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** 1983 NORTHERN ALBERTA OPEN **
***** CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP *****

EDMONTON

February 26 & 27

5th floor, General Services Building, U of A
116 St. & 91 Ave

5-round Swiss System

Registration

8:45-9:30 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 26
(entries close at 9:30 a.m.!!)

Entry Fees

Seniors \$12, Juniors \$9 (under 18)
CFC (bring card) & ACA membership required
(please check your latest Chess Canada
for your CFC number, rating, and expiry)

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PRIZES

Cash prizes to top finishers overall!!
Cash prizes to classes (divided as entries warrant)
(amounts of cash prizes depend on number of entries)
Special surprize to the worst move or game submitted
Special surprize draw for advance entrants only

Time Control

45 Moves in 2 Hours each
3 rounds Saturday, 2 Sunday

Please bring your chess clock.
No smoking in playing room (UofA reg.)

Good Games!! Cash prizes and more!!
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(Directed by L. Steele, National TD)

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Solutions to Test Your Chess:

- I. 1. g4! (1-0). If 1. ... Qf3, 2. Rc8+, or 1. ... Re8, 2. Qh3.
II. 1. Rf8+ Kf8, 2. Ng6+ hg, 3. Qh8 mate.
III. 1. Rc8+ Bc8, 2. Qe8+ Rf8, 3. Rg7+! Kg7, 4. Qg6+ (1-0). 4. ... Kh8, 5. Qh7 mate.
IV. 1. Bf7+! (1-0). If 1. ... Kf7, 2. e6+ or 1. ... Kf8, 2. Bg6.

The *Alberta Chess Report* exists to serve you. We want to advertize and report on your tournaments. Please send us full details of any upcoming tournaments as soon as they are available.

Please send a copy of the final crosstable of your tournament to the ACA for publication in the *ACR* (tiebreak order for crosstables, if possible). A written report plus some game scores would be appreciated! The quality of our report on your tournament depends very much on what you send to us.

Attention All ACA Members

The *Alberta Chess Report* (*ACR*) welcomes any and all submissions from its readers. Annotated games, reports on out of province tournaments you attended, book reviews, philosophical reflections, etc. -- anything to do with chess is what we are interested in. Why not become an author renowned across the province?

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Club Directors: if your club is not listed here, please send the *ACR* full details. We will be pleased to list your club in a future issue.

Black Knight Chess Club

Mount Royal College, section E library
Tuesdays, starting at 7:30 p.m.
Contact: Barney Fegyverneki (phone 243-6351)

Calgary Chess Club

Rosedale Community Hall, 800-11 Ave NW
Wednesdays, 7-11 p.m.
Contact: Bill Rusk; #9, 3302-50 St NW
Calgary T3A 2C6 (phone 286-6137)

Edmonton Chess Club

Conference Rooms, Commonwealth Stadium
Wednesdays, 7-11 p.m.
Contact: Jan Greben; 11823-87 Ave
Edmonton T6G 0Y5 (phone 432-7624)

Slave Lake Chess Club

Contact: Len Fedorus (phone 849-4204)
Bruce Thomas (phone 849-4350)

What's Happening at the Edmonton Chess Club:

The Edmonton Chess Club Championship is presently under way. Newcomer Jeff Reeve (formerly of B.C.) leads the top section, an 8 player round robin, with a 5-0 score.

The Club Championship will end on February 23. Upcoming events are the Abe Shnitka Memorial (for players rated under 1600) and the Walter Holowach Challenge (open section; players rated 1600 and over must enter this section) -- these two events should begin in mid-March. For more details and advance registration, come to the club on March 2 (address given earlier).

Calgary Junior Chess Club

The CJCC list of tournaments for the next few months is given below. Information is available from Sylvia Huber (286-1873). Instruction in chess strategy may be offered at the beginning of tournaments. Tournaments are held in the basement of the Wm. Castell Central Library, 616 McLeod Trail SE. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. Play begins at 10 a.m. and will continue until approx. 3-4 p.m. Entry fees are \$2 (elementary section); \$2.50 (junior high); \$3 (senior high). Membership in the ACA and CFC is required. Prizes will be awarded to 1st-5th places. Please bring a bag lunch. There will be no lunch break.

- February 26 -- Valentine's Day Tourney
 - March 12 -- Elementary School Team Championship
 - April 30 -- Spring Speed Tourney
 - May 14 -- Jr. High Team Championship
 - May 28 -- Sr. High Team Championship
- (notices will be sent out for team events)

Edmonton Junior Chess Club

The Club is for players 18 years of age and under. Meetings are held the last Wednesday of each month from 6:30-9:00 p.m. in the Program Room of the Woodcroft Library, 13420-114 Ave. Tournaments, workshops and games are featured. For information call Carol Miyagawa at 483-8012.

Edmonton Junior High Team Championship

The Edmonton Junior CC and the ACA are sponsoring this tournament. It will be held Saturday, March 5 (registration at 10:00 a.m.), at Parkview Elementary - Junior High School, 14313-92 Ave (in the small gym). Teams must consist of 4 junior high school students from each school (schools will only be able to register more than one team if there is a low registration of schools). Please pre-register by phone by contacting Carol Miyagawa at 483-8012. Registration fee is \$4 per player. Trophies and medals will be awarded to the top three schools.

Simultaneous Exhibition, Edmonton, March 12

To promote chess in the Edmonton area we are organizing a simultaneous exhibition in the Southgate Shopping Mall, South Entrance, on Saturday, March 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The "master in the middle" will be Alberta's top rated player, Jan Greben. The fee is only \$1. Prizes: chess sets or books for those who manage to draw or win. There is also a general draw for a brand-new Chess Challenger 7! Please encourage young chessplayers to participate and/or come yourself (we especially need people around 10 a.m. to get this event started).

From the Editors

This issue of the Alberta Chess Report and the advertising campaign for the Northern Alberta Open result largely from the efforts of the editors and their desire to provide the Report to ACA members -- we thank the ACA for granting our request for financial support for these endeavors and trust that the ACA officers will be initiating future efforts in these areas.

Top 25 Alberta Players by CFC Rating

1.	Jan Greben	Edmonton	2259
2.	Rob Hawkes	Calgary	2223
3.	Jeff Reeve	Edmonton	2204
4.	Rob South	Calgary	2202
5.	Stephen Ball	Edmonton	2184
6.	Phil Gaspar	Calgary	2150
7.	Milan Rabiļenovic	Calgary	2145
8.	Gordon Campbell	Edmonton	2144
9.	Ron Billyard	Calgary	2134
10.	Branimir Brebrich	Calgary	2131
11.	Steven Peter	Calgary	2111
12.	Fred South	Calgary	2102
13.	Neil Sharpe	Lacombe	2096
14.	Ian Loadman	Edmonton	2025
15.	Len Steele	Edmonton	2025
16.	Gregory Shvartsburd	Edmonton	2012
17.	Phil Allan	Calgary	2002
18.	Bob Bachman	Calgary	1988
19.	Dragoslav Jurisich	Lethbridge	1977
20.	Wolfgang Mueller	Calgary	1974
21.	Frank Kluytmans	Calgary	1971
22.	Imlach Yearwood	Calgary	1966
23.	Alan Aycock	Magrath	1961
24.	Walter Zwirner	Calgary	1961
25.	Edwin Boldingh	Edmonton	1953

Ratings include the Jan-Feb, 1983 revision.

Renaissance Open, Edmonton, Nov. 20-21, 1982
T.D. and Report: Ian Loadman

Jan Greben was top rated by over 300 points, but it was Gregory Shvartsburd who looked the master en route to a perfect 5-0 shutout of the fifteen player field. The crucial game was Shvartsburd - Greben in round 4. Greben declined Shvartsburd's Goring Gambit and went on to win a pawn, but ran short of time and eventually forfeited while a pawn up in a knight ending.

Both Shvartsburd and Greben won in the last round to take the top two spots. Five players tied for third: A. Berberakis, S. Skoda, D.J. Allen, S. Krikler and K. Lauterwald. Of the five, Berberakis faced the strongest opponents, losing only to Shvartsburd and Greben while defeating Bruno Knudskov in round four. Also of note was the result of unrated Krikler, who defeated an A-rated player in the final round. Here is the crosstable (in tiebreak order):

1.	G. Shvartsburd	1943	+ 4 + 9 + 3 + 2 + 8	5.0
2.	J. Greben	2280	+14 + 8 +10 - 1 + 3	4.0
3.	A. Berberakis	1634	+ 5 +12 - 1 +10 - 2	3.0
4.	S. Skoda	1532	- 1 + 5 +12 = 8 = 7	3.0
5.	D.J. Allen	1346	- 3 - 4 + 6 +14 +11	3.0
6.	S. Krikler	unr.	-11 +14 - 5 +12 +10	3.0
7.	K. Lauterwald	1401	- 8 bye = 9 +13 = 4	3.0
8-9; 2.5 pts: D. Leflar, V. Verlik				
10-12; 2.0 pts: B. Knudskov, O. Benedik, M. Ladak				
13; 1.0 pts: J. Vandenberg				
14-15; 0.0 pts: K. Rennie(4), G. Makis(2).				

Edmonton CC, Fall 1982 Tournaments
Report: J. Greben

The Fall Open of the ECC, held in September and October, attracted 28 players, including five who were unrated. The highest rated player, Jan Greben, came first with a score of 5.5 in the six round tournament. Only a second round draw with Bruno Knudskov spoiled a perfect score. I. Loadman, R. Gardner, B. Knudskov and V. Verlik all scored 4.5 points. F. Postoyan had 4 points -- the

highest score for a player rated under 1600. H. Binnema directed.

The three round Team Tournament held just before Christmas attracted only twelve players -- resulting in four teams of three players each. The team of Greben, Gibson and Allen won with 7.5 out of a possible 9.

 Canadian Junior
 Report by: R. Gardner

The latest Canadian Junior must be considered very successful. Much of the credit for this success belongs to David Lavin for his organization and to the Toronto Chess Club for its sponsorship. Players were provided with tournament bulletins for each of the first ten rounds. Time control was a generous 40 moves in 2 1/2 hours. And most of the out of town players stayed in a hotel, near the site, which created excellent atmosphere. Book prizes were even awarded to all of the participants.

Another reason for the success of the tournament was the strength of the players. The average rating was 2058. With only two of the players ineligible to return, the average rating next year could top 2100.

The winner of the tournament, with a score of 8.5-2.5, was Doug Bailey, of Hamilton. Doug played with intensity and perseverance in the early rounds to secure the lead. Second place was taken by Alex Kuznecov (Ont.) with 7-4, while J. Woodley (B.C.) and T. O'Donnell (Ont.) were next at 6.5-4.5.

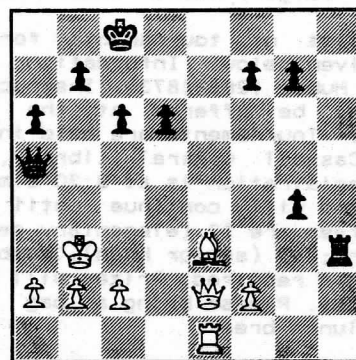
My own games suffered from my inconsistent play and poor preparation. Included were three tactical deaths, two positional deaths, one completely unsound sacrifice, two escapes with draws, one win in which my opponent snatched defeat from the jaws of victory, and another win in which my opponent managed to play more aimlessly than myself.

The game I have chosen here is hard to classify. It is my most interesting game of the tournament but, unfortunately, I self-destructed as time control approached.

(Of course, I would like to thank the ACA for paying my air fare to Toronto.)

Tom O'Donnell - Robert Gardner

1. e4 e5, 2. Nf3 Nc6, 3. Bb5 a6, 4. Bxc6 dxc6, 5. 0-0 Bg4 The best alternative here is 5. ... f6, 6. d4. 6. h3 h5, 7. d3 Qf6, 8. Nbd2 Ne7, 9. Re1 Ng6, 10. d4 Bd6, 11. hxg4 hxg4, 12. Nh2 Rxh2 I thought I must have made a bad mistake to reach this position. However, this is a book position in which ECO gives 13. Qxg4 Qh4, and rates it as "plus over equal". 13. Kxh2 Qh4+, 14. Kg1 0-0-0, 15. Nc4 Rh8, 16. Nxd6+ cxd6, 17. Kf1 Qh1+, 18. Ke2 Qxg2, 19. Be3 Qxe4, 20. Qd2 Qf3+, 21. Kd3 exd4, 22. Kxd4 Qf6+ Better than 22. ... Qd5+. 23. Kd3 After 23. Kc4 Ne5+, White has nothing better than 24. Kc3. If 24. Kb4, then ... c5+, 25. Kb3 Qe6+. If 24. Kb3, then ... Qe6+, 25. c4 Nxc4. 23. ... Ne5+, 24. Kc3 Nf3+, 25. Bd4 Qf5, 26. Qe2 26. Qd3? loses to Qa5+. 26. ... Qa5+, 27. Kd3 Nxe1+ To allow the rook check. But I'm presently wondering if Nxd4 would have served the same purpose, only better. 28. Rxe1 Rh3+, 29. Be3 Qd5+, 30. Kc3 Qa5+, 31. Kb3



31. ... Qb5+ If I had realized it was possible, I would have played 31. ... Qb6+. After 32. Ka4 Qxb2, White is in trouble (33. Qxg4+ Kc7 still leaves White in trouble). Tom told me after the game that he would have played 32. Ka3, with a perpetual to come. 32. Qxb5 axb5 At this point, my play disintegrates completely. The mild time pressure I was experiencing is no excuse for the mistakes I now make. 33. c3 Kd7, 34. Kb4 Rf3 Better seems 34. ... g3. 35. Rg1 f5, 36. Rg3 Rxg3? What a prize winning move! It accentuates my weaknesses beautifully. Only 36. ... Ke6 can offer any chances. 37. fxg3 g6, 38. Ka5 d5, 39. Kb6 Kc8, 40. Bf4 Kd7, 41. Kxb7 resigns. (1-0).

This is the game in which Bailey pulls ahead of the crowd:

Doug Bailey - Tom O'Donnell

1. e4 e5, 2. Nf3 Nf6, 3. Ne5 d6, 4. Nf3 Ne4, 5. Qe2 Qe7, 6. d3 Nf6, 7. Bg5 Qe2+, 8. Be2 Be7, 9. Nc3 c6, 10. 0-0-0 0-0, 11. Rhe1 Bg4, 12. Nd4 Be2, 13. Re2 Bd8, 14. Nf5 d5, 15. Ne7 Kh8, 16. Bf6 gf, 17. Nf5 Na6, 18. Rde1 Nc5, 19. Re8 Kg8, 20. R1e3 Bc7, 21. Rf8+ Kf8, 22. Rh3 Kg8, 23. Rh4 Ne6, 24. Ne2 Re8, 25. Kd2 Kh8, 26. Rg4 Rf8, 27. Nh6 a6, 28. c3 b6, 29. h4 b5, 30. Ke3 Ng7, 31. Ng3 Re8+, 32. Kf3 Bg3, 33. Rg3 Rf8, 34. b4 f5, 35. Ke2 f4, 36. Rf3 Nh5, 37. Nf5 Rc8, 38. Nd4 c5, 39. bc Rc5, 40. Kd2 Rc8, 41. Ne2 Rg8, 42. Nf4 Nf4, 43. Rf4 Rg2, 44. Rf7 Rh2, 45. Rf4 Rh3, 46. a4 ba, 47. Ra4 Kg7, 48. Ra6 Rh4, 49. Ra5 d4, 50. cd Rd4, 51. Ke3 Rh4, 52. f4 Rh1, 53. Ra2 Kf6, 54. Ke4 Re1, 55. Kd5 Kf5, 56. Rf2 h5, 57. d4 h4, 58. Rh2 Kg4, 59. f5 Kf5, 60. Rh4 Kf6, 61. Kd6 Kf7, 62. d5 Rd1, 63. Re4 Rd2, 64. Kc6 Ra2, 65. d5 Ra6, 66. Kc7 Ra7, 67. Kb6 Ra1, 68. d7 Rb1, 69. Kc7 Rc1, 70. Kd8 Rd1, 71. Re2 Rd3, 72. Rf2 Kg7, 73. Rf4 Kg8, 74. Ke7 Re3, 75. Kd6 Rd3, 76. Ke6 Kg7, 77. Rf5 resigns (1-0).

Here is a game in which Alex Kuznecov managed to crash through successfully despite time limitations:

Alex Kuznecov - Wayne Barclay

1. e4 e5, 2. Nf3 Nc6, 3. Bb5 a6, 4. Ba4 Nf6, 5. 0-0 b5, 6. Bb3 Be7, 7. Re1 0-0, 8. c3 d6, 9. h3 Na5, 10. Bc2 c5, 11. d4 Qc7, 12. Nbd2 cd, 13. cd Nc6, 14. Nf1 ed, 15. Ng3 Be6, 16. Bf4 Qb6, 17. a3 Rac8, 18. Rc1 Rfe8, 19. Ne2 d5, 20. e5 Nd7, 21. Ned4 Bc5, 22. Be3 b4, 23. Ne6 fe, 24. Bh7+ Kh7, 25. Ng5+ Kg8, 26. Bc5 Nc5, 27. Qh5 Ne4, 28. Qf7+ Kh8, 29. Qh5+ Kg8, 30. Qh7+ Kf8, 31. Qh8+ Ke7, 32. Qg7+ Kd8, 33. Ne4 de, 34. Rc6 Qc6, 35. Rd1+ Qd5, 36. Rd5+ ed, 37. Qf6+ Re7, 38. Qd6+ Rd7, 39. Qb6+ Ke8, 40. Qe6+ Kd8, 41. Qb6+ Ke8, 42. Qg6+ Kd8, 43. e6 Re7, 44. Qg8+ Kc7, 45. Qg5 Kd6, 46. Qf4+ resigns (1-0).

International Chess
J.M. Greben

The year 1982 was an active year in chess, although this is not the impression you would get by reading the Edmonton Journal! The major events were the interzonals played in Las Palmas, Toluca (Mexico) and Moscow. Surprise qualifiers were Smyslov and Torre. Less surprising were the qualifications of Ribli, Portisch, Kasparov and Beljavski. In the quarter finals we will see:

Kortschnoi-Portisch
Hubner-Smyslov
Ribli-Torre
Kasparov-Beljavski

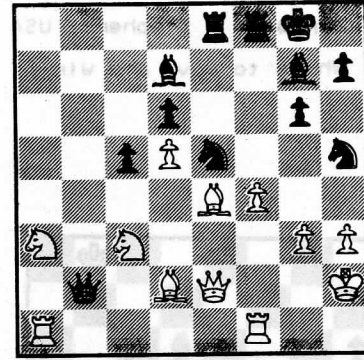
In the semi-finals the winner of the first match will play the winner of the fourth, and the winners from the second and third matches will meet. The favorite is, of course, 19 year old Kasparov, who beat Kortschnoi in a fantastic game in the Olympiads (see games). He will have a difficult program: first he meets his strong and young countryman, Beljavski, and, if he survives this (and according to his rating he should since he is number 2 on the ELO list), he will meet the winner of Kortschnoi-Portisch. Most favor Portisch in the latter match; certainly in the latest Hoogoven Tournament (1983) Kortschnoi ended up in the lower half. In the finals we will thus see a relative outsider (perhaps Hubner again?), so the quarter finals may be more interesting than the finals.

Other events last year were tournaments in London (Karpov and Anderson), Novi Sad (J.v.d. Wiel), Turin (Karpov), Tilburg (Karpov), Amsterdam (Karpov), Bugojno (Kasparov) and, of course, the Olympiad in Lucerne, won by the USSR (Canada placed 18th).

The following game marks the first encounter between Kortschnoi (playing for Switzerland) and Kasparov (first board, USSR). Played in November/82 during the Olympiad in Lucerne, this game drew a lot of attention, both from spectators and players. The public was not disappointed: the razor-sharp style of Kasparov is well exemplified by this game.

Kortschnoi (Switzerland) - Kasparov (USSR)
Olympiad; Lucerne 1982

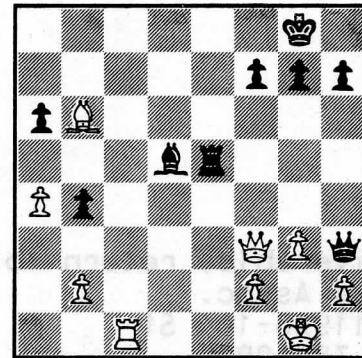
1. d4 Nf6, 2. c4 g6, 3. g3 Bg7 One does not see the King's Indian much in grandmaster games these days so it is a pleasure to see Kasparov play this difficult defense. 4. Bg2 c5, 5. d5 d6, 6. Nc3 O-O, 7. Nf3 e6, 8. O-O ed, 9. cd a6, 10. a4 Re8, 11. Nd2 Nd7, 12. h3 Rb8, 13. Nc4 Ne5, 14. Na3 Nh5, 15. e4 Rf8 A new move introduced by Timman in the 1980 Dutch Championship; it prepares the move ... f5, which represents the only chance for Black. After 16. g4 Black would sacrifice his N on h5 with 16. ... Qh4. 17. gh Bh3, with good chances for the piece. 16. Kh2 f5, 17. f4 b5, 18. ab ab, 19. Nab5 After 19. fe Black does not play ... b4, but first captures on e5: 19. ... Be5, 20. Ne2 Ng3, 21. Ng3 Qh4, 22. Qf3 Bd7, with the threat of ... fe 19. ... fe Strange as it may seem, this position had already appeared in a tournament game: Albert - Olafsson, Reykjavik 1982. In that game white played 20. Na7 and eventually won. 20. Be4 Bd7, 21. Qe2! 21. Nd6 is very risky. After 21. ... Rb6, White is forced to accept the knight sacrifice, but Black gets a strong attack: 22. fe Be5, 23. Nc4 Bg3+, 24. Kg1 Bh3, 25. Bg2 Bg2, 26. Kg2 Rbf6, 27. Rf6 Qf6 21. ... Qb6!, 22. Na3! Rbe8, 23. Bd2? After 23. Qg2, White would have had a superior position. 23. ... Qb2



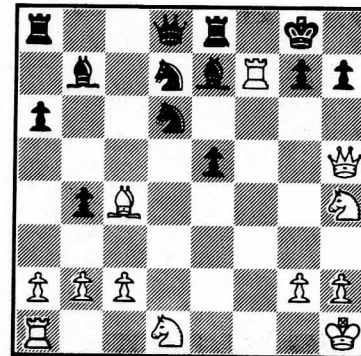
24. fe After losing the pawn on b2, Kortschnoi lost his patience and entered a lost position with 24. fe. 24. ... Be5, 25. Nc4 Ng3, 26. Rf8 Rf8, 27. Qe1 Ne4+, 28. Kg2 Qc2, 29. Ne5 Rf2+? Much better is 29. ... Nd2. White is mated after 30. Nd7 Nf3+, 31. Qe2 Nh4!, 32. Kg1 Qc3, 33. Qe6+ Kh8, 34. Nf8 Qg3+. 30. Qf2 Nf2, 31. Ra2 Qf5, 32. Nd7 Nd3, 33. Bh6 Qd7, 34. Ra8+ Kf7, 35. Rh8? After 35. Ne4 Black would still have been faced with some problems. He can only avoid being mated by 35. ... g5, and then has good chances of winning. 35. ... Kf6!, 36. Kf3? Qh3+, 37. Resigns. (0-1).

Test Your Chess

I. Luckovskij - Gridnev; correspondence 1976.
White to move and win.

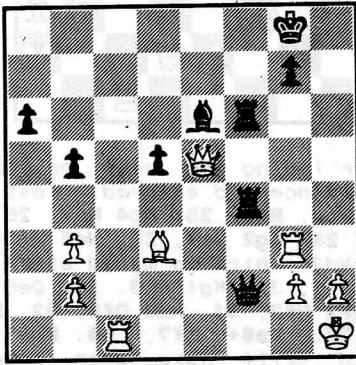


II. Kaplan - Heinrich; Lone Pine 1974. White to move and mate.



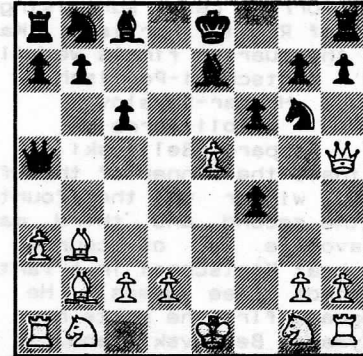
III. Horowitz - Stephens; USA 1944.

White to move and win.



IV. Katalymov-Illivickij; USSR 1957.

White to move and win.



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