

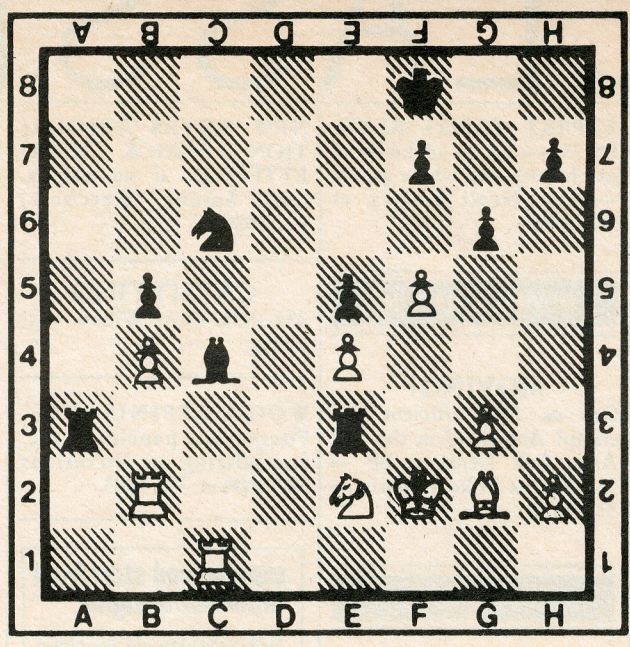
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The Chess Workshop

THE ENDGAME
The Making of a Grandmaster
Subotica 1975 International Tourney

James Tarjan
(United States)
Black

Raicevic
(Yugoslavia)
White



Black to move and win.

Tarjan played an elegant (11 move!) combination in order to force a won ending. The game continued:

Raicevic (Yugo.) White
Tarjan (U.S.) Black

30.... Nc6xb4!! Black must now lose two minor pieces for a rook. However, very deep calculations by Tarjan have shown that a dangerous passed pawn is unleashed on the "b" file. Black's rook is able to pre-

vent White's army from camping on the queen's wing through a series of small threats.

31.Rc1xc4! Naturally White is eager to pick up the goodie, removing a knight and bishop for only a rook and pawn. Also he wishes to avoid 31.Rb2xb4? Re3xe2cb 32.Kf2-g1 Ra3-a2 with the win of more material by Black.

31.... Nb4-dech! Black sacrifices a rook and bishop for

discovered check on the next move:

32.Kf2xe3 Ne3xb2ch
33.Rc4-c3 Nb2-d1ch

Only the start of the big idea! On any other move Black is a piece down. This leaves White with what appears to be an excellent position and the surprises to come had to be very well planned.

34.Ke3-d2 Nd1xc3
35.Ne2xc3 Pb5-b4!

Black attempts to secure the

square a2 for an x-ray attack with the rook. For example 36.Nc3-d5 Ra3-a2 cb wins the stranded bishop. To his dismay Raicevic finds all of his pieces are bound to protect each other. Even now he has just one move to save a piece from flying to London in two moves.

36.Nc3-e2 Ra3-a2ch
37.Kd2-d3 ...

Chained to the knight:
37... Pb4-b3!

Exploiting the unfortunate position of the knight in full measure, it is obligated to defend White's bishop and cannot move without great material loss.

38.Bg2-f3 Pb3-b2!

A very unusual position. Black has a problem like win in all variations — he queens his "b" pawn or wins the bishop.

39.Kd2-c2 ...

On 39.Nc3 Ra3 40.Kc2 Rc3cb the game is over. White may appear to hold the game easily but now comes a Tarjan sockeroo.

39... Ra2-a3!

Threatening the unprotected bishop and planning on 40.Bg4 b5! 41.Bb3 (Or 41.Kb2 Re3! and a piece is lost) Re3 when White must decide that king tilting time has arrived. There remains one other try but relentlessly Black defeats that

idea as well ...

40. Ne2-g1 Ra3-a1!
The point at last. End of combination, end of game. Double threat: advancing the pawn to b1/Q and capturing the knight. White continues to adjournment and looks at the position sadly overnight.

41.Kc2xb2 Ralxg1
42.Pf5xg6 Ph7xg6
43.White resigns

Black's rook wins against White's surviving bishop after 43.Kc3 Rf1 44.Bg4 Rf2 45.b4 Rg2 winning the "g" pawn immediately ... one of six victories recorded by the Berkeley international master and tournament winner ahead of Benko, Bilek, Honfi, etc. ... "Mr. Tarjan is the strongest of the American young masters according to the Soviet players." — Y. Averbach to John Alexander, Buenos Aires, 1971.

Another Crushing Win by Tarjan in Yugoslavia

One of many plodding, push-and-squeeze victories that made Berkeley's international master Tarjan a world chess sensation last month. The surprise winner of the Subotica International Tournament with an 8-3 score ahead of three grandmasters. It was the most significant triumph ever attained by a West Coast player and placed 23-year-old Tarjan only two tournaments from the FIDE international grandmaster title. ... Many more games and reports on Tarjan will follow in our future issues.

Yugoslavia, 1975
King's Indian Defense, Averbach's Attack

WHITE	BLACK
Tarjan	Masic
United States	Yugoslavia
1.Pd2-d4	Ng8-f6
2.Pc2-c4	Pg7-g6
3.Nb1-c3	Bf8-g7
4.Pe2-e4	Pd7-d6
5.Bf1-e2	Castles
6.Bc1-g5	Pc7-c5
7.Pd4xc5	Qd8-a5?!
8.Bg5-d2!	Qa5xc5
9.Ng1-f3	Bc8-g4
10.Bd2-e3!	Qc5-c8
11.Ra1-c1	Nb8-c6
12.Ph2-h3	Bg4xf3
13.Be2xf3	Qc8-e6
14.Pb2-b3	Qe6-e5
15.Castles	Rf8-d8
16.Qd1-d2	Pe7-e6?!
17.Nf1-d1	Nf6-e8
18.Bf3-e2	Qe5-a5
19.Nc3-b5	Qa5xd2
20.Rd1xd2	Bg7-f8
21.Be3-g5	Pf7-f6
22.Bg5-e3	Bf8-e7
23.Rc1-d1	Kg8-f7
24.Pf2-f4	Pb7-b6
25.Be2-f3	Pe6-e5
26.Pg2-g3	Ra8-b8
27.Ph3-h4!	Rb8-b7
28.Bg3-g4	Rd8-b8
29.Ph4-h5	Pa7-a6
30.Nb5-c3	Ne8-g7?
31.Ph5xg6ch	Ph7xg6
32.Nc3-d5	Be7-f8
33.Rd1-f1!	Bf8-e7
34.Rd2-h2	Pb6-b5
35.Pc4xb5	Pa6xb5
36.Rh2-h7	Be7-d8
37.Pf4-f5!	Pg6xf5
38.Bg4xf5	Nc6-e7?
39.Bf5-e6ch!	Kf7xe6
40.Rf1xf6ch	Ke6-d7
41.Rh7xg7	Kc7-d8
42.Rf6-e6	Black Resigns

Correction: In our December 16 column Stean's 36th move was Kb1xb2 and Spassky of course replied Qc4-c3ch. Both moves were omitted and move 36 is actually move 37. With fury the chess editor deeply regrets this error. We ask all readers to notify us by mail of any errors found. Credit will often be given.

The Chess Tour of the Century

Jude Acers vs. 5000 Opponents in 1976

The United States Chess Federation policy board has announced endorsement and funding of the 50-state Chess Tour of the Century by Jude Acers of San Francisco. Acers will play 5,000 opponents during 1976, 100 chess players at one time during each exhibition. One and only one exhibition will be played in each state at shopping malls, universities or commercially sponsored locations for a flat fee of \$1,000 per exhibit. All exhibitions must be free of charge to all players and spectators.

Exclusive booking for a sponsor in each state is guaranteed although approximately 20 free prison chess exhibitions will also be scheduled on the tour, billed as one of the greatest ever.

Highlight of the tour will be a 200 board exhibition (Acers

vs. 200 chess players) in Hicksville, New York (Long Island) at the Mid-Island Plaza. Worldwide board reservations for one of the 200 chess sets and boards to oppose Acers are already being taken and are absolutely free on a first-come first-serve basis. This is the first public notice of the exhibition tour ... One year's subscription to CITY of San Francisco newsweekly will be the prize of the last chessplayer to survive the 24-hour non-stop New York exhibition.

A one year's subscription to the California Chess Reporter will be sent to the first person to score against Acers, the all-time world record holder for simultaneous exhibition play by a master player — best score (114-0) and most boards played (117).

Commercial shopping malls are especially urged to rush their inquiries for all information and immediate booking of Chess Tour of the Century tour dates. Acers exhibitional locations are strictly first-come, first-serve in all 50 states.

And In The Beginning There Was Jude
First Announcement
Four Chess Tour of the Century dates

Acers versus 100 or more opponents at one time (Exhibitions and lecture appearances without charge to all players and spectators!)

1. Yakima, Washington on January 3, 1976 (9 am) Location: Yakima Mall. All exhibi-

tions in Washington are closed.

2. Fort Wayne, Indiana on June 5, 1976 (10 am). Location: Glenbrook Center. National booking of boards and information: Mr. Bill Schneider, Promotion Manager: Glenbrook Center, Ft. Wayne, Indiana 46805 Phone: (219) 483-2131

All exhibitions are closed in Indiana.

3. Hicksville, New York (Long Island), Midnight, July 2, 1976. World Record Exhibition Attempt vs. 200 Opponents at One Time. Beginning at Midnight!! Location: Mid-Island Plaza. International booking and press information: Mr. Bill Nelson Promotion Director Mid-Island Plaza Merchants Association Inc. 358-B Mid Island Plaza, Hicksville, New York 11802 Phone: (516) 935-4242 (or 44)

Boards available worldwide on a first-come, first-serve basis by registration only. All New York exhibition appearances closed.

4. Atlanta, Georgia (Bicentennial Program Week) date to be announced. Location: Lenox Square Mall. Nationwide board registration and information: Ms. Rosalene Crimm, Promo-

tion Manager, Lenox Square Merchants Association Inc., 3396 Peachtree Road NE, Atlanta, Ga. 30326. Phone: (404) 233-6767.

All exhibition booking in Georgia is closed.

To All Shopping Malls, Department Stores, Universities and Nationwide Promoters:

This is the first notice of the Chess Tour of the Century. One and only one exhibition sponsor date will be played in each United State during the bicentennial year 1976. 46 states are to be booked immediately on a first-contract-only basis for a flat rate of \$1,000. An exhibition sponsor has the right to hold a second contracted exhibition during 1976 as well. Consecutive dates required.

The greatest chess lecture and exhibition tour of all time is geared exclusively for commercial sponsors and mall promotion during the Eighth U.S.-Canadian-Mexico chess tour by Jude Acers. Each sponsor gets two to three days of non-stop media blitz by the greatest of them all. All exhibitions must be free to all people. All information and worldwide chess tour booking is handled exclusively by:

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