

NORTH  
S J65  
H 62  
D AJ1093  
C 1064

Your partner leads the ten of hearts on which you play the eight and declares the seven. West continues with the five of hearts and your jack is captured by declarer's ace. South leads the 2 of diamonds, your partner plays the 4 and dummy the nine. How do you plan the defense?

Giving declarer the A-K of hearts, and diamond king, he must also have both black queens for his 2NT bid. Two heart tricks, four diamonds and 3 tricks in the black suits adds up to nine so the only hope for the defense is that declarer's diamond holding is K2.

EAST  
S K82  
H J83  
D Q75  
C KJ93

Partner clearly led from a five card suit to the Q-10-9 (although if declarer had won the second heart trick with king, you could not be sure of this). If partner had only 2 diamonds he might have echoed to show his distribution. Even if yours is the kind of partner who has never heard of an echo you should still duck this trick, for if declarer has 3 diamonds to the king his contract is unbeatable anyway. A count of the points will show you why.

Even after you duck the diamond declarer may still get home if he makes a series of inspired guesses, but that does not affect the lesson of the hand.

WEST  
S Q93  
H Q10954  
D 864  
C 85

SOUTH  
S A1074  
H AK7  
D K2  
C AQ72



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## Chess Reviews Continued

Tartakower and J. Dumont.

It is a book composed of three books. Book one is on open games, two is about semi-open games and three is about closed game..

I took this book to a tournament in Fredricton where I read most of it. It got rave reviews from the players there. One old man asked me where I had got it. I told him that it was available from General Publishing or Dover Books. Later he told me he had the previous two and had not been able to get the third. It made him very happy.

Definitely what one would call a good book. Maybe our library will one day be inclined to get it as the selection of chess books is gross.

This book is set up according to openings. This gives the games effected an additional value. One can easily compare how one master treats an opening to another. Thus you get the idea yourself of how to treat it and the complications which follows.

Tartakower is one of the grandmasters whose work I respect the most. In many books the examples are taken from his own games. His style is well-grounded as is his annotations to the games. Du Mont is an equally talented player who has played many brilliant games. He and Tartakower have put together a good book which can truly be appreciated by both the master and the duff. Beginner will find this book difficult but if they read it from cover to cover, they will be a lot better for it.



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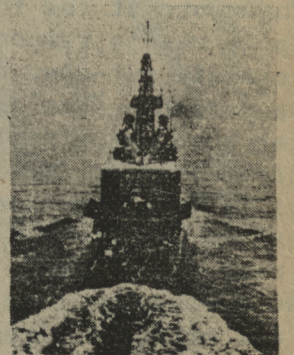
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