

of 5-3. Victor Korchnoi has 4½-2½ and an unfinished game with Dr. Miroslav Filip of Czechoslovakia.

Another Soviet entry, Efim Geller, has a plus score of 4-3. Fischer, who started badly but has picked up somewhat, is tied at 3-4 with Pal Benko of New York, the other American in the tournament.

Filip is in seventh place with 2½-4½. Last with a dismal score of 2-6 is Tal, the pre-tournament favorite. His games show sparks of the brilliance for which he is noted, but also several examples of surprising ineptitude.

With 20 rounds still to go, many drastic changes in the standings may occur. If Fischer should win his game with Keres he will be but one point behind. His youth should give him the extra stamina needed for the long stretch.

Following are details of the play and games from the early rounds.

- ROUND 3**—Fischer 1, Filip 0.
ROUND 4—Geller ½, Filip ½; Tal ½, Fischer ½; Korchnoi ½, Benko ½; Petrosian ½, Keres ½.
ROUND 5—Keres ½, Geller ½; Benko ½, Petrosian ½; Fischer 0, Korchnoi 1; Filip 0, Tal 1.
ROUND 6—Geller ½, Tal ½; Petrosian ½, Fischer ½; Keres 1, Benko 0; Korchnoi vs. Filip, adjourned.
ROUND 7—Filip ½, Petrosian ½; Tal 0, Korchnoi 1; Benko vs. Geller and Fischer vs. Keres, adjourned.
ROUND 8—Geller ½, Korchnoi ½; Tal 0; Petrosian 1; Filip 0, Keres 1; Fischer 1, Benko 1.

SICILIAN DEFENSE

Geller White	Fischer Black	Geller White	Fischer Black
1-P-K4	P-QB4	21-BxB	RxB
2-N-KB3	P-Q3	22-R-R	R-Q
3-P-Q4	PxP	23-R-R4	B-B4
4-NxP	N-KB3	24-R-N4	B-B
5-N-QB3	P-Q3	25-R-N6	R-Q3
6-B-K2	P-K4	26-Q-N4	Q-B2
7-N-N3	B-K2	27-RxR	QxR
8-O-O	O-O	28-R-N	Q-B2
9-B-K3	Q-B2	29-Q-R4	B-Q2
10-P-QR4	B-K3	30-Q-R3	RxRP
11-P-R5	QN-Q2	31-RxP	QxP
12-N-Q5	NxN	32-QxR	P-N3
13-PxN	B-B4	33-P-R3	Q-N8ch
14-P-QB4	B-N3	34-K-R2	B-B4
15-R-B	N-B4	35-Q-B3	Q-K5
16-NxN	PxN	36-B-B3	Q-Q5
17-P-QN4	QR-B	37-QxQ	PxQ
18-Q-N3	B-Q3	38-P-N4	B-B
19-KR-Q	Q-K2	39-P-B5	P-QR4
20-PxP	BxP	40-P-B6	Resigns

RETI OPENING

Petrosian White	Tal Black	Petrosian White	Tal Black
1-P-QB4	N-KB3	33-P-K3	P-QR4
2-P-KN3	P-B3	34-R-R2	R-R5
3-N-KB3	P-Q4	35-B-QN4	P-R2
4-P-N3	B-B4	36-B-B6	B-B
5-B-QR3	P-KN3	37-BxB	KxB
6-P-Q3	B-N2	38-RxP	R-B2
7-QN-Q2	Q-N3	39-BxN	RxB
8-B-KN2	N-N5	40-K-B3	K-N2
9-P-Q4	N-QR3	41-K-B4	K-B3
10-O-O	N-N5	42-P-R3	P-R4
11-B-N2	O-O	43-R-R8	R-N2
12-P-QR3	N-QR3	44-R-KN8	R-N7
13-R-B	QR-Q	45-K-B3	R-Q7
14-P-N4	N-N	46-P-R4	K-K2
15-Q-N3	N-B3	47-R-N5	K-B
16-P-QR4	N-K5	48-RxRP	K-N2
17-KR-Q	N-Q2	49-R-N5ch	K-R2
18-PxP	PxP	50-P-R5	R-R7
19-P-R5	Q-Q3	51-P-N4	K-R3
20-P-N5	NxN	52-R-N8	K-P2
21-RxN	R-B	53-R-K8	PxP
22-N-R4	RxRch	54-K-N3	K-R3
23-BxR	Q-B2	55-R-K7	K-N2
24-NxB	PxP	56-R-B7	K-N7
25-B-QR3	QxN	57-R-B5	R-B3
26-Q-N4	Q-N3	58-P-Q5	R-N5
27-BxP	P-K3	59-P-R6	PxP
28-B-B3	R-B	60-RxP	K-N3
29-Q-R4	R-B2	61-R-Q6ch	K-N4
30-K-N2	P-QR3	62-P-R7	R-N
31-PxP	QxRP	63-R-Q	R-KR
32-QxQ	PxQ	64-R-KR	Resigns

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

Filip White	Benko Black	Filip White	Benko Black
1-P-QB4	P-KN3	15-B-Q2	PxP
2-P-Q4	N-KB3	16-Q-R3	Q-N3
3-P-KN3	P-B4	17-QxP	QxQ
4-P-Q5	P-Q3	18-NxQ	N-QB2
5-B-N2	B-N2	19-QNxKP	NxN
6-N-KB3	P-QR3	20-BxNch	K-R
7-P-QR4	P-K4	21-B-B3	P-R3
8-PxPe.p.	PxP	22-BxB	KRxB
9-N-B3	N-B3	23-N-K6	B-B3
10-O-O	O-O	24-N-B4	K-R2
11-N-KN5	N-K4	25-N-Q5	B-N2
12-Q-N3	Q-R4	26-N-N6	R-K
13-QN-K4	N-K	27-NxR	RxN
14-B-R3	P-Q4	28-R-Q	Resigns

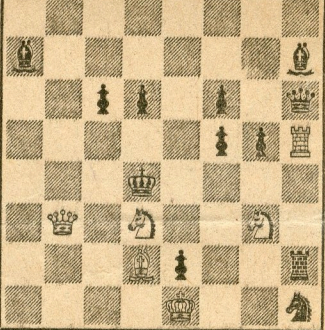
SAN BERNARDINO OPEN

Emil Bersbach of Santa Monica won the first place trophy to head a record field of 60 players in the fourth annual open tournament of the San Bernardino Chess Club, held at the San Bernardino Valley College.

Bersbach tied with Imre Barlai of San Diego at 5½-½ when each won five games and they drew with each other. Bersbach finished ahead when tie-breaking points were computed. They divided two top money prizes, \$125 and \$75.

Allan Troy, president of the Southern California Chess League, tied for third at 5-1 with E. Wicher and J. C. Scheuerman of Claremont. California co-champion Irving Rivise of Los Angeles took sixth place with 4½-1½.

Frank Metz of Northridge and Zoltan Kocsis of Fort Ord won prizes as highest scoring Class A players. Don Rogosin of Los Angeles and Jim Dietrich of San Diego were the top



WHITE 6
 White mates in three.

The pawn blocks are most useful for White in 3381. Pins and pawns are the main elements of interest in the three-mover.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3375: N-B4
SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3376: Q-B3
 Threat, 2 Q-K4ch; if KxP, 2 B-B5ch; if R-K3, 2 N-Q7ch; if R-Q1, 2 B-R2ch; if B-R2, 2 Q-Q5ch.

SOLVERS' LIST

Five points—M. Chutorian, J. Di Fulvio, W. W. Irwin, J. Kaufman, I. E. Nordstrom, R. Roslin, D. Rothman, R. M. Stuart, C. T. Tongko, L. A. Victor. Four points—Dr. J. A. Healy, M. Rosen. Three points—C. T. Patterson.
 Two points—F. Aks, P. J. Burton, E. G. Douglas, L. Erickson, J. R. Martinez, G. F. Oglesby. One point—F. C. Bowman, P. Dunn, I. L. Finkle, J. Foley, R. Scalpone, Lt. R. A. Secor.

Class B players and Randy Kluz of Los Angeles took the honors for Class C. Mrs. Doris Miller of Los Angeles won a trophy as best woman player.

Dr. Allen Hendy of San Bernardino was the tournament director. Dr. Max Schlosser of the same city was the chief organizer of the popular event.

MRS. GRESSER REGAINS WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Mrs. Gisela Gresser of New York, who four times previously had held the U.S. Women's Chess Championship, regained the title in a tournament in New York, winning seven games and drawing three, for a final total of 8½-1½.

Last year's champion Miss Lisa Lane finished in second place with a score of 7½-2½. She did not do well against the leaders, gaining only half a point in three games with former titleholders Mrs. Gresser, Mrs. Mary Bain and Miss Mona M. Karff.

Miss Karff tied for third with 7-3 with Mrs. Eva Aronson. Mrs. Bain's final score was 6-4. Other totals were: Miss Lucille Kellner, 5-5; Mrs. Jacqueline Piatigorsky, 4-6; Mrs. Mary Selensky and 14-year-old Kate Sillars, 3½-6½; Mrs. Mildred Morell, 2-8, and Mrs. Greta Fuchs, 1-9.

The tournament was directed by Dr. Edward Lasker of New York, and played at the Marshall, Manhattan and London Terrace Chess Clubs. Following is a selection of games from the event.

SICILIAN DEFENSE

Gresser White	Lane Black	Gresser White	Lane Black
1-P-K4	P-QB4	17-P-QN4	P-R6
2-N-KB3	P-Q3	18-PxP	P-N4
3-P-Q4	PxP	19-B-K3	PxP
4-NxP	N-KB3	20-BxBP	P-N4
5-N-QB3	P-QR3	21-N-B5	Q-R2
6-B-QB4	P-K3	22-NxB	QxN
7-P-QR3	Q-B2	23-R-Q	R-Q
8-B-R2	B-K2	24-P-B4	Q-N2
9-O-O	N-B3	25-PxP	QxP
10-K-R	B-Q2	26-R-B	K-N2
11-P-B4	O-O-O	27-B-B4	Q-KR4
12-B-K3	P-KR4	28-BxPch	KxB
13-Q-K	P-R5	29-RxNch	K-N2
14-N-B3	N-KR2	30-Q-B3	Q-QN4
15-N-R4	QR-N	31-R-B7ch	K-N
16-B-N6	Q-N	32-R-B	Resigns

KING'S FIANCHETTO DEFENSE

Gresser White	Bain Black	Gresser White	Bain Black
1-P-K4	P-Q3	22-BxBch	NxB
2-P-Q4	N-KB3	23-RxR	QxR
3-N-QB3	P-KN3	24-BxB	RxB
4-P-B3	B-N2	25-Q-R2	Q-R4
5-B-K3	QN-Q2	26-N-Q	P-N5
6-Q-Q2	P-K4	27-Q-K2	Q-N4
7-O-O-O	P-B3	28-Q-Q3	K-K3
8-PxP	PxP	29-N-K3	N-Q3
9-K-N	Q-K2	30-Q-N3ch	K-B3
10-P-KN4	O-O	31-R-K	Q-B4
11-P-KR4	P-QN4	32-Q-Q3	N-N4
12-P-R5	N-N3	33-P-N5ch	K-K3
13-PxP	BPxP	34-Q-N3ch	K-K2
14-Q-R2	B-K3	35-N-N4	N-Q5
15-N-R3	QR-Q	36-Q-Q3	K-K3
16-B-Q3	N-B5	37-P-KB4	R-R2
17-B-QB	N-N3	38-P-B5ch	PxP
18-N-N5	B-B5	39-PxPch	NxP
19-NxRP	NxN	40-N-R6	N-K6
20-QxNch	K-B2	41-Q-N6ch	Resigns
21-B-R6	R-KN		

ALEKHINE'S DEFENSE

Lane White	Bain Black	Lane White	Bain Black
1-P-K4	N-KB3	19-R-K2	P-QN4
2-P-K5	N-Q4	20-N-Q	N-N3
3-P-Q4	P-Q3	21-B-K3	N-Q2
4-P-QB4	N-N3	22-R-QB2	RxR
5-PxP	BPxP	23-Q-R	R-B
6-B-Q3	P-N3	24-R-B	N-B3
7-N-KB3	B-N5	25-Q-N3	Q-R
8-N-B3	B-N2	26-R-B6	R-B
9-P-KR3	BxN	27-N-B3	K-B
10-QxB	N-B3	28-R-N6	N-Q2
11-P-Q5	N-K4	29-R-B6	RxR
12-Q-K2	NxBch	30-PxR	QxP
13-QxN	R-QB	31-Q-K6	BxN
14-O-O	NxBP	32-PxB	N-B4
15-N-N5	O-O	33-BxN	QxB
16-P-B4	P-B4	34-Q-Q7	QxP
17-R-K	R-KB2	Resigns	
18-K-R2	P-QR3		