

Richard Shorman**Chess**

Paul Keres, acknowledged master of attack in the 1930's, has retained his combinational vision through the years and improved the quality of his play with the positional understanding of a great grandmaster. Posting a perfect score in the European Team Championship this year, Keres demonstrated the value of "restrained brilliancy."

White: Paul Keres (USSR). Black: Peter Dely (Hungary).
Kapfenberg, 1970.

Sicilian Defense

1 P-K4	P-QB4	14 Q-QR3(g)	N-B4
2 N-KB3	N-QB3	15 B-N5	Q-Q2
3 P-Q4	PxP	16 O-O-O	N-K5
4 NxP	P-KN3	17 Q-K3(h)	P-KR3
5 P-QB4(a)	N-B3	18 P-KN4(i)	PxB(j)
6 N-QB3	NxN(b)	19 PxNP	Q-Q1
7 QxN	P-Q3	20 R-R5	N-B4(k)
8 B-K2(c)	B-N2	21 R/1-R1	PxP
9 B-Q2(d)	O-O	22 P-N4	N-R5(1)
10 Q-K3	N-Q2(e)	23 P-B5!	B-K3
11 P-KR4!	P-B4(f)	24 P-N6(m)	BxN
12 PxP	PxP	25 R-R8ch!	BxR
13 N-Q5!	P-K4	26 RxBch!	Resigns

(a) the "Maroczy bind" has not yet been shorn of all its terrors.

(b) Black aims at exerting pressure on the long diagonal, especially his QB6, and utilizing the half-open file for an attack against White's QBP.

(c) An open tactical battle erupts after 8 P-B5 in which Black must play alertly to escape disadvantage, e.g., 8... PxP 9 QxP B-N2 10 B-K2 O-O 11 B-KB4 with an active game for White. Theoretically best for both sides is 8... B-N2 9 B-N5ch B-Q2 10 PXP O-O 11 O-O (not 11 PxP QxP 12 BxB NxP! or 11 P-K5 BxB 12 NxB N-Q2 13 P-B4 Q-R4ch 14 N-B3 PxP 15 QxQP NxP!) BxB 12 NxB PxQR3! 13 N-B3 N-K1 14 Q-QN4 NxP 15 R-Q1 R-B1 with counterplay on the QB file to balance White's hold on the queen file (Isaak Boleslawski, "Caro-Kann bis Sizilianisch," Berlin, 1968, pp. 106-08).

(d) The queen usually reserves this square for herself, i.e., 9 B-K3 O-O 10 Q-Q2 Q-R4. Keres tries for a close positional attack against the king.

(e) Wastes precious time; 10... B-K3 mobilizes faster.

(f) Black's point and now his only active choice.

(g) Superior development has its privileges...

(h) Back to the king side with fresh strength while Black is still disorganized.

(i) First driving the king to the rook file by 18 N-K7ch K-R2 makes this move even sharper.

(j) Black accepts the piece on the assumption that it is better to have a lost game with extra material than without it.

(k) Preparing 21... PxP

(l) Returning the piece offers the last hope, 22... B-B4 23 PxN R-B1 24 PxP QxP 25 R-Q1 Q-K3 (forced, as 25... Q-B4 26 QxQ RxQ 27 N-K7ch K-B2 28 NxB loses the bishop) 26 QxRP.

(m) A key move in White's combination.

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PATHFINDER TEAM TOURNAMENT

Modeled after the international chess olympics, the first Pathfinder team competition will take place at the Fremont Central Park Community Center, 40188 Paseo Padre Parkway (near Lake Elizabeth, next to the library) Oct. 24-25. Four players constitute a team. No membership in any organization required. Prizes for each final division winner (Classes A, B, C, D and E) are a trophy and chess clock. A hand-crafted chessboard will be awarded for best board scores during the finals. Entry fee is \$2.50 per player (totalling \$10 for a team). Time control will be 60 moves in 60 minutes with adjudication thereafter. Please bring sets and clocks. Round one begins at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, October 24. Call Hans Poschmann, president, Fremont Chess Club, at 656-8505 for additional details on how you can enter a team in the first chess "Olympiad" in this area.