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## JUST AN OLD SMOOTHIE....

It was like a high-soaring albatross gleaming in the sunlight. Or Or gliding along the top of a calm lake with a jetsharp little beauty. Or a cool, refreshing mint julep.

All this and some fine chess too. The luck of the leprechauns certain—
ly guided all events and sundry at this year's great California Open
Championship Tournament at Fresno, held over the past long weekend —
seemed like nobody felt like complaining, causing a disturbance or
arguing over time-scrambles. Feople arrived in high spirits, and
maintained them throughout the three days. (The Fresno bars were most
appreciative.) There was fun for the players and their families,
and a general feeling of contentment — even with the results!

Oh yes - the results. A string of ties from top to bottom among the 86 entrants -- including a 3-way tie for first. We congratulate all of them, and first salute

### IRVING RIVISE

as the new California Open Champion for 1963. Irving finished with a score of 6 - 1, drawing with ADDISON and BEDFORD, receiving the first prize trophy and qualification into the State Championship Finals. Next we pay to tribute to co-champions

# Tibor WEINBERGER and Julius LOFTSSON

who tied for first with the same score, and were also undefeated. WEIN-BERGER drew with Ronald GROSS and LOFTSSON; LOFTSSON with HOPPE and WEINBERGER. The three co-winners each received \$133.33 in prizes.

Fourth prize of \$45 was distributed among Henry GROSS, Ronnie GROSS, J. BLACKSTONE, W. ADDISON and Arthur WANG. BLACKSTONE, H. GROSS and R. GROSS also shared the top Expert prize of \$45. Other prize winners: Class A: BEDFORD, MOORE, SLEEP and THACKER. Class B: METZ. Class C: W. ALLEN and CLARK. Unrated: ADAMS and CARR. Reserve Trophy: SLEEP.

Incidentally, the splitting of the field after 4 rounds to create a Reserve Section was outvoted by the players. The Reserves Trophy went to SLEEP who performed best after having a minus score at the end of 4.

### SIDELIGHTS

The tournament on the whole was considered very successful and enjoyed by all. Some contributary factors, involving a lot of work for Tournament Director Gordon BARRETT and Asst. Tourney Director Charles SAVERY but obviously worth it, included .....

Use of a specially-lit notice board Continuously updated result sheets, both per individual round and progressively Advance information sheet, giving all the details of the tournament Large reminder-posters of times of rounds A rating adjustment sheet for those who like to compute their ratings after each round Regular microphone announcements of rules, times, use of equipment

Use of numbered tables eliminating the search for opponents Special "featured" games on the first five tables -- chosen because of unusual interest and not necessarily between top-rated players Waiter service of coffee, soft drinks etc. at the tables Use of a special analysis room, away from the main playing hall The "outlawing" of rapid transit in the playing hall Display of the League Calendar, TERRACHESS etc. Lots of prizes -- 20 winners in all!

Things that could stand improvement:

Overall lighting
Too much noise (in spite of continuous silence requests
Provision of sets, boards and clocks (many players turned up without such equipment, obviously expecting the Federation to provide
them).
More players!

# CALIFORNIA OPEN

Fresno

Labor Day weekend, 1963																	
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### FLOATING JETSAM

Understand the Rocky Mountain Open at Phoenix was wom by J. LAZOS of Los Angeles, with a score of 6½-½. Allan TROY took third place (we don't know about second) -- Mrs. L. GRUMETTE tied with Mrs. BURLINGAME of San Francisco for the Women's Trophy, but lost out on tiebreaking....Other Californians included TABASH, CONWIT, BLISS.

The Tandem Raid Transit at City Terrace last week was even more successful than the first one. Twelve pairs entered, the event being won by MAILLARD - LARSEN of Alondra with a score of 9½-1½. OOPS....! We're looking at the wrong result! Winners were

#### LUX -- JESTER

with 91/2-11/2, followed by MAILLARD - LARSEN, 9 - 2. Oh, well, it's late. Tied for third were the combinations RADER - TROY, and ROGOSIN -- ALONZO.

Incidentally .....

THE BIG ONE OF THE YEAR FOR CITY TERRACE -- starting next week!

# BERNARD OAK MEMORIAL OPEN

Don't miss it! Seven rounds Swiss, U.S.C.F. rated. Over 40 participants expected.

Anyone interested in a good clock repairer, contact E.H. DIEBEL, 521 N. Wilton Place, L.A. 4. Phone, HO 9-4694.

We have lot more to cover, but we can't see straight any more. So we'll all wait patiently, all right?

Be good.

SHADES OF THE GRANDMASTERS STILL....Ben WEININGER Dr. from Santa Barbara was the only one who defeated Miguel NAJDORF at a simul at that city in the first week of August.....