

# CHESS

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## HOLLAND TO STAGE INTERZONAL CHESS

The 1964 Interzonal Tournament, second round of the cycle to determine a candidate for the World Chess Championship, is expected to take place in Amsterdam, Holland, from May 20 to June 25.

Three American players have qualified to enter the Interzonal, U.S. champion Bobby Fischer, and former champions Samuel Reshevsky and Arthur B. Bisguier. This was based on their top ranking in the 1962-63 U.S. Championship Tournament.

Zonal tournaments have been held for the last year in various parts of the world to complete a field of 23 in the Interzonal. Nine zones have been set up by the International Chess Federation, with varying numbers to be qualified, depending on the strength of the players.

The last zonal tournament, to select four players from the Soviet Union, is being contested now in Moscow. The participants are David Bronstein, Ratmir Cholmov, Ewfim Geller, Victor Korchnoi, Boris Spassky, Leonid Stein and Aleksis Suetin.

Three players have been selected from each of three European zonals, three from South America, and one each from Canada, Central America and the Pacific. In addition former world champion Mikhail Tal is seeded.

The top six in the Interzonal will qualify for the Candidates Tournament to be held next year. They will be joined by Paul Keres, runnerup in the previous Candidates, and former world champion Mikhail Botvinnik.

The Candidates Tournament will operate on a new plan: as a series of elimination matches, rather than as a series of round-robins as in the past. This will avoid the possibility of the Russians, who have had multiple entries in the event, from ganging up against any particular opponent.

This was a point that Fischer made when he finished in fourth place in the Candidates Tournament in Curacao in 1962. He stated at the time that he would never play in a similar event.

We trust he will change his mind, as Fischer is certainly the greatest American player of this generation, and the only one in sight with a real chance to capture the world title.

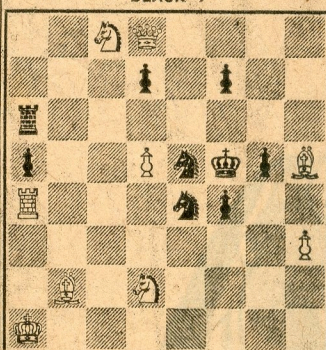
The Russians are far more active in chess than anyone else and have about as many grandmasters as all the rest of the world put together. They have held a monopoly on the world championship since Botvinnik won it in 1948.

They can be beaten, however, and Fischer has had his share of successes against them. He has to continue in competition at every opportunity. Just 21 this month, time is on his side.

Should any of the three Americans qualified not go to Amsterdam, his place would be taken by former U.S. champion Larry Evans. Next in line would be California champion William G. Addison.

March 1, 1964  
TIMES PROBLEM 3567  
By N. Dimitrov

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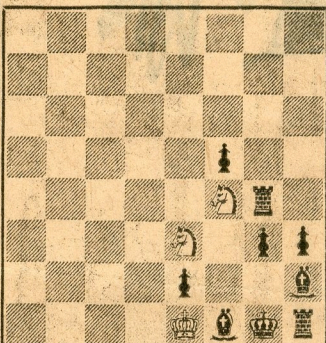


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White mates in two.

TIMES PROBLEM 3568

By R. Pille  
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WHITE 3

White mates in three.

Any knight move is a defense in 3567. Some good variations result. Can two knights mate unassisted? They can if Black has enough force, as witness 3568.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3561: B-Q5

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3562: Q-QN7  
If K-N8, 2 Q-KB7; if B any, 2-Q-R7ch;  
if P-Q5, 2 R-R2ch; if P-B6 or P-N7,  
2 Q-R6ch.

### SOLVERS' LIST

**Five points**—F. Aks, W. Bunyan, M. Chutorian, Mrs. R. Coogan, D. A. Daggett, W. H. Griffith, C. R. Hartshorn, G. Leon-Martin, F. J. Munson, I. E. Nordstrom, J. M. Rios, R. Roslin, G. M. Shapiro, C. E. Stern.

**Two points**—D. O. Alrigo, W. J. Darrow, W. M. Edwards, C. Foster, J. T. Haag, A. E. Hampel, Dr. J. A. Healy, M. O. Jackson, S. L. Kantor, O. H. Ketchum, N. H. Kimel, N. Lesser, K. J. Taylor, G. M. Yuki.

**One point**—H. Eckel, A. J. Jackson, M. W. MacLeod, V. P. Olvey Jr., S. Schwarz.

Various tries in 3562 fail because of the defense P-N7 and P-N8, queening with check.

two rounds each day through Tuesday, July 7.

The prizes will be in categories, based on ratings of the U.S. Chess Federation. Players of every degree of chess skill thus may aspire to the cash and trophy awards.

The first prize in the general category will be \$300 and a trophy. Four other prizes range from \$200 to \$25. There are three prizes each for players in Class A, B, C and unrated, with \$1100 to be distributed to this group.

Special prizes will also be awarded to the three highest juniors and the two highest women participants. Additional prizes may be announced.

The entry fee will be \$20, with membership required in the USCF. The tournament director will be George Koltanowski. To register in advance, or for additional information, write to Art Gamlin, 611 N Main, Las Vegas, Nev.

RUSSIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

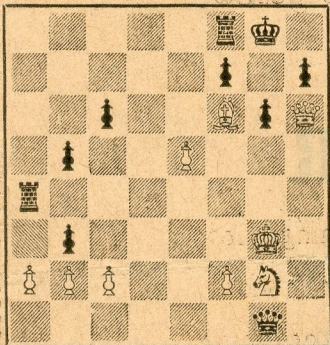
RUY LOPEZ

Tal Brinck-Claussen | Tal Brinck-Claussen

## CHECKMATE AND CHECKMATE

The following position arose in a game between Dely and Koberl in the Hungarian Championship Tournament last year. White is threatening mate in one which cannot be parried.

That is, there is no direct defense. But Black has a check, then another, and finally a whole series of checks which succeed admirably in turning the tables.



### Black to Play

1-.....	R--N5ch	9-K-Q4	Q-N5ch
2-KxR	QxNch	10-K-K3	Q-N6ch
3-K-B4	QxPch	11-K-Q4	R-B5ch
4-K-K4	Q-K7ch	12-K-Q5	Q-B6ch
5-K-Q4	P-B4ch	13-K-Q6	Q-B3ch
6-KxP	Q-B5ch	14-K-K7	Q-K3ch
7-K-Q6	Q-K3ch	15-K-Q8	R-B mate
8-K-B5	R-Bch		

Of course, Black could have drawn easily, but to win required accurate play to get the rook into action in co-ordination with the queen. The game illustrates the old adage, which rarely works out, "Always check, it may be mate!"

## LAS VEGAS OPEN

With all its other attractions Las Vegas will be the chess capital of the West over the July 4 weekend with the running of an unusually lavish Open Tournament at the Hotel Sahara.

The Las Vegas Chess Club is offering over \$2,000 in prizes for the event, which will be a seven-round Swiss system. The first round will be played Saturday afternoon, July 4, and

White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-K4	17-N-B4	R(3)-K
2-N-KB3	N-QB3	18-P-N5	PxP
3-B-N5	P-QR3	19-PxP	RxR
4-B-R4	P-Q3	20-RxR	QN-Q
5-P-B3	B-Q2	21-P-N6	PxP
6-PQ4	P-KN3	22-NxNP	Q-B3
7-O-O	B-N2	23-N-Q5	B-B
8-PxP	PxP	24-P-R4	K-N2
9-B-KN5	P-B3	25-P-R5	B-B4
10-B-K3	N-R3	26-BxB	QxB
11-QN-Q2	N-B2	27-R-R4	R-K3
12-P-QN4	O-O	28-R-B4	Q-R2
13-B-N3	R-K	29-R-B7	R-R
14-P-QR4	B-K3	30-Q-N4	PxP
15-BxB	RxB	31-Q-K7	Q-R
16-Q-N3	Q-Q2	32-N-R4	Resigns

### QUEEN'S GAMBIT

Geller	Sacharov	Geller	Sacharov
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-Q4	P-Q4	22-NxN	N-K5
2-P-QB4	PxP	23-B-Q3	N-N4
3-N-KB3	N-KB3	24-BxB	PxB
4-P-K3	B-N5	25-Q-B2	N-K5
5-BxP	P-K3	26-QxP	Q-R5
6-P-KR3	B-R4	27-Q-B2	R-B
7-N-B3	P-QR3	28-Q-K2	B-B6
8-O-O	N-B3	29-N-B3	QxPch
9-B-K2	B-Q3	30-QxQ	NxQ
10-P-R3	O-O	31-KxN	BxB
11-P-QN4	Q-K2	32-R-B5	P-KN3
12-B-N2	QR-Q	33-R-Q3	RxR
13-R-B	P-R3	34-PxR	R-B
14-P-N5	N-N	35-R-N3	B-B3
15-Q-N3	QN-Q2	36-P-B6	PxP
16-KR-Q	B-N3	37-P-N6	P-B4
17-P-QR4	P-QR4	38-N-Q2	P-QB5
18-N-N	B-K5	39-P-N7	R-N
19-QN-Q2	B-KB4	40-NxP	B-Q
20-N-B4	B-QN5	41-N-K5	Resigns
21-KN-K5	NxN		

### HASTINGS, ENG.

Littlewood	Lengyel	Littlewood	Lengyel
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-K4	15-KBxN	B-B3
2-P-KB4	PxP	16-NxP!	PxN
3-B-K2	P-Q4	17-Q-R5	N-N3
4-PxP	N-K2	18-RxP!	BxB
5-B-B3	NxP	19-RxP	B-Q5ch
6-N-K2	B-K2	20-K-R	B-N2
7-O-O	O-O	21-BxN	P-KR3
8-P-B4	N-KB3	22-RxB	KxR
9-P-Q4	P-KN4	23-BxR	Q-B3
10-QN-B3	K-R	24-R-K	B-B4
11-P-QN4	QN-Q2	25-R-KB	B-N3
12-B-N2	R-K	26-Q-Q	Q-QB6
13-P-Q5	N-K4	27-BxB	Resigns
14-N-K4	NxN		

### SICILIAN DEFENSE

Littlewood	Franklin	Littlewood	Franklin
White	Black	White	Black
1-P-K4	P-QB4	15-N-K6	PxN
2-N-KB3	P-Q3	16-PxP	N-QR4
3-P-Q4	PxP	17-RxN!	BxR
4-NxP	N-KB3	18-N-Q5	Q-N
5-N-QB3	P-QR3	19-Q-N4	BxKP
6-B-QB4	P-K3	20-N-K7chl	R-N
7-B-N3	B-K2	21-BxP	B-B2
8-O-O	N-B3	22-BxB	B-B
9-B-N5	Q-B2	23-R-KB	R-Q2
10-P-QR4	O-O	24-Q-N6	Q-K
11-K-R	P-R3	25-R-B3	R-K2
12-B-K3	B-Q2	26-B-Q5	N-B3
13-P-B4	QR-Q	27-B-N5	Resigns
14-P-B5	P-K4		