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Correspondence. Letters for publication should not exceed 100-120 words. Anything over this will have to be cut or edited.

Local News. The following are the limits that our correspondents should keep in mind:- Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin major club news approximately 75 words per month; Telegraph matches, results+ 50 words of descriptive material; provincial club news, 50 words once in three months. These limits are merely examples and of course we will use our discretion. We are only pointing out that correspondents cannot expect us to publish everything they send to us. We endeavour to give more chess material, local and international, which improves the strengths of our players and retains a reasonable standard of our publication. We cannot therefore give much provincial news although sometimes we would like to do so. We must give preference to material of national interest.

Local Games. These will also be subject to selection. We have always endeavoured to publish the best local games. On odd occasions we published games of an inferior quality in order to illustrate a style of an up and coming young player. We will still do this but as far as possible we will select the best local games.

Problems. Unfortunately we have no spare time to run problem competitions but will publish selected material for the few who seem to enjoy this branch of our game.

Books. A magazine to keep up with current news, theory of openings but in order to improve good chess books. We will concentrate more on book reviews in the past. We did not to a great extent although we have written chess books. This fact has disappointed our readers that if we express our favourable about a certain chess book in our best belief and no advertisement for our stock. We will not our game to do otherwise. The pudding is the eating and we will say. We think we have no proof. We started to publish chess magazines folded due to lack of support. We incurred a substantial loss in the first few months of our publication. We started to "even." Now we are printing chess equipment, or would I say if you like, to maintain the magazine.

Donations. As stated we will not accept these and donors comply with a civic duty in sending them. We expect to receive vice and this means payment. But we must decline donations however who insist on donations without doubt sincere about it, without hint. Buy a sub for yourself in any way you will do much better for and ourselves.

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Finally we wish to apologise to our new subscribers who do not know much about our difficult task for the considerable delay in our publication this year. They are not expected to tolerate our going slack for any reason whatsoever. We

promise them to atone by rewarding them with enjoyable material, we hope. To our old subscribers we say thank you for your confidence and support although strictly speaking we have really supported your chess to a certain extent for about two years. (Ed.)

NEW ZEALAND CHESS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the annual meeting held at the Railway Social Hall on Saturday, 2nd January, 1965, at 9.30 a.m.

Present: Dr. R. Gardner (Chairman), R. Glass (Secretary), and the following representatives appointed in accordance with the Constitution:- Messrs. L. Taylor (Tamaki), F. Bondy (Civic), C. Oldridge (Porirua), R. Court (W'ton.), L. Eicholtz (W.C.C. Transport), R. Woodford (W'ton. Workingmen's), A. Hollander (Canterbury), and G. Haase (Otago). Also present were O. Sarapu, G. Trundle, E. Green, A. Wilkinson, B. Anderson, K. Steele, V. Sorensen, W. Butner, Z. Frankel, K. Okey, H. Whitlock, J. Harraway, I. Hayes, R. Wilkin, O. Thomson, R. Godtschalk, and C. Gray.

Annual Report. Was taken as read and adopted. R. Gardner/O. Sarapu. Passed.

Annual Accounts were reported on by the Secretary who moved their adoption.

Seconded G. Trundle. Passed.

Officers nominated by Otago - Patron: A.W. Gyles (Levin); President: G. Haase (Dunedin) Vice-President R. Rasa (Dunedin); Secretary R. Glass (Dunedin); Treasurer: W. Petre (Dunedin); Council: R. Cooper, I. Hayes, and J. Harraway (Dunedin);

Auditor: J.F. Lang (Dunedin). Elected.

Honoraria for the Secretary was fixed at £25 (A. Hollander/J. Harraway) and £2.10. 0 for the Auditor (R. Gardner/R. Glass).

New Members elected were Balclutha,

Matamata and Hungaria Clubs. O. Sarapu/G. nation was received from Chess Club.

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Matamata and Hungaria (Wellington) Chess Clubs. O. Sarapu/G. Trundle. A resignation was received from the Papatoetoe Chess Club.

Notice of Motion of a Special Resolution was received from the Dominion Road Chess Club before the 31st October 1964 regarding the New Zealand Chess Master Rules. It was pointed out that this clause was intended to be in addition to the present rules, and not meant to replace them as it appeared from correspondence and was stated in the November Bulletin.

Moved by C. Oldridge and seconded by W. Beutner that "the matter be referred back to the Dominion Road Chess Club for further consideration." Lost.

It was moved (R. Wilkin/G. Haase) that the word "temporary" be inserted in the notice of motion before the words "New Zealand Chess Master" and that the section be in addition to the present rules. Lost.

It was further moved by R. Wilkin and seconded by G. Haase that the notice of motion be a second way of qualifying for the title of New Zealand Chess Master and that the following sentence be added: "That any player entering the Grade of Master Class retain this title only while his place on the New Zealand Grading is within 100 points of the top player."

For: Tamaki 1: Wellington 2:
W.C.C. Transport 1: Canterbury 3:
Otago 3: Total 10.

Against: Civic 3: Porirua 1: W'ton
Workingmen's 1: Total 5.

Subscriptions: A discussion took place on whether any increase should be made. It was pointed out that any Notice of Motion regarding an alteration must be forwarded to the Secretary on or before

the 31st October prior to the meeting and none had been received.

Congress: The venue for the next two tournaments were fixed at Hamilton in 1965-66 and Christchurch in 1966-67.

1966 Zonal: It was reported that New Zealand had applied for the 1966 Zonal Tournament due to be held in September or October and that approximately £300 would be required to finance the event.

It was moved that a raffle be held by or on behalf of the Association for the Zonal. O.Sarapu/L.Eicholtz. Passed.

Chess Olympiad: Moved by Z. Frankel/R. Gardner that a vote of thanks be passed to Messrs. A.L. Hollander and R.J. Glass for their work in this venture. Passed.

Wellington Congress: Moved Z. Frankel/R. Gardner that a vote of thanks be passed to the Wellington officials conducting Congress. Passed.

Finance: Mr. O. Thomson brought up the question of the large amount required to run Congress and the clash between fund raising for this, and special schemes. Mr. R. Court stated that the financial troubles were due to the lack of membership and we should concentrate on increasing the number of chess players.

Procedure at Meetings: Moved that Council be asked to consider the correct procedure for the Annual Meetings. C. Oldridge/F. Bondy. Lost.

Mr. L. Taylor suggested that a roll call be made in future at the start of the meeting.

Subsidy for Small Clubs: Mr. R. Wilkin suggested that in order to encourage small clubs to join the Association subsidies be made to minor affiliates. The subsidies to be for sets, clocks, boards and advertising.

The meeting closed
a vote of thanks to t

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N.Z. Championship 1965
1st, R. Sutton and O. Rees
all of Auckland. 2nd, R. Metge (Auckland) 1st, (Tauranga) and A. Williams 2nd equal.

Bledisloe Cup 1964.
North C.C. Beat Auckland C.C. drew with Otago winning on the countback beat Palmerston North to the winning club win in 1939.

Blackburn Cup 1964.
North beat Masterton

In the November that a disappointing result is the decreasing number was really worse, as tries but only one match Palmerston North won in a match.

Bledisloe and Blackburn
close on the 31st May
N.I. Championship 1965
by the Palmerston North at the Teachers College 10-15 May inclusive.

accompanied by a fee of Secretary, Mr. M.J. Ross Street, Palmerston North 1965.

S.I. Championship 1965
Dunedin during Queen's The Otago Secretary is Ascot Street, St. Kilda

The meeting closed at 11.40 a.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

NEW ZEALAND CHESS ASSOCIATION

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March 1965

N.Z. Championship 1964-65. R. Phillips 1st, R. Sutton and O. Sarapu 2nd equal. all of Auckland. Reserve Tourney, R. Metge (Auckland) 1st, J. Arbuthnott (Tauranga) and A. Wilkinson (Canterbury) 2nd equal.

Bledisloe Cup 1964. 2nd round. Palmerston North C.C. Beat Auckland C.C.; Canterbury C.C. drew with Otago C.C.; (Canterbury winning on the countback): Final. C'bury beat Palmerston North. Congratulations to the winning club who last held the Cup in 1939.

Blackburn Cup 1964. Final. Palmerston North beat Masterton by default.

In the November Bulletin it was stated that a disappointing feature of this event is the decreasing number of entries. It was really worse, as there were four entries but only one match was played, and Palmerston North won the Cup without playing a match.

Bledisloe and Blackburn Cups 1965. Entries close on the 31st May 1965.

N.I. Championship 1965 will be conducted by the Palmerston North-Scandia Chess Club at the Teachers College Assembly Hall from 10-15 May inclusive. Entries close, accompanied by a fee of £1.10. 0, with the Secretary, Mr. M.J. Roche, 12 Rangitane Street, Palmerston North, on the 5th May 1965.

S.I. Championship 1965 will be held in Dunedin during Queen's Birthday Weekend. The Otago Secretary is Mr. L. Amies, 53 Ascot Street, St. Kilda.

1966 Zonal Tournament. Mr. G. Koshnitsky the F.I.D.E. Vice-President for our Zone has advised the Association that the exact function of the Zonal Tournament as part of the World Championship system will not be decided until the 1965 F.I.D.E. Congress. He has informed us to carry on with the tournament as the Zone Championship which we are accordingly doing. It will be held in Auckland under the control of the Dominion Road Chess Club late in 1966. The exact dates cannot be arranged until we receive the dates of the next Olympiad to be held in Cuba.

New Zealand Chess Master Rules: Following the passing of a resolution at the Annual Meeting the rules now read.

1.A. That the title of N.Z. Master be awarded to any N.Z. Chess Player who accumulates 9 points under the following system.

- (i) 3 points for winning the N.Z. Championship.
 - (ii) 1 point for winning each N.I. Championship.
 - (iii) 1 point for winning each S.I. Championship.
 - (iv) 3 points for finishing second to a N.Z. Master in the N.Z. Championship.
 - (v) 1 point for finishing second to a non-Master in the N.Z. Championship.
 - (vi) 1 point for finishing third to two N.Z. Masters in the N.Z. Championship.
 - (vii) The maximum number of qualifying points that can be allotted to any one candidate for Mastership for winning either the North or South Island Championship shall be three.
- (B) A N.Z. Master must have won the N.Z. Senior Championship.
- (C) These rules shall be retrospective.

- (D) A N.Z. player is 0 under Clause 2 of Rules.
 - (E) Players who tie for be awarded points outright, even if mines an absolute
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- (i) At each review of all players within top player provided (or greater) has been N.Z. Championship three years.
 - (ii) Any player entering Master Class retain while his place is of the top player.

Under Section 1 the been awarded the title:-

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- (D) A N.Z. player is one who qualifies under Clause 2 of the Annual Congress Rules.
- (E) Players who tie for first place shall be awarded points as if each had won outright, even if a play-off determines an absolute winner.
- 2.A. That the title of N.Z. Master be awarded to any N.Z. Chess player who qualifies under the following alternate system.
- (i) At each review of the Grading List all players within 100 points of the top player provided that a 50% score (or greater) has been obtained in a N.Z. Championship within the previous three years.
- (ii) Any player entering the Grade of Master Class retains this title only while his place is within 100 points of the top player.

Under Section 1 the following have been awarded the title:-

R.J. Barnes, A.W.O. Davies, J.B. Dunlop, J.A. Erskine, A.W. Gyles, W.E. Mason, J.R. Phillips, O. Sarapu and R.G. Wade.

A. Feneridis has 8 points while R.A. Court and R.J. Sutton have 7 each.

Under Section 2 the following qualified in addition to the above mentioned Masters at the review of the list at 15.11.64.

A. Feneridis, 873 points, R.J. Sutton, 852 points, L. Esterman, 849 points. The top player was O. Sarapu on 943 points.

The list is due to be reviewed next at the 31.3.65.

Chess Olympiad 1968. The meeting held in Christchurch on the 3rd January 1963 resolved that a selected team be sent in 1968 from Association Funds. Council requires an affiliate to volunteer to act

as a Fund Raising Committee for 1965.
N.Z. Rating List. All individual tournaments held by members of the Association, which are open to players from more than one club are eligible. In future to qualify all new tourneys or ones not held annually must be applied for two months before the proposed date.

Rule on Clock Stopping: Following a letter from the Dominion Road Chess Club regarding the correct procedure when a Clock stopped, Council ruled that although the position is not expressly dealt with in the F.I.D.E. Rules, responsible officials can only do what seems to them fair. As it would usually be known what total time had elapsed (i.e. at what time the game began) it should be possible to adjust the clock with reasonable accuracy.

Auckland Chess League. Owing to the League being in recess a balance of £24. 7. 6d. plus interest held at the A. and N.Z. Bank Limited at Panmure, Auckland, has become the property of the Association under Rule 7(e). These funds will be held in trust in case the League is re-formed.

Bulletins and Reports. Many times it has become obvious that these are not read, or if they are they are not actioned correctly. This again was the case at the Annual Meeting. Several times during 1964 it was mentioned in Bulletins or Circulars that for a Club to have power to vote (i) Written notice naming the representative is to be given before the meeting, and (ii) Subscriptions for the year ended 31st August 1965 plus arrears must be paid. Through missing in either (i) or (ii) only 8 clubs out of 40 members qualified and all of the 8 only just made it otherwise the Meeting and the Rules

would have been a farce meeting we will endeavour still.

Also we forwarded a completion and return with information required in F.I.D.E. records.

Please cooperate and for yourselves and ours those who have read this tin are probably the ones
R.J. Glass, c/o
Secretary. P.O.

THE NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIP

As readers have already seen in the Association's report on the Championship we limit ourselves to a short summary of the Championship which is an item of rather historical interest. The time this issue of the Bulletin is published.

The players. There are two players. Rodney Phillips deserves the Championship judging by the standard of play relative to the rest of the players. He has not however won the Championship as Court did last year and he has produced chess of the latter standard as can be seen from his play in the 1964 which we intend to publish in the next issue. The Auckland Easter, but we doubt if he will win the Championship again in the next Championship if Sarapu reaches his best. He has beaten Ward Sutton and Roger Court.

We publish some of the games in this issue.

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Also we forwarded a circular for completion and return with the levy due. The information required is for our own and F.I.D.E. records.

Please cooperate and it will be easier for yourselves and ourselves. Of course, those who have read this far in the Bulletin are probably the ones who do help us.

R.J. Glass, c/o Radiation N.Z. Ltd.
Secretary. P.O. Box 144, Dunedin.

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As readers have already seen the Association's report on the Congress, we will limit ourselves to a short description of the Championship which will be considered an item of rather historical interest by the time this issue of our magazine is published.

The players. There is no doubt that Rodney Phillips deserved to win the Championship judging by the standard of his play relative to the remaining competitors. He has not however won it as convincingly as Court did last year and he has not produced chess of the latter's standard either, as can be seen from his at least three games which we intend to publish. He won recently the Auckland Easter, headed again Sarapu, but we doubt if he will be able to do it again in the next Championship at Hamilton if Sarapu reaches his best form and if Richard Sutton and Roger Court can play.

We publish some of the new champion's games in this issue.

Ortvin Sarapu is not the same player who won a strong international chess tournament in Australia several years ago.

He seems to have lost his confidence, relies too much on opening variations and his middle game play seems to have deteriorated. It appears that he has had too much chess and therefore ran out of ideas to a large extent. We have not the slightest doubt that in spite of his giving way to others in the last two championships he is still the strongest player in New Zealand. We would even risk the prediction that in a match between him and Phillips or Sutton or Court or Feneridis none of his opponents would score 5 points out of say 15 possible. He must however regain confidence. His repeated offer of a draw to Phillips in their last and decisive game when he still had a chance to become champion was very much un-Sarapu like.

Sutton played his usual imaginative chess and considering his lack of preparation did extremely well, although he should have lost at least to the present writer. The game has quite a history which we intend to publish.

Court made a good come-back, after playing indifferently in the first half of the tournament, to score seven points. In some games he produced imaginative chess, worthy of him.

Feneridis seems also to have lost his confidence and form. He is too much scared of the stronger players. Sutton beat him very easily in their last three encounters. He has as much ability in attack and defence as any player in the Championship. His opening play is poor. In analysis and correspondence chess he probably has no equal in New Zealand.

Haase finished where we would expect him to finish in this field. He was slightly unlucky in his game against the present writer, who in a lost position managed to complicate and even win.

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There is a difference between the last mentioned and the next in the field. The four players would have done better in this class i.e. Okey, Steele and O'Callahan played previously in the tournament and never managed to score. There are signs of improvement in O'Callahan play recently, but O'Callahan would need much more to be a champion they seem to have done well.

The Championship Results was won convincingly by O'Callahan. We will deal with this in our next issue.

The Director of Play is Godtschalk.

Organisation of the Prizes. The Wellington Management Committee did make this event a success. The prizes were very good. The efficient handling of the raffle by O. Thomson and the League's Secretary respectively.

Following are the charts of the championship and st

complicated positions are not Haase's strongest points.

Anderson did very well for his debut in the Championship and if he keeps on working on his chess as he does now he will do even better in the future.

Frankel has convinced himself once more that one should prepare for a tournament and that book trade during a tournament does not go very well with good chess. For instance in his game with O'Callahan he was apiece and two pawns up in an ending and managed to draw with difficulty!

There is a difference of two points between the last mentioned player and the next in the field. The remaining four players would have to improve to do better in this class. Three of them i.e. Okey, Steele and O'Callahan have played previously in the championship and never managed to score 50%. There are signs of improvement in Steele's play recently, but O'Callahan and Okey would need much more book work than they seem to have done in the past.

The Championship Reserve Tournament was won convincingly by young R. Metge. We will deal with this event in detail in our next issue.

The Director of Play was Mr. R. Godtschalk.

Organisation of the Tournament and Prizes. The Wellington League's Management Committee did everything to make this event a success as it was. The prizes were very generous thanks to the efficient handling of the Congress raffle by O. Thomson and R. Woodford, the League's Secretary and Treasurer respectively.

Following are the charts of results in the championship and statistical data

prepared for us by Roger Court.

N. Z. CHAMPIONSHIP 1964-65

	Phillips	Sutton	Sarapu	Feneridis	Court	Haase	Anderson	Frankel	Wilkin	Okey	Steele	O'Callahan	Total	S.B.
1. Phillips	X	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	44.50	
2. (Sutton	1/2	X	1/2	1/2	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	40.25	
3. (Sarapu	1/2	0	X	1/2	1	1	1/2	1	1	1	1	1	38.00	
4. Feneridis)	1/2	0	1/2	X	1	0	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	1	1	32.00	
5. Court	0	1	1	0	X	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	31.50	
6. (Haase	0	1	0	1	0	X	1	0	0	1	1/2	1	26.50	
7. (Anderson	0	0	1/2	0	0	0	X	1	1	1	1	1	18.75	
8. Frankel	0	0	1/2	1/2	0	1	0	X	1	1	1	1	17.50	
9. Wilkin	0	0	0	1/2	0	1	0	0	X	0	1/2	1	12.00	
10. Okey	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	X	1	1	11.00	
11. Steele)	0	0	0	0	0	1/2	0	0	1/2	1	X	1	06.75	
12. O'Callahan)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1/2	0	1	1	X	05.75	

Of a total of 66 games 55 were won and 11 drawn.
Black won 37() games and White only 18.

	Progress Score Round by Round											Won	Lost	Drew	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
Phillips	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	9 1/2	8	0	3
Sutton	1	2	3	4	5	5 1/2	6	7	8	9	10	8 1/2	8	2	1
Sarapu	1	2	2 1/2	2 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2	5 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	7	1	3
Feneridis	1	1 1/2	2	3	3	3 1/2	4 1/2	5 1/2	6	6	7	7	5	2	4
Court	1	1	1	2	2	3	4	4	5	6	7	7	5	4	0
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Anderson	0	0	0	1	2	3	3 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5	5	1
Frankel	1	2	2	3	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	4	5	5	5	4	5	2
Wilkin	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	2	2	2
Okey	0	0	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2	2	1

Of a total of 66 games 55 were won and 11 drawn.
Black won 37(') games and White only 18.

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Sutton	1	2	3	4	5	5	5½	6½	6½	7½	8½	8	2	1
Sarapu	1	2	2½	2½	3½	4½	5	6	7	8	8½	7	1	3
Feneridis	½	1½	2	3	3	3½	4½	5½	6	6	7	5	2	4
Court	1	1	1	2	2	3	4	4	5	6	7	7	4	0
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Anderson	0	0	0	1	2	3	3½	4½	4½	4½	5½	5	5	1
Frankel	1	2	2	3	3½	3½	3½	3½	4	5	5	4	5	2
Wilkin	½	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	2	7	2
Okey	0	0	1½	1½	1½	1½	2½	2½	2½	2½	2½	2	8	1
Steele	0	0	½	½	½	1½	2	2	2	2	2	1	8	2
O'Callahan	0	½	½	½	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	8	2

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CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

N.Z. Championship Round 5. Queen's Gambit Declined. R.A. Court v J.R. Phillips.
(Notes by R.A. Court)

1. PQB4, NKB3: 2. NQB3, PK3: 3. NKB3, PQ4: 4. PQ4, PB4: 5. PK3, NB3: 6. PQR3, ...
(This move has been seen before. It is rather subtle in some ways. The alternatives are PxQP, PxBP, and BQ3, all good continuations. In answer to the text NK5 is said to equalise, while the continuation chosen by Phillips seems to be the most likely.) 6...PxQP: 7. KPXP... (KNXP is also playable). 7...BK2: 8. BQ3, ...
(White was quite happy to play with an I.Q.F. but he allows Black to create it without the loss of a move. A better move seems to be BKB4. Then if PxBP, BXP, or if O-O, PB5 and the advanced position can be maintained. In this line the move PQR3 has some value). 8...PxP: 9. BxBP, O-O: 10. O-O, PQR3:
(The resultant advance is seen later to be somewhat weakening. Excellent would be PQN3 etc). 11. BK3, ... (A solid positional line rather than aggressive. One could also play BKN5 followed by QQ3, QRQ1 and bring the Bishop round to QN1 with threats to Black's King)
11...PQN4: 12. BQ3, BN2: 13. QK2, RQB1:
(Black appears to be first with threats to occupy the enemy's QB4 square. White had a similar objective in mind. But now he obtains the edge by a well known stroke at Black's weakened Q-side structure) 14. PQR4, PxP: (A lapse, losing a Pawn. What should have occurred was PN5, NN1: PQR4, QNQ2: NQ4, NN3: and White will control QB5 and the QB file with the advantage) 15. BxQrP, BxB: 16. QxB, PR6: (The best counter chance, gaining some compensation on the weak White squares). 17. PxP, NQR4: 18. QQ3,

NQ4: 19. NK4, ... (An error. White hopes to play NB5 impossible. Obviously Black such a strong Knight would ease the technical 20. BN5... (The plan is in Black's K-side and the on QB1, holding the QRP an exchange or two may be plan is good but the execution The timing wrong. The this plan is KRN1 and on which the Rooks can be on file and Black will have for his Pawn. In the White's Rooks are left on and their position becomes ties rather than assets. here loses a piece. Do the victim of another sacrifice vision at this point. 20. KRQB1. I rejected looked as though Black could by N/Q4 x B: 21. PxN, Nx and if 23. RxN then QB8 look further and find that wins a piece. Incidentally me after the game he wanted way so I was actually waiting BN5) 20.. PB3 21. BB1 23. PR3, ... (To make a King. I thought also of tacking ideas. Philliping this. But as will best was PKN3, defending Knight. Now, however, weakened) 23..., QR5: very well placed and strengthening. NN5 is already N/4Q2, BQ3: (Notice how thing works in perfectly organised play.) 25. 1

NQ4: 19. NK4,... (An error of judgement. White hopes to play NB5 but this proves impossible. Obviously it is bad to give Black such a strong Knight, also exchanges would ease the technical problems.) 19..NB5:
 20. BN5... (The plan is to induce a weakness in Black's K-side and then place the Bishop on QB1, holding the QRP solidly, after which an exchange or two may be engineered. The plan is good but the execution is faulty. The timing wrong. The correct move for this plan is KRN1 and only then BB1, after which the Rooks can be doubled on the QN file and Black will have little to show for his Pawn. In the game, however, White's Rooks are left out of coordination and their position becomes awkward, liabilities rather than assets. Note that NB5 here loses a piece. During the game I was the victim of another superficiality of vision at this point. The obvious move is 20. KRQB1. I rejected this because it looked as though Black could regain his Pawn by N/Q4 x B: 21. PxN, NxRP: 22. RxR, QxR: and if 23. RxN then QB8 wins. I failed to look further and find the move 23. NB5 which wins a piece. Incidentally Phillips told me after the game he wanted to play PB3 anyway so I was actually wasting a move with BN5) 20.. PB3 21. BE1, QQ2: 22. RK1, KRK1: 23. PR3,... (To make a loophole for the King. I thought also of PKR4 with vague attacking ideas. Phillips said he was expecting this. But as will be seen later, the best was PKN3, defending KB4 against the Knight. Now, however, White's K-side is weakened) 23...., QR5: (Black's pieces are very well placed and start to become threatening. NN5 is already on the cards.) 24. N/4Q2, BQ3: (Notice how for Black everything works in perfectly, a sign of good organised play.) 25. NxN, RxN:

26. BQ2,... (Necessary to defend QB3)
 26...., BB5: 27. BN4,... (The clock was
 beginning to make itself felt and White
 is lured into a likely looking manoeuvre
 which happens to drive Black's Queen and
 Rook to more combinational squares.
 He should have chosen 27. BxB, NxB:
 28. QQ1, with the possible continuation
 QB3: 29. QQ2, NQ4: 30. QRB1, NB6: 31. KR1,
 KRQB1: 32. QK3, KB2: 33. NQ2, RR5: 34. NK4,
 RxRP: 35. NxB, RxN: 36. RxR, QxR: 37. QxPch
 and should win. /27. QRB1 on the other hand
 allows Black to draw by RxR: 28. RxR, or
 BxB with the same result/ BxB: 29. NxB,
 NB5: 30. QK3, NQ4: 31. QQ3, NB5 and
 repeats.) 27...., QB3: 28. BB5, RB6:
 29. QK2,... (A foolish move, just ask-
 ing to be hit by the Knight from B5.
 Better was 29. QK4 or even QQ1 or QKB1)
 29...., BN1: 30. KRQB1?: (Under pressure
 from Phillips and the clock I had been
 losing my head from move to move and
 this blunders away my material and leaves
 me in a difficult situation afterwards.
 30. QK4 was all right /PB4: 31. NK5, QR1,
 32. QR4, and 30. QRN1 was also adequate.
 /NB5: 31. QK4 /or QB2: 31. QR6, RxN:
 32. RxB, QxR: 33. PxB,.. Also QRQB1
 would have worked - see next note)
 30...., NB5: 31. QQ1, NxB: 32. PxB,
 RxN: 33. PQ5,... (A simplifying move
 which costs a Pawn. It is necessary
 because the King is exposed to attack.
 If on move 30 White had played QRB1
 instead of his other Rook this move
 33. PQ5 would win if Black followed the
 same variation. Instead we would have
 had the following line: 30. QRQB1, NB5:
 31. QQ1, NxB: 32. PxB, RxR: 33. QxR,
 QxN: 34. QK3, QQ4: and material is even)
 33...., QxP: 34. QxQ, PxB: 35. KN2, RB5:
 36. PQR4, BK4: 37. RR2, RQR1: 38. PR5,
 RB5: 39. BK3,... (Another weak move

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 the pawn to R7. After
 KB2: 41. PR7, it woul
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 etc. Phillips chose
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 Black can make any pre
 47. KQ3, BB4: 48. RN8
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 K-side) 48...., BQ3:
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 offered more resistanc
 55. KK3, RR6ch: 56. KQ
 (Also 57. PB5ch, KxP:
 result in salvation)
 KB4: 59. RR5, RxPch: 6
 The game is lost) 60..
 White resigns. This

losing the valuable time needed to push
 the pawn to R7. After RxR, PxR: 40. PR6,
 KB2: 41. PR7, it would have been child's play
 to draw) 39...., RxR: 40. BxR, RR3: 41. BQ2...
 (The sealed move. I expected in reply
 PKN4 and a probable win for Black after
 42. PKB4, PxP: 43. KB3, KB2: 44. BxP, KN3:
 etc. Phillips chose a slow plan which
 permitted time for restraint and the
 creation of a drawing position.) 41...KB2:
 42. PB4, BB2: 43. KB3, KK3: 44. RB2, BQ3:
 45. RN2, KQ2: (It is not easy to see how
 Black can make any progress) 46. KK3, KB3;
 47. KQ3, BB4: 48. RN8,... (White spies
 chances of winning a pawn or two on the
 K-side) 48...., BQ3: 49. RB8ch,... (With
 RN2 White could go back and draw. The
 text may be good enough also). 49...BB2:
 50. KQ4, KQ2: 51. RKR8,... (An error,
 again mainly due to the clock. Better
 was 51. RKN8 and if PN3: 52. KxP, BxRP:
 53. RN7ch, KK1: 54. BB1, and White will
 regain his Pawn with the better position,
 though a draw may still be expected.)
 51...., BxRP: 52. BxB,... (This thoughtless
 move is the one which loses. The move is
 still 52. BB1, avoiding the exchange of
 Bishops. Then if KK3: 53. RK8ch, KB2:
 54. RKR8, RQ3: 55. BR3, RK2: 56. PB5,
 White threatens mate and regains enough
 to draw. Or KB3: 53. RxRP, BN3ch: 54. KQ3,
 RR8: 55. KB2 and a win is hard to prove)
 52...., RxB: 53. RxP, KK3: 54. RxP,... (White
 has achieved material equality only to
 find that the tactics of the position are
 all against him. 54. RR5 would have
 offered more resistance) 54...., RR5ch:
 55. KK3, RR6ch: 56. KQ4, RxP: 57. RQR7,...
 (Also 57. PB5ch, KxP: 58. KxP, will not
 result in salvation) 57...., RKB6: 58. RR6ch,
 KB4: 59. RR5, RxPch: 60. KQ3,... (Or 60. KxP.
 The game is lost) 60... KK4: 61. KK3, and
 White resigns. This game shows that it

takes quite a few weak moves to lose a game of chess.

OSCILLATING GAME

R. Court

K. Steele

Notes by R. Court

My best game of the tournament was against Ken Steele. Surprisingly, it was his best game too, so he said. His defence for a long time was quite stubborn. The game itself is remarkable for the peculiar oscillations of four different White pieces. The way they shuffle backwards and forwards, and keep returning to the same squares, is reminiscent of our old friend the wood-pusher. In actual fact, however, this oscillating activity of pieces can be excellent chess and is often observed in the games of Petrosyan and others as an effective part of master technique. Just by way of illustration consider the game Petrosyan-Stahlberg, Candidates, 1953. 1. PK4, PQB4: 2. PQ3, NQB3: 3. NKB3, PKN3: 4. PKN3, BN2: 5. BN2, PQ3: 6. O-O, NB3: 7. QN2,... (This Knight is the main actor illustrating our theme. He goes to QB4 then to K3 and again to QB4. Driven away from there he returns to K3, then to QB2 and then back to K3, and later goes back to QB4, this time decisively winning a pawn in the process) 7...O-O: 8. PQR4, EQ2: 9. NB4, /there/ QB1: 10. RK1, MKN5: 11. PB3, PKR3: 12. QK2, KR2: 13. KNQ2,... (This Knight also becomes gyroscopic. He goes to Q2 now, then back to KB3. From there to KR4, then back to KB3 and then to Q2, then to QB4 to replace his fallen comrade in arms, back to Q2 and then to KB3 again. From there to Q4 and finally back to KB3 on move 49.)

13...PB4: 14. PB4, P
16. NB3 /back/, BN5:
18. NR4 /there/, BxB:
NK2: 21. NB4 /there/,
23. RK2, RQ1: 24. QRK
26. NK3 /back/, RQN1:
/back/, PB5: 29. KN2,
31. RQ1, RB1: 32. PK5,
34. PxP, QB3: 35. NB2,
NQB3: 37. NK3 /back/,
NB2: 39. N(K3)xP, /the
NxN: 41. NxN /there/ N
RN1: 43. RR4, RB2: 44.
NN3: 45. RKN4, KR2: 46
47. R(N4)K4, PR3: 48.
/back for the last tim
BB1: 51. RR4, RB3: 52.
BN2: 54. R(K2)R2, Nxp:
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56. BxB, RxB: 57. RxP,
is mated) 58. RxR etc
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the Steele game. In
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include the two Bishop
Note the following per
White: KN - K2 - K
- KB4 - KN6 - K5 - KB7
White: QB - QN2 -
K3 - KR6 - KB8 - KR6 -
White: KB - KN2 -
QN5 - Q7.
White: Q - QB2 - Q
K2 - QB2 - Q2 - KB4 -
- KR8 - QN8 - QR7 - QN8
KR8 - Q8 - Q7 - K6.

13....PB4: 14. PB4, PxP: 15. PxP, NB3:
 16. NB3 back, BN5: 17. NK3 here, BR6:
 18. NR4 there, BxB: 19. QxB, PK3: 20. QQB2,
 NK2: 21. NB4 there, NK1: 22. BQ2, QB3:
 23. RK2, RQ1: 24. QRK1, PQN4: 25. PxP, QxNP:
 26. NK3 back, RQN1: 27. BB1, B3: 28. NB3
back, PB5: 29. KN2, BN2: 30. PR4, KN1:
 31. RQ1, RB1: 32. PK5, PxP: 33. QK4, RQB4:
 34. PxP, QB3: 35. NB2, away QrQ: 36. RxQ,
 NQB3: 37. NK3 back, NR4: 38. NQ2, again
 NB2: 39. N(K3)xP, there RQ1: 40. R(Q1)K1,
 NxN: 41. NxN there NQ4: 42. NQ2 back,
 RN1: 43. RR4, RB2: 44. NB3 home once again
 NN3: 45. RKN4, KR2: 46. NQ4 away, RK1:
 47. R(N4)K4, PR3: 48. R(K1)K2, NQ2: 49. NB3
back for the last time, RQN1: 50. BK3,
 BB1: 51. RR4, RB3: 52. BQ4, RN4: 53. PQN4,
 BN2: 54. R(K2)R2, NxP: 55. NxN, BxN: (The
 last of our heroes disappears but after a
 few more moves Black had to resign).
 56. BxB, RxB: 57. RxP, RxR (If RxP he
 is mated) 58. RxR etc. This game is
 an excellent example of the Petrosyan System,
 of which I myself am an exponent. The first
 10 or 11 moves can simply be played off the
 cuff with hardly a thought to Black's play.
 A marvellous time saver. Let us return to
 the Steele game. In this the oscillations
 are not confined to the two Knights but
 include the two Bishops and Queen as well.
 Note the following peregrinations:

White: KN - K2 - KB4 - K2 - QB3 - K2
 - KB4 - KN6 - K5 - KB7:

White: QB - QN2 - QR3 - QB1 - KB4 -
 K3 - KR6 - KB8 - KR6 - KB4 - KR6.

White: KB - KN2 - KB1 - KN2 - KB1 -
 QN5 - Q7.

White: Q - QB2 - Q3 - Q2 - Q3 - QN5
 K2 - QB2 - Q2 - KB4 - K5 - KN7 - KN8
 - KR8 - QN8 - QR7 - QN8 - KR8 - KR5 -
 KR8 - Q8 - Q7 - K6.

With all this waste movement it seems incredible that White had time for any other more natural types of move.

English Opening (Round 10)
R.A. Court. K.M. Steele

1. PQB4, PQB4: 2. NQB3, NQB3: 3. PKN3, PQN3: 4. BN2, BN2: 5. PQN3, PkB4: (Already something unusual, which we have come to expect from Steele's peculiar style) 6. BN2, PK3: 7. PK3, NKB3: 8. PQ4, ... (Better and less committing would be KNK2 and O-O) 8...PxP: 9. PxP, BN5: 10. KNK2, O-O: 11. O-O, RQN1: (Essentially a waiting move. White could now play PQ5 with some advantage) 12. PQR3, BxN: 13. BxB, PQ4: (A double edged move. Obviously Black is very weak on the black squares, yet he obtains good play. NK2 would be satisfactory). 14. NB4, QQ2: 15. PxP, ... (Black will force this anyway with BR3 etc) 15...PxP: 16. BN2, QRK1: 17. QB2, RQB1: (A trifle inconsequential. More to the point is NK5 threatening PKN4 and PKB5) 18. QQ3, PKN4: 19. NK2, KRK1: 20. QQ2, ... (Not very good. White could have got into trouble. As will be seen later Rook exchanges are to White's advantage. Simple and good was 20. QRB1, NN1: /intending BR3/ 21. RxR, BxR: 22. QQ2, QKN2: 23. RK1, BR3: 24. NB3, etc.) 20..., QN2: 21. NQB3, ... (Again inferior to QRB1 or KRK1) 21...NR4: (Instead NK5 would have set White some difficult problems. For instance, 22. NxN, BPxN: with big improvement for Black. Or 22. QQ3, QxQP: 23. QxQ, NxQ: 24. NxN, NK7ch with a winning game. But with 22. QQ1 White could defend all threats and retain the better position.) 22. QQ3, NK5: (If NxNP: 23. NxQP, NxN: 24. QxN QKB2: 25. KRK1 followed by RK5 etc with advantage for White).

23. NK2, ... (Now White is at move 19. Two factors are different. Black can and he can play a new tactic. This would change the course entirely. However analysis shows White was correct in assuming Black could not afford this move. 24. QxB: 25. NQ4, PxP: 26. N in conjunction with NR6 24. PQR4, R(K2)B2: (Aggressive. But now 25. PxN RxP: 27. QRK1, RxR: 28. QxRch: 30. BB1, and White Pawn with advantage. This is difficult to discover. This is not best and from now slipping downwards. This is less to him. Superior strong pressure on the King 26. QN3: 26. RxR, RxR: 27. B (Threatening NB4, which eliminates for good.) (Black secures his Knight his black square weaknesses.) 29. BQB1, RK2: 31. RQB1, QK3: 32. BKB1, manoeuvres his Rook to Q change it and this plan chances further. He should NN5 followed by BQR3) 34. NKB4, QB2: 35. QN5, NxR: 37. PKR3, ... (White weakening of Black's King induces PKR4 and then blocks that square where it will be lost. Black could hardly 37..., N(1)Q3: 38. QK2, PK (Simpler and better was B as Black has a chance to 39..., NKN4: 40. BN2, N(N gave better hopes of survival N(5)B3: 42. BKB1, QQ2: (

23. NK2,... (Now White is back where he was at move 19. Two factors in the position are different. Black can not NN1 and BR3 and he can play a new tactical stroke, NB4. This would change the course of the game entirely. However analysis proved that White was correct in assuming that Black could not afford this move. NB4: 24. PxN, QxB: 25. NQ4, Pxp: 26. NxKBP, QK4; 27. BR3 in conjunction with NR6 or QQN5) 23...RK2: 24. PQR4, R(K2)B2: (Again NB4 looks plausible. But now 25. PxN, QxB: 26. NQ4, RxP: 27. QRK1, RxR: 28. RxR, RB8: 29. RxR, QxRch: 30. BB1, and White must regain his Pawn with advantage. This variation was difficult to discover. Black's text move is not best and from now on his game keeps slipping downwards. The QB file is useless to him. Superior was QRK1 with strong pressure on the K-file) 25. KRB1, QN3: 26. RxR, RxR: 27. BQR3, QKB3: (Threatening NB4, which White finally eliminates for good.) 28. RK1, PN5: (Black secures his Knight on K5. However his black square weaknesses are accentuated.) 29. QB1, RK2: 30. BB4, NQB3: 31. RQB1, QK3: 32. BKB1, RK1: (Black manoeuvres his Rook to QB1 only to exchange it and this plan decreases his chances further. He should have tried NN5 followed by BQR3) 33. BK3, RQB1: 34. NKB4, QB2: 35. QN5, NK2: 36. RxR, NXR: 37. PKR3,... (White completes the weakening of Black's King side. He induces PKR4 and then blocks the Pawn on that square where it will eventually be lost. Black could hardly avoid this.) 37...,N(1)Q3: 38. QK2, PKR4: 39. QQB2,... (Simpler and better was PKR4 at once, as Black has a chance to confuse the issue) 39..., NKN4: 40. BN2, N(N4)K5: (40...Pxp gave better hopes of survival). 41. PKR4, N(5)B3: 42. BKB1, QQ2: (Black wants to

swap Queens, but White does not oblige as the win would then be much harder)
 43. NN6, KN2: 44. NK5, QB1: 45. QQ2, N(Q3)B2: (White must penetrate. For instance: KNK5: 46. BR6ch, KR2: 47. QB4, QN1: 48. BQ3, KR1: 49. NQ7, QK3: 50. NB8, QK1: 51. BxN, NxB: 52. QxBP etc. This is a typical variation) 46. BR6ch, KN1: (NxB is hopeless after 47. QN5ch etc) 47. NxN, NK5: 48. QB4, KxN: 49. QK5, QQ2: 50. BQN5, QK2: 51. QN7ch,... (White could win easily by QxBPch etc but could not resist trying for mate) 51...KK3: 52. QN8ch, QB2: 53. QKR8, NB3: 54. QQN8, Qk2: 55. BB8,... (Apparently no quick mate was possible, as Black shows. White should have played 55. QxRP etc) 55...NQ2: 56. BxNch, QxB: (Black may be feeling slightly happier but the win is only a matter of time) 57. QxRP, QQB2: 58. BR6, QB3: 59. BB4.... (The oscillating Bishop returns to familiar places) 59...PN4: 60. PR5, Pn5: 61. QN8, KB2: 62. QKR8, BR3: (The obvious defence was QKN3. But then 63. QQ8, QQB3: 64. BQ6, with loss of the Bishop or mate in a few moves) 63. QxRPch, QN3: 64. QR8, QN2: 65. QQ8, QxQP: 66. QQ7ch, KN1: 67. QK6ch, KB1: 68. BR6ch,... (For the second time decisive). Black resigns.

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(by International Master Konstantinopolski)
Sicilian (+14-15=14)

In the Game TAL-BILEK a serious blow was inflicted on the variation 1. P K4, PQB4: 2. NKB3, PQ3: 3. PQ4, PXP: 4. NXP, NKB3: 5. NQB3, PQR3: 6. KBN5, QNQ2: 7. BQB4, PR3: (Trying to obtain the two Bishops - an imaginary advantage in the present instance - Black is losing a lot of time. Better was 7...QR4. 8. BxN, NxB: 9. QK2, PK3: 10. O-O-O, QB2: 11. PKB4! PK4. (Necessary. If 11...BK2 or BQ2: 12. PK5 is very unpleasant.) However now Black's KB4 and Q4 become weak.)

In the game MATANOVIC - KORCHNOI Match USSR-Yugoslavia 1963, White obtained strong pressure after 12. NKB5, BK3: 13. BxB, PxB: 14. NKR4, PKN4: 15. PXP, PXP: 16. KRB1.

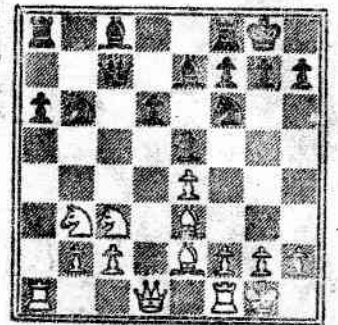
Tal however preferred a cavalry raid after which the King file opened for an attack by 12. NQ5! NxN: 13. PxN, BK2 (13...PKN3 is more prudent) 14. BPxKP, QPxP: 15. NK6 with a

winning attack.

White obtains a str variation 1. PK4, PQB4: PXP: 4. NXP, NKB3: 5. NQB3: 7. PKB4, QNQ2: 8. Q BK2: 10. PKN4, PQN4: 11. NQ2: 13. PQR3.

This has been shown Tringov-Reshevsky as fol (This move was applied ea against Gligoric 14. PK RXP: 16. PR5, NQB4. Nov grandmaster demonstrates for White.) 14. BKR3! O-O. 15. RKN1 (Stronger is 15. PxN: 17. BxPch, RB2: 18. 15...NQB4: 16. PB5, PN5: PB6! and Black's position

The following system 1. PK4, PQB4: 2. NKB3, PQ 4. NXP, NKB3: 5. NQB3, PQ 7. NN3, BK2: 8. O-O, O-O: PQR4! QNQ2 (more usual is 10... BK3) 11. PR5, PQN4:



In the game Smyslov-E played, in reply to which pawn 13...BK3: 14. BxN, Qx 16. QxR, QxQ: 17. BxQ, RN1

winning attack.

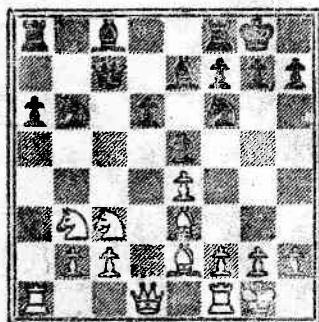
White obtains a strong position in the variation 1. PK4, PqB4: 2. NKB3, PQ3: 3. PQ4 PxF: 4. NxP, NKB3: 5. NQB3, PQR3: 6. BKN5, PK3: 7. PKB4, QN2: 8. QB3, QB2: 9. O-O-O, BK2: 10. PKN4, PQN4: 11. BxN, NxB: 12. PN5, NQ2: 13. PQR3.

This has been shown also in the game Tringov-Reshevsky as follows: 13...RQN1 (This move was applied earlier by Tringov against Gligoric 14. PKR4, PN5: 15. PxF, RxF: 16. PR5, NQB4. Now the Bulgarian grandmaster demonstrates a correct plan for White.) 14. BKR3! O-O: (Better is NQB4) 15. RKN1 (Stronger is 15. PN6! RPxF: 16. NxKP, PxF: 17. BxPch, RB2: 18. NQ5, QQ1: 19. KRN1) 15...NQB4: 16. PB5, PN5: 17. RPxF, RxF: 18. PB6! and Black's position collapses.

The following system has occurred twice.

1. PK4, PqB4: 2. NKB3, PQ3: 3. PQ4, PxF: 4. NxP, NKB3: 5. NQB3, PQR3: 6. BK2, PK4: 7. NN3, BK2: 8. O-O, O-O: 9. BK3, QB2: 10. PQR4! QN2 (more usual is 10... PQN3 or 10... BK3) 11. PR5, PQN4: 12. PxF e.p., NxNP.

Ivhov against Evans continued 13. BxN, QxB: and directed an attack on the Q5 square 14. BQB4, PR4: 15. NQ5, NxN: 16. BxN, RR2: 17. RR2, White threatens with the manoeuvre NQ2-B4, but apparently Black has sufficient defensive resources.



In the game Smyslov-Evans 13. QQ3 was played, in reply to which Black sacrificed a pawn 13...BK3: 14. BxN, QxN: 15. RxF, RxR: 16. QxR, QxQ: 17. BxQ, RN1! This brings

about material equality although even here White's chances are more real 18. RN1, BxN: 19. FxB, RXP: 20. BB4 with pressure upon the vulnerable Black's KB2.

(To be completed in the next issue)

POMAR - PALACIOS (Spain 1964)

Queen's Gambit Accepted

Notes by C.H.O'D. Alexander in "Sunday Times"

A defence that has steadily gained in popularity lately is the acceptance of the Queen's Gambit. The form in which Black later counter-sacrifices a pawn has particularly gained ground; his attack is stronger than one would at first expect. This brilliant example is from a Spanish club match; it must have been a painful surprise for the loser, the former infant prodigy Pomar.

1. PQ4, PQ4: 2. PQB4, PXP: 3. KtKB3, NKB3: 4. PK3, BN5: (The modern line foreshadowing the sacrifice on move 8) 5. BXP, PK3: 6. PKR3, BR4: 7. QN3, BxN: 8. FxB, QN2: 9. QXP (If he does not accept this Black has an excellent game with no problems.) 9..PB4: 10. NB3, BK2: (10...PXP: 11.PXP is not good because White's bishops combine too powerfully) 11. PQ5, PXP: 12. NXP, O-O: (Black does not have much for his pawn but White has great difficulty because of his broken pawns and Black's open lines, in finding a safe spot for his king.) 13. BQ2, (I don't know what is best here. KK2, PKB4 /preparing a retreat to KB3 or Kt2 for the queen / and O-O are all slightly unsavoury. The text is an interesting idea which met a horrible fate.)

13...RN1: 14. NxBch, QxN: 15. QXP, RXP: 16. BN3... (The idea. White now threatens O-O-O! winning the exchange.) 16...NK5!: 17. O-O-O? (17. FxN, QXP: and what can White do now? 18.RKN1, NK4: and the combination of threats of NB6ch, NQ6ch and RQ1 is fatal. Equally, 18. O-O, NK4: /or just

18...RxB7 and 18. KK2, NK4 Black. 17. RQ1 is probably after 17...NxB: 18. RxB, RxB PB5! Black has plenty for the BXP? QN5ch, 17...NK4!! (18 worse than the other; if 18 NQ6 mate) 18. QR6, QR2! (Do BB4.. (19. QK2 loses, not 20. BN4! but to 19...RxBK: 21. KB2, QR7ch: 22. KB1, RFP 20. BN3, QR1! (Beautiful. loses to 21... NxBK: 22. Qx RxQ: 23. FxN, KRXP:) 21. K FxN, NQ6ch: (Black's knight in full swing) 23. KN1, NxF should resign) 24... 25 26. RxB, RN1: 27. BN4, QK7c 29. BB3, PB5: 30. RN2, (I a Pomar) 30...PxB: 31. RXPch, QxBch: (The simplest way of overdue resignation) 33. R have never heard of Palacios. I expect to hear of him again.)

ROYAL VICTORIES

By Grandmaster Alexander
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Nona Gaprindashvili, the chess title holder never missed the opportunity of taking a part in both men's tournaments. Sometimes she is pressed when playing against men, but it also happens that she is compelled to bow to the slaughter of this young girl for the sex. However, Nona is often less than generous when engaging her women. She is never missing a chance to prove her superiority.

18...RxB7 and 18. KK2, NK4; are good for Black. 17. RQ1 is probably best, though after 17...NxN: 18. RxN, RxR: 19. KxR, PB5! Black has plenty for the pawn /20. BxP? QN5ch. 7 17...NK4!! (This knight is worse than the other; if 18. QxQ, 18... NQ6 mate) 18. QR6, QR2! (Do have it) 19. BB4.. (19. QK2 loses, not to 19... QR6?; 20. BN4! but to 19...RxKB!: 20. PXR, QR8ch: 21. KB2; QR7ch: 22. KB1, RR1!) 19...QN1!; 20. BN3, QR1! (Beautiful. Now 21. BB4 loses to 21... NxKB: 22. QxQ /22. QxN, QR6/ RxQ: 23. PxN, KRXP:) 21. KxR, QxQ: 22. PxN, NQ6ch: (Black's knight life is still in full swing) 23. KN1, NxP: 24. KRB1, (He should resign) 24... 25. KN2, NXRch: 26. RxN, RN1: 27. BN4, QK7ch: 28. RQ2, QxP: 29. BB3, PB5: 30. RN2, (I am surprised at Pomar) 30...PxB: 31. RXPch, KB1: 32. PXP, QxBch: (The simplest way of compelling an overdue resignation) 33. Resigns. (I have never heard of Palacios before; I expect to hear of him again.)

ROYAL VICTORIES

By Grandmaster Alexander Kotov in
"Soviet Weekly"

Nona Gaprindashvili, the world women's chess title holder never misses an opportunity of taking a part in both women's and men's tournaments. Sometimes she is hard-pressed when playing against the "stronger" sex, but it also happens that the proud men are compelled to bow to the resourceful onslaught of this young girl from the Caucasus. However, Nona is often most merciless when engaging her women colleagues, never missing a chance to prove her own superiority.

Youthful rivals of the reigning chess queen mounted a dashing attack against her at the latest USSR Women's Championship. Nona found it hard to repulse 17 year old Lena Rubtsova of Moscow and the 16 year old Nana Alexandria of Tblisi. Yet the queen triumphed, adding the Soviet to her world title. Nor is Tigran Petrosyan averse to having another try at proving that he occupies the chess throne by right. During the two years of his reign the new chess king took part in several tournaments and emerged victorious each time. True, he tied for first place twice with Paul Keres; in Los Angeles in 1963 and Buenos Aires in 1964, but that does not detract from the achievement of the world title holder.

On the Eve of the 1965 New Year, the "iron willed" Tigran decided to prove his strength once again. Immediately on returning from Tel Aviv where he had added to his laurels another brilliant victory over the American Samuel Reshevsky in the 16th Chess Olympics, Petrosyan started playing again, this time in the USSR Trades Union Championships. The Trade Union title competitions are held comparatively rarely in our country and this event always arouses great interest on the part of chess fans. The field was very strong, including five grandmasters and many international masters. Have the rank and file Soviet masters not demonstrated their strength? After all, at the very start V. Liverson of Moscow defeated Petrosyan.

Yet the world title-holder soon managed to push forward and confidently led the field throughout the rest of the tournament. Thus, to his world chess crown he has added the title of the USSR Trades Unions Champion.

Petrosyan produced his usual high technical instance, his encounter Taimanov.

Nimzovitch

White: T. Petrosyan

1. PqB4, Pk3: 2. N4. B2, PQ3: 5. PQ4, O-O transposition of moves to well known variant of the Mark Taimanov has a reputation reversed in this opening.) PK3, QK1: (Striving to unpinned, as early as possible.) 7... QK2 is continued here sequent PK4.) 8. BR4! - Petrosyan effects the in advance, so as to be nent's Bishop, after it with his queen, /there a fork by means of NK57. PQB3: 10. NQ2, PQR3: 11. QK3: (It would seem that of 12... NxN: 13. NxN, PK stronger. However, by threatening with 16. BQB Key strategic positions. 14. BQ3, PKR3: 15. NR4, (A serious strategic error 16... PQN4: 17. NN6, RN1 19. BxN, QxB: 20. QxP, P have sufficient chances. With the next move the wo succeeds in capturing a p his positional advantage. strong move. White not opponent's K-pawn, but al ling his rooks on the Q-f attacks the K-bishop by 17. ... RK1: 18. R(R)Q1, (Another excellent move.

Petrosyan produced a number of games at his usual high technical level. Here is for instance, his encounter with grandmaster Mark Taimanov.

Nimzovitch Defence

White: T. Petrosyan Black: M. Taimanov

1. P_gB4, P_k3: 2. N_QB3, B_N5: 3. N_B3, K_NB3:
4. Q_B2, P_Q3: 5. P_Q4, O-O: 6. B_N5... (With the transposition of moves the game arrived at the well known variant of the Nimzovitch Defence. Mark Taimanov has a reputation of being well versed in this opening.) 6... N(N)Q2: 7. P_K3, Q_K1: (Striving to have the K-knight unpinned, as early as possible. More often 7... Q_K2 is continued here, along with the subsequent P_K4.) 8. B_R4! (An interesting point - Petrosyan effects the retreat of his Bishop in advance, so as to be able to take the opponent's Bishop, after it crosses his Q-knight with his queen, /there will be no threat of a fork by means of N_K5.) 8... P_K4: 9. O-O-O, P_QB3: 10. N_Q2, P_QR3: 11. P_xP, P_xP: 12. N_K4, Q_K3: (It would seem that the continuation of 12... N_xN: 13. N_xN, P_KB4: 14. N_Q6, Q_K3: is stronger. However, by means of 15. P_B5! and threatening with 16. B_QB4, white would occupy key strategic positions.) 13. N_xNch, N_xN: 14. B_Q3, P_KR3: 15. N_R4, P_K5: 16. B_K2, N_Q2?: (A serious strategic error. By way of 16... P_QN4: 17. N_N6, R_N1: 18. N_xB, R(B)_xN: 19. B_xN, Q_xB: 20. Q_xP, P_xP: Taimanov could have sufficient chances for counterplay. With the next move the world title holder succeeds in capturing a pawn, while retaining his positional advantage.) 17. R_Q4! (A very strong move. White not only attacks the opponent's K-pawn, but also prepares for doubling his rooks on the Q-file and indirectly attacks the K-bishop by threatening with P_B5) 17. ... R_K1: 18. R(R)Q1, P_QN4: 19. N_B3!.. (Another excellent move. White declines

capturing a pawn through 19. PxP, RPxP:20.RxB
 PxN: 21.RxP, RxR: 22. QxR, following which
 22...NB4 would give Black chances for counter
 play. With the move in the text however,
 Taimanov's position soon becomes defenceless.)
 19...BxN: 20. QxB, PN5: 21. QQ2, PN6: (A foxy
 move. In case of 22. RxN, PxP: it is Black
 who will win. However the chess king is vig-
 ilant.) 22. PxP, NB4: 23. QN4, NN2: 24. QN6,
 PQR4: 25. BKN3, PQB4: 26. QxQ, RxQ: 27.R(4)Q2,
 (Endgame is already in sight. White has an
 extra pawn, two bishops and an excellent pos-
 ition. With Petrosyan's perfect techniques
 this is quite enough to score a victory.)
 27...RN3: 28. KB2, BK3: 29. RQR1, PB3: 30. PR3,
 KB2: 31. BN4, PB4: (Now White's bishop gains
 excellent positions.) 32. BK2, RN5: 33. BK5,
 PR5: 34. RxP, R(N)xR: 35. PxR, RxP: 36. PQN3,
 RR7ch: 37. KB1, RR6: 38. KN2, RR3: 39. BQB3,PN3
 40. RQ1, KK2: 41. PR4, Pr4: 42. BB1.
 (Petrosyan takes his time. One can afford
 choosing the best way to victory in a promis-
 ing position.) 42...NQ1: 43. BK5, NB2:
 44. BB4, KB3: 45. BK2, NK4: 46. RQR1, RN3:
 47. KB3, NB3: 48. BB7, resigns. (Black loses
 another pawn, 48...RN2: 49. BQ6.)

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