

Richard Shorman**Chess****TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

Alan Benson directed the first master-expert invitational chess tournament held in Oakland, on May 20-21 and June 3-4.

A generous time control of 40 moves in 2½ hours, separate playing periods for the resumption of adjourned games, only one round a day, and no entry fee highlighted the four-round Swiss system event among 17 select Bay Area competitors. Especially appreciated as an addition to the standard tournament fare of prize money and USCF rating points was a case of champagne and wines donated by the owner of "The Loft," Gary Orechwa. Complete results:

1st, John Grefe, 3½-½; 2nd, Julio Kaplan and Dennis Watterman, 3-1; 3rd, Alan Benson, Larry Hughes, Charles Pardini, Steve Cross and Mark Smith, 2½-1½; 4th, Donald Dean and Robert Hammie, 2-2; 5th, Takashi Kurosaki, Charles Maddigan, Marcos Costa, Tom Maser and Roger Gabrielson, 1½-2½; 6th, Trevor Hay, ½-3½; 7th, Edward Rosenthal, 0-4.

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A special prize of 100 Marks was awarded to Emmanuel Schiffers of Russia for this game, which was judged to be the most brilliant win of the tournament by "Chess Monthly."

White: Emmanuel Schiffers. Black: Max Harmonist.
Frankfurt, 1887.

(Giuoco Piano)

1 P-K4	P-K4	15 N-N5!	N-2-N3
2 N-KB3	N-QB3	16 R-K8!!(i)	RxR
3 B-B4	B-B4	17 BxPch	K-R1(j)
4 P-B3	N-B3	18 BxR	N-K7ch
5 P-Q4	PxP	19 K-R1	NxR(k)
6 PxP	B-N5ch	20 N-B7ch	K-N1
7 B-Q2(a)	BxBch	21 N-R6ch	K-B1
8 QNxB	P-Q4!	22 Q-N8ch	K-K2
9 PxP	KNxP	23 BxN(l)	PxB(m)
10 Q-N3!(b)	N-3-K2(c)	24 QxPch	K-Q1
11 0-0	0-0	25 Q-B8ch	K-Q2
12 KR-K1	P-QB3(d)	26 N-K4!(n)	Q-Q1
13 P-QR4(e)	Q-B2(f)	27 Q-Q6ch	K-K1
14 QR-B1!(g)	N-B5(h)	28 N-B6ch	Resigns

(a) The solid and perhaps even the best continuation (Keres).

(b) A triple action move: (a) White's Queen comes into play; (b) more pressure is exerted against Black's centrally posted Knight; (c) Black's Bishop is tied down to the defense of the Queen Knight Pawn (Chernev).

(c) Here Kmoch recommends 10 . . . 0-0: e.g., 11 BxN N-R4 12 BxPch, and Black gets play for the Pawn (Horowitz).

(d) Black cannot dispute the open file with 12 . . . R-K1, as 13 BxN then wins a piece. So he supports his Knight first (Chernev).

(e) This is new and seems to be very strong, for it prevents P-QN4 and keeps the adverse Bishop shut up for some time (Steinitz). White has slightly better chances after 13 QR-B1 Q-N3 14 Q-R3 B-K3 15 N-K4 QR-Q1 16 N-4-N5 as in Rossolimo—O'Kelly, Hastings 1950-1 (Evans).

(f) This proves unsatisfactory; 13 . . . Q-N3 is preferable (Reinfeld). Tarrasch — Capablanca, San Sebastian, 1911, resulted in equality following 13 . . . Q-N3 14 Q-R3 B-K3 15 P-R5 Q-B2 16 N-K4 QR-Q1 17 N-B5 B-B1 (Fine).

(g) White brings a piece into play with a threat to win a piece: 15 BxN NxB 16 QxN PxQ 17 RxQ. (Chernev).

(h) An error that White is quick to exploit. Necessary was 14 . . . Q-B5!, controlling the black squares on the king side (Pancor). Chances are equal after 14 . . . Q-B5 15 N-K4 B-B4 16 N-B5 P-QN3 17 N-Q3 BxN 18 BxB QR-Q1 (Schlechter — Breyer, Baden 1914 (Keres)).

(i) All in the highest style, considering that its obvious effect is to leave White with a whole Rook behind up to the very end, and that the winning superiority of his position is not made quite clear until 10 moves hence (Steinitz). If Black tries to neutralize the pressure on his King Bishop's diagonal with 16 . . . B-K3 White comes out a Pawn ahead after 17 RxQR RxR 18 NxB NxN 19 BxN PxB 20 QxKPch, etc. (Reinfeld).

(j) On 17 . . . K-B1 White wins with 18 NxPch K-K2 19 R-K1ch B-K3 20 RxBch K-Q2 21 BxRch RxB 22 RxR KxR 23 Q-N8ch K-Q2 24 QxPch, etc. ("Deutsche Schachzeitung," Feb. 1889, pg. 53).

(k) White is a Rook down and his Queen is attacked (Reinfeld).

(l) Threatening 24 Q-B7ch K-Q3 25 N-K4mate (Coles).

(m) On 23 . . . PxN, White wins by 24 Q-B7ch, followed by mate (Chernev).

(n) This quiet move is the point of the combination begun ten moves ago. White threatens mate on B5. If 26 . . . P-N3 or 26 . . . N-Q6, then 27 Q-N7ch K-Q1 28 N-B7ch K-Q2 29 N-7-Q6ch.

SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION

Chess master James Tarjan will give a simultaneous exhibition at the Mechanics' Institute Chess Club, 57 Post St., 4th floor, San Francisco, on Wednesday, June 21, at 7:30 p.m. Tarjan was a member of the US world champion student chess team in 1970 and holds a senior master rating in the US Chess Federation. His latest achievement was placing second, behind Gligoric but ahead of Saily, Denker, Browne, Bisguier and Evans, at the Statham Master-Expert Tournament held in Lone Pine, California, March 12-18, 1972. Board fee for the exhibition is \$2.