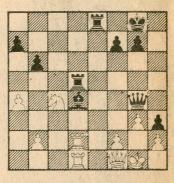
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IT'S YOUR MOVE (86)



Black to move. Solution tomorrow

SOLUTION to yesterday's problem: 1...QxPch; 2.BxQ,RxBch; 3.KxR,R-R3.

PAUL MASSON CHESS FESTIVAL (2)

The only computer, Mychess, played in the simultaneous exhibition of Dr. Max Euwe at this event, and had the Dutchman beat, after Max committed a blunder on the 33rd move.

In the question-and-answer sessions next day, Boris Spassky said that he did not care to play against computers in exhibitions. "I'm just plain afraid of them!" But he did agree that they have come a long way, and in 10 or 20 years, they may be among the top "players" in the world.

Dr. Max Euwe explained his game against *Mychess*, and said that most computers still need great improvement in how to play the endings, but doubted that they will ever become world champions. Asked whether computers would be allowed to play in Candidates matches, Dr. Euwe's reply was, simple: "We will worry about that when the time arrives."

Winners in the 398th month of The Chronicle's ladder-solving competition are Parker Wetzel of San Mateo (an 11th time winner) and E. Ramsey of Oakland. This covers participation up to and including Problem No. 1687.

COMING UP: Sixth annual Berkeley Labor Day chess championship at the Ida Sproul Dining Commons, 2400 Durant Avenue, Berkeley. Round One of this sixround Swiss system begins at noon Saturday. For information, phone T.D. Alan Benson, 642-7477 or 843-0661.