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PETROSIAN WINS 7TH, LEADS TITLE MATCH

Tigran Petrosian, challenger for the world chess championship, moved ahead for the first time by defeating titleholder Mikhail Botvinnik in the seventh game of their match in the Variety Theatre in Moscow.

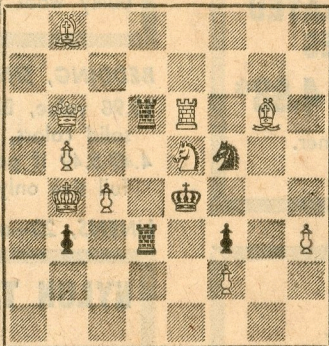
A win for Petrosian in the fifth game followed by a draw in the sixth had left the competitors on even terms. This second victory gave Petrosian the edge by 4-3. Botvinnik's only win to date was earned in the opening game.

The seventh game opened quietly, with positional finessing by both sides. Botvinnik lost ground in attempting to regroup his pieces, and Petrosian soon obtained full control of the important center lines.

On his 24th turn Botvinnik was faced with the prospect of losing at least a pawn. Instead, he parted with a rook for bishop, hoping for a diversion on the king side. Petrosian played to simplify, however, and at adjournment time had a pawn plus in a superior rook ending.

When Botvinnik appeared at the opening of the second session without his usual thermos of coffee it was clear to the initiates that he did not expect a long struggle. He resigned when Petrosian was ready to move forward on both wings.

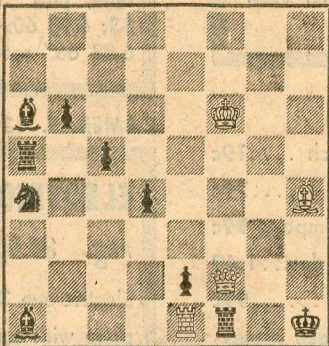
April 14, 1963
TIMES PROBLEM 3475
By G. H. Goethart
BLACK 6



WHITE 10

White mates in two.

TIMES PROBLEM 3476
By A. Akerblom
BLACK 10



WHITE 4

White mates in three.

In Petrosian's first victory he outplayed the champion in an apparently even ending. A series of exchanges early in the fifth game seemed to be the prelude for a routine draw. But Botvinnik was forced to advance a pawn too far into his opponent's territory, and in time this outpost was lost.

Botvinnik regained this pawn, but at the expense of permitting Petrosian's king to penetrate. Timing his moves perfectly, the challenger built up a clearly winning position.

Botvinnik, playing the white pieces in the sixth game, opened with the Queen's Gambit. He obtained a minimal advantage in development, but no lasting initiative. Careful defense by Petrosian succeeded in equalizing.

The unexpeted pinmates are neatly achieved in 3475. The white king is on the spot in 3476, but he plays his role effectively.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3469: Q-Q3
SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3470: K-N3
If P-QB4, 2 N-QB3ch; if P-Q4, 2 N-QB4ch; if P-K4, 2 N-KB4ch; if P-KB4, 2 N-QN1ch.

SOLVERS' LIST

Five points—F. Aks, M. Chutorian, Mrs. G. K. Cooper, K. C. Cummings, C. Foster, W. H. Griffith, G. Guevero, Dr. J. A. Healy, F. Interlandi, J. Kaufman, M. J. Morley, F. J. Munson, I. E. Nordstrom, R. M. Stuarts, C. T. Tongko. Four points—A. S. Olson.

Three points—J. R. Martinez, M. J. Nasanov, D. Newmark, E. J. Wright. Two points—O. H. Ketchum, Mrs. T. T. Lanzi, G. F. Oglesby, M. Roth. One point—R. S. Byrom, J. Gasper, J. Gray, L. M. Harring, W. T. McManus, V. Ritchie, S. Schwartz.

World champion to participate in an American tournament since Dr. Alexander Alekhine won the master tournament in Pasadena in 1932.

As previously announced, the other competitors for the Piatigorsky Cup will be Samuel Reshevsky and Paul Benko of the United States, Miguel Najdorf and Oscar R. Panno of Argentina, Svetozar Gligoric of Yugoslavia and Fridrik Olafsson of Iceland.

The eight grandmasters will play a double robin for a prize fund of \$10,000, the largest ever offered for a chess tournament. Your editor will be the director.

PHOENIX OPEN TOURNEY

The open tournament of the Phoenix Chess Club will start at 8 p.m. Friday at the Adult Center, 1101 W Washington St., Phoenix. It will be a six-round Swiss system, with three rounds next Saturday and the others on Sunday.

The entrance fee is \$7, of which \$2 will be refunded upon completion of the schedule. Membership is required in the U.S. Chess Federation. The tournament director is William Fox, 6313 N 31st Dr., Phoenix 17, Ariz.

HAMILTON AFB TOURNEY

The third annual open tournament at the Hamilton Air Force Base (24 miles north of San Francisco on U.S. Highway 101) will take place April 26 to 28. It will be a six-round Swiss system event, with one game Friday evening, three on Saturday and the final two on Sunday.

The prizes are expected to be \$125, \$75 and \$50, with special prizes for the highest scorers in various categories. The entrance fee is \$10. Membership is required in both the U.S. Chess Federation and the California State Chess Federation.

To enter or for further information write to A2C Charles R. Savery, Hq 28th Air Division, Box 779, Hamilton AFB, Cal.

BOROCHOW TO EXHIBIT

The Sequoyah School is sponsoring a simultaneous exhibition by former California champion Harry Borochow, to start at 8 p.m. Friday at the Neighborhood Church, 535 S Pasadena Ave., Pasadena.

The charge for players will be \$1.50 and for spectators 75 cents. Participants are requested to bring their own sets and boards.

CHESS OLYMPICS, VARNA

SICILIAN DEFENSE			
Porvaldsson		Porvaldsson	
Vesterinen		Vesterinen	
Iceland	Finland	Iceland	Finland
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-QB4	15-P-K5	BPxP
2-N-KB3	N-QB3	16-Q-R6	N-N5
3-P-Q4	PxP	17-P-QR3	NxP
4-NxP	N-B3	18-KxN	Q-R5ch
5-N-QB3	P-Q3	19-K-B	P-N5
6-B-KN5	P-K3	20-PxP	Q-R8ch
7-P-B4	B-K2	21-K-Q2	QxPch
8-Q-Q2	P-QR3	22-K-K	RxN
9-O-O-O	B-Q2	23-Q-Q2	R-B7
10-N-B3	P-N4	24-Q-K3	P-Q4
11-BxN	Q-R4	25-B-K2	BxPch
12-P-B5	PxP	26-K-B	RxB
13-K-N	R-QB	Resigns	
14-PxP	PxP		

5TH MATCH GAME

GRUNFELD DEFENSE

Petrosian	Botvinnik	Petrosian	Botvinnik
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-QB4	P-KN3	25-B-B3	B-R6
2-P-Q4	N-KB3	26-R-B2	NxBch
3-N-QB3	P-Q4	27-RxN	B-N5
4-N-B3	B-N2	28-R-B2	K-K2
5-P-K3	O-O	29-N-Q2	P-B6
6-B-K2	PxP	30-N-K4	B-R4
7-BxP	P-B4	31-K-Q3	R-Q8
8-P-Q5	P-K3	32-K-B4	R-Qch
9-PxP	QxQch	33-NxP	R-KR8
10-KxB	BxP	34-N-K4	RxP
11-BxB	PxB	35-K-Q4	K-Q2
12-K-K2	N-B3	36-B-N3	B-N5
13-R-Q	QR-Q	37-K-K5	R-R4ch
14-RxR	RxR	38-K-B6	B-K2ch
15-N-KN5	R-K	39-K-N7	P-K4
16-KN-K4	NxN	40-R-B6	R-R8
17-NxN	P-N3	41-K-B7	R-R8
18-R-N	N-N5	42-R-K6	B-Q
19-B-Q2	N-Q4	43-R-Q6ch	K-B
20-P-QR4	R-QB	44-K-K8	B-B2
21-P-QN3	B-B	45-R-QB6	R-Q8
22-R-QB	B-K2	46-N-B5	R-Qch
23-P-QN4	P-B5	47-K-B7	R-Q2ch
24-P-N5	K-B2	48-K-N8	Resigns

6TH MATCH GAME

QUEEN'S GAMBIT

Botvinnik	Petrosian	Botvinnik	Petrosian
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	P-Q4	15-QR-Q	P-QN3
2-P-QB4	PxP	16-Q-R5	NxB
3-N-KB3	N-KB3	17-NxN	P-R4
4-P-K3	P-K3	18-N-K5	Q-K2
5-BxP	P-B4	19-R-Q2	P-B3
6-O-O	P-QR3	20-N-Q3	P-K4
7-P-QR4	N-B3	21-NxB	QxN
8-Q-K2	B-K2	22-Q-Q	B-K3
9-PxP	BxP	23-R-K	QR-B
10-P-K4	N-KN5	24-P-R3	Q-N5
11-B-B4	Q-B3	25-R-K3	R-B5
12-B-KN3	KN-K4	26-P-N3	R-B3
13-NxN	NxN	27-K-R2	P-QN4
14-N-Q2	O-O	Drawn	

7TH MATCH GAME

ENGLISH OPENING

Petrosian	Botvinnik	Petrosian	Botvinnik
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-QB4	P-KN3	27-RxP	P-B5
2-N-KB3	B-N2	28-Q-Q2	B-QB3
3-N-B3	P-K4	29-R-Q3	B-N4
4-P-KN3	N-K2	30-R-Q4	PxPch
5-B-N2	O-O	31-PxP	BxR
6-P-Q4	PxP	32-QxBch	Q-N2
7-NxP	QN-B3	33-QxQch	KxQ
8-NxN	NxN	34-R-B2	R-K
9-O-O	P-Q3	35-K-N2	K-B3
10-B-Q2	B-N5	36-K-B2	B-B3
11-P-KR3	B-K3	37-BxB	PxB
12-P-N3	Q-Q2	38-R-B4	K-K4
13-K-R2	QR-K	39-R-R4	R-QR
14-R-B	P-B4	40-R-R6	K-Q4
15-N-Q5	K-R	41-P-QN4	K-B5
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20-BxN	Q-B	46-K-N5	R-K
21-P-KR4	R-K2	47-RxP	RxP
22-B-B3	B-B2	48-R-R7	R-K4ch
23-Q-R5	B-K	49-K-B4	R-K2
24-P-B5	P-Q4	50-R-N7	K-K3
25-B-Q6	Q-Q2	51-P-R4	K-Q2
26-BxR	QxB	52-R-N8	Resigns

PETROSIAN, KERES ENTER PIATIGORSKY TOURNEY

After considerable negotiation with the hierarchy in Soviet chess circles, confirmation has been received of the acceptance of Tigran Petrosian and Paul Keres as the Russian entrants in the Piatigorsky Cup Tournament, scheduled at the Ambassador Hotel in July.

Originally invited by the committee representing the Piatigorsky Foundation were Petrosian and Mikhail Botvinnik. The first reply was that neither would be available because of the rigor of the world championship match now going on.

Jerry Spann of Oklahoma City, former president of the U.S. Chess Federation and now vice president of the International Chess Federation, took over the negotiations and his persistence paid off.

Should Petrosian win the current match and then play here, he would be the first