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## A word from the President

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#### Spring Business

Our spring business meeting is approaching and we have a lot of issues to discuss. The meeting will be set some time in the second half of March. I will issue a tentative agenda in early March. The main issues to be discussed are realignment of the divisions and/or the playoff tournament format, confirming our playoff site and succession of key officers.

Ideas on realignment and/or revisions to the playoff system were presented in my column of last month. Several interesting ideas were submitted, and I have included these messages as "Letters to the Editor" in this issue. My goal is to make necessary changes to achieve a better balance in the league by the start of play in the 1999/2000 season. While the tournament is the climax of the season, I want to stress in advance that the goal of the CICL is to maximize participation. The quality of regular season play is still our priority, given that every team is involved in this part of the season.

Please note that our payoff site is not yet fixed. Kemper provided a great site last year; the only drawback being that this was not a central location. If people are interested in exploring/offering other sites, this is a good time to check plans.

Lastly, our Spring Business meeting will include voting for a new league president. This office has carried a two-year term in recent years, and I will be passing the gavel in this tradition. I have started to develop a short list of candidates to approach and I welcome input from others in the league on this important task.

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## Letters

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Letter from Ruben Reyes, Alumni Aces:

I believe we need to modify our current system of using Division performance of a team (overall percentage) as basis for ranking teams for purposes of pairings as well as selecting only the top two teams from each Division to go to the playoffs.

That's because of the imbalance and discrepancies in relative strengths of each Division. For example, the 4th rank team in the North or Far West Division could most probably have a stronger line-up than even the top team in the weak Near West Division. This fact alone appears to me sufficient reason to modify our current system of automatically qualifying two teams to the playoffs from each of the four Divisions.

My feeling is that for purposes of ranking teams, the average ratings of the top 8 players qualified to play in the playoffs in each team should be used instead of team performance average.

I propose that we expand the number of teams in the playoffs by including all teams with an average rating equal to or greater than the lowest ranking team selected under the current system (top two from each Division). If an odd number of teams occurs, then we shall include the team with the highest average BELOW that of the lowest ranking team already in the playoff pool. The number of playoff rounds is then to be increased from three to four - two Non-Saturday rounds and Two Saturday rounds.

Using ratings as basis for ranking teams is a far better measure than that based upon team performances (which is based on MATCH points and not game points).

Under this proposal, it can be conceivable that all the five teams in the Far West Division, four teams in the North Division, and three teams in the East Division could enter the playoffs pool, making a total of about 14 teams in the pool.

We will continue the practice of honoring Division Champions with being the HOME TEAM. For other teams in the first round pairings, the home team will be the team with the HIGHER rating average.

To prevent the team who'll end up being champion from ever playing a weaker team I propose that in every round, the pairings are to be (based on average rating in the first round and based on match points and/or average rating in the 2nd, 3rd and 4th rounds) 1 vs. 2, 3 vs. 4, 5 vs. 6, 7 vs. 8, 9 vs. 10, 11 vs. 12, 13 vs. 14. That's because it is my impression that under the normal Swiss, the 1st round pairings (for 14 teams) is 1 vs. 8, 2 vs. 9, 3 vs. 10 etc.

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Letter from Randy Fong, Northrop Grumman

Your idea of having three divisions seems interesting, but there is a problem with travel. Already in playing in the North Division, we have players coming from Chicago which puts them at a disadvantage. This must say something for the Chicago Industrial Chess League to have players willing to commute about 40 miles one way to play a match on a routine basis!

Another alternative would be to split the North Division into North1 and North2 with each division having at least four teams. The playoff schedule would be longer, but that would ensure that no one would be excluded. Also a double round robin would be possible with a smaller division.

We should welcome new members and new teams. In addition, splitting up large teams would enable more players to play to their potential.

Thank you for considering these matter.

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*We used to have a popular "second tier" of team playoffs. Interest waned and it was discontinued. In its place, we introduced an individual tournament. I like this because it gives unrateds a chance to get rated games quickly. The individual tourney is held the same day as the team tourney and it is open to anyone who is not playing on a team. -Pat*

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from Dmitry Alshuller, Lucent Tech. Dragons

I am writing concerning your idea of division realignment. Your idea of three divisions seems quite reasonable. I think North division could remain intact, CCDOC could join the East division, and Far West could merge with Near West. At least, this seems the most reasonable from looking at the map. Details concerning wild card/interdivisional play can be worked out later.

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*I had hoped that most people would come to the same conclusion as you did after from looking at the map. I like the idea of CCDOC going into the East, but it means that they would probably have to give up their home playing site. I have approached them and asked them to think this over. We should not force them out of the Near West. The Division title "East" really means "Loop". People commute by rail and often have trouble playing teams outside of the Loop. -Pat*

## NEAR WEST DIVISION 02-02-1999

| TEAM NAME              | W | L | D | GAME MATCH |        | PCT   |
|------------------------|---|---|---|------------|--------|-------|
|                        |   |   |   | POINTS     | POINTS |       |
| LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS  | 7 | 0 | 0 | 35.5       | 7.0    | 1.000 |
| COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR | 3 | 3 | 1 | 20.0       | 3.5    | 0.500 |
| CASE                   | 3 | 4 | 0 | 20.5       | 3.0    | 0.429 |
| PAWNS                  | 0 | 6 | 1 | 8.0        | 0.5    | 0.071 |

## FAR WEST DIVISION 02-02-1999

| TEAM NAME            | W | L | D | GAME MATCH |        | PCT   |
|----------------------|---|---|---|------------|--------|-------|
|                      |   |   |   | POINTS     | POINTS |       |
| FERMILAB             | 4 | 1 | 0 | 17.0       | 4.0    | 0.800 |
| LUCENT TECH. TYROS   | 3 | 0 | 1 | 14.0       | 3.5    | 0.875 |
| ARGONNE ROOKS        | 1 | 2 | 2 | 15.5       | 2.0    | 0.400 |
| LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS | 1 | 3 | 1 | 14.0       | 1.5    | 0.300 |
| LUCENT TECH. ROYALS  | 0 | 3 | 2 | 11.5       | 1.0    | 0.200 |

## NORTH DIVISION 02-02-1999

| TEAM NAME        | W | L | D | GAME MATCH |        | PCT   |
|------------------|---|---|---|------------|--------|-------|
|                  |   |   |   | POINTS     | POINTS |       |
| EXEMPLARS        | 4 | 0 | 0 | 17.5       | 4.0    | 1.000 |
| MOTOROLA         | 3 | 0 | 1 | 16.5       | 3.5    | 0.875 |
| UOP              | 2 | 2 | 1 | 17.5       | 2.5    | 0.500 |
| NORTHROP         | 2 | 2 | 1 | 13.0       | 2.5    | 0.500 |
| KEMPER INSURANCE | 0 | 2 | 3 | 11.5       | 1.5    | 0.300 |
| EXCALIBURS       | 1 | 2 | 1 | 11.0       | 1.5    | 0.375 |
| SEARS            | 0 | 4 | 1 | 8.0        | 0.5    | 0.100 |

## EAST DIVISION 02-02-1999

| TEAM NAME             | W | L | D | GAME MATCH |        | PCT   |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|------------|--------|-------|
|                       |   |   |   | POINTS     | POINTS |       |
| ALUMNI ACES           | 4 | 0 | 2 | 25.5       | 5.0    | 0.833 |
| COLUMBIA COLLEGE      | 4 | 1 | 1 | 24.5       | 4.5    | 0.750 |
| NATIONSBANK-CRT       | 4 | 1 | 1 | 21.5       | 4.5    | 0.750 |
| LEO BURNETT           | 1 | 4 | 1 | 12.0       | 1.5    | 0.250 |
| BANK AMERICA ILLINOIS | 1 | 3 | 1 | 9.5        | 1.5    | 0.300 |
| THE READER            | 0 | 5 | 0 | 8.0        | 0.0    | 0.000 |

07-DEC-98 LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS 6 PAWNS 0

ROUND 5

| BD            | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS       | SCORE     |
|---------------|---------|-------|---------------|-----------|
| 1 WARREN, J   | 2122 6  | 1     | ELLICE, W     | 1963-13 0 |
| 2 MARCOWKA, R | 2003 0  | 1     | LOGAN, H      | 1258 -1 0 |
| 3 ROSLEY, D   | 1776 1  | 1     | WEISNER, T    | 1148 -1 0 |
| 4 MCCARTHY, D | 1679 0  | 1     | SMOLARCZYK, S | 0 0 0     |
| 5 DOBR, K     | 1485 0  | 1F    | LASKY, N      | 1392 0 0F |
| 6 BRADY, R    | 1344 0  | 1F    |               | 0 0 0F    |

16-DEC-98 COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR 5 PAWNS 1

ROUND 6

| BD              | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS       | SCORE             |
|-----------------|---------|-------|---------------|-------------------|
| 1 WILLIAMS, K   | 1928 24 | 1     | ELLICE, W     | 1950-24 0         |
| 2 ALEXANDER, W  | 1703 9  | 1     | O'DELL, DW    | 1473 -6 0         |
| 3 HALL, A       | 1525-28 | 0     | MIKULECKY, B  | 1433 19 1         |
| 4 JACKSON, S    | 1367 0  | 1     | SIEGEL, J     | 0 0 0             |
| 5 FOX, P        | 1118 0  | 1     | SMOLARCZYK, S | 0 0 0             |
| 6 MCGEE, L      | 0 0     | 1F    |               | 0 0 0F            |
| 7 TRINIDAD, P   | 0 0     | 0     | MCGEE, L      | 0 0 1 (CCDOC)     |
| 8 APPLEBERRY, T | 1303 19 | 1     | SANDEFUR, B   | 1250-19 0 (CCDOC) |

14-JAN-99 COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR 4.5 CASE 1.5

ROUND 7

| BD              | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS        | SCORE             |
|-----------------|---------|-------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1 WILLIAMS, K   | 1952 16 | 1     | KALE, S        | 1843-16 0         |
| 2 ALEXANDER, W  | 1712 14 | 1     | KLINEFELTER, H | 1571 -9 0         |
| 3 SEATON, E     | 1685 -9 | .5    | SATTERLEE, D   | 1545 6 .5         |
| 4 HALL, A       | 1497-26 | 0     | REID, C        | 1445 26 1         |
| 5 JACKSON, S    | 1367 17 | 1     | KANAS, W       | 1273-11 0         |
| 6 APPLEBERRY, T | 1322 0  | 1F    | WONG, PETER    | 0 0 0F            |
| 7 TRINIDAD, P   | 0 0     | 0     | FOX, P         | 1118 0 1 (CCDOC)  |
| 8 APPLEBERRY, T | 1322 17 | 1     | SANDEFUR, B    | 1231-17 0 (CCDOC) |

21-JAN-99 PAWNS .5 LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS 5.5

ROUND 7

| BD              | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS     | SCORE      |
|-----------------|---------|-------|-------------|------------|
| 1 ELLICE, W     | 1926 12 | .5    | WARREN, J   | 2128 -5 .5 |
| 2 MIKULECKY, B  | 1452 -1 | 0     | MARCOWKA, R | 2003 1 1   |
| 3 LOGAN, H      | 1257 -5 | 0     | STAMM, V    | 1607 4 1   |
| 4 SMOLARCZYK, S | 0 0     | 0     | THOMAS, J   | 1555 0 1   |
| 5 STINSON, L    | 0 0     | 0     | DOBR, K     | 1485 0 1   |
| 6               | 0 0     | 0F    | BRADY, R    | 1344 0 1F  |

15-DEC-98 LUCENT TECH. TYROS 3.5 LUCENT TECH. ROYALS 2.5

ROUND 5

| BD                 | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS       | SCORE      |
|--------------------|---------|-------|---------------|------------|
| 1 STEIN, P         | 2240 12 | 1     | PEIJFFERS, S  | 2057-12 0  |
| 2 TAMEZ, I         | 2226-15 | .5    | STINSON, M    | 1952 10 .5 |
| 3 DIAZ, P          | 2015-23 | 0     | GUIO, J       | 2005 23 1  |
| 4 STOLTZ, B        | 1867 19 | 1     | OGASAWARA, L  | 1817-13 0  |
| 5 BROZOVICH, J     | 1727 1  | .5    | DOBROVOLNY, C | 1757 -1 .5 |
| 6 BLAZIE, J        | 1717 2  | .5    | BLACKMON, E   | 1770 -4 .5 |
| 7 MEHTA, C         | 1481 0  | 0     | SAXENA, D     | 0 0 1      |
| 8 KARPIERZ, J      | 1237 0  | 1     | SAVCIC, V     | 0 0 0      |
| (ROYLS) 9 HAHNE, D | 1533 0  | 1     | HASSO, S      | 0 0 0      |

13-JAN-99 ARGONNE ROOKS 2.5 FERMILAB 3.5  
ROUND 5

| BD           | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS    | SCORE      |
|--------------|---------|-------|------------|------------|
| 1 BENEDEK, R | 2151-15 | 0     | DORIGO, T  | 2140 23 1  |
| 2 KABELAC, J | 2018-19 | 0     | SPIEGEL, L | 2066 13 1  |
| 3 HILL, R    | 1931 8  | 1     | GAINES, I  | 1761 -8 0  |
| 4 GREEN, D   | 1878-14 | .5    | STAPLES, C | 1340 21 .5 |
| 5 BAURAC, D  | 1697 0  | 0     | KANTAR, M  | 0 0 1      |
| 6 DECMAN, S  | 1648 0  | 1F    |            | 0 0 0F     |

19-JAN-99 LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS 2.5 FERMILAB 3.5  
ROUND 6

| BD              | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS    | SCORE     |
|-----------------|---------|-------|------------|-----------|
| 1 TEGEL, F      | 2115 -9 | 0     | DORIGO, T  | 2163 19 1 |
| 2 LUDWIG, T     | 2062 16 | 1     | SPIEGEL, L | 2079-16 0 |
| 3 CHRISTIAN, R  | 1813 0  | .5    | KANTAR, M  | 0 0 .5    |
| 4 ALTSHULLER, D | 1828 18 | 1     | GAINES, I  | 1753-12 0 |
| 5 EUSTACE, D    | 1654-24 | 0     | GOMEZ, G   | 1634 24 1 |
| 6 SALERNO, S    | 0 0     | 0     | STAPLES, C | 1361 0 1  |

21-JAN-99 LUCENT TECH. ROYALS 3 ARGONNE ROOKS 3  
ROUND 6

| BD              | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS    | SCORE     |
|-----------------|---------|-------|------------|-----------|
| 1 GUIO, J       | 2028-16 | 0     | BENEDEK, R | 2136 10 1 |
| 2 PEIJFFERS, S  | 2045 20 | 1     | KABELAC, J | 1999-20 0 |
| 3 PEHAS, A      | 1949-15 | 0     | HILL, R    | 1939 15 1 |
| 4 DOBROVOLNY, C | 1756 20 | 1     | GREEN, D   | 1864-20 0 |
| 5 HAHNE, D      | 1533-13 | 0     | BAURAC, D  | 1697 8 1  |
| 6 SAXENA, D     | 0 0     | 1     | GARCIA, J  | 1182 0 0  |

07-JAN-99 KEMPER INSURANCE 3 SEARS 3  
ROUND 5

| BD               | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS       | SCORE     |
|------------------|---------|-------|---------------|-----------|
| 1 SIWEK, M       | 2039-23 | 0     | MILLER, T     | 1826 35 1 |
| 2 LEONG, G       | 2011 8  | 1     | SIMS, L       | 1837-12 0 |
| 3 WALKER, C      | 1711-33 | 0     | LANGER, D     | 1540 33 1 |
| 4 EASTON, R      | 0 0     | 1     | CUMBERLAND, M | 0 0 0     |
| 5 OLSEN, A       | 1522-32 | 0     | BALASE, E     | 1370 32 1 |
| 6 NALLATHAMBI, R | 1477 8  | 1     | WILSON, M     | 1215 -8 0 |
| 7 ROSZKOWSKI, D  | 0 0     | 1     | HAWLEY, L     | 0 0 0     |

12-JAN-99 EXCALIBURS 1 MOTOROLA 4  
ROUND 5

| BD   | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS       | SCORE      |
|--|---------|-------|---------------|------------|
| 1 WONG, P  | 2221 0  |       | MELNIKOV, I   | 2060 0     |
| (* BOARD 1 DISALLOWED BY NORTH DIVISION CHAIRMAN DUE TO *) |         |       |               |            |
| (* TIME CONTROL AND CLOCK DISPUTE *)                       |         |       |               |            |
| 2 SULLIVAN, J  | 1945-10 | 0     | WALLACH, C    | 2055 16 1  |
| 3 WEITZ, R   | 1674 0  | 0F    | HORTON, D     | 1853 0 1F  |
| 4 SUERTH, F  | 1599 6  | .5    | AUGSBURGER, L | 1751-10 .5 |
| 5 BURIAN, D  | 1598 6  | .5    | GONCHAROFF, N | 1738 -4 .5 |
| 6 OELHAFEN, A  | 1278 0  | 0F    | THOMSON, J    | 1495 0 1F  |
| (EXMPL) 7 FRISKE, T  | 1974 0  | 1     | PIPARIA, J    | 0 0 0      |

14-JAN-99 EXEMPLARS 4 UOP 2

ROUND 5

| BD                   | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS       | SCORE      |
|----------------------|---------|-------|---------------|------------|
| 1 BENESA, A          | 2245 -2 | .5    | STEVANOVIC, M | 2215 1 .5  |
| 2 INUMERABLE, F      | 2283 6  | 1     | BUERGER, E    | 2030 -6 0  |
| 3 GAZMEN, E          | 2089-15 | .5    | SACKS, D      | 1835 15 .5 |
| 4 WEBER, L           | 2146 6  | 1     | SAJBEL, P     | 1820 -6 0  |
| 5 SOLLANO, E         | 1919 19 | 1     | BOLDINGH, E   | 1872-19 0  |
| 6 FRISKE, T          | 1974-34 | 0     | LECHNICK, J   | 1777 34 1  |
| (UOP ) 7 MICKLICH, F | 1625 5  | 1     | SCHOONOVER, M | 1340 -7 0  |
| (UOP ) 8 VAN ZILE, C | 1319 0  | 1     | SEN, S        | 0 0 0      |

28-JAN-99 NORTHROP 3 KEMPER INSURANCE 3

ROUND 6

| BD               | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS       | SCORE         |
|------------------|---------|-------|---------------|---------------|
| 1 MININ, S       | 2109 17 | 1     | SIWEK, M      | 2016-11 0     |
| 2 WALKER, A      | 1693-23 | 0     | WALKER, C     | 1678 23 1     |
| 3 VIGANTS, A     | 1608 0  | 0     | EASTON, R     | 0 0 1         |
| 4 FONG, R        | 1371 30 | 1     | OLSEN, A      | 1490-30 0     |
| 5 ELEK, G        | 1096-10 | 0     | MCKINNEY, T   | 1307 10 1     |
| 6 CHOROSINSKI, L | 0 0     | 1     | ROSZKOWSKI, D | 0 0 0         |
| 7 SOBSKI, A      | 0 0     | 0     | PATRICK, J    | 0 0 1 (NORTH) |

06-JAN-99 THE READER 1.5 NATIONSBANK-CRT 4.5

ROUND 1

| BD             | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS        | SCORE      |
|----------------|---------|-------|----------------|------------|
| 1 ATKINSON, J  | 1894 -6 | 0     | JASAITIS, A    | 2141 6 1   |
| 2 HENDERSON, H | 1825 22 | 1     | LOSOFF, A      | 1818-22 0  |
| 3 WENTLING, C  | 1589 5  | .5    | BARGERSTOCK, D | 1712 -8 .5 |
| 4 SULLIVAN, C  | 1423 0  | 0F    | SITAR, K       | 1631 0 1F  |
| 5 MARQUEZ, N   | 1212 -5 | 0     | SHATSKY, V     | 1585 5 1   |
| 6 MARSH, M     | 1095-20 | 0     | BARNARD, G     | 1133 20 1  |

17-DEC-99 NATIONSBANK-CRT 3.5 BANK AMERICA ILLINOIS 1.5

ROUND 5

| BD                                    | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS     | SCORE      |
|---------------------------------------|---------|-------|-------------|------------|
| 1 KRAS, T                             | 2280 4  | 1     | KOGAN, G    | 1854 -4 0  |
| 2 JASAITIS, A                         | 2147-12 | .5    | PARAOAN, E  | 1731 12 .5 |
| 3 SITAR, K                            | 1631-12 | 0     | FRAATS, D   | 1806 12 1  |
| 4 BARGERSTOCK, D                      | 1704 7  | 1     | HAMMOND, M  | 1416 -7 0  |
| 5 SHATSKY, V                          | 1590 14 | 1     | ZOELLNER, J | 1450 -9 0  |
| 6 (GAME TO BE PLAYED AT A LATER DATE) |         |       |             |            |

13-JAN-99 NATIONSBANK-CRT 3 ALUMNI ACES 3

ROUND 6

| BD               | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS       | SCORE      |
|------------------|---------|-------|---------------|------------|
| 1 KRAS, T        | 2284-17 | 0     | REYES, R      | 2365 12 1  |
| 2 JASAITIS, A    | 2135 10 | 1     | CZERNIECKI, A | 2010-10 0  |
| 3 FRIESEMA, W    | 2078-31 | 0     | SAGALOVSKY, L | 1946 31 1  |
| 4 LOSOFF, A      | 1796 31 | 1     | GOLLA, R      | 1935-21 0  |
| 5 BARGERSTOCK, D | 1711 9  | .5    | FRANK, M      | 1846 -9 .5 |
| 6 SITAR, K       | 1619 10 | .5    | FRANEK, M     | 1778 -6 .5 |



19-JAN-99 BANK AMERICA ILLINOIS 4.5 LEO BURNETT 1.5  
 ROUND 6

| BD            | RATINGS | SCORE | RATINGS      | SCORE      |
|---------------|---------|-------|--------------|------------|
| 1 KOGAN, G    | 1850 20 | 1     | GATES, E     | 1813-20 0  |
| 2 PARAOAN, E  | 1743 11 | 1     | EAMAN, R     | 1650-17 0  |
| 3 FRAATS, D   | 1818-10 | .5    | DUFFY, J     | 1654 10 .5 |
| 4 SIEGEL, R   | 1416 27 | 1     | SOSSI, M     | 1483-27 0  |
| 5 HAMMOND, M  | 1409-24 | 0     | BAYSINGAR, D | 1392 24 1  |
| 6 ZOELLNER, J | 1441 5  | 1     | BANNON, B    | 1161 -7 0  |

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| 1 SANTIAGO, T  | 2056 12 | 1     | ATKINSON, J  | 1888 -8 0 |
| 2 MCALISTER, K | 1956 16 | 1     | HENDERSON, H | 1847-16 0 |
| 3 HAYES, W     | 1932 6  | 1     | WENTLING, C  | 1594 -4 0 |
| 4 GROEGER, D   | 1775-40 | 0     | SULLIVAN, C  | 1423 40 1 |
| 5 STEVENS, J   | 1598 4  | 1     | MARQUEZ, N   | 1207 -4 0 |
| 6 KOSTECKA, K  | 1565-42 | 0     | MARSH, M     | 1075 42 1 |

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| ABBOTT, J      | MTRLA | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0000/4 | CHRISTIAN, R  | DRGNS  | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1813C  |
| ADARE, A       | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | CUMBERLAND, M | SEARS  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0000/4 |
| ADHIKARI, G    | CASE  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0000/3 | CUMMUTA, P    | KEMPR  | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1477C  |
| ALEXANDER, W   | CCDOC | 2 | 5 | 0 | 1726*  | CURTIS, M     | NORTH  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1971   |
| ALLEN, H       | ALUMN | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1960   | CZERNIECKI, A | ALUMN  | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2000D  |
| ALLEN, R       | UOP   | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1200#  | CZOSKE, M     | ROYLS  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1289#  |
| ALTSHULLER, D  | DRGNS | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1846*  | DACANAY, D    | PSIPR  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 |
| ANDERSON, CJ   | ROYLS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1454   | DAVIDSON, M   | ALUMN  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1611   |
| ANSELL, S      | ROOKS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1866*  | DAVIS, R      | PSIPR  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 923#   |
| APATA, D       | ROYLS | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0000/0 | DECMAN, S     | ROOKS  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1649D  |
| APPLEBERRY, T  | CCDOC | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1339   | DELEON, J     | CRT    | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1608   |
| ATKINSON, J    | READR | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1880C  | DEMICK, D     | WHEAT  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1327#  |
| AUGSBURGER, L  | MTRLA | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1741C  | DEPERALTA, A  | PSIPR  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1696   |
| BALASE, E      | SEARS | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1402*  | DESAI, N      | MTRLA  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0000/0 |
| BALICKI, J     | MTRLA | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1590*  | DIAZ, P       | TYROS  | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1992   |
| BANKS, K       | READR | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/1 | DOBR, K       | CHRGR  | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1485T  |
| BANNON, B      | LBURN | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1154*  | DOBROVOLNY, C | ROYLS  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1776C  |
| BANOS, M       | MTRLA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 | DORFF, M      | SEARS  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1610   |
| BARGERSTOCK, D | CRT   | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1720   | DORIGO, T     | FERMI  | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2182   |
| BARNARD, G     | CRT   | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1153*  | DROLEN, R     | CASE   | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| BAURAC, D      | ROOKS | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1705D  | DUFFY, J      | LBURN  | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1664   |
| BAYSINGAR, D   | LBURN | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1416#  | EAMAN, R      | LBURN  | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1633   |
| BENEDEK, R     | ROOKS | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2146D  | EASTON, R     | KEMPR  | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1711#  |
| BENESA, A      | EXMPL | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2243   | EDWARDS, S    | EXCLB  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1284   |
| BERRY, G       | ROOKS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2081T  | ELEK, G       | NORTH  | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1086   |
| BETELU, D      | MTRLA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1907#  | ELLICE, W     | PAWNS  | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1938   |
| BEZZUBOV, V    | FERMI | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2344*  | ELLIOTT, M    | KNIGHT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1281   |
| BLACKMON, E    | ROYLS | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1766C  | ENKE, E       | WHEAT  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1463*  |
| BLAZIE, J      | TYROS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1719C  | EUSTACE, D    | DRGNS  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1630C  |
| BLINKOFF, D    | LBURN | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 | FABIJONAS, R  | ALUMN  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1741D  |
| BOLDINGH, E    | UOP   | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1853   | FENILI, A     | KNIGHT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 |
| BOSTICK, T     | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1424   | FLORENCE, C   | MTRLA  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| BRADTKE, J     | LBURN | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/1 | FONG, R       | NORTH  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1401#  |
| BRADY, R       | CHRGR | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1344   | FOX, P        | CCDOC  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1118#  |
| BRANCH, Y      | COLUM | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1237*  | FRAATS, D     | BKAMI  | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1808   |
| BRAUNMEIER, B  | KEMPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/3 | FRANEK, M     | ALUMN  | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1772C  |
| BRIONES, G     | DRGNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 | FRANK, M      | ALUMN  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1837   |
| BROLLIER, B    | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1266*  | FRIESEMA, W   | CRT    | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2047   |
| BRONFELD, A    | EXMPL | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1829   | FRISKE, T     | EXMPL  | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1940   |
| BROTOS, J      | EXCLB | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1568D  | FROMM, J      | FERMI  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1540   |
| BROZOVICH, J   | TYROS | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1728D  | FULLMER, G    | MTRLA  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 |
| BUCHNER, R     | ROYLS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2044   | GAINES, I     | FERMI  | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1741D  |
| BUERGER, E     | UOP   | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2024T  | GALLA, J      | MTRLA  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/0 |
| BURIAN, D      | EXCLB | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1604C  | GANSER, A     | BKAMI  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1197*  |
| CARRANO, C     | ROYLS | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0000/2 | GARCIA, A     | KEMPR  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1819#  |
| CARTER, D      | CASE  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1056   | GARCIA, J     | ROOKS  | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1182*  |
| CARTER, M      | PAWNS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/1 | GATES, E      | LBURN  | 0 | 4 | 2 | 1793   |
| CARVER, A      | PSIPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/3 | GATSON, T     | CCDOC  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1100*  |
| CHELF, B       | NORTH | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 | GAZMEN, E     | EXMPL  | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2074   |
| CHOROSINSKI, L | NORTH | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0000/2 | GERONA, R     | CASE   | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1406   |

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| GIBBS, D      | PAWNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/3 | KLEBANER, A    | FERMI | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| GOLLA, R      | ALUMN | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1914D  | KLINEFELTER, H | CASE  | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1562C  |
| GOMEZ, G      | FERMI | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1658   | KOGAN, G       | BKAMI | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1870   |
| GONCHAROFF, N | MTRLA | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1734Q  | KOH, J         | BKAMI | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1992   |
| GRANTHAM, D   | PAWNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | KOSTECKA, K    | COLUM | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1523   |
| GREEN, D      | ROOKS | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1844D  | KOZLOVSKY, M   | FERMI | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2085   |
| GROEGER, D    | COLUM | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1735   | KRAS, T        | CRT   | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2267   |
| GRYPARIS, J   | MTRLA | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1451C  | KREMER, T      | PAWNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1319*  |
| GUIO, J       | ROYLS | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2012   | LAMBIRIS, J    | KEMPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1437   |
| GUTIERREZ, R  | PSIPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 | LANG, P        | KEMPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/6 |
| HAHNE, D      | ROYLS | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1520   | LANGER, D      | SEARS | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1573   |
| HALL, A       | CCDOC | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1471   | LANNNOYE, D    | EXMPL | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1698*  |
| HALL, L       | SEARS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1566#  | LASKY, N       | PAWNS | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1392C  |
| HAMMOND, M    | BKAMI | 0 | 5 | 0 | 1385   | LATIMER, E     | SEARS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2084D  |
| HANSEN, B     | PAWNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1348   | LE, D          | MTRLA | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 |
| HARD, R       | PAWNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1193*  | LECHNICK, J    | UOP   | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1811*  |
| HARRIS, R     | FERMI | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1554   | LEE, G         | AMCRP | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| HASAN, Y      | MTRLA | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2177   | LEONG, G       | KEMPR | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2019C  |
| HASSO, S      | ROYLS | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0000/2 | LICARI, T      | DRGNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/5 |
| HAWLEY, L     | SEARS | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0000/1 | LITVINAS, A    | ALUMN | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1696D  |
| HAYES, W      | COLUM | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1938   | LOGAN, H       | PAWNS | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1252*  |
| HAZELWOOD, R  | CCDOC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | LOPEZ, C       | CCDOC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 |
| HELLER, T     | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1148*  | LOSOFF, A      | CRT   | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1827   |
| HENDERSON, H  | READR | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1831   | LOUGHEED, S    | NORTH | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| HILL, R       | ROOKS | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1954C  | LUDWIG, M      | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/4 |
| HODINA, J     | AMCRP | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2111   | LUDWIG, T      | DRGNS | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2078C  |
| HOLMES, M     | AMCRP | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1415*  | MACKIE, A      | MTRLA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1967   |
| HORTON, D     | MTRLA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1853   | MAKAI, M       | KNGHT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1799*  |
| HOUPIS, G     | NORTH | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | MARCOWKA, R    | CHRGR | 6 | 1 | 0 | 2004D  |
| HUGHES, N     | KEMPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1827C  | MAREMA, D      | PSIPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2004   |
| INUMERABLE, F | EXMPL | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2289C  | MARQUEZ, N     | READR | 0 | 5 | 0 | 1203#  |
| JACKSON, S    | CCDOC | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1384   | MARSH, M       | READR | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1117   |
| JACOBY, W     | NORTH | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | MARVIN, C      | LBURN | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 |
| JAKSTAS, K    | ALUMN | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2189C  | MCALISTER, K   | COLUM | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1972   |
| JASAITIS, A   | CRT   | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2145C  | MCCARTHY, D    | CHRGR | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1679#  |
| JEFFERIES, P  | CCDOC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | MC GEE, L      | CCDOC | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0000/7 |
| JEFFRIES, P   | CCDOC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 | MCKAY, P       | PAWNS | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1415#  |
| JOHNSON, W    | CCDOC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1176*  | MCKINNEY, T    | KEMPR | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1317*  |
| JONES, K      | SEARS | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1494#  | MEDINA, L      | ROYLS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/0 |
| JOSEPHSON, D  | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1721*  | MEHTA, C       | TYROS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1481#  |
| KABELAC, J    | ROOKS | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1979   | MELNIKOV, I    | MTRLA | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2060   |
| KALE, S       | CASE  | 3 | 4 | 0 | 1827   | MICKLICH, F    | UOP   | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1630C  |
| KANAS, W      | CASE  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1262C  | MIKULECKY, B   | PAWNS | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1451C  |
| KANTAR, M     | FERMI | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0000/2 | MILLER, T      | SEARS | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1861   |
| KARPIERZ, J   | TYROS | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1237*  | MININ, S       | NORTH | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2126   |
| KELLOGG, K    | FERMI | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1607C  | MOLINA, J      | FERMI | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| KELLY, S      | DRGNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1281   | MONTGOMERY, J  | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1456   |
| KERCSMAR, J   | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 | MORRIS, R      | MTRLA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2144   |
| KESTNER, M    | ROYLS | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1497   | MOTYCKA, R     | CASE  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1134C  |
| KINSELLA, G   | KNGHT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1449C  | MYART, V       | CCDOC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/3 |

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| NAIR, U        | DRGNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1827   | SEN, S         | UOP   | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0000/3 |
| NALLATHAMBI, R | KEMPR | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1485   | SHAFF, R       | TYROS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1515C  |
| O'DELL, DW     | PAWNS | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1467C  | SHATSKY, V     | CRT   | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1604   |
| OELHAFEN, A    | EXCLB | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1278   | SHAWN, L       | KEMPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 |
| OGASAWARA, L   | ROYLS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1804C  | SHENOUDA, RAFE | TYROS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1665*  |
| OLSEN, A       | KEMPR | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1460   | SHENOUDA, RUSS | TYROS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| PARA, A        | FERMI | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1545   | SIEGEL, J      | PAWNS | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0000/2 |
| PARAOAN, E     | BKAMI | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1754C  | SIEGEL, R      | BKAMI | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1443C  |
| PAREKH, C      | DRGNS | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0000/3 | SIMON, D       | ROOKS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| PATEL, S       | CASE  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | SIMS, B        | CRT   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1494#  |
| PATRICK, J     | NORTH | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0000/3 | SIMS, L        | SEARS | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1825   |
| PEHAS, A       | ROYLS | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1934C  | SIRAKOV, I     | KNGHT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1842#  |
| PEIJFFERS, S   | ROYLS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2065   | SITAR, K       | CRT   | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1629   |
| PETERS, E      | PSIPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1661   | SIWEK, M       | KEMPR | 0 | 4 | 1 | 2005C  |
| PHELPS, C      | DRGNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1240*  | SKRZYPCZAK, T  | PAWNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1202*  |
| PHELPS, D      | MTRLA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 | SLOAT, D       | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| PIAO, T        | DRGNS | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1644   | SMITH, BR      | TYROS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1548   |
| PIPARIA, J     | MTRLA | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0000/2 | SMITH, J       | MTRLA | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1708#  |
| PLETT, M       | UOP   | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1789   | SMITH, R       | SEARS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| POLONCSIK, D   | SEARS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/3 | SMOLARCZYK, S  | PAWNS | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0000/3 |
| PORTANTE, E    | KNGHT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 | SOBSKI, A      | NORTH | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0000/4 |
| PRATTS, M      | COLUM | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1735   | SOLLANO, E     | EXMPL | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1938   |
| RADAVICIUS, E  | CHRGR | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1628D  | SOMBONG, M     | BKAMI | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1626C  |
| RAJA, M        | ROOKS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1757   | SORIA, D       | PSIPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/4 |
| REID, C        | CASE  | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1471C  | SOSSI, M       | LBURN | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1456#  |
| REYES, R       | ALUMN | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2377D  | SPIEGEL, L     | FERMI | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2063C  |
| RICHERT, E     | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | SPURRIER, T    | NORTH | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 |
| RICHERT, P     | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | STALKER, M     | CASE  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 |
| ROBERTS, N     | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/1 | STAMM, V       | CHRGR | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1611D  |
| ROBINSON, J    | DRGNS | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0000/2 | STANFIELD, D   | CCDOC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 |
| ROJO, V        | CCDOC | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1388   | STAPLES, C     | FERMI | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1361*  |
| ROMENOWSKI, G  | PAWNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/0 | STEIN, P       | TYROS | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2252   |
| ROSLEY, D      | CHRGR | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1777   | STEVANOVIC, M  | UOP   | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2216D  |
| ROSZKOWSKI, D  | KEMPR | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0000/2 | STEVENS, J     | COLUM | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1602   |
| ROYTBURG, E    | CASE  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2004*  | STINSON, L     | PAWNS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| RZESZUTKO, R   | ALUMN | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1900C  | STINSON, M     | ROYLS | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1962C  |
| SACKS, D       | UOP   | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1850   | STOCKE, M      | PSIPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1758   |
| SAGALOVSKY, L  | ALUMN | 6 | 0 | 0 | 1977   | STOLTZ, B      | TYROS | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1886C  |
| SAJBEL, P      | UOP   | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1814C  | SUAREZ, E      | ROOKS | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1707   |
| SALERNO, S     | DRGNS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/1 | SUERTH, F      | EXCLB | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1605C  |
| SAMELSON, C    | MTRLA | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1930C  | SULLIVAN, C    | READR | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1463   |
| SANDEFUR, B    | CCDOC | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1214*  | SULLIVAN, J    | EXCLB | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1935D  |
| SANTIAGO, T    | COLUM | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2068   | TAMEZ, I       | TYROS | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2211   |
| SATTERLEE, D   | CASE  | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1551C  | TAN, M         | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1186   |
| SAVCIC, V      | ROYLS | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0000/1 | TEGEL, F       | DRGNS | 1 | 4 | 0 | 2106T  |
| SAWIN, B       | LBURN | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1208#  | THOMAS, G      | TYROS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1530C  |
| SAXENA, D      | ROYLS | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0000/4 | THOMAS, J      | CHRGR | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1555C  |
| SCHMUGGEROW, K | NORTH | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2144   | THOMSON, J     | MTRLA | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1495#  |
| SCHOONOVER, M  | UOP   | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1333*  | TOELLNER, T    | ROOKS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/4 |
| SEATON, E      | CCDOC | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1676   | TORRES, V      | PSIPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/4 |

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| TRINIDAD, P   | CCDOC | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0000/2 | WEISNER, T  | PAWNS  | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1147   |
| TURNER, K     | PSIPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1455   | WEITZ, R    | EXCLB  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1674C  |
| UNDERWOOD, W  | EXCLB | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1956C  | WENTLING, C | READR  | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1590C  |
| VACCARO, M    | COLUM | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1441#  | WHARTON, P  | WHEAT  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 |
| VALLIERE, D   | WHEAT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/2 | WHITE, H    | CASE   | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1659C  |
| VAN ZILE, C   | UOP   | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1319   | WILLIAMS, K | CCDOC  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1968   |
| VANDECOTTE, M | UOP   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/3 | WILSON, M   | SEARS  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1207*  |
| VELEZ, L      | NORTH | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/3 | WOLF, D     | MTRLA  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2341   |
| VERMA, S      | PSIPR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0000/3 | WONG, P     | EXCLB  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2221C  |
| VIGANTS, A    | NORTH | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1608   | WONG, PETER | CASE   | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0000/4 |
| WALKER, A     | NORTH | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1670*  | WOOD, L     | AMCRP  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1499*  |
| WALKER, C     | KEMPR | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1701   | YACOUT, A   | KNIGHT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1547*  |
| WALLACH, C    | MTRLA | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2071   | YOUSSEF, S  | FERMI  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2032   |
| WARD, C       | DRGNS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1636D  | ZELIGMAN, E | KEMPR  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0000/1 |
| WARREN, J     | CHRGR | 4 | 0 | 3 | 2123Q  | ZOELLNER, J | BKAMI  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1446C  |
| WEBER, L      | EXMPL | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2152   |             |        |   |   |   |        |

/x - UNRATED; x RATED GAMES

# - 5 TO 9 RATED GAMES

\* - 10 TO 24 RATED GAMES

C - CENTURY CLUB MEMBER

D - DOUBLE CENTURION

T - TRIPLE CENTURION

Q - QUAD CENTURION

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## NEAR WEST DIVISION TOP TEN

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| WARREN, J    | CHRGR 2123Q |
| ROYTBURG, E  | CASE 2004*  |
| MARCOWKA, R  | CHRGR 2004D |
| WILLIAMS, K  | CCDOC 1968  |
| ELLICE, W    | PAWNS 1938  |
| KALE, S      | CASE 1827   |
| ROSLEY, D    | CHRGR 1777  |
| ALEXANDER, W | CCDOC 1726* |
| SEATON, E    | CCDOC 1676  |
| WHITE, H     | CASE 1659C  |

## FAR WEST DIVISION TOP TEN

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| BEZZUBOV, V  | FERMI 2344* |
| STEIN, P     | TYROS 2252  |
| TAMEZ, I     | TYROS 2211  |
| DORIGO, T    | FERMI 2182  |
| BENEDEK, R   | ROOKS 2146D |
| TEGEL, F     | DRGNS 2106T |
| KOZLOVSKY, M | FERMI 2085  |
| BERRY, G     | ROOKS 2081T |
| LUDWIG, T    | DRGNS 2078C |
| PEIJFFERS, S | ROYLS 2065  |

## NORTH DIVISION TOP TEN

|                |             |
|----------------|-------------|
| WOLF, D        | MTRLA 2341  |
| INUMERABLE, F  | EXMPL 2289C |
| BENESA, A      | EXMPL 2243  |
| WONG, P        | EXCLB 2221C |
| STEVANOVIC, M  | UOP 2216D   |
| HASAN, Y       | MTRLA 2177  |
| WEBER, L       | EXMPL 2152  |
| SCHMUGGEROW, K | NORTH 2144  |
| MORRIS, R      | MTRLA 2144  |
| MININ, S       | NORTH 2126  |

## EAST DIVISION TOP TEN

|               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| REYES, R      | ALUMN 2377D |
| KRAS, T       | CRT 2267    |
| JAKSTAS, K    | ALUMN 2189C |
| JASAITIS, A   | CRT 2145C   |
| SANTIAGO, T   | COLUM 2068  |
| FRIESEMA, W   | CRT 2047    |
| CZERNIECKI, A | ALUMN 2000D |
| KOH, J        | BKAMI 1992  |
| SAGALOVSKY, L | ALUMN 1977  |
| MCALISTER, K  | COLUM 1972  |

## MOST IMPROVED PLAYERS

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| APPLEBERRY, T | CCDOC 104 |
| GOMEZ, G      | FERMI 102 |
| STAPLES, C    | FERMI 94  |
| GUIO, J       | ROYLS 82  |
| SULLIVAN, C   | READR 74  |
| MININ, S      | NORTH 71  |
| DORIGO, T     | FERMI 67  |
| SAGALOVSKY, L | ALUMN 66  |
| ALTSHULLER, D | DRGNS 61  |
| WILLIAMS, K   | CCDOC 57  |

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## Elmhurst Chess Club vs. CICL

The CICL fought another tough match against the talented Elmhurst Chess Club (ECC). Although the huge turnout of last year's 30+ boards could not be matched, there was an impressive show of 22 boards for the CICL. The Elmhurst club came out on top in the end by a final score of 13 - 9.

A lot goes into pulling off such a large (free!) chess event, and there are many people to thank. Thanks go to ECC President Roger Birkeland and Elmhurst College for hosting the match. A large playing site was available for use because the match date of January 24<sup>th</sup> allowed for use of the student union while the college was not in session. Personally, I enjoy the local club matches and regret missing this event because of unexpected business travel. Thanks to Lenny Spiegel, Mike Plett and Jay Lechnick for helping to organize the CICL, Dave Baurac for posting directions and a notice on the Argonne web page and Ken Marshall of the Oak Park Chess Club for helping pull things together at the site.

The box score for the match is shown below. ECC players are listed first with USCF ratings, then CICL players with CICL ratings. All CICL players will be credited with a game towards Centurion honors.

|                               |     |  |                        |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|--|------------------------|-----|
| Dr. Eugene Martinovsky (2350) | 1/2 |  | Tommaso Dorigio (2140) | 1/2 |
| Steve Szpisjak (2278)         | 1   |  | Lenny Spiegel (2066)   | 0   |
| Rob Sax (2044)                | 0   |  | Ed Buerger (2030)      | 1   |
| Allen Hammond (1950)          | 1   |  | Wayne Ellice (1963)    | 0   |
| John Tums (1900)              | 0   |  | Metin Kantar (1875)    | 1   |
| Blair Machaj (1888)           | 1   |  | Robert Stoltz (1867)   | 0   |
| Ed Thomas (1882)              | 1   |  | Satish Kale (1843)     | 0   |
| Larry Cohen (1850)            | 1/2 |  | David Sacks (1835)     | 1/2 |
| Paul Prause (1823)            | 0   |  | Mike Plett (1789)      | 1   |
| Les Bale (1785)               | 0   |  | Jay Lechnick (1778)    | 1   |
| Mariusz Gorski (1684)         | 0   |  | David Rosley (1776)    | 1   |
| Teun Valstar (1675)           | 1   |  | Ermon Paraoan (1731)   | 0   |
| Ross DiMarco (1650)           | 0   |  | Arnold Walker (1693)   | 1   |
| Scott Silverman (1646)        | 0   |  | Dan McCarthy (1679)    | 1   |
| Mathew Joseph (1632)          | 1   |  | Frank Micklich (1625)  | 0   |
| Mark Engelen (1590)           | 1   |  | John Monkowski (1580)  | 0   |
| George David (1570)           | 1   |  | Art Olsen (1522)       | 0   |
| David Nordahl (1560)          | 1   |  | Carl Dobr (1484)       | 0   |
| Rudy Padilla (1554)           | 0   |  | John Zoellner (1450)   | 1   |
| Roger Birkeland (1536)        | 1   |  | Carl Reid (1445)       | 0   |
| Dimitry Giannokopoulos (1488) | 1   |  | Randy Fong (1371)      | 0   |
| Joe Cygan (1461)              | 1   |  | Mike Marsh (1100)      | 0   |

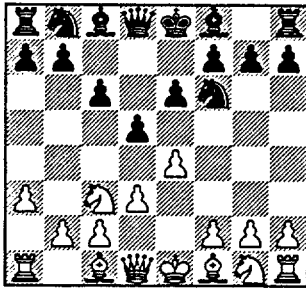
Total: ECC 13, CICL 9

Another CICL / club match is in the works. Look for an announcement for the next Oak Park Chess Club match this Spring.

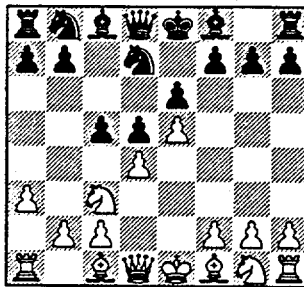
Gryparis, John (1435) –  
Schoonover, Mike (1332)  
[B10]

Motorola-UOP, 19.11.1998

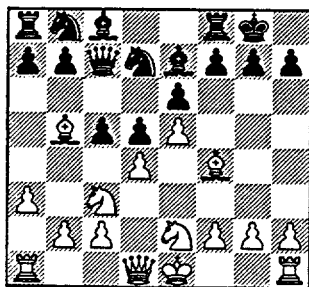
1.e4 c6 2.Nc3 e6 3.a3 Nf6  
4.d3 d5



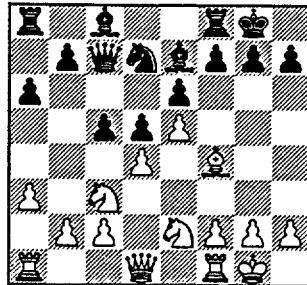
5.e5 Nfd7 6.d4 c5



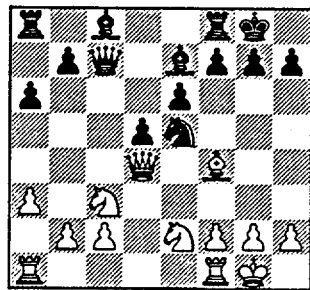
Transposing to an Advanced  
French with White inserting  
the insignificant a3 7.Bb5 Be7  
8.Nge2 Qc7 9.Bf4 0-0



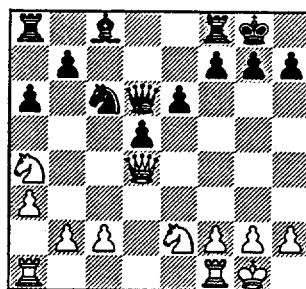
10.Bxd7 Nxd7 11.0-0 a6



12.Be3 loses a P due to the  
weakening of Pe5 12...cxd4  
13.Qxd4 Nxe5 14.Bf4

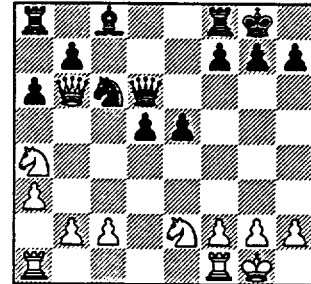


14...Bd6 15.Na4 Nc6  
16.Bxd6 Qxd6

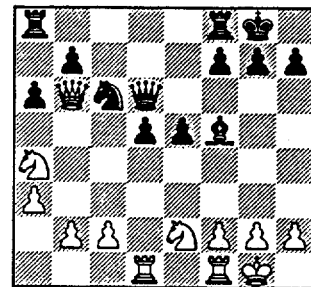


17.Qb6 White tries to  
pressure Qside, but Black  
shows threats to b-pawn are  
an illusion. Meanwhile, Black  
has a strong center 17...e5

Hindsight reveals that  
allowing White Qb6/Nc5 is a  
pain (although not deadly).  
The immediate 17...Ne5  
with idea Nc4/Nd7 stops this  
before it starts.

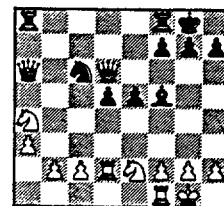


18.Rad1 Bf5



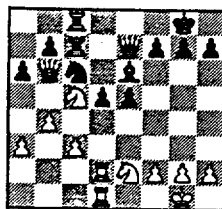
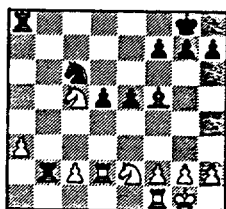
19.Rd2 [19.Qxb7?? Rfb8  
traps Q] 19...Rac8 20.Rfd1

[20.Qxb7? The b-pawn is  
still poison 20...Rb8 21.Qxa6  
Ra8



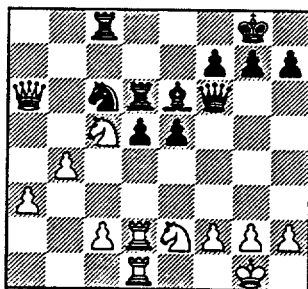


22.Qb5 (22.Qb6 Rxa4)  
22...Rfb8 23.Qc5 Qxc5  
24.Nxc5 Rxb2

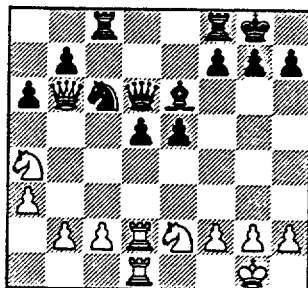


idea Nb8-d7 forking Q and N  
and Black takes over]

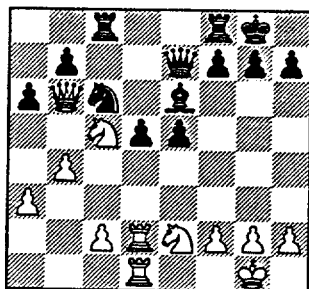
23.Qxb7 Rfd8 24.Qxa6 Rd6



Returning to game:  
20...Be6



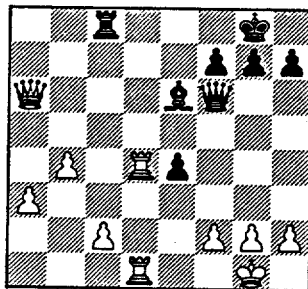
21.b4 Qe7 22.Nc5



22...Qf6

[22...Rc7 23.c3 (23.Nxe6  
fxe6) 23...Rfc8

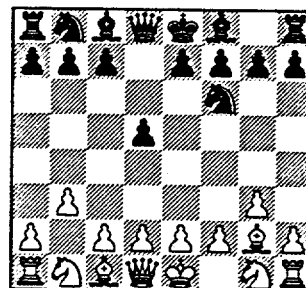
Moving to an unprotected  
square, so.. 25.Ne4 dxe4  
26.Rxd6 Nd4 27.Nxd4 exd4  
28.R6xd4



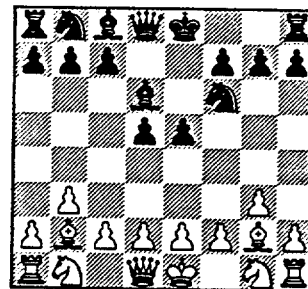
and White won 28...h6  
29.Qa4 Kh7 30.b5 Bg4  
31.Re1 Rxc2 32.Qxc2 Qxd4  
33.Qxe4+ Qxe4 34.Rxe4 Bf5  
35.Re3 Bd7 36.b6 Bc6  
37.Re7 f5 38.b7 Bxb7  
39.Rxb7 Kg6 40.a4 1-0

Sabyasachi, Sen -  
Jankesh, Piparia [A00]  
UOP-Motorola, 19.11.1998

1.g3 d5 2.Bg2 Nf6 3.b3



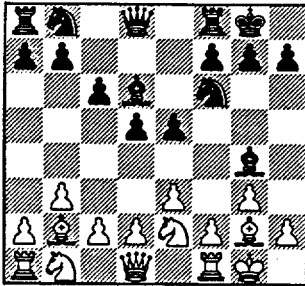
White develops pieces toward  
center, but allows Black to  
occupy it. Maybe 3.d4 and  
see if Bb2 is effective later.  
3...e5 4.Bb2 Bd6



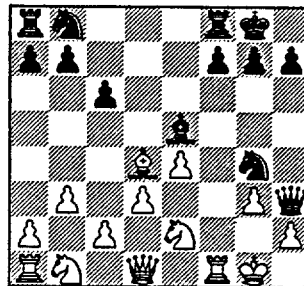
and how will White combat  
the center?  
5.e3 seriously weakening the  
light squares around the King.

[5.d4 e4 (5...exd4 6.Qxd4 c5  
7.Qh4!?) 6.c4 c6; 5.c4 c6  
6.cxd5 cxd5 7.Nc3]

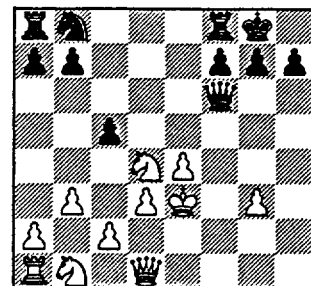
5...0-0 6.Ne2 c6 7.0-0 Bg4



8.f3 each P move around K makes it easier to open it  
8...Be6 9.d3 Qd7 10.e4 d4

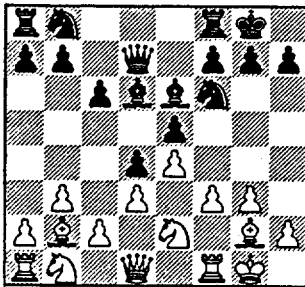


15.Rf2 Nxf2 16.Kxf2 Qxh2+

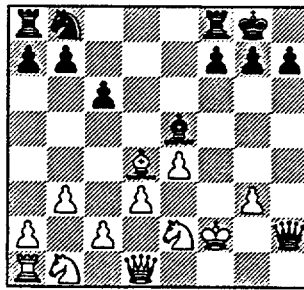


22.Nb5 Qxa1 good enough...

[22...Nc6 23.d4 a6  
A) 24.e5 Nxe5

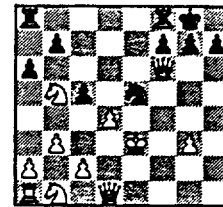


11.f4 Finally countering  
Black's center 11...Bh3  
Further weakening the King.  
Note White threatened 12 f5,  
trapping B 12.fxg5 Bxe5



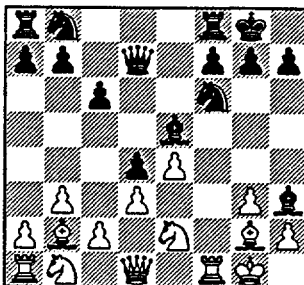
17.Kf3 Qh5+ 18.Ke3

[18.Kg2?? Bxd4 wins a piece  
since Nd4 allows Qd1;  
18.Kf2?? Bxd4+ wins B AND  
R]  
18...Qg5+ 19.Kf2 Qf6+!

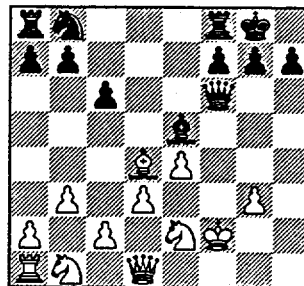


25.dxe5 (25.dxc5 Nc4+ wins  
R 26.bxc4 Rfe8+) 25...Qxe5+  
wins R;

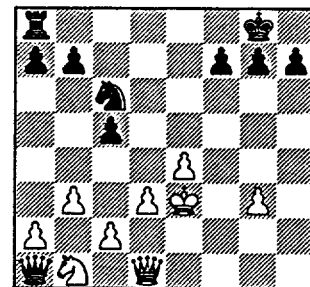
B) 24.Nc7 24...cxd4+]  
23.Nc7 Nc6 24.Nxa8 Rxa8



13.Bxh3 to win Pd4, but  
White missed mate threat  
13...Qxh3 14.Bxd4 Ng4



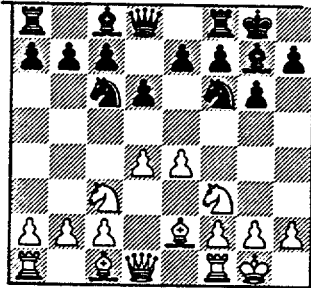
and the guns point to Ra1  
20.Ke3 Bxd4+ 21.Nxd4 c5



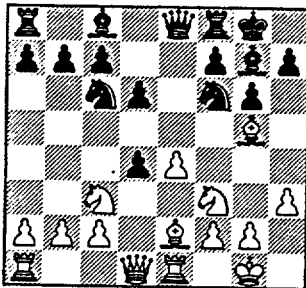
25.a4 Re8 26.Kd2 Qd4  
27.Nc3 Re6 28.Qg4 Ne5  
29.Qf5 Qb4 30.g4 g6 31.Qf4  
Kg7 32.g5 a6 33.Qf1 b5  
34.axb5 axb5 35.Qa1 Qd4  
36.Qa5 b4 37.Nd5 Nf3+  
38.Ke2 Nxe5 39.Qc7 Qxd5  
0-1

Dorigo, T (2133) -  
Peijffers, S (2057) [B08]  
Fermi-Royals, 27.10.1998

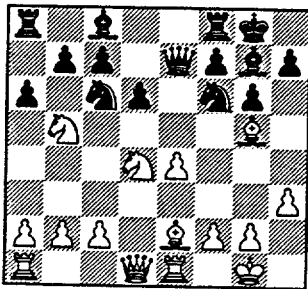
1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6  
4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Be2 0-0 6.0-0  
Nc6



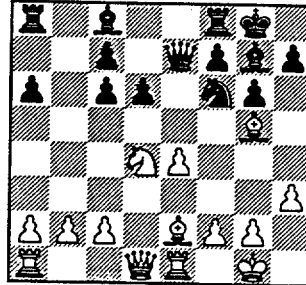
7.h3 e5 8.Bg5 Qe8 9.Re1  
exd4



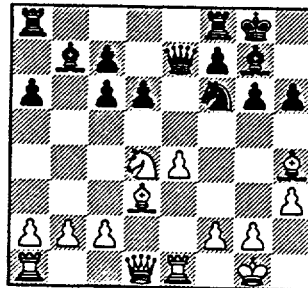
10.Nb5 Qe7 11.Nfxd4 a6



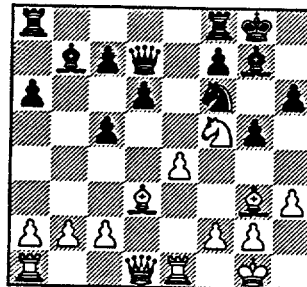
12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Nd4



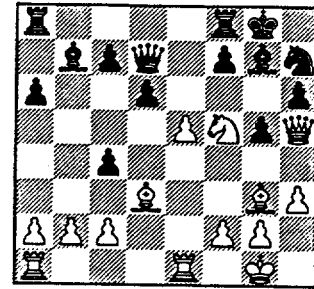
13...Bb7 [13...Qxe4 14.Bf3  
traps Q] 14.Bd3 h6 15.Bh4



15...g5 seems to fatally  
weaken King 16.Nf5 Qd7  
17.Bg3 c5

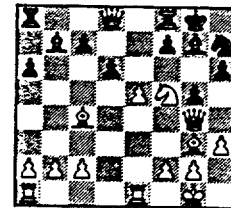


18.e5 Nh7 19.Qh5 c4



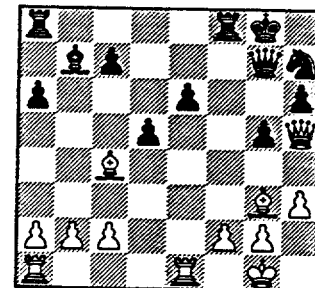
20.e6

[20.Qg4! threat: Nh6+ winning  
Q 20...Qd8 (20...Qc6  
21.Ne7+; 20...Qc8 21.Ne7+)  
21.Bxc4

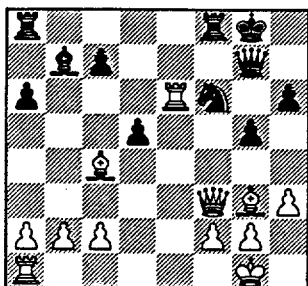


with Rad1 coming or Ng7 &  
h4]

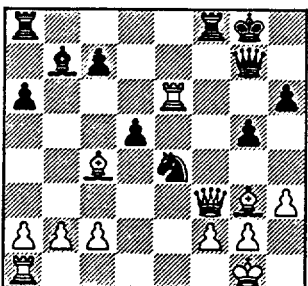
20...fxe6 21.Bxc4 d5  
22.Nxg7 Qxg7



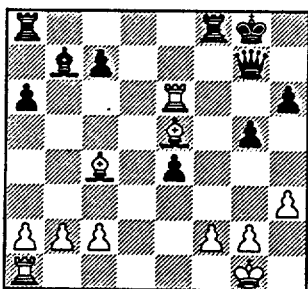
23.Rxe6 threatening Rg6,  
but... 23...Nf6 24.Qf3



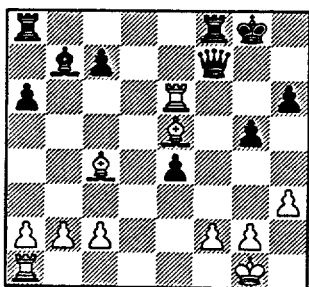
24...Ne4



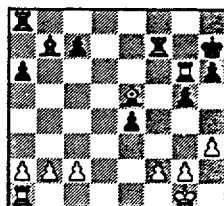
25.Qxe4 dxe4 26.Be5



26...Qf7

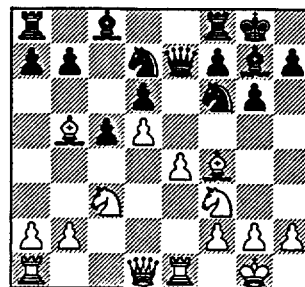


27.Rc6  
[27.Rg6+ Kh7 28.Bxf7 Rxf7

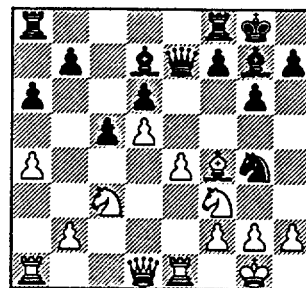


As in the game, Black is a Pawn down and the rest are scattered, but it is hard to make progress]

27...Kh7 28.Bxf7 Rxf7 29.Rf6 Raf8 30.Rxf7+ Rxf7 31.Rd1 Bc6 32.Rd8 and the rest of the score is illegible ½-½



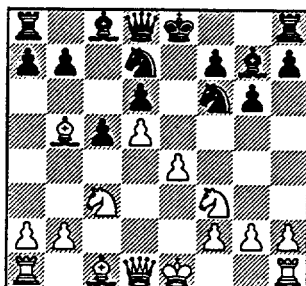
11...Ng4 12.Bxd7 Bxd7  
13.a4 a6



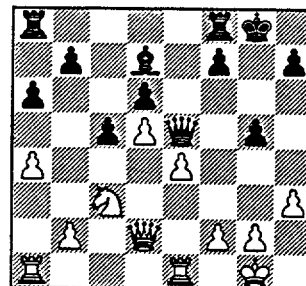
14.h3 Ne5 15.Nxe5 Bxe5  
16.Bxe5 Qxe5 17.Qd2 g5

Gaines, I (1766) -  
Stinson, M (1952) [A70]  
Fermi-Royals, 27.10.1998

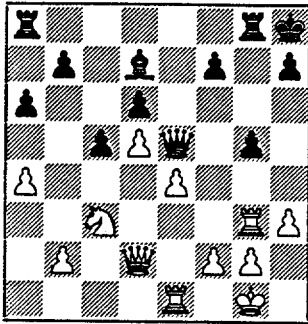
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c5  
4.d5 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.Nc3  
g6 7.e4 Bg7 8.Bb5+ Nbd7



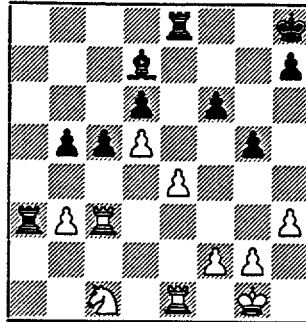
9.Bf4 Qe7 10.0-0 0-0 11.Re1



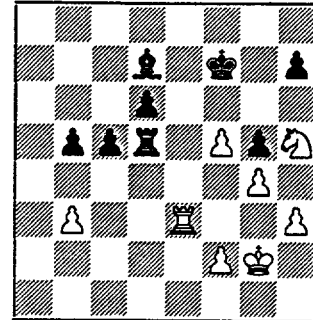
Killing f4 18.Re3 Kh8 19.Rg3  
Rg8 20.Re1



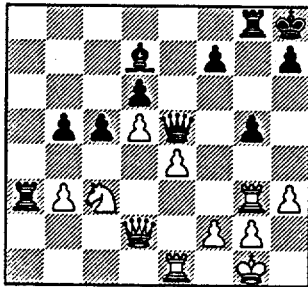
20...b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.b3  
Ra3



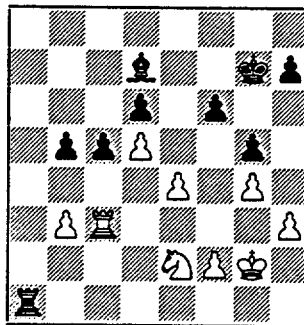
27.g4 Kg7 28.Kg2 Rea8  
29.Ne2 Ra1 30.Rxa1 Rxa1



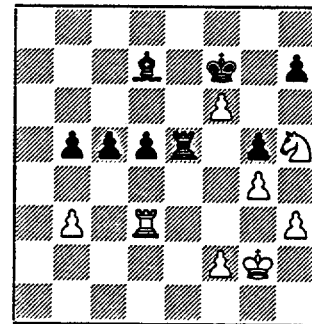
Black's connected passers  
will win 36.f6 Re5 37.Rd3 d5



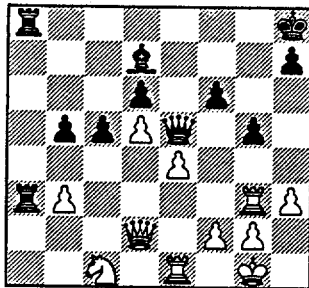
23.Na2 f6 24.Nc1 Rga8



31.Ng3 Re1 32.Rf3 Kf7  
33.Nh5

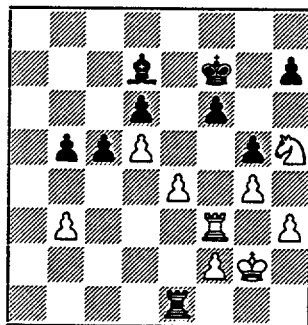


38.f4 gxf4 39.Nxf4 Kxf6

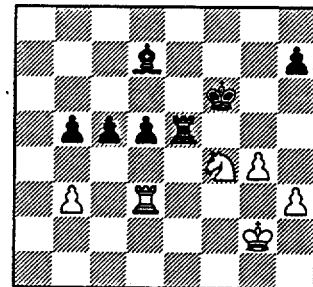


Impressive how Black has  
built a strong position with  
such simple threats!

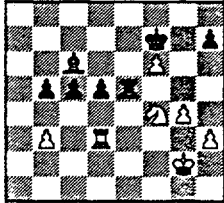
25.Qc3 Qxc3 26.Rxc3 Re8



33...f5 [33...Rxe4? 34.Nxf6  
wins a piece] 34.exf5  
[34.gxf5? Rxe4] 34...Rd1  
35.Re3 Rxd5

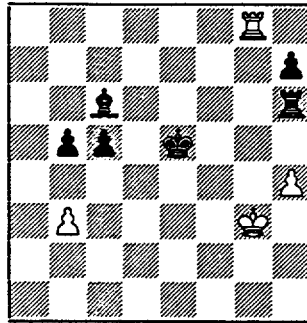


[39...Bc6

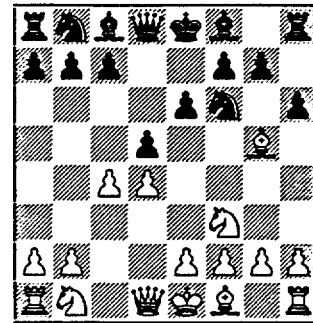


40.Nh5 c4 41.Rd1 (41.bxc4? dxc4+)

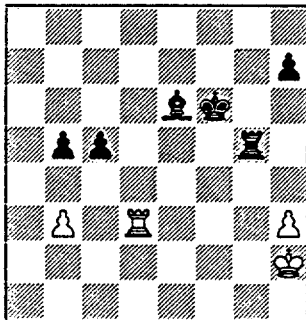
40.Nxd5+? Rxd5 41.g5+ [41.Rxd5 Bc6 pins R] 41...Rxc5+ 42.Kh2 Be6



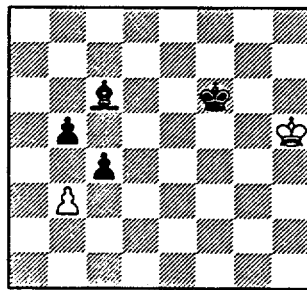
48...Rg6+ 49.Rxg6 hxg6 50.Kg4 Kf6 51.h5 gxh5+ 52.Kxh5 c4



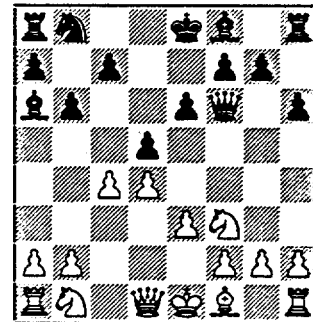
5.Bh4 b6 6.e3 Ba6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6



43.Rd8 Ke5 44.Rb8 Bd7 45.Rh8 Bc6



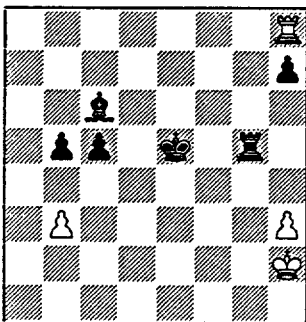
A very smooth win!! 0-1



8.Ne5

threat: Qa4+ [8.Qa4+ c6 9.Ne5 Bb7]

8...Bb4+ 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Qa4

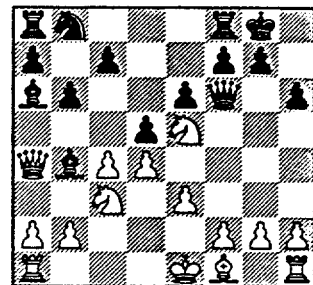


46.h4 Rh5 47.Kg3 Rh6 48.Rg8

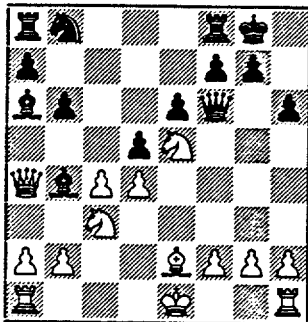
Suarez, E (1731) - Brozovich, J (1711) [D30] Rooks-Tyros, 09.12.1998

White gets a promising position, but trades and Pawn weaknesses turn the tide.

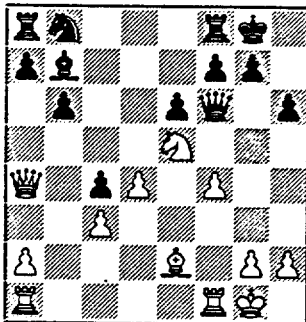
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Bg5 d5 4.Nf3 h6



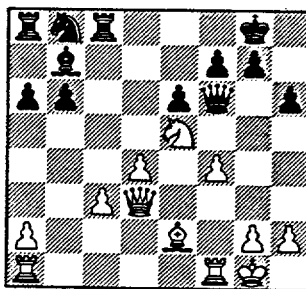
10...c5 11.Be2 cxd4 12.exd4



12...Bxc3+ [Better than 12...Be7 to try to preserve Bishop pair allows 13.Nb5 threat: Nc7] 13.bxc3 Bb7 14.0-0 dxc4 15.f4



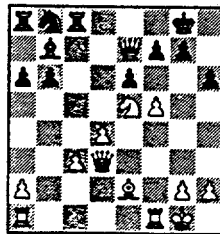
White builds attack while preparing defense of g2 15...a6 16.Qxc4 Rc8 17.Qd3



f5 is in the air and the Black King has few defenders

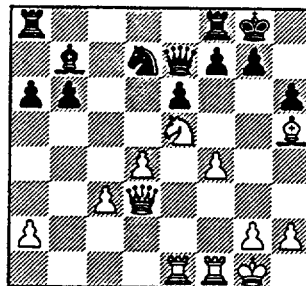
17...Qe7 18.Bh5

[18.f5

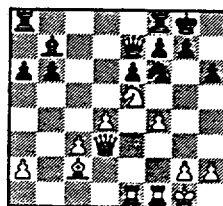


too early A) 18...Qg5 A1) 19.Qh3? Rxc3!; A2) 19.Rf2 Nc6 20.Nc4 with forks on b6 and d6(20.fxe6? Nxe5 21.exf7+?? Nxf7) ; A3) 19.Bf3 leads to too many trades 19...Bxf3 20.Rxf3; Or another try: B) 18...Nd7 19.fxe6 Nxe5 20.dxe5 Qxe6 21.Qg3]

18...Rf8 19.Rae1 Nd7

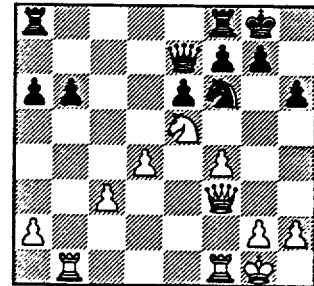


20.Bf3 [20.Bd1 with idea of Bc2 20...Nf6 21.Bc2

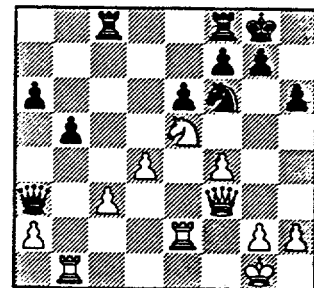


21...Rac8 (21...Be4 22.Rxe4 Nxe4 23.Qxe4) 22.Ng4]

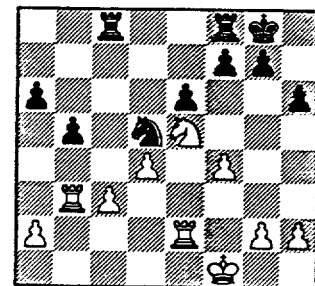
20...Nf6 21.Rb1 Bxf3 22.Qxf3



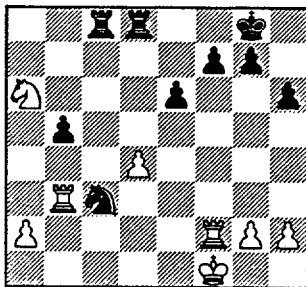
Black has defended King and now is ready to hit the weak a2/c3 pawns 22...b5 23.Rfe1 Qa3 24.Re2 Rac8



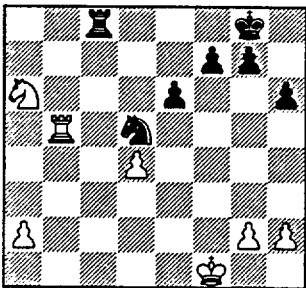
25.Rb3 Qc1+ 26.Qf1 [26.Kf2 Nd5 still wins Pc3 or Pf4] 26...Qxf1+ 27.Kxf1 Nd5



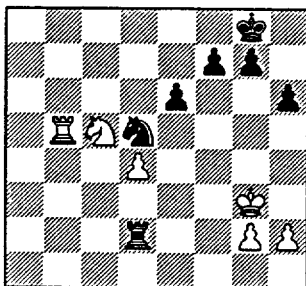
White will lose a pawn 28.Nd7  
Rfd8 29.Nc5 Nxf4 30.Rf2  
Nd5 31.Nxa6 Nxc3



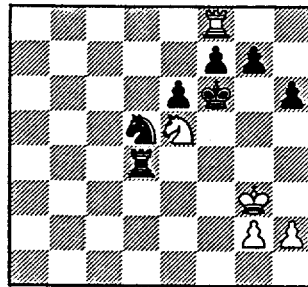
32.Rc2 Nd5 33.Rxc8 Rxc8  
34.Rxb5



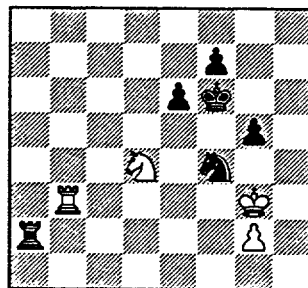
34...Rc1+ 35.Kf2 Rc2+  
36.Kg3 Rxa2 37.Nc5 Rd2



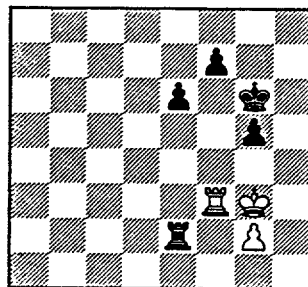
38.Rb8+ Kh7 39.Rf8 Kg6  
40.Nd7 Rxd4 41.Ne5+ Kf6



42.Nf3 Not Nxf7?? Ke7 wins  
piece 42...Ra4 43.Rb8 Ra2  
44.Rb3 g5 45.h4 Nf4  
46.hxg5+ hxg5 47.Nd4



47...Ne2+ Rg2+ was OK  
48.Nxe2 Rxe2 49.Rf3+ Kg6

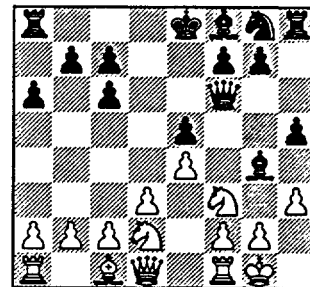


and here Black can run the e-  
pawn. Black won in 30 more  
moves 50.Rb3 f5 51.Kf3 Re4  
52.Rb8 g4+ 53.Kf2 Rd4  
54.Ke3 Rd7 55.Rg8+ Rg7  
56.Re8 Kf6 57.Rc8 e5  
58.Rc6+ Kg5 59.Re6 Ra7

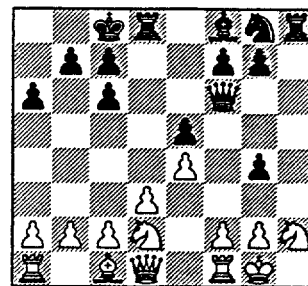
60.Rxe5 Ra2 61.Re8 Rxd2  
62.Rg8+ Kh4 63.Rf8 Rg3+  
64.Kf2 Rf3+ 65.Kg2 Kg5  
66.Rg8+ Kf4 67.Rf8 Ra3  
68.Rf7 Ra2+ 69.Kf1 Ra6  
70.Kg2 Kg5 71.Kg3 f4+  
72.Kf2 Ra2+ 73.Kg1 f3  
74.Re7 Kh4 75.Kf1 Kg3  
76.Re1 Rh2 77.Kg1 f2+  
78.Kf1 Rh1+ 79.Ke2 fxe1Q+  
80.Kd3 Rh2 81.Kc4 Qd1  
82.Kc3 Rc2+ 83.Kb3 Qb1+  
84.Ka3 Ra2# 0-1

(Stoltz, B (1891) -  
Ogasawara, L (1817) [C68]  
Tyros-Royals, 15.12.1998

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6  
4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.0-0 Bg4 6.h3  
h5 7.d3 Qf6 8.Nbd2

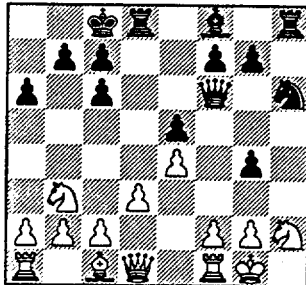


8...0-0-0? Moving the K  
where Qxg4+ is possible,  
gaining tempo on defense  
[8...Qg6? 9.Nxe5!] 9.hxg4  
hxg4 10.Nh2

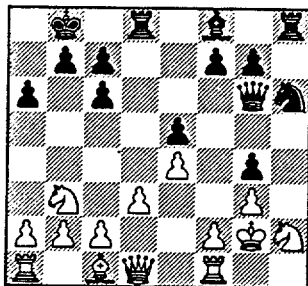




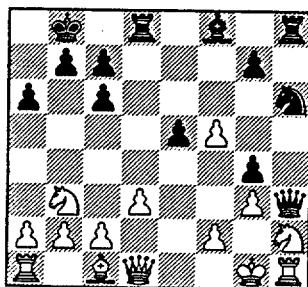
10...Nh6  
 [10...Qh6 11.Qxg4+ Kb8  
 12.Ndf3;  
 10...Kb8 11.Qxg4 Qh6  
 12.Ndf3] 11.Nb3



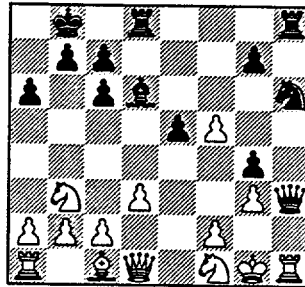
11...Kb8 [11...Qh4 (with idea  
 Nf5) 12.Bxh6 Qxh6 13.Qxg4+  
 Kb8 14.Qh3] 12.g3 Qg6  
 13.Kg2



13...f5 14.exf5 Qh5 15.Rh1  
 Qh3+ 16.Kg1



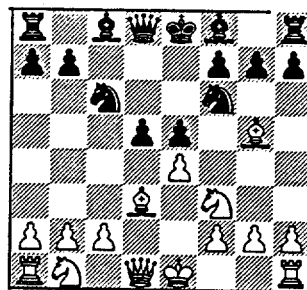
16...Bd6 [16...Nxf5 17.Qxg4]  
 17.Nf1



Blacks Queen is trapped 1-0

Blazie, Joe (1737) –  
 Blackmon, Eric [B32]  
 Tyros-Royals, 15.12.1998

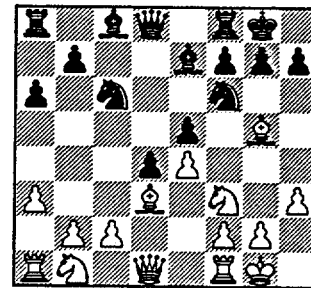
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4  
 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nf3 Nf6 6.Bd3  
 d5 7.Bg5



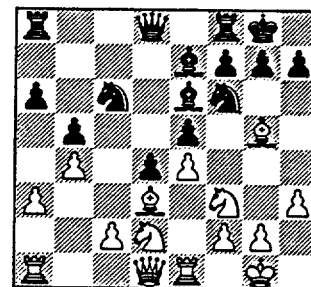
7...d4

[Or maybe breaking Bf6 pin  
 with 7...Qa5+ 8.Bd2 Qb6  
 looking for de, forking 9.exd5  
 Nxd5 10.Nc3 Be6]

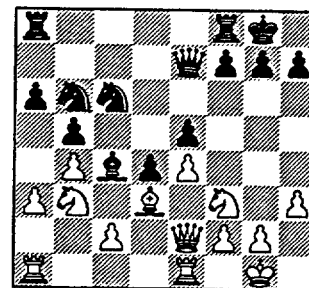
8.h3 a6 9.a3 Be7 10.0-0 0-0



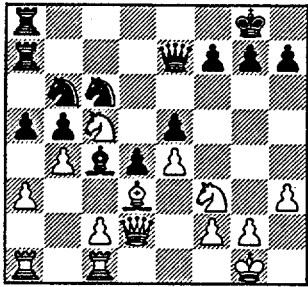
11.Re1 Be6 12.Nbd2 b5  
 13.b4



13...Nd7 to swing N in the  
 Queenside space, but Rc8  
 begins pressuring down c-  
 file. 14.Bxe7 Qxe7 Black has  
 good plans: Rc8 or g6  
 followed by f5, with a nice  
 center 15.Nb3 Bc4 16.Qe2  
 Nb6



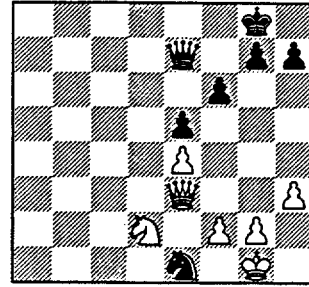
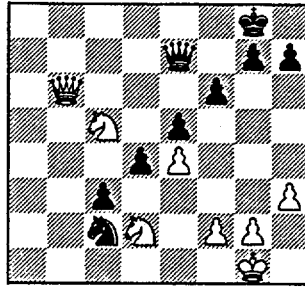
17.Nc5 a5 18.Qd2 Ra7  
 19.Rec1 Rfa8



25...Nxc2 26.Qxb6 f6 27.Nd2 c3

29...d3 30.Qe3 d2 31.Ncx d2 cxd2 32.Nxd2

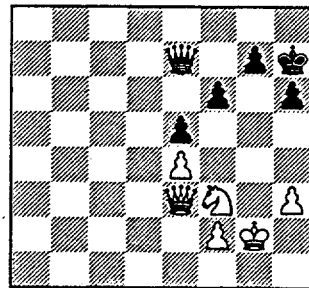
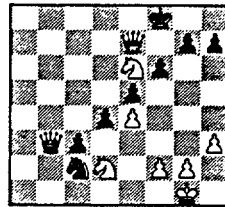
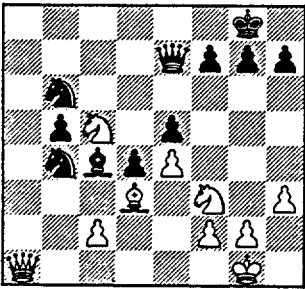
the threat ab, is too simple. After defended, the opening of lines leads to trades. Black can still undermine center with the g6 plan 20.Qe1 axb4 21.axb4 Rxa1 22.Rxa1 Rxa1 23.Qxa1 Nxb4



28.Nc4 this Knight needs to be put on a protected square

32...Nxc2 33.Kxc2 h6 34.Nf3 Kh7

[28.Qb3+ Kf8 (28...Qf7? 29.Qxc2 cxd2 30.Qxd2) 29.Ne6+



Black has a Pawn, but his Knights hang! 24.Bxc4 bxc4? [24...Nxc4 is forced, and the extra Pawn is a wounded isolate]

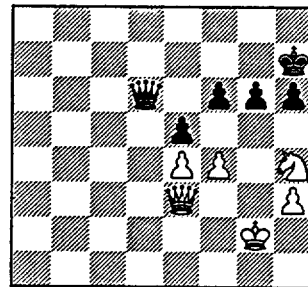
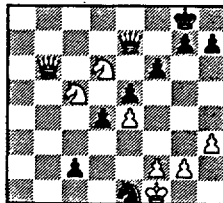
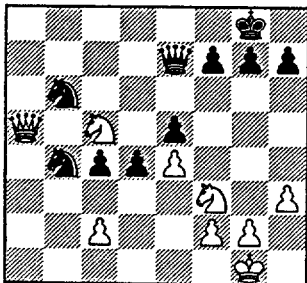
29...Ke8 30.Nf3]

35.Nh4 g6 36.f4 Qd6

25.Qa5

28...Ne1 29.Nb3

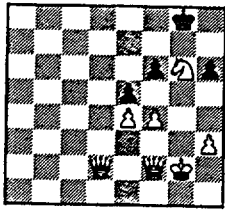
[29.Kf1? c2 30.Nd6



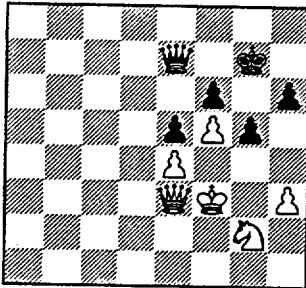
37.Kf3

30...h6 (30...c1Q?? 31.Qb3+ Kf8 32.Qb8+ Qe8 33.Qxe8#) 31.Qb3+ Kh7]

[missing 37.Qa7+ Kg8 38.Nxc2 Qd2+ 39.Qf2



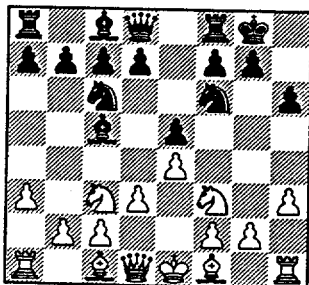
From last large diagram...  
37...Qe7 38.Ng2 g5 39.f5  
Kg7



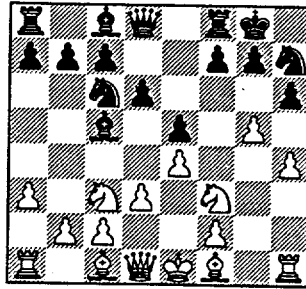
White needs to trade Qs, try  
Qc3, Ne3-d5 then Qc7  
The game ended here: 1/2-1/2

Savcic, Vlado - Karpierz,  
Joe (1242) [C26]  
Royals-Tyros, 15.12.1998

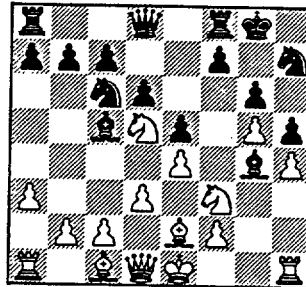
Black gets an edge because  
of White's many early Pawn  
moves, but heavy trading lets  
it slide even again... 1.e4 e5  
2.d3 Nf6 3.h3 Nc6 4.a3 Bc5  
5.Nf3 0-0 6.Nc3 h6



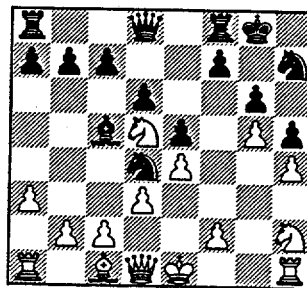
7.g4 Nh7 8.h4 d6 9.g5



9...h5 Sidestepping White's  
aggressiveness and  
highlighting Black's lead in  
piece mobility. 10.Nd5  
10...Bg4 11.Be2 g6

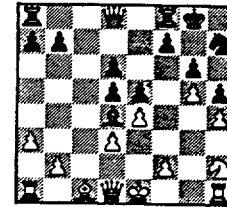


12.Nh2  
trying to relieve some  
tension, but doesn't help  
development  
12...Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Nd4  
14.Qd1



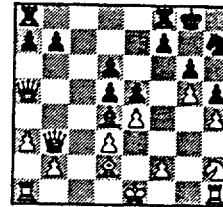
14...c6 15.Nc3

[15.c3? White can't afford to  
open the board.. 15...cxd5  
16.cxd4 Bxd4



a few tries show that even  
after exchanges, Black  
maintains a meaningful edge  
because of his opening  
A) 17.exd5 Qa5+ 18.Qd2  
Qxd5;

B) 17.Qb3 Qa5+ 18.Bd2

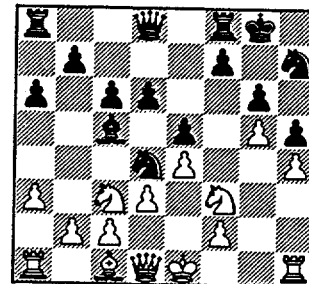


18...Bxf2+ 19.Ke2 (19.Kxf2  
Qxd2+) 19...Qb6 20.Qxd5  
Bxh4;

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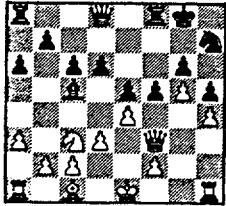
C) 17.Nf3 17...Qb6 18.Nxd4  
Qxd4 19.Qe2]

15...a6 16.Nf3



16...Re8?! Rook is needed to provide -f5 support, but does allow Nh7 back into game

[16...Nxf3+ 17.Qxf3 f5



18.Be3 and now:

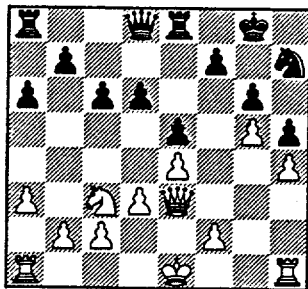
A) 18...Qb6

A1) 19.Na4? Qa5+ 20.Nc3 (20.b4 Qxa4 21.bxc5 Qxc2 22.cxd6 Qxd3) ;

A2) 19.0-0-0 19...fxe4 20.Qxe4;

B) 18...Bd4! and trades only open lines for Black]

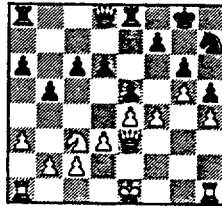
17.Be3 Nxf3+ 18.Qxf3 Bxe3 19.Qxe3



White has fought well, but has troubles since he's still not ready to open lines.

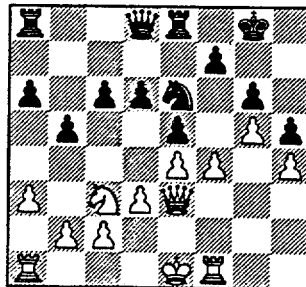
19...b5 20.Rf1

[20.f4



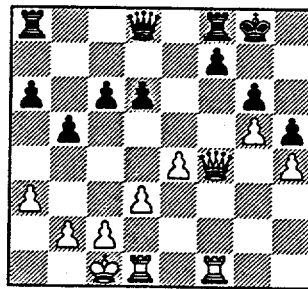
20...d5 idea of -d4 (20...exf4? 21.Qxf4 d5 22.0-0 attacks) 21.Qg3 and both sides are battling...]

20...Nf8 realizing N has homes on d4/f4 21.f4 Ne6

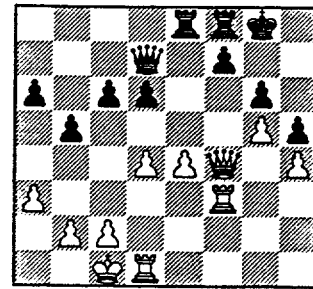


22.Ne2 [22.f5 Nf4 23.0-0-0] 22...exf4 [22...c5 23.f5 Nd4 24.0-0-0 and White can open f-file ]

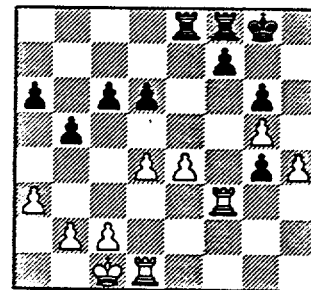
23.Nxf4 Nxf4 24.Qxf4 Rf8 25.0-0-0



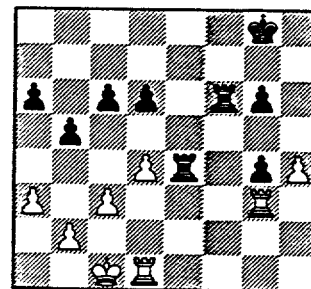
25...Qd7 26.Rf3 Rae8 27.d4



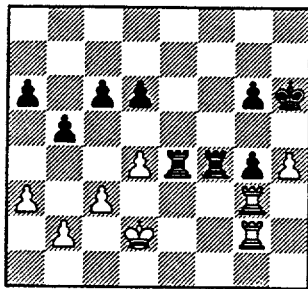
27...Qg4? but this should lose a Pawn [27...Qe7 28.Re1 c5 undermines the center] 28.Qxg4 hxg4



29.Rg3? [29.Rf4 Re7 30.Kd2 and Pg4 won't live long] 29...Rxe4 30.c3 f5 31.gxf6 Rxf6

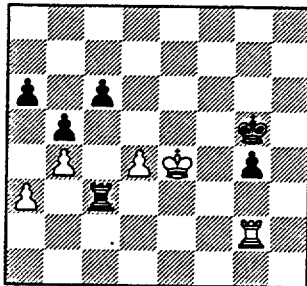


Black finally takes over 32.Rdg1 Rff4 33.Kd2 Kg7 34.R1g2 Kh6

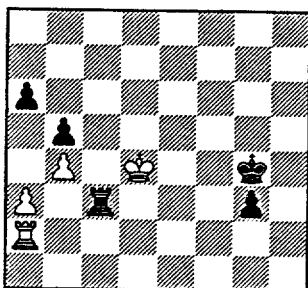


35.Re3 d5 36.Rxe4 dxe4?  
Theres no need to make a P  
weakness [36...Rxe4 and  
White King is cut off from  
stopping g-pawn]

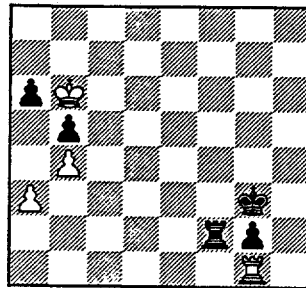
37.b4 g5 38.hxg5+ Kxg5  
39.Ke3 Rf3+ 40.Kxe4 Rxc3



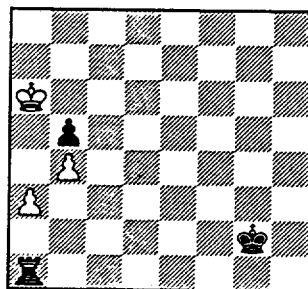
41.Ra2 g3 42.d5 cxd5+  
43.Kxd5 Kg4 44.Kd4



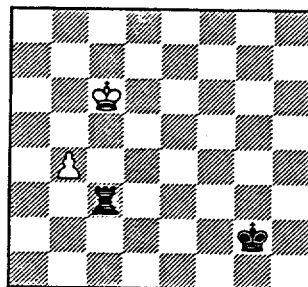
44...Rf3 45.Kc5 Rf2 46.Ra1  
g2 47.Rg1 Kg3 48.Kb6



48...Rf1 [48...Rf6+ followed  
by Kf2 is necessary]  
49.Rxg2+ Kxg2 50.Kxa6 Ra1

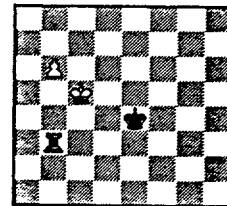


51.Kxb5 Rxa3 52.Kc6 52.  
Kb6 Rb3 transposes to game  
52...Rc3+



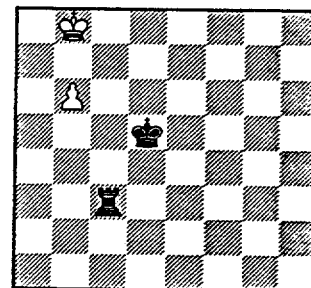
53.Kb6? White's technique of  
hiding King in front of Pawn  
applies in Rook endings when  
White uses his Rook to cutoff  
opposing King. Here, blocking  
Pawn only loses time and  
allows Black King to defend.

[53.Kd6! draws by not  
allowing Black King near  
Pawn and still threatening to  
advance it 53...Rb3 (53...Kf3  
54.b5 Ke4 55.b6 Rb3 56.Kc7  
Kd5 57.b7 Rc3+ 58.Kd7=)  
54.Kc5 Kf3 55.b5 Ke4  
(55...Rc3+ 56.Kd6) 56.b6



56...Rc3+ (56...Ke5 57.Kc6)  
57.Kd6=]

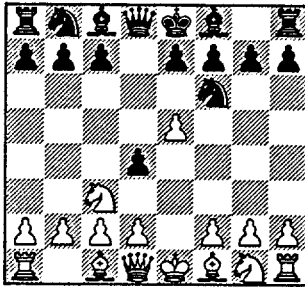
53...Rb3 54.b5 Kf3 55.Kc6  
Rc3+ last chance to keep  
King away 56.Kb7 Ke4 57.b6  
Kd5 58.Kb8



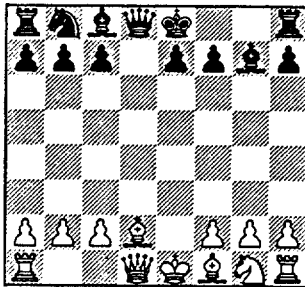
58...Kc6 59.Ka7 Rb3 60.b7  
Rxb7+ 61.Ka8 Re7 62.Kb8  
Re8+ 63.Ka7 Rc8 64.Ka6  
Ra8# 0-1

Leong, G (2011) -  
Sims, L (1837) [B02]  
Kemper-Sears, 07.01.1999

1.e4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.e5 d4

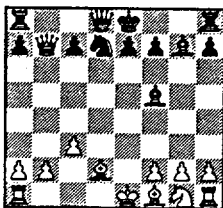


4.exf6 dxc3 5.fxg7 cxd2+  
6.Bxd2 Bxg7



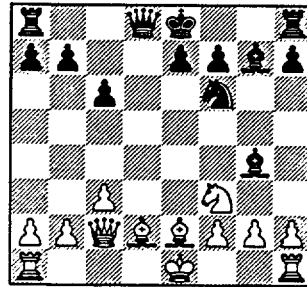
7.c3 Nd7

[I've had experience with  
7...Bf5 8.Qb3 Nd7 (8...Qc8)  
9.Qxb7

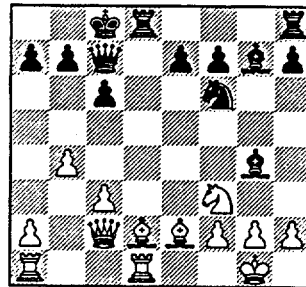


9...Rb8 10.Qxa7 Rxb2 Black  
is a Pawn down, but has  
development and targets]

8.Nf3 Nf6 9.Qc2 c6 10.Be2  
Bg4

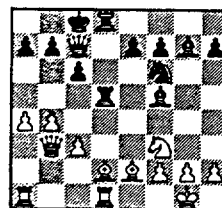


11.0-0 Qc7 12.Rfd1 0-0-0 I've  
found 0-0 safer, but upcoming  
13..Rd5 is interesting! 13.b4

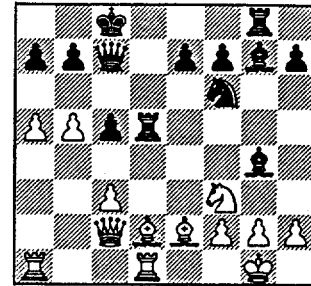


13...Rd5 14.a4 Rg8

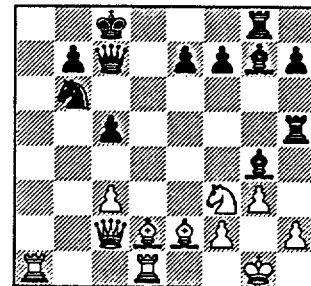
[14...Bf5 15.Qb3 Rhd8



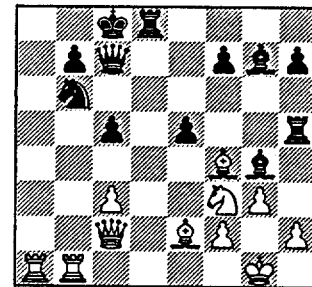
Back to large diagram and  
boldface moves.....  
15.b5 c5 16.a5



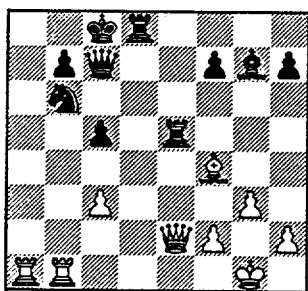
White can force open lines  
with b6, at leisure 16...Rh5  
threat: Bxf3, Qh2+, Qh1  
mates 17.g3 Nd5 18.b6 axb6  
19.axb6 Nxb6



20.Rdb1 Rd8 21.Bf4 e5

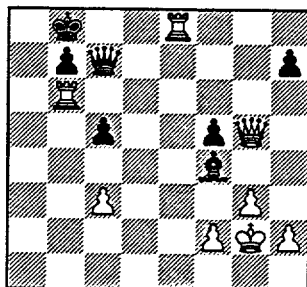


seems to defend, but Bg4,  
Bg7 are loose! 22.Nxe5!  
threat: Bg4+ forking 22...Bxe2  
23.Qxe2 hitting loose Rh5  
and Qg4+ forking Bg7  
23...Rxe5



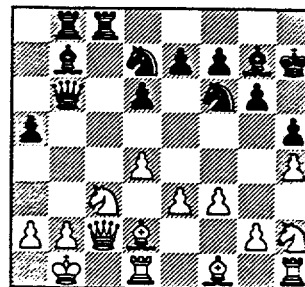
White is temporarily a piece down, but Black hardly can move. The Black Queen is overloaded defending Ng6 & Bg7  
 24.Qg4+ f5 25.Qg5 Kb8

28...Be5 29.Rxe1 Bxf4  
 30.Rxe8+

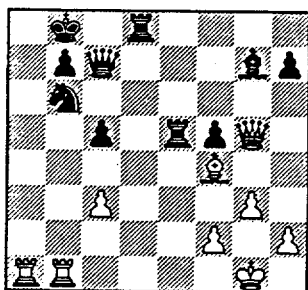


30...Ka7 31.Qxf4 Qxb6  
 32.Qa4+ is easy 1-0

13...Bb7 14.Nc3 Qb6 15.e3  
 Rfc8 16.f3 Rab8 17.Kb1 a5



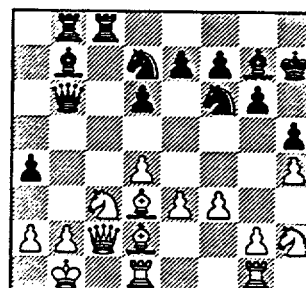
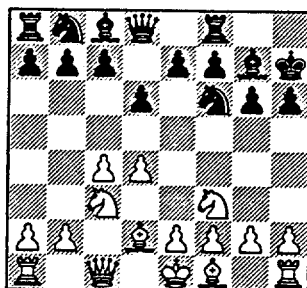
18.Rg1 [18.g4? hxg4 19.Nxg4  
 Bxf3] 18...a4 19.Bd3



walks the King in the Bf4's pin, assuring disaster

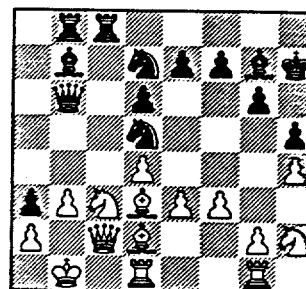
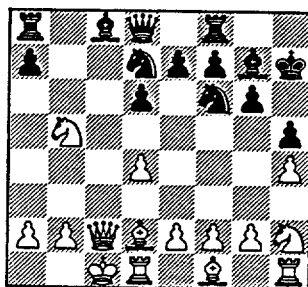
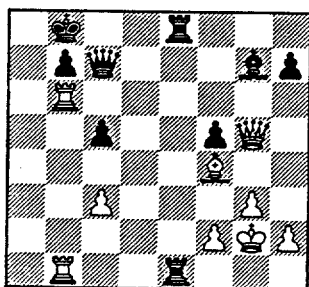
26.Rxb6 Rde8 27.Rab1  
 Re1+ but pins Queen! 28.Kg2

Melnikov, I (2060) – Leong, Phil (2011) [E61]  
 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7  
 4.Nf3 0-0 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bd2  
 d6 7.Qc1 Kh7



19...a3 20.b3 Nd5

8.Qc2 Nbd7 9.0-0 c6 10.h4  
 h5 11.Nh2 b5 12.cxb5 cxb5  
 13.Nxb5



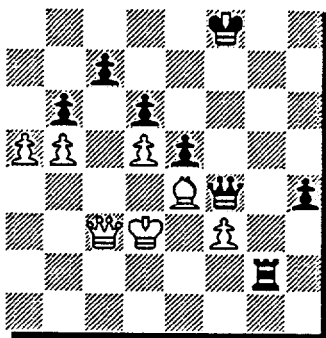
at this point, White wanted to call flag...but the clocks hadn't been set to 4:30 at the beginning! An argument ensued, somehow the players came back to the board, and... 21.Bc4?? Rxc4 and the game was abandoned.

## The finishing touch

by ruben reyes

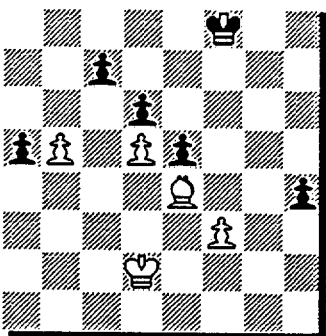
**Al Litvinas** (1716) of Alumni Aces had this amazing finish in the 1993 playoffs against Frank Micklich (1694) of UOP.

Let's skip to the most interesting part after **57.Kd3** (see diagram below left). Litvinas has White.



**57...Qd2+!** A bold and well planned strike.

**58.Qxd2 Rxd2+ 59.Kxd2 bxa5**



The point of Black's 57th move: Black has two distant passed pawns which White can't handle.

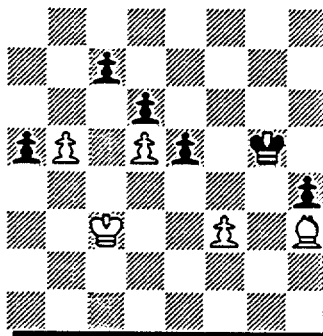
If White's B goes after the a-pawn and the K after the h-pawn, Black would have what amounts to a winning K+2P's vs. K+P ending.

**60.Bf5** White decides to go after the a-pawn and let the B put up delaying action while the K tries to queen the b-pawn.

**60...Kg7 61.Kc3 Kf6** Gains a tempo with an attack on the B.

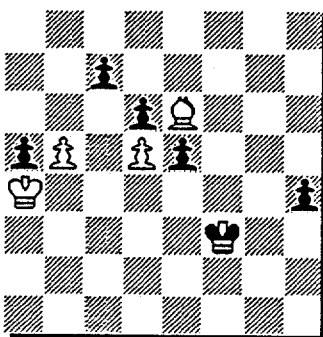
**62.Bh3 62.Be6** because each tempo lost or gained is crucial.

**62...Kg5**



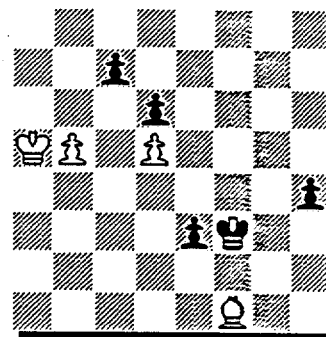
**63.Kb3 Kf4 64.Ka4 Kg3** Gains another tempo.

**65.Be6 Kxf3**



White's bishop can't stop either of the e or h-pawns from queening. And it'll take White a long count of 7 moves to get a queen. However, it'll take Black only 4 moves to queen the e-pawn.

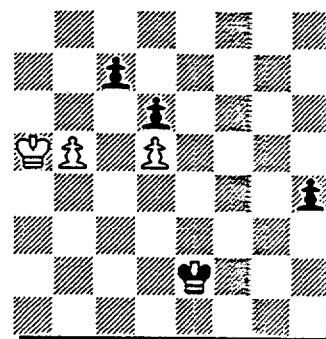
**66.Kxa5 e4 67.Bh3 e3 68.Bf1**



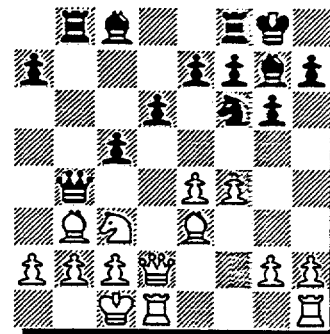
**68...e2** Or **68...Kf2**. If **69.Bc4** or **69. Bd3** then **69...h3** and the h-pawn queens. If **69.Bh3**, then **69...e2** and the e-pawn queens.

**69.Bxe2+ Kxe2 0-1**

Final Position Litvinas game



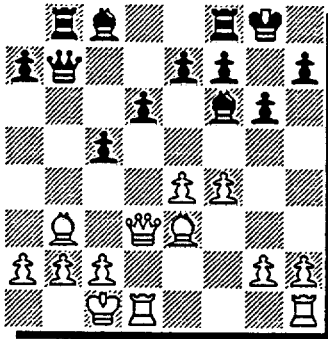
**M. Raja** (1630) of Argonne Rooks finished this game versus a 1505 with a nice attack. Let's take in the show after **13.f4 c5** (see diagram below). Raja has Black.



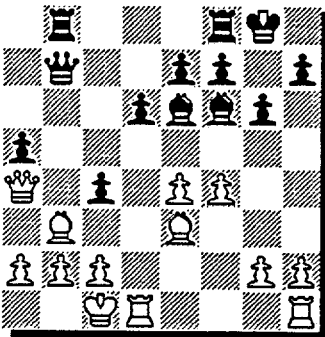


14. Nd5 Black threatens 14...c4 15. Bxc4 Qxb2#. Here White offers to trade queens and eliminate the threat of mate at b2.

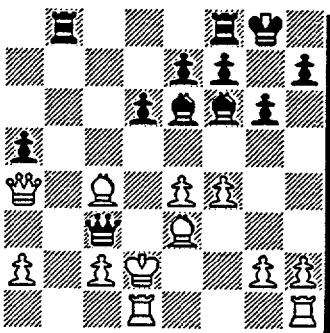
14...Qb7 15. Nxf6+ Bxf6 16. Qd3 This stops the threat of 16...c4. But 16.c3 defends b2 and blocks Black's bishop on the long diagonal.



16...a5 17. Qc4 Be6 18. Qa4 c4

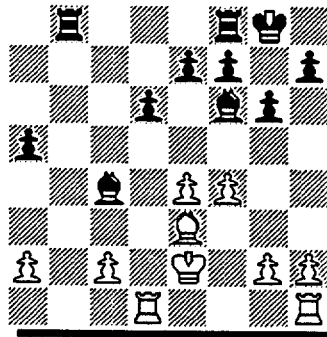


19. Bxc4 Qxb2+ 20. Kd2 Qc3+

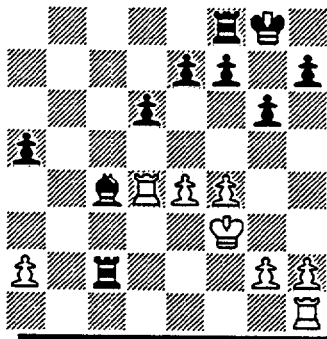


21. Ke2 Qxc4+ 23. Qxc4 Bxc4+ Black's attack has resulted in the win of a piece.

(see diagram next column)

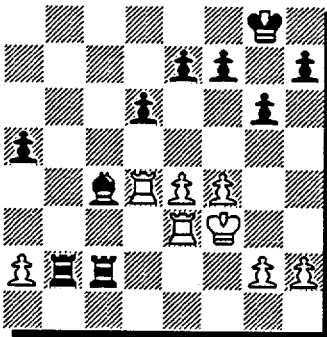


10 Kf3 Rb2 11 Bd4 Bxd4 12 Rxd4 Rxc2



13 Re1 Rb8 Nice. Black doesn't waste time bringing the other rook into play.

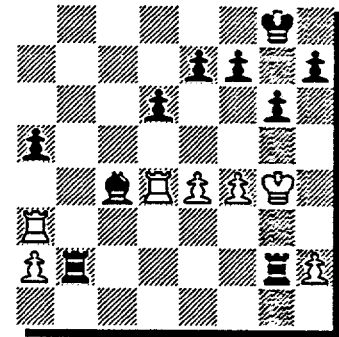
14 Re3 Rbb2 Well played. In just two moves, Black has taken command of the 2nd rank.



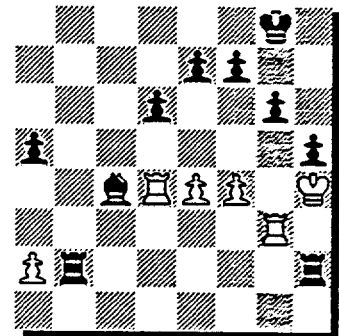
15 Ra3 The threat was 15...Rxc2 and 16...Rbf2#

15...Rf2+ 16 Kg4 Rxc2+

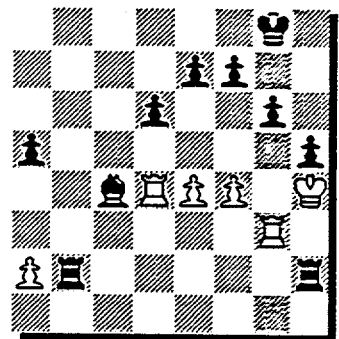
(see diagram next column)



17 Rg3 h5+ 18 Kh4 Rxc2+

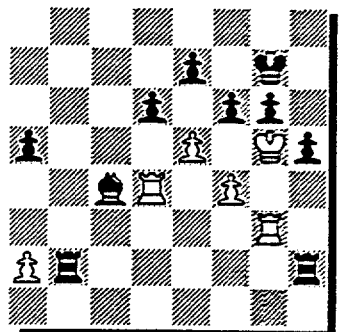


19 Kg5 Kg7 Nice. Black threatens mate in one (20...f6#)



20 e5 f6+ 0-1

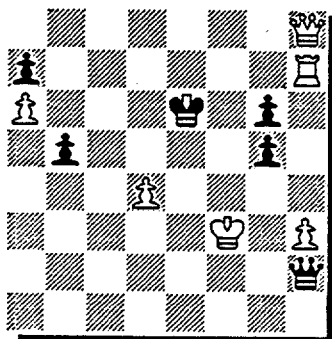
Final Position Raja game



# Postmortem

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Diagram 1



**White to play, Mate in 5**

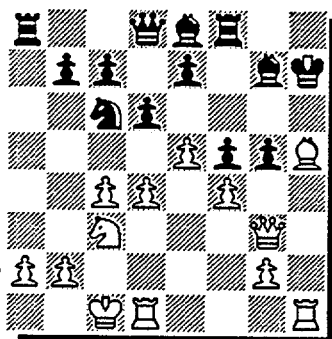
Diagram 1 actually occurred in a game between a 1445 (White) and a 1695 (Black) during a Kemper vs. Exemplars match.

The position is after 56.Rh7+ Ke6.

White, even though a whole rook up, lost the game when he run out of checks and got mated as follows: 57.Qe8+ Kd5 58.Rd7+ Kc4 59.Qe6+ Kc3 60.Qc6+ Kd2 61.Qb7 Qxh3+ 62.Ke4 Qf3#.

Can you find the 5-move mate? Even without the 5-move mate, can you find how White can win Black's queen?  
*Solution's somewhere on this page.*

Diagram 2



**White to play, Mate in 3**

Diagram 2 also occurred in a game between an 1812 (White) and a 1738

(Black) during a match between the Argentine Knights and the Alumni Central.

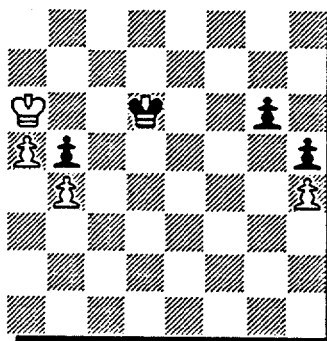
The position is after 18.Ng5+ hxxg5.

White won the game when Black resigned after White's 31st move.

However, there's a mate in 3 in there. Can you find it?

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Diagram 3



**Black to play**

Diagram 3 is from a game between a 1523 (White) and a 1393 (Black).

The position is after 48..Kxd6 49.Kxa6. This game occurred in the 1997 playoffs.

Black lost this one after 49...Ke6 50. Ka7 Ke7 51.a6 1-0.

It'll take White only four moves to queen the a-pawn.

However, can you demonstrate how Black can win here?

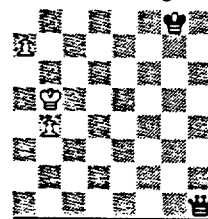
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**Solution to diagram 1:** 57.Qc8+ Kd5 (If 57... Kf6 then 58.Qc6+ Qd6 59.Qxd6+ Kf5 60. Rf7# is mate. Or if 57...Kd6 then 58.Qd7# is mate) 58.Rd7+ Qd6 (If 58...Ke6 then 59. Qe8+ Kf6 or Kf5 60. Rf7# is mate) 59.Qc5+ Ke6 60.Qxd6+ Kf5 61. Qe5# or 61.Rf7#. Note: As an alternative to mate, White could win Black's Q with 57.Qg8+ Kd6 (else 57.... Kf5 or 57....Kf6 58.Qf7+ is mate) 58.Qb8+ K-any 59.Qxh2

**Solution to diagram 2:** 19.Bf7! Bh6 20.Qxg5 any 21.Rxh6# (20.Rxh6+ Kxh6 21.Qxg5+ Kh7 22.Qg6+ Kh8 23.Qh6+ is also mate though two moves longer.)

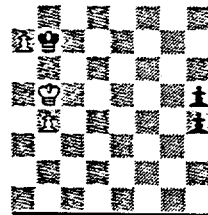
**Solution to Diagram 3:** The key's 49...g5! (The reason for this is because the Black K is within the square of the g-pawn)

A) 50.hxg5 h4 51.g6 Ke6 52.g7 Kf7 53.g8Q+ Kxg8 54.Kxb5 h3 55.a6 h2 56.a7 h1Q and Black queens first. (diagram right)



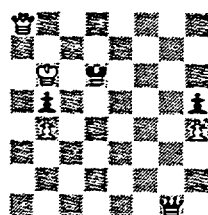
After 56...h1Q

B) 50.Kxb5 gxh4 51.a6 Kc7 52.a7 Kb7 wins (diagram right)



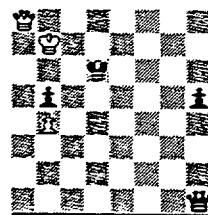
After 51...Kc7

C) 50.Kb6 g4 51.a6 g3 52.a7 g2 53.a8Q g1Q+ (diagram right) 54.Kb7 Qh1+ (54.Ka6 or Ka7 Qa8+) 55.K-any Qxa8+ 56.Kxa8 Kd5 wins.



After 53...g1Q+

D) 50.Kb7 gxh4 51.a6 h3 52.a7 h2 53.a8Q h1Q+ 54.K-any Qxa8 55.Kxa8 Kd5 wins for Black.



After 53...h1Q+

For the D/E & below player only

## Chess Lesson

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### Analysis: vital in K & P ending

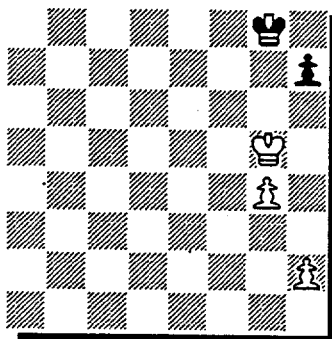
King and pawn endings are simple, yet it can have traps which can catch an unwary chess player.

A trap may lie in wait several moves deep from a position being evaluated.

To avoid a path of moves which contain a trap, it is necessary for the player to analyse.

Let's take the position in diagram 1 below as an example

Diagram 1



White to play

White has two choices for his K move: 1.Kf6 or 2.Kh6.

One of the King moves leads to a win, the other to only a draw.

The player who analyses this position correctly gets a 100% chance of winning while the one who doesn't gets only about a 12.5% chance.

A pre-requisite to winning in diagram 1 is knowledge of the "opposition" as shown in diagram A right. White to play draws:

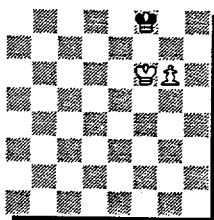


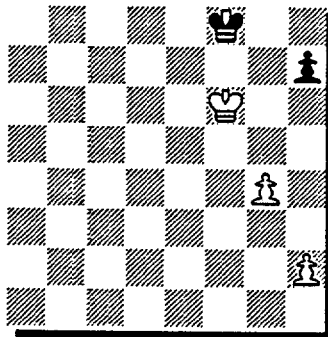
Diagram A

1.g7+ Kg8 2.Kg6 stalemate.

Black to play wins for White: 1...Kg8 2.g7 Kh7 3.Kf7 followed by 4.g8Q.

Going back to diagram 1. Let's assume that the first thing that comes your mind is 1.Kf6 Kf8 (see diagram 2 below)

Diagram 2



From Diagram 2 say you analyse: 1.g5 Kg8 2.h4 Kf8 3.h5 Kg8 4.g6 hxg6 5.hxg6 Kf8. You've reached Diagram A with White to play and it's a draw.

So you say, let me "lose" a tempo and play 2.h3 instead of 2.h4. That should do it: 1.g5 Kg8 2.h3 Kf8 3.h4 Kg8 4.h5 Kf8 5.g6 hxg6 6.hxg6 and I've reached Diagram A with Black to play and it's a win for White. That's it. I'm ready to go.

But wait. Doesn't your calculation involve a capture? Then you'll need to recalculate to take into consideration where Black

DOES NOT CAPTURE the g-pawn: 1.g5 Kg8 2.h3 Kf8 3.h4 Kg8 4.h5 Kf8 5.g6 h4 (see

diagram B right). And it's a draw as Black can't be driven from the opposition.

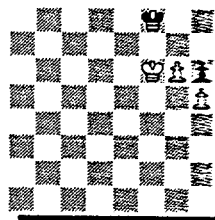


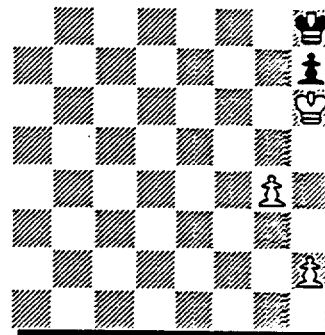
Diagram B

It's quite clear that in a simple position as Diagram 1 two traps await the unwary D/E rated player. One trap is easily overcome (by playing h3 instead of h4) but the other trap isn't (where Black plays h6 instead of hxg6).

Let's continue. Knowing now that the only thing that prevents you from winning this game is Black's ability to play h6, it will dawn on you that by playing 1.Kh6 (instead of 1. Kf6), Black won't have the capability of playing ...h6 anymore.

You, therefore, analyse: 1.Kh6 Kh8 (see diagram 3 below)

Diagram 3



2.g5 Kg8 3. h3 (you now know from your previous analysis that you need to do this in order to win this game) 3...Kh8 4.h4 Kg8 5. h5 Kh8 6.g6 hxg6 7.hxg6 (see diagram right) and White wins: 6. ...Kg8 7.g7 Kf7 8.Kh7.

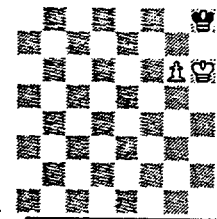
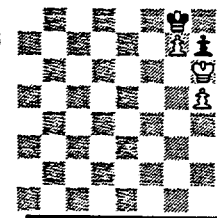


Diagram B

Wait!! Your analysis involved a capture! So try again: 1.Kh6 Kh8

2.g5 Kg8 3.h3 Kh8 4.h4 Kg8 5.h5 Kh8 6.g6 Kg8 (instead of 6... hxg6) 7.g7 (diagram right)

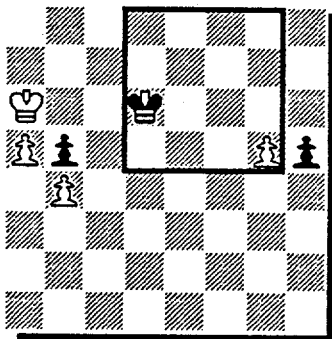
and White wins. NOW YOU CAN GO AHEAD AND MAKE YOUR MOVE (1.Kh6) ON THE CHESSBOARD!!!



**Analysis WINS K&P endings.**

Within the square - An easy way of determining whether a K can catch a queening pawn is to draw a square such as in diagram 4. If the K is **within this square** (with the opponent to move) it can catch the pawn. Else, if it's not, it won't.

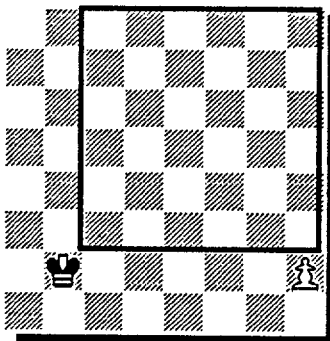
**Diagram 4**



**White to play**

The exception is when the opponent's pawn's on it's original square such as in diagram 5. That's because the pawn can move two squares (instead of one)

**Diagram 5**



**White to play**

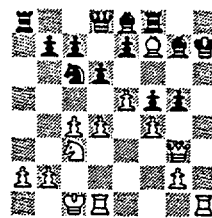
From diagram 4 Black's K can't catch the h-pawn after: 1.h4 Kc3 2.h5 Kd4 3.h6 Ke5 4.h7 Kf6 5.h8Q+.

**Cutting off the King's escape route**

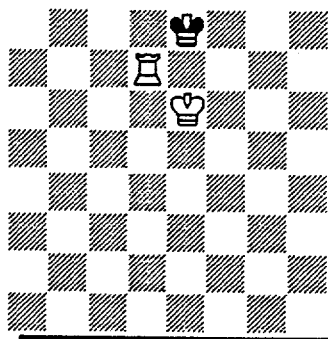
The solution to Diagram 2 in the POST-MORTEM column began with 19.Bf7+

(diagram right)

The B cuts off the Black K's escape route and compels the response 19... Bh6. And after 20. Qxg5 mate next move (20...Rxf6#) is inevitable.



**Diagram 6**

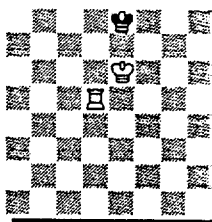


**White to play, mate in 3**

Yes, diagram 6 is a mate in 3!

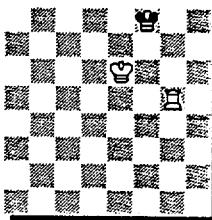
The solution(s) to diagram 6 involves the technique of cutting off the Black K's escape route and zugzwang.

One solution is 1. Rd5 (diagram right)



1..Kf8 Forced, as there's no other move for Black.

2.Rg5 (diagram right). The Black King's escape route is cut off. Now Black is zugzwang. The King must move: 2... Ke8 3.Rg8# is mate.



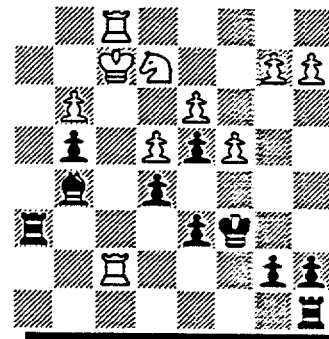
There are more than one solution to diagram 4. But essentially all involves cutting off the Black King's escape route and zugzwang. For example:

1.Rd1 Kf8 2.Rg1 Ke8 3.Rg8#.

An excellent example of the use of cut-

ting off the King's escape route in an attack is Diagram 7 from the game R. Osterlund (1976) - P. Sajbel (1739) which was played in 1993.

**Diagram 7**

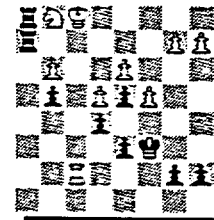


**Black to play**

The position's after 23.Kf2. Black continued with 23...Bd2!! cutting off the King's escape route to the King's wing.

The game ended in victory for Black after 24.Rg1 Be3+ 25.Kg2 Bxg1 26.

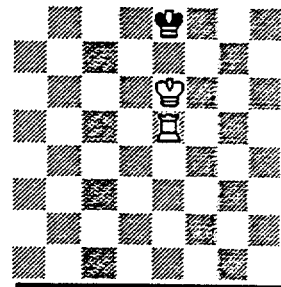
Nxg1 Rh8 27. Kf1 Rh2 28.Ne2 Rh1+ 29.Ng1 R8h2 0-1.(see diagram right) Black threatens 30... Rxb2, 31...Rb1+ and 32...Rhxg1 winning the N. If 30.Rf2, then 30...Rxf2+ 31.Kxf2 Rh2+ and 32...Rxb2 wipes out the b and a pawns..



**After 29...R8h2**

For a full coverage of this game, check out the January, 1993 issue of the CIGL bulletin.

Finally, try this one.



**White to play, mate in 3**

(One solution's 1.Re1 Kc3 2.Rg1 Ke8 3.Rg8#)