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# NAJDORF, KERES LEAD

IN CUP TOURNEY

Two veteran grandmasters are showing their younger competitors some of the finer points of the game in the first few rounds of the Piatigorsky Cup Chess Tournament at the Ambassador Hotel.

Miguel Najdorf of Argentina, who at 53 is the oldest of the eight participants, started with a fine victory over his country-

man, Oscar Panno. Another point that Najdorf wrested from former U.S. champion Samuel Reshevsky of New York, and draws with Fridrik Olafsson of Iceland and Svetozar Gligoric of Yugoslavia left the South American in a clear lead after five rounds of the tournament.

better percentage, An even though with fewer completed cames, was set by 47-year-old aul Keres of Estonia. In his first start he drew a carefully contested game with newly crowned world champion gran Petrosian of Russia.

Keres then defeated Pal Benko of New York with a bril-liantly conceived sacrifice of the exchange which led to superior rook ending. His victory over Olafsson had much less glamour, but counted as much on the scoreboard.

This game, which went to 86 moves and almost 11 hours of play, had a little of everything -forceful positional play, hard defense, fine endgame strategy, and for a spell it could serve as an example of how not to play chess.

Olafsson had all the better of the opening. He advanced his pawns and before adjournment established one on K7, where it effectively tied down Keres queen. In addition, Olafsson had two bishops on good lines opposed to two knights.

Perhaps it looked too easy, and Olafsson did not study the position too critically at journment time. At any rate, he moved his pieces rather aimlessly at the start of the second session.

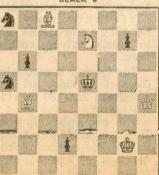
July 14, 1963 TIMES PROBLEM 3501
By H. Zajic
BLACK 9



A—White mates in two.

B—Move the black queen to its Q3, and White mates in two.

TIMES PROBLEM 3502 By H. Vetter



WHITE White mates in three.

There are two distinct problems in 3501, depending on the position of the black queen. The defenses are subtly distinguished. Two points will be allowed for each correct answer. Long distance echoed mates are the main idea in 3502, which also has an odd byplay.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3495: N-K7 SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3496: Q-R5 Threat, 2 QxPch; if NxQ, 2 PxP; if P-QN5, 2 Q-B5.

#### SOLVERS' LIST

Five points—B. Aabor, F. Aks, A. Avogadro, L. Baron, P. J. Burton, F. Gross, M. Chutorian, C. Foster, W. H. Griffith, C. R. Hartsborn, Dr. J. A. Healy, G. Leon-Martin, N. Lesser, J. R. Martinez, F. J. Munson, I. E. Nordstrom, R. M. Stuarts.

Three points—G. Guerrero, M. Silverman, S. Silverman, Two points
—E. P. Kelty. One point — J. T. Haag, D. Hall, O. H. Ketchum, M. —E. P. Kelty. O Haag, D. Hall, O Roth, S. Schwarz.

W Resnevsky White 22-RxQ 23-R-R 24-R-R3 25-RxQP 27-R-Q6 28-R-Q7 27-R-Q6 30-B-B3 31-R-N3 33-P-N3 33-P-N3 33-P-N3 33-R-N5 34-R-N5 Reshevski Vhite 1-P-QB4 2-P-Q4 3-P-KN3 4-B-N2 5-P-Q5 6-N-QB3 7-P-QR4 Benko Black N-KB3 P-KN3 B-N2 P-B4 P-Q3 P-QR3 O-O P-K4 N-K B-N5 BXN fensive skill was put the The artful way in which he cut off the passed pawn and finally captured it is worthy of careful study. It was still quite task to win the ending, but are and patience finally ac-10-P. 64 11-Q-N3 12-B×B 12-B×B 13-B-N2 13-B-N2 14-N-N5 15-B-Q2 16-R-R3 17-Q×N 18-B-R3 19-P-B3 19-P-B3 19-P-B3 20-R-N3 21-Q-N6 QQ complished it. K-B2 K-K2 Petrosian, in first conhis test as world champion, started poorly. He lost to Gligoric in a rook and pawn ending after a seemingly equal game for most of the session. Resigns In the third round Petrosian came back with a good win against Benko, who had sacri-ficed a knight for three pawns. KING'S FIANCHETTO OPENING Olafsson Keres Olafsson Black White P-Q4 45-B-Q P-R5 P-QN4 Q-Q2 N-B2 Q-B3 1-N-KB3 2-P-KN3 3-B-N2 4-P-B4 5-P×P 6-O-O P-944 46-0-B2
N-92 47-0-B2
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P-9B3 48-0-92
P-9B3 50-0-KB2
P-K3 51-B-R4
B-84 53-0-N3
N-N3 55-K-9-R3
N-N3 55-C-9-B3
P-9R3 53-B-N4
KN-92 50-B-B-B-R4
R-94 60-0-B-B-B-R4
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R-96 88-R5 Petrosian held the pawns at bay, in the meantime building up threats with the aid of the extra piece. N-K P-R4 Q-K3 K-R3 K-R3 K-R3 Q-K9 Q-K3 Q-K3 Q-K3 Q-K3 N-B5 K-R2 Q-K3 K-R2 Q-K3 N-R2 K-R2 R-R3 In the final position Benko's knight was pinned, and a neat bit of tactics won a second piece 11-B-B4 12-Q-K2 13-QR-B 14-P-KN4 15-B-N3 16-N-KR4 17-K-R 18-N-N 19-N-B5 by force. Benko resigned when this became inevitable. is became Following detailed are the results and games from the See the news from the tournament. pages of The latest standing Times for the 20-P-B4 21-NPxB 22-PxP 23-B-B2 24-N-Q2 standings. ROUND 2—Panno 1, Reshevsky 0. ROUND 3—Najdorf ½, Gligoric ½; Reshevsky ½; Olafsson ½; Pe-trosian 1, Benko 0; Keres vs. Panno, adjourned. Q-K3 N×Q N-R3 K-B2 N-B5 K-B3 NP×B N-B2 K-N4 ROUND 4—Gligoric ½; Benko ½; Olafsson 0, Keres 1; Najdorf 1, Reshevsky 0; Panno vs. Petrosian, adjourned. ROUND 5—Petrosian ½; Olafsson ½; Reshevsky vs. Gligoric post-poned, Keres vs. Najdorf and Benko vs. Panno, adjourned. K-B2 K-B3 K-B4 N-B5 AWARDS BANQUET The closing events of the Piatigorsky Cup Chess Tourna-43-0-N5 43-0-N5 QUEEN'S INDIAN DEFENSE | Naidorf | Reshevsky | Naidorf | Neshevsky | Naidorf | Neshevsky | Naidorf | Neshevsky | Naidorf Black N-N4 Q-Q3 P-QN3 23-Q-K5 B-N2 25-P-N3 B-K2 26-P-B3 0-0 27-P-K4 N-K5 28-R×R N×N 29-P×QP B-K5 31-R-R5 N-R3 32-B-B N-B2 33-K-B2 P-KB4 34-B-K2 B×N 35-P-QN4 B-N4 36-P-KR4 R-B 37-P×P P-N4 38-R×KRP B×B 39-K-K NPXP 40-B×N P-Q4 41-R-QB5 Q-K2 Chess Federation, will be open to the public. Jerry Spann, vice president of the federation, will preside. Mr. and Mrs. Gregor Piatigorsky, who organized the tournament, will be the hon-NxQ R-QB2 KR-B RXP RXR PxP K-B2 R-B8ch R-B2 K-K3 ored guests. Reservations must be made P-N4 P-R4 in advance, at \$6 per person. Checks should be made to Bev-Hotel and sent to 17-R PXP -B5 erly Hills R-B7 N-B5 Committee, Banquet 19-QXB 20-PXBP Orange Grove Ave., L.A. 46. Resigns QUEEN'S INDIAN DEFENSE Keres Benko Black White BH N-KB3 23-R-B4 P-K3 24-Q-K4 Benko KIN White 1-P-Q4 2-P-QB4 3-N-QB3 4-Q-N3 5-QxBP 6-Q-N5ch 7-N-B3 8-P-K4 9-Q-R4 10-Q-Q 11-P-QR3 12-N-QN 13-P-QN4 14-P-XN 15-B-Q2 KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE White 1-P-QB4 2-N-KB3 3-P-Q4 4-P-KN3 Black P-B3 Benko P-N3 QR-Q P-R3 P-QN4 N-N3 P-QN3 RXQ 26-RXQP 27-PXN B-R3 B-K2 NXR 5-Q-R4 6-N-B3 BxN Q-N4ch RXBP 29-R-N7 -B-N2 0-0 N-K5 PXP PXP P-B3 K-B2 PXP N-R7 RXP 8-0-0 31-R-N3 32-K-N2 33-K-B3 34-R-R3 K-B2 P-N4 K-K3 P-R4 Q-B BxB P-QB4 -KR5 K-K4 P-B5 K-B3 N-B6 N-B3 B-B3 R-N3 RxPch R-R6ch Q-K QxPch N-K4 R-K 42-RXQBP 20-Q-B2 Resigns

# Yugoslav and Argentine Tie for Lead in Chess

BY ISAAC KASHDAN, Times Chess Editor

Svetozar Gligoric of Yu-|rapid transit play at the end after the sixth round of the Benko had one. Piatigorsky Cup Chess Tour- Benko's proved more nament at the Ambassador.

Oscar Panno of Argentina. He sacrificed a rook for a knight and still got a mating attack to which Panno had

no defense.

Gligoric drew in 24 moves Friday with Samuel Reshevsky of New York. This game had been postponed due to Reshevsky's illness.

Najdorf and Gligoric are Petrosian had been trying the only undefeated contestants to date.

### Loses to American

Keres lost for the first time to Reshevsky. The American ace built up strong position, forcing weaknesses in Keres' king side pawns. Fine tactics in a queen and rook ending netted Reshevsky two pawns and the game.

the group completed Friday will be: was between Panno and Pal Keres vs. Gligoric; Petro-Benko of New York. Benko sian vs Reshevsky; Benko vs had the advantage early but Najdorf and Panno vs. Olafthen seemed to go wrong in son.

goslavia and Miguel Najdorf of the first session. At that of Argentina were tied for point Panno had two confirst place with scores of 4-2 nected passed pawns and

threatening, however, and a Gligoric won a brilliant few problem-like moves led game in 31 moves from to a clear win for Benko after both players promoted a pawn to queen. This was the high point for Benko.

> Shortly afterward he lost to Fridrik Olafsson of Iceland in a game where the latter had a powerful passed pawn.

### Three Adjourned Games

Najdorf drew two games Panno, who had to play off against the Soviet's contin-three adjourned games, gent-world chess champion drew with both Keres and Tigran Petrosian and Paul Petrosian. The latter game went to 111 moves.

to win with no force but rook and bishop versus rook. He finally gave up the effort.

Keres is in third place with a score of 31/2-21/2. Other scores after six rounds are: Olafsson, Petrosian and Reshevsky, 3-3; Panno, 2-4; and Benko, 11/2-41/2.

The seventh round will be played at 1 p.m. Sunday in the Boulevard Room of the The most exciting game of Ambassador. The pairings