

## Clara C. Hurt

Another Californian is Clara Hurt. She began her twenty years of postal chess when she joined the CCLA in 1950. From that year until 1969, she played in every Women's Tournament. She was the champion of the 1956 Women's event.

Clara first learned to play chess on a set which her daughter received as a Christmas gift. Her interest in chess led to her founding of a chess club -- the Berkeley Chess Club of Berkeley, California. She is life secretary of that organization

Although Clara is retired, she teaches typing in an adult high school. She lives in Lafayette, California, where she pursues her other interests -- following the news, working crossword puzzles, gardening and enjoying her four grandchildren.