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C.C.C.L. Executive Committee Meeting
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The meeting was called to order by President Hailbarn with the following members present: M. Hailbarn, Fresno; E. L. Jeffers, Modesto; C. J. Smith, Oakdale; F. Olvera, Pittsburg; N. T. Austin, Sacramento; Geo. Van Hooser, San Jose; M. A. Sanders, Stockton; also present were T. Fries, Fresno; and E. Blickenstatt, Oakdale.

As the minutes had been previously published, they were not read. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

A schedule of matches prepared by N. T. Austin was accepted and dates assigned. The date of the Qualifying Tournament was set for October 22 and 23 at Oakdale.

The bill for \$10.56 representing two pages in the Long Beach issue of the Chess Reporter was ordered paid.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Frank Olvera, Pittsburg, President; M. A. Sanders, Stockton, Vice-President; N. T. Austin, Sacramento, Sec'y-Treas.

A Committee composed of Tom Fries, N. T. Austin, and Geo. Van Hooser was appointed to study possible affiliation with the USCF. Pittsburg requested permission to use Leslie Talcott of Oakland in League competition. Unanimous approval was given.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. A match was held in which the various players were matched by lot. San Jose took home the trophy with a total score of 5½.

Treasurer's Report

Balance on Hand 9/19/54	\$43.00
Dues Received	17.50
	<u>60.50</u>
Prize (W. Whisler)	-5.00
Balance on hand 9/18/55	\$55.50

AFFILIATION WITH USCF

The CCCL Executive Committee has voted to examine the possibility of affiliation with the United States Chess Federation, to this end, President Olvera appointed a Committee composed of Tom Fries, Geo. Van Hooser, and N. T. Austin to consider the advisability of such affiliation.

After some discussion, the Committee recommended affiliation, but agreement was not reached as to the extent desired. It was therefore decided to present the matter to the various clubs for study and an expression of opinion.

The following argument is an attempt to present the pros and cons of affiliation in order to better enable the clubs to decide.

It may safely be said that the majority of us are not in agreement with the present conduct of Federation affairs. However, the writer does not feel that this is sufficient reason to refuse affiliation. Organized Chess on a National scale is a necessity, and a poor organization is better than none. The fee for affiliation is \$10 with rating fees extra.

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Although the rules for rating events have been changed so many times that it is difficult to be sure what one are in effect, we understand that at present our Qualifying Tournament is rated free of charge and that our Individual Championship will be rated if we affiliate. In order to rate the team matches, a fee of 10¢ per game is charged, amounting to \$2.40 per team per season. This would involve approximately doubling our yearly dues.

The advantages of being rated are, of course, a moot question. There are certain advantages to the active tournament players, none at all to the inactive, or to the low rated player. Each players and each club must decide on the advantages to themselves.

One opinion has been expressed that affiliation is useless unless the matches are rated.

We offer the following options for the member clubs to vote upon:

1. In favor of affiliation only.
2. In favor of affiliation plus rating of matches.
3. Not in favor of any affiliation unless matches are rated also.
4. Not in favor of affiliation.

CCCL QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT

Date & Times:	Oct. 22, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 23, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.	<u>Place</u> Oakdale, California
Entries Close	Oct. 9 (note 1)	
Entry Fee	\$12.50 (\$5 is returnable) (Note 2)	
Number	Restricted to 12. P. D. Smith, M. O. Meyer, W. Whisler, Tom Fries are automatically qualified. (Note 3) Must be member of Calif. State Chess Federation. Can pay dues at Oakdale.	
Finals	Los Angeles - Thanksgiving week-end. (Note 4)	
Note 1	Stockton and Pittsburg entries should mail their entries in.	
Note 2	\$5 goes toward State Championship Prize Fund. \$5 deposit to ensure completion of tournaments. \$2.50 for winners prize. This amount is usually paid by player's club, but maybe paid by player, if club refuses.	
Note 3	If there are more than 12 entries, the Tournament Committee will select the players according to strength. It is expected that a Modesto or Oakdale player will be available to make an even number, if necessary. Entry fee will be waived.	
Note 4	There will also be 3 games to play against Bay Area qualifiers. This is usually done over one week-end in San Francisco. Winner will be notified as to schedule.	

RULES FOR CONDUCT OF CCCL TEAM MATCHES

1. Eligibility of Players: All bona fide members of CCCL clubs are eligible for League Competition. No player shall compete for more than one club in the League during a season. Unanimous approval must be obtained from the Executive Committee before a new player currently competing in another League may be used.
2. Size of Teams: Teams shall consist of eight (8) players.
3. Game Forfeitures: A team consisting of less than eight (8) players shall forfeit the remaining boards up to board eight. The top boards must be filled in order, i.e. forfeitures shall be from the bottom up.
4. Colors and Lineups: Colors on 1st board shall alternate each season. At each board, the captain whose team has White shall name his man, after which the other captain shall name his man to play Black.

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5. Starting Time: Games shall be started at 12 Noon unless otherwise agreed. Clocks may be started at 12 Noon.
6. Adjournments and Adjudications: After six (6) hours and sixty (60) moves with the Black pieces, the game shall be adjourned, and the position sent to the Adjudication Committee.
7. Team Championship: The Team Championship shall be decided on the basis of matches won, ties to count as 1/2. In the case of a tie, the tied team having the highest game score shall be declared the winner.
8. Rules for Individual Play: Play shall be governed by the latest FIDE rules of play.
9. Time Limit: The time limit shall be 40 moves in two hours, and 20 moves each hour thereafter. No player may refuse to play with clocks if his opponent so requests.
10. Game Scores: No player may claim a win on time unless he has kept an accurate and legible score. A player must keep his own score if a score is kept.

SCHEDULE 1955 - 1956

Rd. 1	Oct. 9	Fresno Sacramento Stockton Oakdale	vs	San Jose Modesto Pittsburg Bye	at Oakdale " at Stockton
Rd. 2	Nov. 6	San Jose Pittsburg Sacramento Fresno	vs	Oakdale Modesto Stockton Bye	at San Jose at Modesto at Sacramento
Rd. 3	Dec. 4	Modesto Oakdale San Jose Sacramento	vs	Fresno Pittsburg Stockton Bye	at Fresno at Pittsburg at San Jose
Rd. 4	Jan. 8	Fresno Modesto Pittsburg Stockton	vs	Sacramento Oakdale San Jose Bye	at Oakdale " at Pittsburg
Rd. 5	Jan. 29	Fresno Sacramento Stockton San Jose	vs	Oakdale Pittsburg Modesto Bye	at Fresno at Sacramento at Stockton
Rd. 6	Feb. 19	Modesto Oakdale Stockton Pittsburg	vs	San Jose Sacramento Fresno Bye	at Modesto at Oakdale at Fresno
Rd. 7	March 11	San Jose Pittsburg Oakdale Modesto	vs	Sacramento Fresno Stockton Bye	at Modesto " "

FIRST NAMED TEAM HAS WHITE ON ODD NUMBERED BOARDS