Local Institution instead of Arroyo Grande is Winner in this District.
Santa Cruz is Next.

(From Telegram of Feb. 5)

Students of the California Polytechnic School have recently received word from the University of California, that, as winner in the district debates, they are entitled to compete in the inter-district debates.

The local assignment of victory to Arroyo Grande came from an error in scoring due to the withdrawal of Santa Maria. Arroyo Grande, Santa Maria, and California Polytechnic each received one decision in the first series of debates. In the second series Arroyo Grande's affirmative team lost to the Polytechnic, her negative team won by default of Santa Maria, giving her two decisions for both series. The Polytechnic affirmative team won by the default of Santa Maria, and the negative team won at Arroyo Grande, giving her three decisions in all. Had the debate between Arroyo Grande and the Polytechnic at the Polytechnic been included in the final score, Arroyo Grande's negative team would have been credited with two victories for the same day at the same time.

The next contest of the Polytechnic takes place on March second in Santa Cruz. The question under debate is "Resolved, that California cities with a population exceeding thirty thousand, should adopt a city manager plan of government."

Each side supports the affirmative side of the question at home, and sends to debate with its opponent team upholding the negative side.

As Santa Cruz last year won the championship of the northern division of California, the Polytechnic debaters feel that no easy task is before them.

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Practically a new team will have to be developed and this team will contend in at least three different meets. Coach Winnie Cutter reports that the material for a track team is plentiful. All that is needed is a little "pep" and a little work.

"A little bit of energy,
A little bit of vim,
Keeps my mighty muscle
In the best of trim."

ARE YOU OUT FOR TRACK THIS YEAR?

Track season has begun! From the number of candidates seen on the field, however, one would hardly think it. This condition probably arises from the fact that the field as yet has received no attention on account of lack of work. But by the end of the week it will doubt be in much better condition.

However, prospective members might come out and do the preliminary work under Coach Cutter.

Poly has a number of meets in which to enter, one coming in about two weeks or less. It will be held here and will be against our worthy opponents, the High School. After this comes the tri-county at Santa Barbara March 24, with an invitation meet of our own later. We will very likely enter the League meet but it has not been definitely decided as yet.

So the members have something to work for and if all the material running around the campus with their hands in their pockets would come out, Poly ought to show something this year.

Things don't turn up in this world until somebody turns them up.
None of the party committed themselves as to what part, if any, of the appropriation asked for improvements of the local school would be recommended at the present session. All three stated, however, that it was clearly apparent that new buildings were needed. They paid a compliment to the school authorities, saying that nowhere in the state had they found the grounds more presentably kept.

The State Board of Control in the budget presented January 11 recommended an increase of $18,300 over preceding years for maintenance of the local school. This does not include any building cost. A big appropriation for new buildings is contemplated but, in view of the present financial needs of the various institutions, it is hardly likely that the total amount needed will be appropriated this year.

It is hoped, however, that a start will be made and the work completed as more money becomes available.

This noon the visitors were guests of the Polytechnic at luncheon, evincing keen interest in meeting the students and faculty members. Shortly before luncheon Senator Chandler addressed the boys of the battalion. He spoke principally along agricultural lines, telling the boys of how he has succeeded in establishing and managing his extensive ranch near Fresno. His hearers were deeply interested, and would gladly have listened longer had time permitted.

After noon Director R. W. Ryder took the three visitors, Senator Rigdon and Trustee L. F. Simshimer to Paso Robles, where they caught No. 77, northbound. They stopped off at Atascadero en route.

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**JOURNAL STAFF.**

The Journal Staff have been appointed for this year's book. The first meeting of the staff was held in the library Monday evening. The officers are as follow:

- Editor-in-Chief: Ada Forbes, '17
- Literary Editor: W. C. Wilkins, '17
- Art Editor: Edwin Knight, '18
- Josh Editor: Harold Stewart '18
- Business Manager: Ted. Erickson, '18
- Asst. " Howard Harris, '18
- School Notes: Isla Kohler, '18
- Athletics: H. Hodges, '18
- Association Editor.
- Class Editors.
  - Senior: Sarah Bushnell
  - Junior: Howard Sebastian
  - Sophomore: Helen Shipsey
  - Freshman: Elisabeth Heinicke
- Class Business Assistants.
  - Senior: Chas. Hartman
  - Junior: E. Andrews
  - Sophomore: T. Rives
  - Freshman: O. Holstead
POLYGRAM STAFF.

Due to a number of the Polygram staff having been appointed to positions on the Journal, it became necessary to appoint new editors in their places. Those elected were as follows:

School Notes. Alta Truelove, '17
School Notes. Guy Baldwin, '17.
Athletics. E. Russell, '18
Josh Editor. Rush Taber, 20.

AMAPOLA CLUB'S OFFICERS.

The Amapola Club held their semi-annual election the last Thursday of the first semester. Their officers for the second semester are Ada Sprague, president; Helen Shipsey, vice-president; Gertrude Day, treasurer; Ethel Colon, secretary; and Catherine Shanklin, sergeant-at-arms.

THE MYSTERIOUS GANG.

"The Peanut Ring" held their weekly picnic and hike last Sunday. The first stop was at Sulphur Springs where the luncheon was consumed but the iron springs failed to quench the thirst of Messrs. Leonard, Nix and Bott.

The journey was then continued to Avila where a luxurious yacht awaited them. The ride proved very enjoyable but there seemed to be a corner on the lemon. They also inspected a large oil boat in the harbor. All sorts of sports were indulged in on the return to the Springs.

SOPHOMORE PARTY.

The Sophomore dance given last Friday night was a huge success. It was held in the dining room and dancing began at 8:15 P. M. The crowd was just right and everyone danced to their hearts' content.

BIRTHDAY ON FEBRUARY 12th.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S life was lived—
"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in right, as God gives us to see the right."
PERSONALS.

Little Bobby Ryder has been dangerously ill the past week with scarlet fever and we are very glad to learn that he is slowly improving.

Students were pleased to hear that Herman Hodges had been appointed track captain.

We are very sorry to have our teacher, Mr. Johnstone leave us. He went Friday to Los Angeles where he will take up work in the high schools. Mr. Brown of the southern part of the state has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. C. H. Williams has been quite ill for the past two weeks. Report is that she is much better today.

Miss Edna Skov, a former Poly student, is now attending San Francisco Normal.

An accident which might have been serious happened Wednesday noon when Alice Rhyme was hit just above the left eye with a bat. She was acting as catcher for the girls' baseball team.

We have with us another Sophomore girl, Mabel Rhode, who entered at the beginning of the second semester.

We hardly find any person of good sense save those who agree with us.

Major Ray now has charge of the study hall in Senior Hall building part of the time.

Willard Thannelman and Everett Chandler were made happy this week end with a visit from their people.

Helene Van Corden spent the week end with her people in Cambria.

Under the supervision of Mr. Schlosser, a Girls' Glee Club has been organized. This is a large organization and plans are being made to give an operetta in the near future.

The second semester has begun. Not only have nearly all the students returned but we have a few new ones with us.

The world owes all its onward impulses to men ill at ease.
Sarah: "We are going to have a Journal staff meeting this week."
Ada: (Editor-in-Chief): "Will I have to reside at the meeting?"

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"Oh," answered Mr. Nelson, "the pig got well."

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After Her First Game.

Sebastian: "And which player do you like best?"
Marcella, (thinking of the catcher): "The one with the muzzle on."

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Ruda: "Say, Bud, we saw a shark at Avila, Sunday."
Bud: "What kind? Pool or Porker?"

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A. Brown: "Did anybody lose this?"
Hanselman: "Yes, I did. What is it?"

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Inquiry has been made as to why Hodges looks at the sewing room windows so often.

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Maxine: "But there's a lot in him when you know him."
Helen Palmer: "It must be a vacant lot."

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Mrs. Lieb sends Albert down to the meat market to buy a chicken.
Al (to the butcher): "I want to buy a chicken."
Butcher: "Do you want a pullet?"
Al: "No, you must, I wanta carry it."

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Helen Palmer want to know how 'Our Pig' is.