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As the evidence of this bulletin in hand testifies, we have not folded up altho our last issue was on Jan. 17th. The whole difficulty can be explained in those devilish words "Form 1040". Yup, old income taxes had us almost down, and there just wasn't enof hours in a day to get out a chess paper along with all the tax work. But we are back on the job now, and hope to have a paper out every 3 weeks.

Many thanks to all of you, in other towns as well as locally, who have turned in game scores and news items for publication. If your particular item is not in this issue, it will appear shortly, as fast as we can publish them. And now that the CCCL matches are over, don't let down on your efforts but continue to send in scores and club news. We can't print it unless you send it in!!

Perhaps the biggest item of local news is the new meeting place for the Sacto Chess Club. The Tavern became crowded, so we have moved to the Clunie Memorial Clubhouse on Alhambra Blvd, meeting time 7:30 PM each Wednesday night. This is a fine meeting place, and visitors are always welcome. The big difficulty with the Clunie as a meeting place is that there is no place available to store our large suitcase full of equipment. This means lugging it to chess club and home again each week, which is quite a chore. Austin has suggested that we auction off the chessmen and boards, keep the clocks in a smaller suitcase, and let each member bring a chess set. This would not be a bad idea inasmuch as several members already do bring chess sets. In fact Ye Ed would go further and sell off the whole works and let a member bring his own clock if he so wished. Let's hear from the rest of you.

At last report, condition of Treasury rested at \$92.12. There have been no unusual expenses, \$7.06 for membership cards, a few dollars for postage is all. Then with dues collected, and our weekly kitty thrown in, we now have \$115.54 in the club treasury. But don't forget to drop a quarter into a kitty each week at club, as we now have a weekly rental charge of \$1.50 to meet, and the excess goes against the cost of this paper. And after all, two bits isn't much for an evening of chess!

The Sacramento Chess Championship Finals is an upset so far. Gee threw away a piece against Richards, who now leads by 4-0. Meyer is second with 3-1, having drawn two games. There are two more rounds of play, with Richards-Meyer as one of these. Anything can still happen, and probably will. In any case, Russell and Gee are not in the race as of now. So Sacramento will have a new man at top board in our next season's matches. So the rest of you teams had better look out. We hope to have a fuller report on the tournament for the next issue.

## BOOK REVIEW

The World's Great Chess Games, by Reuben Fine. Crown Publishing Co., \$4.00

This is a selection of the best games played by the world's great masters from Philidor to the present day. It contains over 100 annotated games plus over 100 final combinations from still other games. The book is divided into eight sections; From Philidor to Morphy, The Age of Morphy, The Age of Steinitz, The Age of Lasker, The Age of Capablanca, The Age of Alekhine, The Age of Euwe, and The Age of Botvinnik. The last section contains a treatment of contemporary American masters. Each section contains games from the great players of the period, with a preliminary discussion of each player. Nearly all the great games and players are included. There are some notable omissions. One could wonder at the inclusion of Winter, and some present American masters, while such men as Gunsberg, Mason, Teichmann, Liseses, and Miss Menchik are omitted. This reader would like to have included the Lasker-Napier game at Cambridge Springs 1904. However, these are minor objections.

The author has generally been very fair in his discussion of the controversial figures such as Alekhine, and Capablanca. He has striven to produce quality and quantity at a reasonable price. The book stands midway between Meet The Masters (Euwe) and Golden Treasury of Chess (Wellmuth). It covers more ground with less exhaustive notes than the former, but less ground with more notes than the latter. It should be a welcome addition to most Chess Libraries. -- By Neil Austin.

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Flynn & Austin at their weekly feud sometimes sounds like this:

Flynn: Well, when are you going to make your next move? We've been sitting here for hours since I last moved . . . . .

Austin: Oh! Excuse me, I thought it was your move!!

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Well, if we don't get murdered for the above, we hope to have another issue out soon. Incidentally, we understand Railroader Flynn is engaged for nuptials. Wonder if the girl-friend is a chessplayer? Suggestion to Flynn: Arrange for the weekly chessnight out, before signing the contract!

Please pardon the undue length of this issue in size of paper, since we have lots of long paper on hand, decided to use it.

## COMMENTS

by Flynn

Two matches won by the Forty-Niners--Stockton & Modesto. Say, what's come over our team? We are certainly stronger now than at any time in the past. The matches were hard-fought on individual boards and, altho we racked up quite a score, there was no player on either side who didn't realize he'd been in a reall chess game. San Jose, however, keeps rolling along. It looks as though they have the championship in their back pocket. Still, there is yet time for a surprise.

These matches are peculiar. On some days a team just falls apart; on other days, it seems as though that same team can't lose a game. Perhaps San Jose owed it success to the fact that it seldom hits one of those off days. One or two players for San Jose may fluff their games, but the remaining players always make up for it.

I didn't get to the Stockton match so I missed seeing my old friend, Matt Mattingly. But, at the Modesto match, I got a good look at all the games. Lee Kerfoot was there, and battling hard. Come to think of it, I don't think there's a player in our League who is better liked by one and all than Lee. And not only in our league. In the Correspondence Chess League of America, Lee Kerfoot has friends all over the country and is always good for 150 to 200 votes for any office. Hebbe we ought to run Lee in this hyar Presidential campaign coming up in November. He'd deliver the chess vote in one big bloc.

The two Herbs, Paul and Betker, were also in their glory, shoving pawns for Modesto. For two years now, I've meant to compliment Herb Paul on his discretion as Team Captain. It was two years ago that Krogness was fighting a losing ending against R. E. Russell. It was 6 pm and all other games were over. Both Krogness (a bitter fighter in the end game) and Paul agreed the game was a loss. Which was true, but it takes two gentlemen to admit it, when it costs your team a point.

Oddly enough, R. E. Russell was again involved in a similar situation in this year's Modesto match. Only this time he was in the losing position. Sacramento repaid the courtesy two years later. Altho a pawn up, Russell and Neil Austin could see no win in the position for Sacramento. The game was adjudicated a win for Modesto's Monty Jackson, and neither Russell nor any Sacramento player objected to the decision--altho it sure hurt to lose that game.

Herb Betker, I understand, is in the restaurant business. We'll all have to stop and eat at Betker's place when we visit Modesto. Maybe we could throw a real chess party there--with Lee Kerfoot as Master of Ceremonies. By the way, Lee never has favored us with that simultaneous exhibition we've been teasing him about for years. Austin and I still think it's a good idea; but Kerfoot says he has all he can do to handle one game at a time.

Just got back from a trip to Boston via non-scheduled Airline and some day I'll have to give you all the lowdown on that business--probably save you money and grief. But right now, let me tell you that Boston has nothing on us in chess. We have as good players in our valley league as I found back there.

I did run into one minor master (leave it to Flynn to hit the tough guys). His name is Jacobs and he plays for the Boylston Chess Club. He is a famous problemist and, say, can he play chess!

Really, I don't know whether he's a minor master or not. Reminds me of the little boy in the Army Captain's suit, who saluted a real Captain. The Captain told the boy to run along, sonny. And the lad ran crying to his mother.

She told him, "Listen sonny. By me, you're a Captain. And by you, you're a Captain. But by Captains, you're no Captain."

By me, Jacobs is a minor master.

## OAKDALE CHESS CLUB

C. J. Smith was re-elected for the fourth year in a row as President of the Oakdale Chess Club at the Club's annual meeting Tuesday night, Jan. 8th. Hans Mortensen was named Vice-President, and Scott Sampson was re-elected Sec-Treasurer. Al Buerer was elected Tournament Director. The members also voted to change their meeting days from every Tuesday night to every Monday night. All meetings are held in the Tullock Hall basement of the Episcopal Church.

Buerer announced that he will arrange intra-club tournaments for the membership at once. Also Buerer will be responsible for all losses in the remaining CCCL matches yet to be held, so fellow leaguer's you'd best get set for some tough competition. Three new members, Art Fonda, Bob Dunwoody, and Dick Dorroh joined the club Monday night. Oakdale chess club is keeping up with all members who are serving in the Armed Services.

With the death of R. W. (Bert) Brown, Oakdale is left without a strong player for No. 1 board. As for nick-names for CCCL clubs, I suggest "The Acorns" for Oakdale, until such time as we grow strong enough to be called "The Oaks".

Drop in if you are in Oakdale for a friendly visit and a game of chess.

C. J. Smith.

## THE STOCKTON MATCH

by Austin

On January 27th, Stockton journeyed to Sacramento, and found as tough a Sacto team as has been fielded for some time. The Team Captain felt almost (but not quite) ashamed to be playing himself. We were without J. B. Gee and George Flynn, while Stockton was hurt by the absence of Ed Labrie and the elder Hubbard.

Roy Russell made a nice comeback to play Lloyd Woolfe off his feet. This was a very exciting game, due to the time pressure that Woolfe got himself into. He had 26 moves to make in 30 minutes.

Bob Burger acquitted himself very well against M. E. Mattingly, always a tough one. Bot was moved up to 2nd from 9th board to replace Gee who was unavoidably absent. Ojars Celle and Dr. Alex Janushkowsky continued their winning ways, and together with Burger look like they will be able to take the strain off top board play away from some of the old timers.

Sanford Applegate, playing his first match of the season, ran into a Tartar in young J. Saxon, whose feat in drawing stamps him as one to watch.

Sam Johnson turned in his usual consistent game, while J. A. Celle proved that all is not lost until the mate, by getting a draw in an apparently hopeless position. Austin, Meyer, and Richards were lucky as usual.

<u>Sacramento</u>		<u>Stockton</u>		<u>Sacramento</u>		<u>Modesto</u>	
1. R. E. Russell	-1	L.C. Woolfe	0	1. R. E. Russell	0	M. C. Jackson	1
2. R. Burger	-1	M. E. Mattingly	0	2. J. B. Gee	-1	H. E. Paul	0
3. N. T. Austin	-1	W. LeDeux	0	3. N. T. Austin	1/2	L. H. Kerfoot	1/2
4. M. O. Meyer	-1	R. C. Jukre	0	4. M. O. Meyer	-1	H. P. Bethker	0
5. R. L. Richards	-1	M. A. Sanders	0	5. R. L. Richards	-1	L. E. Davis	0
6. O. J. Celle	-1	A. C. Saxon	0	6. O. A. Celle	-1	L. W. Krogness	0
7. Dr. Janushkowsky	-1	A. D. Stubbs	0	7. S. Applegate	1/2	E. L. Jeffers	1/2
8. S. Applegate	1/2	J. Saxon	1/2	8. Bob Burger	-1	Dr. C. J. Cook	0
9. S. G. Johnson	-1	P. K. Hubbard	0	9. Dr. Janushkowsky	1	Don Thomson	0
10. J. A. Celle	1/2	E. Neustadt	1/2		7		2
	9		1	Sacto had White on odd-numbered boards.			

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## MODESTO MATCH

by Austin

Modesto brought a veteran team to Sacramento on Feb. 16, but was slightly off form. Sacto was again loaded with strength, and the team captain was forced to use the first nine players who arrived. Such strong players as Sam Johnson, J.A.Celle, and George Flynn were left off the line-up.

1st Board Roy Russell missed a win against Monty Jackson, then missed it again, and finally missed the draw. J. B. Gee won a fast game from Herb Paul, when Paul allowed a Bishop to be trapped. Team Captain Austin was overly optimistic against the veteran Lee Kerfoot, and lost a pawn. In a position with plenty of play for both sides, Lee offered a draw, which was accepted. Milt Meyer won a pawn from Herb Betker, but Betker resigned somewhat prematurely, perhaps out of respect for his gifted opponent. Richards and Celle were ahead all the way, altho both games were among the last finished. S. Applegate played his second successive draw, his only draws in over twenty matches. Bob Burger and Dr. Janushkowsky were too strong at the low boards.

Our next match will be against Oakdale at Modesto on March 17. Jeff Smith's boys have not been able to get going this year, but will be out to redeem themselves. If we win this match, we will have a good chance for 2nd place.

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We've had expressions of appreciation of Sam Bean as a chessplayer from both Woolfe of Stockton and Russell of Sacramento. In addition to being an excellent player, Mr. Bean is indeed an inspiration to others in the art of overcoming physical handicaps. No League player can afford to take Bean lightly!

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"Just recieved a copy of the Sacto-Chess News with the awful news of the defeat uv de klub at de hands uv dose Freshnow-King-Pawners. Knot noing jist whut tew say regarding sich knews I contactted our Chief Kibitzer Mr. Orinoff Rubinoff Klocksaki whoo sed and we quote: "Why whut be strange erbout sich er shore?" During de holidays I had nuttin tew dew sew I tuk er swing tew that thar glorious state uv Californy ez I was tired uv de gude weather we has bin er having heer in Minnesoty and I craved sum rain, wind and a few erthqwakes tew see iffin I wuz ded or jist a hibernatin sew I heerd erbout that thar tourney mint a coming up sew I jist went an visited same. De ate gents frum the village uv Sacrailliac be won fine looking bunch uv aigs butt dey jist dunt look FRESH, while dat dere horde uv kannibals frum Raisinville jist looked like de HOT-Stuff dat dey were. Dey seemed tew be in shape (oh! brother) tew make dat bunch uv small-taowmers look twicet which I see dey did butt hit diddin dew no gude a tall. I shall now analise de players er leedle.

No. won board-1r. Meyer opened P-Q4 and his opponent jist replied P-K4 and de game wuz over....Board tew: Mr. Jistin frum Alaska pooshed P-K4 but hiz opponent played P-K4 alsew sew de game kame outta draw. On board 3 de redowtable Geo. went P-QB4 sew dis required sum thot on de part of Mister Polowse whoo den finally gitted

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hiz Pawn tew K4 and dat game wuz over. On board four Massatair Khapmens dun got hiz goose awl kocked uppity by de cook uv de Raisineaters. On Board 5, Mr. Russel Russeet done lifted hiz pipe wid sum "ppeerless" terbaccy an a blowin de smoke in Mr. Lagnigs face jist putt him tew sleep before de poor man kould muve won piece. de rest ov de games wuz forfeited ez sum won got into de tourney mint room afore de game and glued de Sacroilliac players' Queen Pawn tew de board sew dey couldnt play F-Q4 and de games became er forfeit.

Awl dis I seen wid mi own eyes sed Mr. Klock sew I kin report on de trewth of the same. Selah, I hev spoke.

PS. I heerby challenge de same bunch uv (Characters) iff in dey hez eny, tew a tourny mint wid over Minneapples Chess Klub 4th team. Again I hev Spoke.

Chief Kibitzer, uv de Minneapolés Chess Klub."

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CHESS LEAGUE

TEAM MATCHES - Round Four 1-6-57

<u>Oakdale</u>		<u>Fresno</u>		<u>San Jose</u>		<u>Stockton</u>	
1. Smith, C.J.	0	Smith, Phil	1	1. Adams, W.	0	Woolfe, L.	1
2. Mortensen, H.	0	Hailparn, M	1	2. Mueller, E.	1	Mattingly, M.	0
3. Sampson, S.	0	Kallmann, H.	1	3. Kirby, G.	1	Hubbard	0
4. Smith, Mrs. C.J.	1	Forrest, K.	0	4. Crofut, F.	1/2	Juhre	1/2
5. Mortensen, T.	0	Fries, T.	1	5. Kalnins, J.	1	LeDeoux	0
6. Maxey, W.	0	Cook, E.	1	6. MacCarty, S.	1	Jarvis	0
7. Buerer, A.	1	Ough, P.	0	7. Daugherty, L.	1/2	LaBrie	1/2
8. Macken, T.	0	Legler, L.	1	8. David-Malig	1	Sanders	0
	2		6	9. Wood, H.	1	Saxon	0

<u>Modesto</u>		<u>Pittsburg</u>					
1. Jackson, M.	0	Bean, S.	1	10. VanHooser, G.	1	Ellinberg	0
2. Kerfoot, L.	0	Olvera, F.	1	11. Mrs. D-Malig	0	Saxon	1
3. Jeffers, E.L.	1	Weinberg, F.	0		8		3
4. Betker, H.	0	Garcia, G.	1	ROUND FIVE 1-17-57			
5. Davis, L.	1	Glover, J.	0	Sacto overwhelmed Stockton 9-1; Pittsburg			
6. Krogness, L.	1	Lansing, H.	0	made a poor showing against San Jose 1/2-7 1/2			
7. Paul, H.	1	Behrends, S.	0	while Modesto barely nosed out Oakdale 4			
8. Thomson, D.	1	Escobar, S.	0	to 3. This assures San Jose of first place			
	5		3	even tho they lose to Fresno on March 16th			

as every other club has at least 1 1/2 points against them.

<u>Modesto</u>		<u>Oakdale</u>		<u>San Jose</u>		<u>Pittsburg</u>	
1. Jackson, M.	1	Smith, C.J.	0	1. Adams, Wm.	1	Bean, S.	0
2. Davis, L.E.	1	Maxey, W.	0	2. Mueller, E.	1	Olvera, F.	0
3. Kerfoot, L.	1	Mrs. Smith	0	3. Kirby, G.	1	Garcia, G.	0
4. Krogness	0	Mortenson, H.	1	4. Kalnins, J.	1	Schroth, C.	0
5. Cook, Dr. C.J.	0	Sampson, S.	1	5. David-Malig, J.	1	Lansing, H.	0
6. Bennett, L.	0	Buerer, A.	1	6. Crofut, F.	1	Tuscon, R.	0
7. Thomson, D.	1	Macken, T.	0	7. Wood, H.	1/2	Van Arsdale, D.	1/2
	4		3	8. Daugherty, L.	1	Anton, E.	0

ROUND SIX 2-16-57

<u>Pittsburg</u>		<u>Oakdale</u>		<u>Fresno</u>		<u>Stockton</u>	
1. S. Bean	1	J.C. Smith	0	1. P. Smith	1/2	Woolfe, L.C.	1/2
2. F. Olvera	1	Ned Parker	0	2. M. Hailparn	1	LeDeux, W.	0
3. F. Weinberg	1	Niardeson	0	3. H. Kallmann	1	Saunders, M.A.	0
4. G. Garcia	1	W. Maxey	0	4. K. Forrest	1	Leigh, R.A.	0
5. D. VanArsdale	1	V. Smith	0	5. E. Cook	1	Stubbs, A.D.	0
6. H. Lansing	1	A. Buerer	0	6. T. Fries	1	Saxon, A.C. Sr.	0
7. E. Anton	1	S. Sampson	0	7. M.R. Rubin	1	Hubbard, P.K.	0
8. S. Escobar	1	D. Dorroh	0	8. P. Ough	1	Saxon, A.C. Jr.	0
9. J. Garcia	1	T. Mackan	0	9. R. Womack	1	Ellenberg, M.B.	0
	9		0		8 1/2		3

ROUND SEVEN (At Modesto, March 16th)

<u>Fresno</u>		<u>San Jose</u>		<u>Stockton</u>		<u>Pittsburg</u>	
1. P. D. Smith	1	W. T. Adams	0	1. L. C. Woolfe	0	S. Bean	1
2. M. Hailparn	1	E. Mueller	0	2. M. E. Mattingly	0	F. Olvera	1
3. W. Strong	0	G. Kirby	1	3. P. Hubbard, Sr.	1	F. Weinberg	0
4. T. Fries	0	J. Kalnins	1	4. W. LeDeux	1	G. Garcia	0
5. K. Forrest	0	F. Crofut	1	5. M. A. Sanders	0	S. Wilson	1
6. Dr. H. Kallman	$\frac{1}{2}$	L. Daugherty	$\frac{1}{2}$	6. R. Leigh	1	D. VanArsdale	0
7. M. Worden	1	David-Malig	0	7. A. D. Stubbs	1	H. Lansing	0
8. E. Cook	1	M. Gazse	0	8. A. C. Saxon	0	E. Anton	1
9. R. Womack	0	H. Wood	1	9. E. Neustadt	$\frac{1}{2}$	J. Glover	$\frac{1}{2}$
10. L. Legler	0	G. VanHooser	1	10. N. Ellenberg	1	J. Garcia	0
	<u><math>4\frac{1}{2}</math></u>		<u><math>5\frac{1}{2}</math></u>		<u><math>5\frac{1}{2}</math></u>		<u><math>4\frac{1}{2}</math></u>

<u>Sacramento</u>		<u>Oakdale</u>	
1. R.E. Russell	$\frac{1}{2}$	C.J. Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$
2. N.T. Austin	1	T. Mortensen	0
3. R.L. Richards	1	H. Mortensen	0
4. M.O. Meyer	1	A. Duerer	0
5. Dr. Jamushkowsky	1	V. Smith	0
6. O.A. Celle	1	W. Maxey	0
7. J.A. Celle	1	S. Sampson	0
8. S.E. Spaulding	1	D. Dorroh	0
9. N.E. Talcott	1	E.D. Parker	0
10. J. Hardy	1	L. Sawyer	0
	$\frac{9}{2}$		$\frac{1}{2}$

The title of "CCCL Champion" was won by Phil Smith of Fresno, by reason of his scoring the most points at 1st board:

1. Smith, Fresno	$5\frac{1}{2}$	-	$\frac{1}{2}$
2. Bean, Pittsburg	4	-	2
3. Adams, San Jose	3	-	2
4. Woolfe, Stockton	$2\frac{1}{2}$	-	$2\frac{1}{2}$
Russell, Sacramento	$2\frac{1}{2}$	-	$2\frac{1}{2}$
6. Jackson, Modesto	2	-	2
7. Brown, Oakdale	1	-	1
8. Smith, "	$\frac{1}{2}$	-	$3\frac{1}{2}$
9. Kerfoot, Modesto	0	-	1
Jeffers, Modesto	0	-	1
Mueller, San Jose	0	-	1

There will be a discussion of the 1951-52 season in the next issue of "NEWS". Thanks to all of you who have mailed in cards and letters giving team results in these matches. It is very much appreciated. I believe Austin & Crofut are going to have a rating system on our League players to be published herein soon.

<u>Final Standings</u>		<u>Game Points</u>	
1. San Jose	6 - 0	$41\frac{1}{2}$	- $14\frac{1}{2}$
2. Sacramento	$4\frac{1}{2}$ - $11\frac{1}{2}$	$38\frac{1}{2}$	- $17\frac{1}{2}$
3. Fresno	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	$28\frac{1}{2}$	- $18\frac{1}{2}$
4. Stockton	3 - 3	20	- 36
5. Pittsburg	2 - 4	24	- 26
6. Modesto	2 - 4	18	- 27
7. Oakdale	0 - 6	$10\frac{1}{2}$	- $41\frac{1}{2}$
		181	181

The "B" Cup was retired by San Jose, who won it for the third successive time. It was won once by Sacto. During the last three years, it has been awarded to the team scoring the most points above and including 7th board, losses not to count except to break ties.

1. San Jose	$14\frac{1}{2}$	-	$5\frac{1}{2}$
2. Sacramento	12	-	8
3. Fresno	7	-	4
4. Pittsburg	7	-	7
5. Stockton	7	-	13
6. Modesto	$4\frac{1}{2}$	-	$4\frac{1}{2}$
7. Oakdale	3	0	13

The Monterey Bay Chess League was host to the San Jose Y Chess Club for a fourteen board team match. The San Jose Club was able to win by a score of 11-3. The Allies were handicapped by the absence of many players from Carmel, only one player, Danny Fidlow, who won on board three, was there to represent his club.

<u>San Jose "Y" Chess Club</u>		<u>Monterey Bay Chess League</u>	
1. Bill Adams	1/2	George Oakes (Salinas)	1/2
2. Bert Mueller	1	Foster Clark (Salinas)	0
3. George Kirby	0	Danny Fidlow (Carmel)	1
4. Jerry Slavich	1	R. C. Stafford (Santa Cruz)	0
5. Janis Kalnins	1	E. B. Barrett (Santa Cruz)	0
6. Marvin Sable	1	Rollo Taylor (Salinas)	0
7. Francis Crofut	1	Al Lukavich (Salinas)	0
8. Dr. J. M. David-Malig	1	Ed Dreis (Santa Cruz)	0
9. Lyman Daugherty	1	L. F. Johnson (Santa Cruz)	0
10. Howard Wood	1	Wayne Pope (Salinas)	0
11. Elmo Innocenti	1	E. Hawkins (Salinas)	0
12. George VanHooser	0	Russell Maeith (Santa Cruz)	1
13. Harry Shaw	1/2	Sam Lowe (Salinas)	1/2
14. Angelo Rosiles	1	J. C. McMillan (Salinas)	0
15. Norman Davison		no opponent	
	11		3

Sacto Tourney	22 KR Q	R Q2
O.A. Celle-Meyer	23 P K4	BPxP
1 P Q4	N KB3	24 B R3
2 P QB4	P K3	25 BxR
3 N KB3	B N5ch	26 R K
4 B Q2	Q K2	27 P QN4
5 P QR3	BxBch	28 Q B2
6 QNxB	P Q4	29 Resigns
7 P K3	O O	Stockton-Fresno
8 B Q3	QN Q2	Woolfe vs P. Smith
9 Q B2	P B4	1 P K4
10 BPxP	KPxP	2 N KB3
11 P QN3	P QN3	3 P QN4
12 O O	B N2	4 P B3
13 KR K	QR B	5 P Q4
14 Q N2	N K5	6 PxQP
15 B B	P B4	7 N Q2
16 QR B	P KN4	8 B QB4
17 P N3	Q N2	9 Q N3!
18 B N2	R KB2	10 NxB
19 N K5	QNxN	11 O O!
20 PxN	NxN	12 B QN5
21 QxN	QxP	13 BxNch

14 N K5	Q K3	8 P QB3	O O
15 Q N5ch	K Q	9 P KR3	N QR4
16 R Q	P QN3	10 B B2	P QB4
17 RxBch	K B	11 P Q4	BP x P
18 NxBP?	Q K8ch	12 PxP	Q B2
19 Q KB	QxQ ch	13 N QB3?	B N2
20 KxQ	K N2	14 B N5	QR B
21 R Q8?	RxR	15 QR B	N B5
22 NxBch	K B2	16 Q K2	NxNP
23 N KB7	K Q2	17 B N3	N B5
24 B Q2	K K3	18 N Q5	NxN
25 NxB	P KN3	19 PxN	P B3!
26 R Kch	K Q2	20 B KR4	BxP
Wound up a draw!		21 N Q2	B B2!
Sacto-Pittsburg		22. P KB4	KR K
Russell-Bean		23 BPxP	QPxP
1 P K4	P K4	24 B N3	B N5
2 N KB3	N QB3	25 KR Q	BxN
3 B N5	P QR3	26 RxB	Q N3
4 B R4	N KB3	27 Q N4	R B2
5 O O	P QN4	28 R2 QB2	R2 K2
6 B N3	B K2	29 B B2	Q N2
7 R K	P Q3	30 PxP	RxP

31. Q B3? B Q4  
 32 BxN PxB  
 33 Q KN3 R N4  
 34 Resigns

Pittsburg-Oakdale.

Olivera-Parker

1 P K4 P K4  
 2 N KB3 N QB3  
 3 B B4 P Q3  
 4 P QB3 B K3  
 5 B N5 P QR3  
 6 B R4 N B3  
 7 B B2 P R3  
 8 P Q4 PxB  
 9 PxB P Q4  
 10 P K5 N KN5  
 11 P KR3 NxBP  
 12 KxN B K2  
 13 B B4 P QN4  
 14 N B3 Q Q2  
 15 P R3 P N4  
 16 B R2 O O O  
 17 R K N R4  
 18 P QN3 KR N  
 19 Q Q2 P R4  
 20 NxQP N B3  
 21 NxBch NxN  
 22 NxNP R N2  
 23 B K4 N N  
 24 B B3 P R5  
 25 QR B N R3  
 26 R B6 N B4  
 27 KR QB NxP  
 28 RxPch QxR  
 29 RxQch KxR  
 30 Q R5ch K B  
 31 QxPch K Q2  
 32 NxN NxN  
 33 Q Q6ch K K  
 34 B B6ch Resign

Modesto-Sacto

Cook - Burger

1 P K4 P K4  
 2 N QB3 N KB3  
 3 N KB3 P Q4  
 4 P Q3 P Q5  
 5 N K2 N QB3  
 6 P QB3 B B4  
 7 PxB PxB  
 8 P QR3 O O  
 9 B N5 Q Q3  
 10 N N3 N N5  
 11 N KR4 P KN3  
 12 B K2 P B4  
 13 PxB PxB  
 14 O O KN K4  
 15 Q Q2 K R  
 16 B B4 Q K2  
 17 N B3 N N3  
 18 R K B Q3  
 19 BxB QxB  
 20 B Q B K3  
 21 N N5 B Q4  
 22 B B3 QN-K4  
 23 BxB QxB  
 24 R K2 P B5  
 25 N K4 P KR3  
 26 N B3? NxNch  
 27 PxB N R5  
 28 K R NxP  
 29 Q N4 Q R4  
 30 QxPch NxQ  
 31 Resigns

Modesto-Sacto

Paul-Gee Bd. #2

1 P Q4 P Q4  
 2 B B4 N KB3  
 3 P K3 P B4  
 4 P B4 PxBP  
 5 KPxB N B3

11 N K5 B Q2  
 12 O O R B  
 13 Q N3 P R3  
 14 N B3 B Q3  
 15 P B4 B B3  
 16 R B3 BxN  
 17 BPxB N B5!  
 18 Q B2 N Q2  
 19 QR KB B N4  
 20 R/1 B2 N2xP!!  
 21 PxB NxP/K4  
 22 B R7ch K R  
 23 R R3 P B4  
 24 P K4  
 (BxB better, but  
 after 24...RxB,  
 25 RxR B-Q6! white  
 is still down a P.  
 24 KxB  
 25 PxBP PxB?  
 (A mistake. RxP is  
 much safer. Then  
 if 26. RxR, B-Q6!  
 Text gives white  
 attacking chances)  
 26 RxBP B Q6!  
 27 BxB (27 RxR  
 is better. e.g.  
 27 RxR BxQ 28.  
 PxB RxB)  
 27 PxB  
 28 Q Q2 Q N3ch  
 29 R B2 RxN!  
 30 R K3 RxR  
 31 QxR R B8ch  
 32 Resigns

Sacto Champ.

Richards-Gee  
 1 N KB3 N KB3  
 2 P B4 P K3

10 P QR3 N KN  
 11 B B4 N N3  
 12 B Q3 P KB4  
 13 PxB PxB  
 14 P QN4 N Q4  
 15 NxN PxB  
 16 QR B B Q2  
 17 B B7 Q K  
 18 B Q6 B QB3  
 19 P N5 Q Q  
 20 BxB NxN  
 21 PxB PxB  
 22 N K5 Q B2  
 23 B N5 R B3  
 24 Q R4 Q Q  
 25 BxB NxN

26 RxN & wins.

Fresno-Oakdale Bd #1.

Smith vs Smith (hah!)  
 11 P Q4 P Q4  
 2 P K3 P QR3  
 3 B Q3 N KB3  
 4 QN Q2 B N5  
 5 P KB3 B R4  
 6 N K2 B N3  
 7 N KB4 BxB  
 8 NxN P K3  
 9 P QB4 B Q3  
 10 Q N3 P QN3  
 11 P K4 B K2?  
 12 BPxB PxB  
 13 P K5 N N  
 14 N KB4 P QB3  
 15 N R5 K B  
 16 N B N Q2  
 17 N1 N3 P N3  
 18 N B4 B R5  
 19 O O BxN  
 20 PxB N R3  
 21 P K6? N QN  
 22 PxB KxB

Oakdale-Fresno  
 Mrs. Smith-Forrest  
 1 P K4 P QB4  
 2 N KB3 P Q3  
 3 P Q3 N QB3  
 4 B K2 N B3  
 5 O O P KN3  
 6 B K3 B KN2  
 7 P QB3 O O  
 8 P QR3 Q QN3  
 9 Q QB2 P K4  
 10 P QN4 N KN5  
 11 B Q2 P KB4  
 12 P KR3 N KB3  
 13 KPxP BxP  
 14 B K3 R K  
 15 N Q2 P K5  
 16 QR xP NxP  
 17 NxN BxN  
 18 Q Q QR Q  
 19 N KN5 R Q2  
 20 NxB N K4  
 21 Q Q5ch K R  
 22 P KB4 N B2  
 23 P xP P xP  
 24 QxR Q N7  
 25 B B4 K N  
 26 BxP BxP  
 27 NxB QxN  
 28 BxNch RxB  
 29 Q QBch Resigns

6 N QB3 P K3  
 7 N B3 B N5  
 8 P QR3 BxNch  
 9 PxB O O  
 10 Q B2 Q R4  
 11 B Q6 R K  
 12 B N4 Q Q  
 13 O O O P QR4  
 14 P xP P xP  
 15 B B5 P QN3  
 16 B N5 B N2  
 17 N K5 R QB  
 18 Q R4 Q B2  
 19 NxN BxN  
 20 BxP QxB  
 21 BxB RxB  
 22 KR K7 R xPch  
 & mate in two.  
 :40 :51

Fresno Champ.  
 Forrest-Fries  
 1 P QB4 P QB3  
 2 N QB3 P Q4  
 3 P K3 N B3  
 4 N B3 P K3  
 5 P Q4 QN Q2  
 6 Q B2 B K2  
 7 P xP BP xP  
 8 B Q3 P KR3  
 9 N QN5 O O  
 10 B Q2 N N3

3 N B3 P Q4  
 4 P Q4 B K2  
 5 P K3 QN Q2  
 6 P QR3 P B4  
 7 P xQP KP xQP  
 8 P xP NxP  
 9 P QN4 N/4 K5  
 10 B N2 O O  
 11 Q Q4 B K3  
 12 B Q3 R B  
 13 O O Q N3  
 14 Q xQ P xQ  
 15 N QN5 B N5  
 16 KR Q N N4???  
 17 NxN BxR  
 18 RxB P R3  
 19 BxN BxB  
 20 N R7 R Q  
 21 Nx Bch P xN  
 22 P N3 & wins

Sacto-Stockton  
 Austin-LeDeux  
 1 P Q4 P Q4  
 2 P QB4 P K3  
 3 NQB3 N KB3  
 4 B N5 P xP  
 5 P K4 B K2  
 6 BxP P B3  
 7 N B3 QN Q2  
 8 O O O O  
 9 R K K R

23 NxQP ! P xN  
 24 BxN R K  
 25 KR K N B3  
 26 R xR K xR  
 27 Q K3ch Q K2  
 28 Q B3 K Q2  
 29 Q N3 R QB7  
 30 Q xPch Q Q3  
 31 Q B7ch Q K2  
 32 Q xQch N xQ  
 33 R QB? R xRch?  
 34 B xR N B4  
 35 P N4 N xP  
 36 B K3 ! N B3  
 37 B xP K Q3  
 38 K B K Q4  
 39 K K2 K B5  
 40 K Q2 N N5  
 41 P N3ch K N4  
 42 P R3 N Q4  
 43 B K3 K B3  
 44 K Q3 N B3  
 45 B Q4 N Q4  
 46 K K4 N B2  
 47 K K5 N N4  
 48 B N2 N B2  
 49 K B6 N Q4ch  
 50 K N7 N K6  
 51 K xP N xP7  
 52 K xP N R5ch  
 53 K B6 N xP  
 54 P N5 N xP  
 55 K xN Resigns