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KERES, GELLER LEAD CURACAO TOURNEY

Play continued through the 20th round last week with virtually no change in the relative standings of the eight grandmasters in the Candidates' Chess Tournament in Curacao.

Paul Keres of Estonia and Ewfim Geller of Moscow were tied for first place with scores of 13½-6½. Geller has not been defeated, winning seven games and drawing 13. Keres lost but once in an early round against former U.S. champion Bobby Fischer of Brooklyn.

Tigran Petrosian of the Soviet Union, who has never been far from the lead, was in third place with a tally of 13-7. He is the only other undefeated player, but tops the others in drawn games with 14.

Victor Korchnoi of Leningrad had been up with the leaders until he ran into a bad streak, dropping four games in succession. He recovered in his last two starts, defeating Fischer and Dr. Miroslav Filip of Czechoslovakia to edge into fourth place.

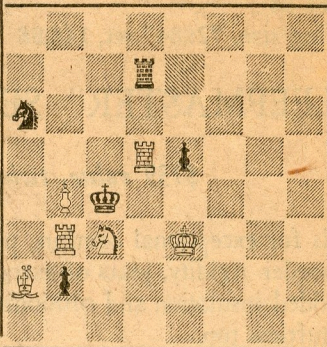
Fischer, who has been at or about the half-way mark for some time, maintained this pace for the week. He scored a point in an adjourned game with Filip, drew with Petrosian and with former world champion Mikhail Tal of Latvia, but lost to Korchnoi.

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By H. Leihs

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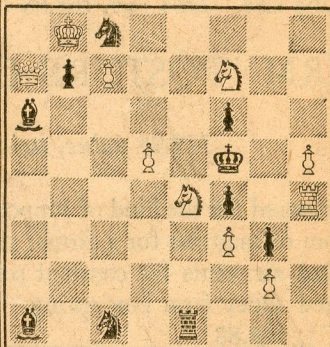
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White mates in two.

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By R. Düringer

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White mates in three.

The second American in the event, Pal Benko of New York, who had been in a tie for fourth last week, dropped back to sixth place. He lost twice, to Petrosian and Benko, and drew with Korchnoi.

Neither of the tailenders, Tal or Filip, has won a game in the last six rounds. Their chances of improving are quite slim in the remaining eight rounds of the tournament.

Following are the results of last week's play, the standings after 20 rounds, and some game scores.

ROUND 17—Keres 1, Korchnoi 0; Fischer 1, Filip 0.

ROUND 18—Geller 1, Filip 0; Tal ½, Fischer ½; Korchnoi ½, Benko ½; Petrosian ½, Keres ½.

ROUND 19—Keres ½, Geller ½; Benko 0, Petrosian 1; Fischer 0, Korchnoi 1; Filip ½, Tal ½.

ROUND 20—Geller 1, Tal 0; Korchnoi 1, Filip 0; Petrosian ½, Fischer ½; Keres 1, Benko 0.

STANDINGS OF THE PLAYERS

	W	L	D	Tot.
Keres	8	1	11	13½
Geller	7	0	13	13½
Petrosian	6	0	14	13
Korchnoi	6	5	9	10½
Fischer	6	6	8	10
Benko	4	7	9	8½
Tal	3	10	7	6½
Filip	2	13	5	4½

SOUTHERN CALIF. OPEN

Entries close at 7:30 p.m. Friday for the second annual Southern California Open Championship, to be contested next weekend at the Santa Monica Bay Chess Club, Joslyn Hall, Wilshire and Lincoln Blvds. in Santa Monica.

A guaranteed prize fund of \$525 will be distributed to the winners, with a minimum of \$225 plus a trophy for first prize. The entrance fee is \$10.50. The first round will start at 8 p.m. Friday. Three rounds are slated for Saturday, with the final two on Sunday.

NORTH-SOUTH RESULTS

Following are additional pairings and results of the North-South match played June 3 at Fresno. The first 12 boards were published last week. As noted, the South team was badly defeated for the fifth successive year.

Donald Bengé has suggested that in the future the Los Angeles area should challenge Baja California to a match. Then we would be the North team, with better prospects for victory!

NORTH		SOUTH	
McClain	1	Metz	0
Dr. Ruys	1	Robinson	0
Janushkowsky	½	Stani	½
Hendricks	1	Benge	0
Rasmussen	½	Tabash	½
Sprague	1	G. Hultgren	0
Turner	½	Gates	½
Bedford	0	Maron	1
R. Hultgren	1	R. Baker	0
Wrany	½	Rader	½
Willson	1	FK. Frilling	0
Jonas	½	Domanski	½
Freeman	1	Offenbach	0
Lien	0	Mrs. Grumette	0
Kimball	1	Gibbs	1
Sanders	0	Bukey	1
Harris	0	Wheeler	1
Van Gelder	1	A. M. Smith	0
Rebold	0	Sweet	1
Warner	1	Ulrich	0
Mattingly	½	Miller	½
Christensen	1	Forrest	0
Chuzman	1	Legler	0
Oakes	1	Fd. Frilling	0
Schnoor	0	Tillinghast	1
Havill	1	A. Baker	0
Zipfel	1	Fink	0
Krogness	1	Walker	0
Savery	0	Clark	1
C. J. Smith	1	Hawksworth	0
Mrs. Smith	0	Austin	1

HIGH SCHOOL TOURNEY

The Fairfax High School chess team scored 21½ points of a possible 24 to win first place in the 11th annual Los Angeles City High School tournament held at Hollywood High School. A total of 120 participants representing 25 schools enrolled in the event.

The top ranking players for Fairfax were captain Jack Friedman with 5½, Joel Goldberg with 6, and Norman Prinsky and David Cohen, 5 each. This was the sixth victory in the last seven years for Fairfax.

The lightest two-mover has a good key and straight forward mates. In 3390 any check by the queen on a white square is mate. The trick is to get there.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3383: N-B6.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3384: R-N5.

Threat, 2 P-Q4ch; if B-N5, 2 Q-K6ch; if B-B5, 2 Q-Q6ch; if P-B6, 2 R-K4ch; if N-N4, 2 QxNch; if Q-K5, 2 RxQch.

SOLVERS' LIST

Five points—M. Chutorian, W. W. Irwin, R. Roslin, R. M. Stuart. Four points—F. Aks, D. Bengé, I. E. Nordstrom, L. A. Victor, F. Wander, G. Winkelman. Three points—P. J. Burton.

Two points—D. H. Armsby, F. C. Bowman, P. Dunn, Dr. J. A. Healy, M. A. Jaro, F. B. Jones, J. R. Martinez, C. Mosby, G. F. Oglesby, S. Schwarz, C. T. Tongko. One point—R. E. Castator, J. T. Haag, R. R. Hubbs, C. T. Patterson, W. Ringer, Mrs. L. T. Stockman.

Second place went to Hollywood High School with a total of 17½ points. Other winning schools were Dorsey, 16½, Venice, 16, and South Gate, 15½.

Following are other top individual scorers and the schools they represented: David Gimpel, Los Angeles, 6; Jerome Levin, Grant, 5½; Michael Sheehan and Gary Walsh, Dorsey, 5; William Tomlinson, Hollywood, 5; Lance Gresham, Grant, 4½; Rick Holt, South Gate, 4½; and Louis Portillo, Franklin, 4½.

Norman Gottlieb, teacher at Hollywood High School, directed the tournament. Your editor helped to adjudicate games, as did Allan Troy and Irving Rivise.

RUY LOPEZ

Tal	Fischer	Tal	Fischer
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-K4	16-P-KR3	N-N4
2-N-KB3	N-QB3	17-NxN	PxN
3-B-N5	B-B4	18-B-N3	Q-B4
4-P-B3	KN-K2	19-R-QB	Q-Q3
5-P-Q4	PxP	20-Q-B3	B-Q2
6-PxP	B-N5ch	21-P-N4	N-N6
7-B-Q2	BxBch	22-PxN	QxPch
8-QxB	P-QR3	23-K-B	P-KB4
9-B-R4	P-Q4	24-P-N5	P-B5
10-PxP	QxP	25-P-Q6ch	K-R
11-N-B3	Q-K3ch	26-PxP	QR-K
12-K-B	Q-B5ch	27-B-Q5	BxPch
13-K-N	O-O	28-RxB	QxRch
14-P-Q5	N-R2	29-K-B2	Drawn
15-R-K	N-B4		

KING'S FIANCHETTO GAME

Benko	Keres	Benko	Keres
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-KN3	P-K4	30-B-N3	QR-N
2-P-K4	N-KB3	31-QR-B	RxRch
3-B-N2	N-B3	32-BxR	R-N7
4-N-QB3	B-B4	33-P-B4	KN-B5
5-P-Q3	P-Q3	34-B-N3	N-Q7
6-N-R4	B-N5ch	35-N-Q3	QNXB
7-P-B3	B-R4	36-PxN	RxP
8-P-QN4	B-N3	37-N-B2	K-Q3
9-N-B3	B-K3	38-K-N2	R-N7
10-O-O	Q-Q2	39-R-Q	K-B2
11-B-N5	N-KN	40-N-Q3	R-R7
12-P-Q4	B-N5	41-N-N4	R-N7
13-P-N5	N-R4	42-N-Q3	R-R7
14-Q-Q3	P-KB3	43-P-K5	PxP
15-B-K3	N-K2	44-PxP	N-B5ch
16-P-B4	O-O	45-K-B3	R-Q7
17-Q-B3	N-N3	46-RxR	NxRch
18-P-B5	BxN	47-K-K3	N-N6
19-BxB	KPxP	48-N-B4	K-Q2
20-QxP	N-K4	49-P-R4	N-B4
21-B-K2	PxP	50-N-R5	N-K3
22-QxQ	NxQ	51-K-Q3	P-B4
23-KR-Q	KR-Q	52-K-B4	K-B3
24-B-N4	N-K4	53-N-B4	NxN
25-B-K6ch	K-B	54-PxN	P-N3
26-BxPch	BxB	55-P-R5	P-R4
27-NxB	K-K2	56-P-R6	P-R5
28-B-Q5	P-B3	Resigns	
29-PxP	PxP		

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

Filip	Benko	Filip	Benko
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	N-KB3	22-R-KB2	P-Q4
2-P-QB4	P-KN3	23-PxP	PxP
3-N-QB3	B-N2	24-P-KR4	P-Q5
4-P-K4	O-O	25-B-R6	B-B3
5-P-B3	P-Q3	26-B-N5	B-K4
6-KN-K2	N-B3	27-P-B4	B-N2
7-B-K3	P-QR3	28-P-B5	P-Q6
8-Q-Q2	B-Q2	29-PxP	RPxP
9-N-B	P-K4	30-R-KB3	R-K7
10-N-N3	PxP	31-QxP	QxP
11-NxP	R-K	32-RxP	RxPch
12-B-K2	N-KR4	33-K-B	KxB
13-O-O	N-B5	34-RxBch	KxR
14-BxN	NxN	35-R-B7ch	K-R
15-B-N5	NxBch	36-PxR	R-Bch
16-NxN	Q-N	37-K-K	Q-K4ch
17-N-B3	B-K3	38-K-Q	QxR
18-N-Q5	BxN	39-Q-Q4ch	Q-N2
19-BPxB	P-QB4	40-Q-R4ch	K-N
20-PxPe.p.	PxP	41-Q-B4ch	Q-B2
21-QR-B	Q-N4	Resigns	

SICILIAN DEFENSE

Keres	Filip	Keres	Filip
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-QB4	15-B-B3	B-K3
2-N-KB3	P-K3	16-N-R5	Q-B2
3-P-Q4	PxP	17-PxP	PxP
4-NxP	P-QR3	18-B-B4	B-Q2
5-B-Q3	N-KB3	19-B-N3	QR-K
6-O-O	Q-B2	20-Q-K3	B-B
7-N-Q2	B-B4	21-N-B4	N-Q2
8-QN-N3	B-K2	22-Q-N3	B-B4
9-P-KB4	P-Q3	23-R-B5	R-K2
10-Q-B3	O-O	24-QR-KB	P-R3
11-B-Q2	N-B3	25-NxP	B-Q3
12-NxN	PxN	26-RxP	QRxR
13-K-R	P-K4	27-RxR	RxR
14-B-R5	Q-N	28-BxR ch	Resigns