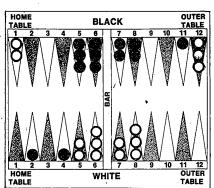
This example was sent in by Ronald
L. of Canton. In this position, White
rolls double 2s. His question is: Should
White move up to the 3 point with two
2s for a sure escape and move a cheekre from the 5 point to the 5 point White
hit both Black checkers from the 6
point with the other two 2s (tempo
play?)

ANSWER: No. Moving up to the 3
point is not a bad play, Hitting both
Black checkers and leaving a shot is.
The purpose of a tempo play (tempo
in backgammon refers to borrowing a
juit of time – forcing your opponent
to waste his next roll (like hitting and reference)
to you on his next roll (like hitting and reference)

This prometric move the same of the point of the 3 point
proposed from doing something drastic
to you on his next roll (like hitting and reference)

This prometric move up to the 3 point of Black stays on the har White will be in
black and cover the 4 point. By moving
sight last two sparse builders on the
6 and 8 points, he will problibit Black
to you on his next roll (like hitting and reference)
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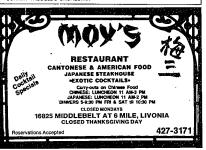
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