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The article on next to bottom of page one in the last issue (8) concerning the young lady Jackie Coker, in need of a special chess board and set, brought forth welcome response in the way of donations to the fund. However, a new board and chess-set which belonged to Sam Bean were donated to the young lady before the assembled clubs of the CCCL at Oakdale on Nov. 22. Miss Coker was highly pleased, and immediately engaged in several chess games with various opponents. The group was also informed that chessplayers were welcome at Mariposa, as Jackie Coker needs to meet other players and is always glad of a chance for a few games.

We are happy to report that all 1953-54 CCCL dues are paid, and all club support for the Sacramento Chess News has also been received. Now play chess!

In the Sacramento Preliminary Tournament, Gee is leading $3\frac{1}{3}-\frac{1}{2}$, with a last round game against Doc Janushkowsky 3-1. Austin 3-1 and Ojars Celle $2\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ are close on the heels of Hartley, who has finished five games with a score of 4-1. It is planned to have the top nine players in the Final Championship Tournament, with the others in a Consolation Tourney. No definite plans are made for these tournaments, which will start after the first of the year.

MATCH REMINDER - Round #4, Dec. 13: Oakdale at Fresno; Modesto at Stockton; San Jose at Pittsburg. Sacramento draws the bye this round.

			Round 3,	CO	CL Matches 11-VV-1	3			
	Oakdale		Sacramento		Stockton		Fresno		
1	Maxey, W.	0	Russell, R. E.	1	1 David-Halig	0	Smith, P D	1	
	Smith, C. J.	0	Meyer, M. O.	1	2 Leigh, R.	0	Hailparn, M	1	
	Sai, E.	0	Gee, J. B.	1	3 Dr. Saslaw	0	T. Fries	1	
	Mortensen, H.	0	Celle, O.	1	4 Juhre, R.	0	Achtenberg, E	1	
	Quayle, J.	0	Janushkowsky, A.	1	5 Saxon, J.	1	Kallmann, H	0	
	Kimball, F.	1	Clawson, F.	0	6 Hubbard, P	0	Fotias, C	1	
	Tusoosian, H.	0	Celle, J.		7 Sanders, M	0	Thompson E.	1	
8	Buerer, A.	1	Bender, O.	0	8 Stubbs, A.	1	Clark, R.	0	
9	Sampson, S.	0	Zimmerman N.	1	9 Saxon, A. C.	0	Mascke, O.	1	
10	Smith, V.	0.	Hartley, W.	1		2		7	
11	Thomas, S.	1	Keith, H.	0	No report has been received on the				
	Smith, J.	0	Bishop, Al	1	Pittsburg-Modesto match, altho we heard				
		3		9	Pittsburg host 6	to	3.		

Quite a chess-evening was had at Gee's house last Saturday night. Bob Burger from Pittsburg was up, so he came out with Doc Janushkowsky. Also Milt Meyer and Ojars Celle came. Some ferocious chess was played from 8 pm until midnight, and a darned good time was had by all. Ye Ed is plugging for this more often.

There is no news available from other Clubs in the CCCL, but we do have several game scores to publish. Some rather good ones too. Also, George Flynn is back in this issue with his "Off the Chesst".

Sacramento's genial Team Captain, Neil Austin, missed his first team match since the CCCL matches started five years ago! Quite a record indeed. Neil had a minor operation and missed the Cakdale-Sacto match, but he is back to work now, and will be ready after the first of fifty-four when Sacramento's tough matches start.

OFF THE CHESST

Doggone, I missed the last issue. Well, little man has been having many a busy day. It's kinda funny, really, how we always find ourselves so busy we don't get around to doing what we really enjoy, like playing chess.

So often we figure, Well, I'll stick to my knitting now and maybe make a lot of money or something, and then I'll be able to play all the chess I want to. But it never seems to work out that way. I'll bet a million people have said that, and less than a thousand ever accomplished it.

My my, I'm getting philosophical, all of a sudden like. Anyway, let's pull a quick switcheror and get psychologocological...hmmm, seems like too many of something, in that there word. Well, as we say of a bad move, let it stand. I'll play it.

But a mental expert was telling me that we use only 25 or 30% of our abilities. In other words, we could play twice the game we do now, without tapping our complete resources.

"But how do you double your abilities," I asked. "Just by eliminating

doubts, worries, frustrations, etc., " he said.

"You mean to say that a fellow could practically jump up into the Master

class by doing that?"

"Certainly," he replied, "if you could reduce the internal friction which is eating and gnawing away at practically everybody, your mind would work like a well-oiled machine, instead of one that's squeaking for lack of grease."

Well sir, I let him get away with that well-oiled business even though I could told him about the time I played chess when I was thoroughly oiled, and it

didn't help a bit.

But I kept harping away at the subject, because I could see that maybe we had a secret weapon here and if the Sacramento team could use it, and we could keep it away from the rest of the league...well, that trophy would be up here in the Capitol City.

So I said, "You mean if a fellow could forget allworries and troubles, he'd definitely play better chess?"

"Positively."

"That means he shouldn't worry about his health?"

"Certainly not."

"Money matters should be of no concern?"

"Absolutely none. "

"And he shouldn't worry about the opposite sex?"

"Naturally not."

"Not even the atomic bomb? Not even one leetle teeny worry about the atomic bomb?"

"The atomic bomb should be a matter of no concern."

At that point I gave up. "I'll tell you what you'd better do," I told him.
"You'd better talk to the rest of the league about it. Try Fresno or Pittsburg or
San Jose. Sometimes when I'm playing them, I think you may have good prospects
there, but as far as Sacramento goes, our players are human."

(Editor's Note: Wow, with that last crack Flynn really went wild. I deny all responsibility. If Fresno, Pittsburg, or San Jose have a beef, take it up with Flynn...he's your man.)

Oakdale-Sacramento Bishop vs Smith. J.

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7 P K3	QN Q2 PB4	18 BxPch	PxN NxB	9 NxB	Q Q5	14 B K3	B N5
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