

34. K-B3 QR-B 38. N-B5 RxR
 35. B-N4 QxQ 39. BxR R-N
 36. RxQ KR-Q 40. P-Q5 R-N4
 37. R-QR4 R-R Resigns

Another game:

- White: Kit Crittenden Black: Jim Cross
 1. P-K4 P-K4 5. P-Q4 P-Q4
 2. P-KB4 PxP 6. N-B3 B-K2
 3. N-KB3 N-KB3 7. B-K2 P-KN3
 4. P-K5 N-R4

Black has a rather original system of development in mind. He plans to castle queen-side and advance the king-side pawns. In addition to this he will play for pressure in the center with . . . P-QB4 and . . . N-QB3. It sounds risky, but the game was played in the last round, and I had to win in order to tie for first place. I played this defence in the recent Metropolitan team matches against Paul Quillen and gained a decisive advantage as follows: White: Paul Quillen, Black: Jim Cross. 1. P-KB4, P-K4; 2. P-K4, PxP; 3. N-KB3, N-KB3; 4. P-K5, N-R4; 5. B-K2, P-Q4; 6. P-Q4, P-QB4; 7. O-O, P-KN3; 8. P-B3, N-QB3; 9. N-K, N-N2; 10. BxP, Q-N3!

8. O-O B-K3 9. B-Q3?

Here and on his next move White wasted valuable time moving his bishop. 9. N-K was more logical.

9. . . . P-QB4 12. P-KR3 Q-Q2
 10. B-N5ch? N-B3 13. BxN?
 11. N-K2 P-KN4

Further waste of time, but now that Black is able to hold onto his extra pawn, White's game is already inferior.

13. . . . PxB 16. N(3)-Q4 BxQBP
 14. K-R2 N-N2 17. NxB PxN!
 15. PxP P-KR4

Recapturing with the pawn will enable Black to transfer his queen rapidly to the king side where a mating attack is in the offing.

18. P-KN3 N-B4!

The success of this sacrifice depends upon a very closely calculated combination.

19. PxP P-N5! 22. KxP O-O-O
 20. N-N3 NxN 23. Q-Q3
 21. KxN PxP

The point is that although White makes all perfectly logical moves, he will be one move too late to contest the strategically important KN file.

23. . . . QR-N 26. R-KN R-N6ch!
 24. B-K3 BxB 27. RxR PxB dis ch
 25. QxB P-R5! 28. K-N2 Q-R2

Decisive.

29. K-B Q-R8ch 30. Q-N Q-B6ch
 Resigns.

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White: Lev. A. Beliavski Black: Geo. Oakes
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IRREGULAR OPENING

(or The Frustrated French Defence)

1. P-K4 P-K3 5. B-K2 KN-K2
 2. P-KB4 P-Q4 6. O-O N-KB4
 3. P-K5 P-QB4 7. N-QB3 KN-Q5
 4. N-KB3 N-QB3

Loss of time. Black should have continued with development.

8. NxN NxN 10. N-K2
 9. B-KN4 B-K2

With the intention of exchanging Black's only active piece. But, for the doubled pawns Black gets counter-chances on the open file.

10. . . . B-Q2 13. B-Q2 Q-N3
 11. NxN PxN 14. R-N1
 12. P-Q3 R-QB1

White has an interesting future in mind for this rook.

14. . . . B-QR5

Perhaps meant to weaken White's pawn structure—but, in effect, a loss of time.

15. P-QN3 B-Q2 16. Q-QB1

Thinking of an attack on Black's king's side with 17. P-KB5

16. . . . Q-QB4 18. P-KN4
 17. B-Q1 O-O

Looks like the queen is castled on the queen's side and the king thinks he's a queen.

18. . . . P-KB4 19. P-KN5 P-KN3

There was nothing to fear on the king's side. Black should have tried to force a decision on the open file on the queen's side: 19. . . . B-QN4; —or even 19. . . . Q-R6; 20. QxQ, BxQ and Black has more freedom of action.

20. P-KR4 P-KR4??

Fatally weakens the king's side. Moves suggested in the previous note would have been more satisfactory.

21. PxP ep. BxP 23. R-KR1 B-K2
 22. K-N2 R-KB2 24. R-N2

A rather deep move with ideas about shifting to the king's side.

24. . . . Q-B2 26. Q-N1
 25. P-QN4 P-QR4

Threatening 27. PxP and 28. RxP.

26. . . . P-QR5 30. P-QB3 B-Q1
 27. P-QR3 P-QN4 31. PxP B-QN3
 28. B-KB3 R-R2 32. K-B1 B-B2?
 29. Q-KN1 Q-R2

B-K1 was very necessary—after which Black has the fairly strong move 33. BxP

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