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The Hague 1928

Our member IM John Donaldson has made a great find: a marvellous historical photograph of brilliant quality, and John was so kind to allow us to publish it on our site. We combine this photo with a little competition ...

The photo shows most of the participants of the Chess Olympiad The Hague 1928, it was taken in front of the [Olde Ridderzaal](#) – that was the playing hall of the 2nd chess olympiad.



Just recently Bruce Monson informed us, that this photo is actually from Herman Steiner's personal archives (later owned by Jacqueline Piatigorsky after Herman's death in 1955).

About 80 persons are depicted, so some participants of the altogether 87 players are missing: 16 players participated in the individual tournament (won by Euwe), and 17 teams played in the Olympiad itself – see the tables linked below:

DEN HAAG (NED), 19 VII–5 VIII 1928 – Olympic Amateur Championship

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Pts
1 EUWE, Machgielis	•	0	1	=	=	1	1	1	=	1	1	1	1	1	=	1	12
2 PRZEPIORKA, Dawid	1	•	=	=	1	1	=	1	0	=	=	1	1	1	=	1	11
3 MATISONS, Hermanis	0	=	•	0	1	1	0	=	=	1	1	=	1	1	1	1	10
4 GOLMAYO DE LA TORRIENTE, Manuel	=	=	1	•	=	0	=	1	=	1	1	=	0	=	1	1	9.5
5 TREYBAL, Karel	=	0	0	=	•	=	=	1	1	=	1	1	1	1	0	1	9.5
6 WHITAKER, Norman Tweed	0	0	0	1	=	•	0	=	1	=	1	1	1	1	1	1	9.5
7 CARLS, Carl Johann Margot	0	=	1	=	=	1	•	=	=	1	1	0	0	=	1	1	9
8 BECKER, Albert	0	0	=	0	0	=	=	•	1	0	=	=	=	1	1	1	7
9 CHERON, Andre	=	1	=	=	0	0	=	0	•	0	1	1	0	=	0	=	6
10 NILSSON, Allan	0	=	0	0	=	=	0	1	1	•	0	1	1	=	0	0	6
11 ROSSELLI DEL TURCO, Stefano	0	=	0	0	0	0	0	=	0	1	•	1	1	1	1	0	6
12 ARAIZA MUNOZ, Jose Joaquin	0	0	=	=	0	0	1	=	0	0	0	•	1	0	1	1	5.5
13 STEINER, Lajos	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	=	1	0	0	0	•	0	1	1	5.5
14 CHEPURNOV, Anatol Aleksievitis	0	0	0	=	0	0	=	0	=	=	0	1	1	•	=	1	5.5
15 TYROLER, Alexandru	=	=	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	=	•	=	5
16 HENNEBERGER, Walter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	=	1	1	0	0	0	=	•	3

[_ Individual tournament cross table](#)

1. *Ungarn*

Nagy	16	9	5	2	11½	71,9
Steiner, A.	16	10	3	3	11½	71,9
Vajda	16	6	9	1	10½	65,6
Havasi	16	6	9	1	10½	65,6
	64	31	26	7	44	68,8

2. *Vereinigte Staaten*

Kashdan	15	12	2	1	13	86,7
Steiner, H.	16	6	9	1	10½	65,6
Factor	11	4	5	2	6½	59,1
Tholfsen	13	4	5	4	6½	50
Hanauer	9	1	4	4	3	33,3
	64	27	25	12	39½	61,6

3. *Polen*

Makarczyk	16	5	6	5	8	50
Frydman, P.	12	6	1	5	6½	54,2
Regedzinski	13	8	4	1	10	76,9
Chwojnik	11	4	4	3	6	54,5
Blass	12	4	5	3	6½	54,2
	64	27	20	17	37	57,8

4. *Österreich*

Hönlinger	15	8	4	3	10	66,7
Lokvenc	15	7	5	3	9½	63,3
Müller, H.	16	5	9	2	9½	59,4
Wolf, S. R.	12	3	6	3	6	50
Beutum	6	1	1	4	1½	25
	64	24	25	15	36½	57

5. *Dänemark*

Norman-Hansen	16	4	5	7	6½	40,6
Ander en, E.	16	9	3	4	10½	65,6
Gemzoe	16	7	2	7	8	50
Ruben	16	6	6	4	9	56,3
	64	26	16	22	34	53,1

— Teams 1 – 5

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6. *Tschechoslowakei*

Gilg	12	5	4	3	7	58,3
Prokeš	12	5	6	1	8	66,7
Pokorny	12	4	5	3	6½	54,2
Rejfiř	10	3	3	4	4½	45
Schulz	10	2	3	5	3½	35
Teller	8	3	3	2	4½	56,3
	64	22	24	18	34	53,1

7. *Schweiz*

Rivier	11	5	5	1	7½	68,2
Gygli	10	3	2	5	4	40
Voellmy	11	5	4	2	7	63,6
Naegeli	11	3	5	3	5½	50
Henneberger, M.	10	2	2	6	3	30
Michel, W.	11	6	2	3	7	63,6
	64	24	20	20	34	53,1

8. *Argentinien*

Coria	8	1	3	4	2½	31,3
Maderna	11	5	1	5	5½	50
Palau	16	9	2	5	10	62,5
Reca	13	4	4	5	6	46,2
Grau	16	6	7	3	9½	59,4
	64	25	17	22	33½	52,3

9. *Holland*

Weenink	16	3	7	6	6½	40,6
Kroone	16	7	4	5	9	56,3
v. d. Bosch	2	1	—	1	1	50
Schelfhout	11	2	6	3	5	45,5
Wertheim, W. F.	14	6	5	3	8½	60,7
Wertheim, J. H.	5	—	3	2	1½	30
	64	19	25	20	31½	49,2

10. *Deutschland*

Wagner	16	3	13	—	9½	59,4
Hilse	16	2	10	4	7	43,8
Schönmann	15	5	3	7	6½	43,3
Blümich	13	5	4	4	7	53,8
Foerder	4	1	1	2	1½	37,5
	64	16	31	17	31½	49,2

— Teams 6 – 10

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11. *Belgien*

Sapira	16	4	5	7	$6\frac{1}{2}$	40,6
Koltanowski	16	7	5	4	$9\frac{1}{2}$	59,4
Censer, J.	16	4	7	5	$7\frac{1}{2}$	46,9
Dunkelblum	16	3	9	4	$7\frac{1}{2}$	46,9
	64	18	26	20	31	48,4

12. *Frankreich*

Gaudin	5	1	1	3	$1\frac{1}{2}$	30
Betbeder	16	3	3	10	$4\frac{1}{2}$	28,1
Duchamp	16	1	11	4	$6\frac{1}{2}$	40,6
Crépeaux	9	3	2	4	4	44,4
Muffang	16	9	7	—	$12\frac{1}{2}$	78,1
Dresga	2	2	—	—	2	100
	64	19	24	21	31	48,3

13. *Schweden*

Stoltz	16	6	5	5	$8\frac{1}{2}$	53,1
Jacobson	8	2	2	4	3	37,5
Stahlberg	15	6	6	3	9	60
Karlin	11	2	6	3	5	45,5
Jonsson, E.	14	2	7	5	$5\frac{1}{2}$	39,3
	64	18	26	20	31	48,3

14. *Lettland*

Apscheneek	16	8	1	7	$8\frac{1}{2}$	53,1
Strautmanis	16	6	3	7	$7\frac{1}{2}$	46,9
Petrow	16	5	7	4	$8\frac{1}{2}$	53,1
Taube	15	3	5	7	$5\frac{1}{2}$	36,7
Melnbardis	1	—	—	1	—	—
	64	22	16	26	30	46,8

15. *Italien*

Monticelli	14	4	6	4	7	50
Sacconi	13	2	8	3	6	46,2
Hellmann	8	3	2	3	4	50
Calapso	5	—	—	5	—	—
de Nardo	12	3	5	4	$5\frac{1}{2}$	45,8
Marotti	12	3	2	7	4	33,3
	64	15	23	26	$26\frac{1}{2}$	41,3

— Teams 11 – 15

16. Rumänien

Bródy	16	4	4	8	6	37,5
Proca	16	3	7	6	6½	40,6
Balogh	16	4	5	7	6½	40,6
Gudju	16	5	3	8	6½	40,6
	64	16	19	29	25½	39,8

17. Spanien

Molla	1	–	–	1	–	–
Marin	15	1	4	10	3	20
Cortez	16	1	5	10	3½	21,9
Aquilera	16	2	3	11	3½	21,9
Ribera	16	2	3	11	3½	21,9
	64	6	15	43	13½	21,1

_ Teams 16 – 17

There are many players to identify, but there are also some guests like Jacques Mieses or Alexander Rueb. Our members are requested to identify as many players as possible. Those three members who perform best will be awarded with a prize – a free copy of "Obliged to Tradition", the "Australasian bibliography" and the "Yugoslavian bibliography vol. V".

Please send your results to our treasurer Michael Negele (michael.negele.wtal@t-online.de) - Good luck!

By the way, it is still possible to purchase the a.m. books at the following prices

Obliged to Tradition: 18 € + postage (9 €)

Australasian bibliography: 18 € + postage (5 €)

Yugoslavian bibliography vol. V: 17 € (postage included)

Below another photograph of the Olde Ridderzaal, provided by Michael Negele:



PS (01-12-2015): See Edward Winter's feature article [A 1928 Chess Photograph](#) for a partly identification of the players.