POLY ROYAL—PAST & PRESENT

On March 13, 1933 the first Poly Royal was held at California Polytechnic. At that time the event was sponsored by the Future Farmer chapter on the campus and because of that was exclusively an agricultural show. The purpose of those first Poly Royals was to give the agricultural boys experience in showing their stock and projects in preparation for the Interstate Junior Livestock show which was held each year in South San Francisco.

A year later, the Poly Royal committee instituted the procedure of selecting a queen, and the first Coronation Ball was added to the ceremonies. More and greater features were added year by year, until the Poly Royal grew into the most unique college open house program in the United States.

After six successful Poly Royals under the sponsorship of the Future Farmer chapter, the Associated Students decided to take over the execution of the yearly event as a student body function. So in 1939 Poly Royal became an industrial show as well as an agricultural one.

Officers this year are: Harlan Detlefsen, general superintendent; Kenneth Stretch, assistant superintendent; Fred V. N. Ellis, secretary; Edward Santos, treasurer; Robert Winterbourne, publicity director, and Carl G. Beck, adviser.

LAYING OF CORNERSTONE

"The old order changeth for the new." On January 31, 1943, the cornerstone for the original California Polytechnic School administration building was laid in an impressive ceremony. On February 25, 1941, this cornerstone was "unlaid" as this original building was being razed to make way for the new administration building. This "unlaying" ceremony was equally as impressive as the laying and Dr. Leroy Anderson, Cal Poly's first president was the principal speaker.

Since then the new administration building has been completed and is serving the purpose for which it was erected. As a feature of this year's Poly Royal, the cornerstone is to be laid at 10 a.m. Sunday, April 18th. Included in the box which is sealed in the stone is a statement from President McPhee on the aims and purposes of the school and also a statement from Miss Chase on the history of the school.

Other things included in the box is a copy of last year's yearbook, El Rodeo; a copy of the Poly Royal program; all this year's editions of the Mustang Roundup, the school's monthly news magazine; the latest edition of the Telegram-Tribune; a group of pictures of the school and farm; a school catalog and pictorial supplement; the latest edition of the Mustang News letter; a program of the

POLY ROYAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND FRIENDS

First row: Misses Dorothy Dennis, Nina Mathews, Eleanor Burrows, Davideen Ball, and Bernice Bassi.
Third row: Kenneth Stretch, Bob Thomsen, John Westfall, Bob Mallory, Fred Ellis, Dwight Wait, Ray Crane, Sandy Munro, Gene George and Ed Santos.
pounds of butterfat.

**Agricultural Mechanics:** Open shop will be held to display the work done by students during the past year. The "one cow barn" on display at the Dairy exhibit was built in this department by students.

**Swine unit:** This unit of the meat animals department will be open for inspection and will have several sows and litters on display in pens. An experiment on finding cost of each pig in raising different sized litters has been run by students and the results will be on exhibit. Choice feeders will be on display showing the weights and ages. The cost to produce them to marketable age and cost per pound of gain.

**Sheep unit:** This division of the meat animals department will have their facilities on display and in addition will exhibit several rams which are being sent to the California Ram Sale. Ewes and lambs will be shown in pens.

**Beef unit:** Eight pens of feeder steers will be on display at the beef unit. These will show different breeds and grades of beef. Hereford and Short-horn cows and bulls will be on display in nearby pastures.

**Horse unit:** The thoroughbred breeding unit will be on display featuring valuable breeding stock donated by prominent breeders in California.

**Crops department:** This department will display a booth near the poultry and horticulture exhibits at which vegetables grown by Poly students during the past few months, without irrigation, will be shown. Included in the display will be methods of control of various insects and other garden pests. Poly's Victory garden, located in the young walnut orchard, will be open for inspection Sunday.

**Horticulture department:** The annual plant identification contest for ladies will not be held this year, but the greenhouse, lath houses, and glass houses will be open to the public.

**Poultry department:** The entire plant will be on display showing birds of all ages and types. Students will be on hand to demonstrate egg grading and candling. The feather picking machine will be demonstrated showing how 300 chickens can be picked in an hour.

**General Farm:** Will display several labor saving devices built here including a power buck rake, hay loader and stacker, and a bulldozer with simple power operated lift. Teams and hay wagons will furnish transportation to various points of interest around the campus Sunday.

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**PROGRAM**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 17th**

2:00 P.M. Baseball Game  
Cal Poly Mustangs vs. Camp San Luis Obispo "Medics"  
Baseball Diamond

9:00 P.M. Coronation Ball  
Crandall Gymnasium

10:30 P.M. Coronation Ceremony

**SUNDAY, APRIL 18th**

10:00 A.M. Departmental Exhibitions open for inspection

10:00 A.M. Laying of Cornerstone of Administration Building  
West Entrance of Administration Building

11:30 A.M. Demonstration of Mass Calisthenics  
Athletic Field  
Cadets California Polytechnic U. S. Naval Flight Preparatory School

1:30 P.M. Demonstration of Obstacle Course  
Athletic Field  
Cadets U. S. Naval Flight Preparatory School

2:15 P.M. Rodeo  
Rodeo Grounds

**Order of Events**

I. Grand Entry

II. Steer Riding—first section  
(Open to California Polytechnic Students Only)

III. Calf Roping—first section (open)

IV. Stock Horse Class (open)

V. Team Roping (open)

VI. Mounted Quadrille

VII. Steer Riding—second section  
(Open to California Polytechnic Students Only)

VIII. Boot Race (open)

IX. Calf Roping—second section (open)

X. Ladies Trail Horse Class (open)

XI. Team Roping (open)

XII. Musical Chairs (open)

XIII. Awarding of Gate Prize.
BASEBALL GAME SATURDAY

Cal Poly Mustangs will take on the Camp San Luis Obispo "Medics," Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m. on the baseball field directly behind Poly Grove. This game is the big attraction during the day Saturday and the Mustangs will be out to avenge a defeat suffered earlier in the week at the hands of the "Medics."

On April 12 the "Medics" squeezed out a 10-9 victory in a game that went to 11 innings. During the three-hour game, the score was tied three times.

The Poly team has been practicing hard for this game and may win. Ed Fisher, pitcher, will be out to regain his prestige lost in the earlier game. Everyone is invited.

NAVY AVIATION CADETS

Two events on the Poly Royal program this year are being presented by cadets of the Navy Flight Preparatory school. Both events will give visitors an idea of what the naval aviation cadet must undergo in order to make himself sufficiently physically fit to meet the rigid navy standards.

There are six hundred cadets "on board" here now, and the first battalion was graduated at ceremonies held April 12. The senior battalion, Battalion II-43, consisting of 200 men has been at Cal Poly since early February and they will complete their three months training here early in May.

POLY HORSEHIDERS
Kneeling, left to right: Earl Bishop, Bob Winterbourne, Leroy Lieb, Bill Roth, Roy Hale, Ben Barr, Ed Allen, Henry House.

At 11:30 a.m. Sunday on the Athletic field the cadets will present a demonstration of mass calisthenics and then at 1:30 p.m. they will put on a demonstration of the new obstacle course. The course hasn't been complete long enough to give the men an opportunity to practice much and so their efforts today will not be comparable to their abilities after long practice.

DEPARTMENTAL EXHIBITS

Electrical Industries: the laboratory of this department will be on display showing the equipment with which students enrolled in this vital skilled work are being trained. As in the past, various electrical phenomena will be demonstrated.

Aeronautical Industries: the aero shop will be on display to show work done by students. Cutaway engines produced by the students gives valuable assistance in learning engine operation. Two planes, a cub and a Luscombe, will be under construction. The torque stand built last year by freshmen students will be on display with an engine mounted for testing.

Mechanical Industries: the principal attraction of this exhibit this year will be the operation of a new piece of refrigeration equipment, designed and built by students. It will be demonstrated to show one method of quick freezing foods. Other displays of refrigeration and air conditioning equipment will be in operation.

Dairy Department: students of this department are presenting for display a family cow housed in a suitable shed as part of a "home production of food display." Also on exhibition will be some of the registered dairy herd including a new Guernsey bull purchased in New York recently. The dairy now has outstanding Holstein, Guernsey and Jersey sires whose dams yearly records average over 800
cornerstone laying ceremony; and a short strip of movie film of the opening of the cornerstone of the old building.

To be especially recognized at this ceremony will be the pioneers of the California Polytechnic staff, consisting of Henry Figge, W. W. Vernon, C. E. Knott, John Perozzi and Miss Margaret Chase.

DEDICATION
In the past, Poly Royals have been dedicated to various individuals who have by some means helped to further the interests of the college. This year when war has taken over 650 men into the armed services and when nine former Poly students have given their lives for the country; it seems only fitting that we should dedicate California Polytechnic's Eleventh Annual Poly Royal to the former Mustangs who are fighting for our country.

Honorees of the past ten years include:
1935, Julian A. McPhee
1936, Vierling Kersey
1937, Chris N. Jespersen
1938, Dr. Walter F. Dexter
1939, Leopold Wrasse, Charles B. Voorhis, Congressman Jerry Voorhis
1940, W. W. Vernon
1941, Harry Parker
1942, Carl G. Beck

CORONATION BALL
The Coronation Ball dates back to the 1934 Poly Royal when Miss Jane Horton was crowned Queen of the festivities. With this as a beginning, the past nine years have seen an equal number of beautiful girls receive the crown of Queen of Poly Royal. In 1935 the queen was Ruth Jorgensen; 1936, Harriett Lepley; 1937, Fern Porter; 1938, Edna Cave; 1939, Betty Lou Aleixo; 1940, Jeanne Defosset.

In 1941 a new method of choosing the queen was instigated in order to gain more wide-spread publicity for the event and to further good relationships with other state colleges. San Francisco state college was the first invited to send a Poly Royal queen and their representative was Barbara Biggs. In 1942 Fresno State's candidate, Miss Joetta Belcher became Poly Royal queen.

Returning to San Luis Obispo this year for the Poly Royal queen, campus clubs picked five local girls and introduced them to the students as candidates. The final returns of the balloting found Miss Eleanor Burrows holding the title of Queen for '43. Miss Burrows will be crowned officially at the Coronation Ball in Crandall gymnasium, Saturday, 10:30 p.m., at the impressive regal ceremonies. Miss Belcher at that time will turn over the crown to Miss Burrows. Assisting in the ceremonies will be the four "princesses," Misses Davideen Ball, Dorothy Dennis, Bernice Bassi and Nina Mathews.

RODEO GATE PRIZE
One of the most novel side-attractions ever presented at a Poly Royal is the drawing to be held for two yearling fillies as the last event at the Rodeo, Sunday afternoon. The fillies were presented to Cal Poly by Walter T. Wells, thoroughbred breeder and owner of the Rancho Oro Primero, who has given to Poly several thoroughbred mares and loaned for an indefinite period the Argentine stallion, Zuncho. Mr. Wells gave the two young saddle horses with the stipulation that they could be used in any way that would benefit the college.

Tickets, which sell for 25¢ each are being sold on the campus and at the rodeo grounds Saturday and Sunday. Proceeds from the sale of the tickets will be invested in war bonds and the money from the matured bonds will form the nucleus for a fund which someday may be sufficient to build a chapel dedicated to the memory of Poly men killed in World War II.
WHERE TO FIND IT ON CAL- POLY’S CAMPUS

Nestled in the beautiful foothills, one mile from the city of San Luis Obispo, the 1400-acre California Polytechnic college campus affords plenty of room to train regular agricultural and industrial students as well as the 600 naval aviation cadets who are now “aboard.” Nearly one hundred acres is taken up by the many modern buildings which comprise the classroom units, dormitories, shop buildings, barns and other necessary constructions.

1. **Beef Feeding unit**, with two feeding wings and a central feed storage unit.
2. **Sheep unit** is located just north of the main campus. It has facilities for lambing, feed storage and feeding projects.
3. **Swine unit** consists of a central farrowing house, and more than 30 double colony houses and pens for feeder pigs, brood sows and boars.
4. **War Man Power training and production shops** built by the federal government in connection with the National Youth Administration training program.
5. **Thoroughbred Breeding unit** includes barn, paddocks, and pastures to accommodate eight thoroughbred mares, their offspring, and two stallions.
6. **Barracks and mess hall** now being used by the Navy Flight Preparatory School.
7. **National Youth Administration** resident center with facilities for over 200 men.
8. **Dairy Unit** consists of a large feeding barn, milking barn and bottling plant, a calf barn, and a bull barn with welded steel pipe corrals and pens.
9. **Shop row** consists of an Agricultural Mechanics shop, Machine shop and the Aeronautics industries building.
10. **Engineering building** as an assembly room for 500 students, modern class and drafting rooms with one wing devoted to the Electrical Engineering department and the other to Mechanical Industries.
11. **Gymnasium and pool** gives Poly adequate athletic facilities to handle both the regular student physical education program and that of the naval cadets.
12. **President’s home** is located on the knoll overlooking the entire campus.
13. **Dining Hall** is used exclusively for regular students as the navy has a separate mess hall.
14. **Dormitory Row** has four dormitories, three of which are now occupied by navy cadets.
15. **Athletic field** is equipped with a permanent grandstand, lights for night games, and has just recently been equipped with facilities for an obstacle course.
16. **Administration** and classroom building was completed during the summer of 1942 but the cornerstone laying ceremonies were held until this Poly Royal.
17. **Poly Grove** is an ideal spot for your picnic lunch. The baseball diamond is directly behind the grove.