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Chess

By George Koltanowski

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| No. 425—19.R-K4 | BxR. |
| No. 427—11.P-Q5 | P-N3. |
| No. 429—16.B-N3 | 17.BxB. |
| No. 431—23.QR-N1 | R-B2. |
| No. 432—23.K-B3 | R-B1ch. |
| No. 433—22.QxP | N-B5ch. |
| No. 435—22.R-Q2 | R1-K5. |

ABSENT-MINDED LASKER

Emanuel Lasker once arrived in Paris bearing in his pocket the key to a nice flat which a London friend, knowing his chronic insolvency, had kindly placed at his disposal. Straight from the railway station he went, not to the flat, but to that world-famous chess players' resort, the Cafe de la Regence, where his brilliant play soon drew a crowd.

When, long past midnight, the time for departure arrived, he suddenly realized he had made no note of the address of the flat so did not know where to go. After a period of some consternation, he was offered a bed by one of his erstwhile opponents, so was saved for the moment.

On rising next day, he wasted no time telegraphing his London friend "What is my address here, please?" With this off his mind, he repaired to the Cafe de la Regence again and there, hour after hour, his play and his repartee alike held the gallery in ecstasy.

When closing time came again, however, it dawned on him with renewed consternation that he had omitted to give his friend any address to which to reply, so was no better off than the night before.

By now the story of his plight was spreading, and, by a thousand-to-one chance, somebody materialised who had met his friend and had an idea where he lived. Lasker went to the address suggested and tried the key. To his joy, it fitted.

In the hall, he found a telegram addressed to him. Opening it, he read "TO LASKER TWELVE RUE DE LATOUR PARIS YOUR ADDRESS IS TWELVE RUE DE LATOUR PARIS."

GAME NO. 660

Played in the Hungarian Championship, 1957.

White: Szily Black: Szoliosi

NIMZOWITCH DEFENSE

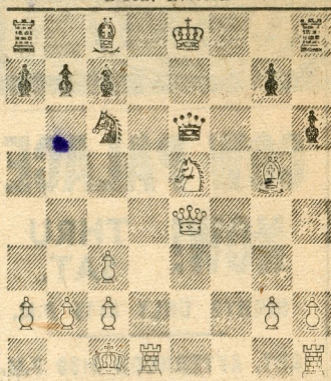
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| 1.P-K4 | N-QB3 | 10.PxBP | PxP |
| 2.P-Q4 | P-Q4 | 11.QxN | B-N5ch |
| 3.N-QB3 | PxP | 12.P-B3 | QxR |
| 4.P-Q5 | N-K4 | 13.BxPch | B-Q2 |
| 5.P-B3 | P-K3 | 14.BxBch | KxB |
| 6.Q-Q4 | Q-B3 | 15.Q-N5ch | K-Q1 |
| 7.NxP | Q-B4 | 16.B-N5ch | P-B3 |
| 8.P-KN4 | QxP | 17.O-Och | K-K2 |
| 9.B-N5ch | P-B3 | 18.Q-N7ch | |

Resigns.

Is this game wild enough for you?

ALEKHINE TOUCH

Black: Everson



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White: Alekhine

1.QxNch and Black resigned. After 1 PxQ; 2.R-Q8 mates.