no time to resign. Very fine play by the Grandmaster.

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New Zealand chess, the correspondence branch in particular, lost a good man when E.F. (Frank) Tibbitts died in September, aged 75. He was a member of the New Zealand Correspondence Chess Association when that body changed its name from New Zealand unit of the British Correspondence Chess Association, and had been president of the New Zealand body for at least 20 years. As a player he won the New Zealand Correspondence Championship about 1934 and many times was high up in the final table of this event..

The latter part of Frank's working life was spent in Rotorua and he shifted to Auckland for most of his retirement, where he joined the Dominion Road Chess Club. He was elected a life member of that club early last year. His genial disposition endeared him to all; he was in fact a model as a man and type of chess player. Long may he be remembered.

English Opening

A game from the N.Z. Correspondence Championship, 1957. Notes by R. A. Court.

E.F.Tibbitts L.J.Kiley
1. P-QB4 P-K4
2. N-QB3 N-QB3
3. N-KB3 N-B3
4. P-K4

A blockade line often employed by Nimzovitch.

4. ... B-N5
5. P-Q3 P-Q3
6. P-KR3 P-KR3
7. B-K2 Q-K2
8. 0-0 0-0
9. P-QR3 BxN
10. PxB N-Q2

He wastes time with this N, which later ends up on KN4. A better plan here would be N-R2 followed by P-KB4.

11. N-K1 N-B4

Mr E. F. TIBBITTS

12. B-K3 N-K3 13. P-Q4 PxP

It is wrong to undouble White's Pawns. Now he has nothing to show for White's two Bishops and strong centre. Better is N-K4 at once, threatening the KP.

14. PxP N-K4 15. BxN QxB

He should play PxB, holding back White's KP. White gets a steamroller and makes excellent use of it.

16. P-KB4 Q-K2
17. B-B3 N-Q1
18. P-KB5 B-Q2
19. N-Q3 P-QB3
20. Q-K2 R-K1
21. QR-K1 Q-N4
Threatening BxP.

22. Q-KB2 Q-K2

It is hard to find a plan for Black.

23. B-R5 Q-B1 24. Q-N3 K-R1 25. P-K5

White has everything prepared. Now comes the break. It is crushing.

25. ... R-K2

Apparently to avoid the B on R5 after P-K6, but he makes this thrust even stronger. However, PxP; 26.PxP, B-N1 does not hold out much hope either.

26. P-K6! NxP

Desperation.

27. QxQP R-Q1
28. PxN BxP
29. Q-K5 R/Q1-K1
30. Q-QB5 B-Q2

31. N-K5 P-QN3

He does not see what is coming, or cannot do anything about it.

32. N-N6ch Resigns.
An attractive and powerful finish.

Sicilian Defence
"About 1946," reported "N. Z. Chessplayer," p. 95. June, 1952,

"Tibbitts and Tom Lepviikman had an argument as to the merits of the variation of the Sicilian Defence played in the game given below. To settle the matter the variation was used in their game in the 1946-47 Championship T.T., with the following result:

E.F. Tibbitts	T.Lepviikman
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1. P-K4 P-QB4 2. P-Q4 PxP 3. N-KB3 P-K4

4.	P-B3	PXP
5.	QNxP	P-Q3
6.	B-QB4	N-QB3
7.	N-KN5	N-R3
8.	Q-R5	P-KN 3?
9.	Q-B3	Q-Q2
10.	Q-B61	R-KN1
11.	NxRP	B-K2

If 11...,B-N2; then 12.QxB, RxQ; 13.N-B6ch, K moves; 14.NxQ, KxN; 15.BxN (E.F.T.).
12. BxN1 Resigns.

# CORRESPONDENCE CHESS ... N.Z.C.C.A. Report

TROPHY TOURNEYS, second progress report, 1960-61.

Championship:

Cunningham beat Hignett. Esterman beat Fletcher, Filmer, Blomfield.

T.T. 1B:
Donald beat Mintoft.

T.T. 2:
Barnard beat Mitchell.

T.T. 3: Spens-Black beat Salter.

T.T. 4:

Hensman beat Johnston. Grieve beat Johnston, Hensman. Hill beat Butler.

23/1/61. D.G.Brunt, D.O.P.

From the N.Z.C.C.A. Champion-ship, 1959-60.

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B.H.P.Man			
1.P-K4	P-QB4	14.PxP/N5	N-R2
2.N-KB3	N-QB3	15.N-Q4	N-QB3
3.P-Q4	PxP	16.PxP	PxP
4.NxP	N-KB3	17.Q-Q2	NxN
5.N-QB3	P-KN3	18.BxN	BxB
6.B-K2	B-N2	19.QxB	P-K4
7.P-B4	P-Q3	20.Q-Q2	K-N2
8.N-N3	0-0	21.0-0-0	R-Q1
9.B-K3	P-QR3	22.N-Q5	Q-B3
10.P-N4	P-KR3	23.RxNch!	KxR
11.P-KR4	<b>ର-ପ୍</b> 2	24.B-N5!	PxB
12.P-B5	N-K4	25.Q-R2ch	K-N1
13.P-N5	RPxP	26.R-R1	Re s₊

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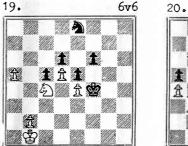
Dr E.P.Allen beat Gagen, Lloyd. A.H.Attwood beat Jackson (2). P. W. Boag beat Hensman. A.G. Bullock beat Pound (2), Sloan (2). J.W. Collins beat J.C. Taylor, Saunders, Mitchell (2), Thompson. J. Davidson beat J.H. Taylor. R.A. Forbes beat W. Smith. Dr N. Fulton beat Rogers. A.C. Gagen beat Dr Allen, Rogers (2), Kitchingman (2), Mintoft, McAdam. M.P.Grieve beat Hensman, Sloan, Moncrieffwright (2). H. Hensman beat Harrison-Wilkie, Mrs Spens-Black. J.Mager beat Meredith, Neilson, J.H. Taylor, Davidson (2). Ll. Meredith beat Rogers. G.Moncrieffwright beat Harrison-Wilkie. W.Neilson beat Hensman(2), Sloan. Attwood (2). J.F. Porter beat Attwood (2). O. Pound beat Collins (2), W.Smith, Grieve, Mrs Spens-Black. C.C. Saunders beat Collins. Davidson, Sloan (2). B. Preddle beat Grieve. A.Y. Rogers beat Meredith, Mtichell (2). Mrs Spens-Black beat Hensman, Pound, Thompson, Harrison-Wilkie. J.C. Taylor beat Collins, Sloan. R.J. Thompson beat Collins, Mrs Spens-Black. N.S. Traves beat Lloyd, Mintoft (2), Kitchingman. Rev. C. L. Ward beat Attwood, Hensman (2).

46 players are taking part. 72 games have been completed and 167 are still in progress. 8/2/61. L.Kiley, D.O.F.

# Competition Corner

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Solutions to reach Editor by March 25.



White plays, wins. 3 moves, 2 pts.

OxBch. Resigns.

SOLUTIONS FOR JANUARY

16. (Lund v Nimsovitch, 1921): 1.

...,P-N5; 2.PxP, RxN; 3.PxR, P-N6;

17. (Fine-Dake, 1933): 1.NxBP,KxN;

2.N-K4ch, K-N2; 3.R-QB2, Q-R5; 4.

QxPch, B-N3; 5.R-B7ch, K-N1; 6.

18. (John v Samisch, 1921): 1 ....,

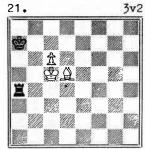
P-B7; 2.K-B4, K-Q4; 3.K-K3, P-N6;

4.B-B1, B-K3; 5.K-B3, K-Q5ch; 6.

4.PxP, P-B6ch; 5.PxP, P-R6 wins.



Black plays, wins. 5 moves, 4 pts.



White plays, wins. 8 moves, 6 pts.

13 14 15 Dec.Lad.
R.J.Sutton... 1 5 10 16 79
R.O'Callahan. 3 5 10 18 74
G.V.Sumner... 1 5 8 14 73
A.T.Scott... 1 1 5 7 51
J.Arbuthnott. 1 1 10 12 29
J.H.Patchett. 3 5 5 13 26
Dr N.Fulton... 1 1 5 7 24
\*L.S.Taylor... 1 1 5 7 7
\*R.M.Bibby... 1 1 2 4 4
\* New entrant.

11.K-B1, P-B6; 12.Resigns.

The 1961 competition is away to a good start. We intend to keep fairly close to game positions or studies giving positions likely to

KxP, K-K6; 7.K-N4, B-B6ch; 8.K-N3, B-K7; 9.K-N2, B-B5; 10.BxB, PxB;

fairly close to game positions or studies giving positions likely be met over the board. Was No.15, a study, too tough?

SNIPPETS ... J.R.Phillips won the best game award at Auckland Congress for his game against B.C.Menzies. . . A special trophy awarded by Mr R.E. Baeyertz for the best game in the Reserves has been awarded to 12-year-old Glen Turner (see Jan. "CN", p.2). . . A. Feneridis has retained his Wellington C.C. title, winning a championship play-off match with J.E. Eriksen, 3-2. . . Australia's appeal for funds to send C.J.S. Purdy to India for his zonal play-off match with M. Aaron was quickly filled. The match was due to start, at last report, in Delhi on March 2. . . Aaron scored a win against ex-world champion Dr M. Euwe at the Leipzig teams tournament. . . Mrs J. Stagpoole is unable to travel from Australia to play in the world women's interzonal tourney, so the appeal for that purpose has been cancelled. . . W.A. Poole celebrated taking up residence in Wellington by meeting up with Z. Frankel at the recent economists' conference and whiling away the quiet spells with blindfold chess. . . Transfer to Wellington of R. Cuthbert is keenly awaited in the Capital . . . S. Gligoric won the annual Hastings, England, tournament, with a score of 7-2, ahead of Bondarevsky 6, Lloyd and Szabo 5, and Barden, Clarke and Littlewood, each 42. . . Bobby Fischer is again U.S. Champ!