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DEDICATION

SENIORS . . .

This book is dedicated to you, the last all-male graduating class of Cal Poly. You sweated through four years of reviews, finals, heart-breaks, and victories in becoming what you now are . . . junior engineer, rancher, journalist, teacher, maybe a salesman, or a biologist. Your years at Cal Poly were all-eventful, especially this last one. So that we all might look back to the outstanding events of this past year, the next 184 pages are a pass in review . . . highlights in activities of CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE 1955-56.
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High brass brought the big Warrior trophy.
Poly made the phone book cover.

The President helped start El Rodeo.
Cal Poly's President Julian A. McPhee

Engineers rallied for Homecoming.

He praised alumnus of the year.
It is most appropriate that your EL RODEO staff has selected a "modern theme" for this year. Because Cal Poly has always been modern-minded, it not only has grown to become the largest agricultural and third largest engineering school in the West but this year our college finds itself in the midst of more growth and expansion than ever before.

The new Science Building and Agricultural Engineering facilities that came into use this year are tokens of many other "improvements" already under way. The arrival of co-eds next September . . . the addition of eight new major programs for 1956-57 . . . construction of the first wing of the big new Engineering Building . . . the rise of the Southern Campus to a full four-year stature . . . these are additional new proofs of just how vital your college has become to the educational planning of our State and the West.

All this has been accomplished through no sudden mushrooming. It has required year-after-year effort—on the part of every individual student, every faculty and staff member—for half a century. The challenging story of these dedicated efforts is told nowhere any better than in the year-after-year unfolding of EL RODEO, the student body's yearbook. I am happy to have had the opportunity to share with you in another year's endeavor, and I feel certain that as you review the accomplishments of 1955-56 each of you can take pride in the progress each has contributed to himself and to Cal Poly through his individual and collective efforts here on the campus. It foretells not only your continued personal success but the continued growth and influence of Cal Poly.

I know you will cherish EL RODEO 1956 and its challenges and memories through all the years to come.

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- Agriculture
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The Douglas Skylark arrives from Edwards AFB.

Printing's new paper plow was demonstrated.

Aeronautical Engineering


L. W. Gustafson, Dept. Head.
Airconditioning and Refrigeration

Architectural Engineering

F. W. Bowden, Dept. Head.

Left to right: G. S. Furimsky, L. D. Jones, F. W. Bowden, J. T. van Asperen, J. A. Peterson.

Electrical Engineering

Electronics Engineering

Left to right: J. R. Wills, H. Zimmerman, F. Steuck, J. Dillion, Dr. H. K. Wolf, T. H. Bedwell.
Left to right: L. Rogers, E. Betz, C. Richards, H. L. Keitz, F. Whiting.

Machine Shop


Mechanical Engineering

Left to right: F. Whiting, Dept. Head.

F. Whiting, Dept. Head.

T. J. Zilka, Dept. Head.
Printing

Welding
R. I. Leach, Poultry Dept. Head, showed baby chicks to visiting poultry men.

A load of Hereford steers is ready for Cow Palace exhibition.

Agricultural Engineering

Animal Husbandry

Crops
Dairy

Farm Management

Left to right: Dr. D. Chase, C. Beck.

Dr. E. A. Hyer, Dept. Head.
Ornamental Horticulture

Poultry Husbandry

Left to right: A. Amato, E. M. Young, B. Young.

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R. I. Leach, Dept. Head.
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Soil Science

Dr. J. K. Allen, Dept. Head.

Veterinary Science

Left to right: Dr. J. K. Allen, Dr. A. Gillette.
Agricultural Journalism

Left to Right: Dr. Douglass Miller, John Heinz, Ken Kitch, John Healey. Not shown—Photo chief Jim Dearinger.
Dr. G. E. Noble, Dept. Head.

Left to right, Dr. R. F. Hoover, D. H. Thomson, Dr. F. M. Essig, R. C. Haugston, Dr. R. C. Hartfield. Standing: T. McClure (lab assistant), Dr. R. A. Pimentel, J. H. Applegarth, W. Thurmond, Dr. H. E. Coxx, Dr. A. I. Roest.

Biological Science

Education

Left to right: Dr. R. Collins, H. Toone, Dr. J. Longford, Dr. W. Armentrout, V. Meacham, N. Gould, P. Robinson, H. Burlington.
Dr. D. M. Grant, Dept. Head.

Seated: (left to right) K. Anderson, E. Marston, Dr. D. Grant, E. Lautner, M. Mow.
Standing: J. P. Riezel, R. Andreini, R. Boolee, W. S. Schuyler, Dr. S. R. Bobb, J. Bannister, V. Wilson, Dr. E. Meyer, Dr. E. deVoros.

English

Social Science


Mathematics

Military Science and Tactics

Left to right, Capt. Arnette, Capt. Ulrich, M.S.G.T. Pankow, Capt. Fletcher, M.S.G.T. M.S.G.T. Plath, Sgt. McCall, S.F.C. Bradley. (Not shown is Secretary Alison Tomlin.)

Dr. M. E. Whitson, Dept. Head.

Col. P. Loiselle, Dept. Head
It was Davey who composed our anthem.

Music

Physical Education


Dr. R. A. Mott, Dept. Head.
First row (left to right): Dr. Abernethy, G. Wright, Dr. Hewitt, L. E. Hammit, Dr. W. E. Bowls; second row: Dr. A. Z. Rosen, Dr. V. D. Lewis, H. R. Kabat, T. M. Rickensrud; third row: Dr. A. Simon, T. Mathew, Dr. R. H. Fratz, Dr. L. V. Whitney, Dr. A. L. Houk, R. E. Holmgquist, R. C. Haugston, Dr. B. Kenelly, J. Holt.

Physical Science

Industrial Engineering

M. J. Futter, Dept. Head.

M. J. Futter, R. C. Krag.
Club officers (seated, left to right)—M. Meacham (v-p), W. Fuller (pres.), standing—D. Johnson (treas.), E. Sasaki (sec.) Not shown is R. Matheny (adv).

"Learn by doing" is also practiced by the Ag Engineers.

Agricultural

Members of the Ag Engineering Club.
The Ag Engineers proudly moved to their new building.

Purposes of the Ag Engineers were furthered this year by many accomplishments. For one thing, they moved to a brand new $500,000 building. Activities included a Homecoming float, field trips, and the Tractor Rodeo and departmental displays at Poly Royal. The aim of this largest Ag Engineering department in the U.S. is to spread knowledge of agricultural mechanization. Members come from many countries, including Lebanon, Turkey, Israel, Iran, and South America.

Engineers

Members of the Ag Engineering Club.
The Air Conditioning Club is a departmental club to increase student understanding of air conditioning and to provide the members of the club an opportunity to make the best of their free time. There are dozens of activities going on annually for both the members and their friends. Speakers, barbeques, Hillcrest dances, field trips, dinner meetings and the participation in Cal Poly's many intramural sports keep the air conditioning engineering students busy.
Amateur Radio Club

One of the most active hobby clubs on campus, the group operates Campus Amateur Radio Station W6BHZ. Poly "Hams" increase their knowledge and techniques as they communicate with myriad other amateur stations throughout the state, the nation, and the world. Many a student who comes to Poly can thereby carry his back-home avocation right along to college. W6BHZ supplies real assistance as a key station to the West Coast’s Civilian Defense set-up with a voice that reaches almost any place on the globe.

Members of Amateur Radio Club.
American Institute of Architects

The Student Chapter of the American Institute of Architects combines interests and activities in one package to fill out the classroom—free-time program which is typical at Cal Poly. Club activities included: prominent architectural speakers, field trips, dances, banquets, picnics, the production of Christmas cards and intramural sports.
Club officers: (left to right) J. Boyd (pres.), G. J. Haslein (adv.), M. Kohl (fresh rep.), B. Sinclair (junior rep.), R. Folsom (treas.), J. McKinley (sec.), J. Parish (senior rep.), B. Richardson (v-p), R. Vitale (soph rep.).
The purpose of Beta Beta Beta is to form an honorary society for students interested in the Biological Sciences, thereby stimulating sound scholarship, dissemination of scientific truth, and encouraging investigation in the life sciences. The Epsilon Pi chapter on this campus has sponsored numerous speakers this year and has organized many field trips. One of the most rewarding activities is the upkeep of a botanical garden in Poly Canyon.

Beta Beta Beta

Epsilon Pi officers: T. McClure (pres.), M. Eason (v-p), J. Sutton (sec.), J. Vermes (treas.), L. Burns (cs), J. Applegarth (adv.)

Members of Cal Poly's Beta Beta Beta.
Block "P"

Club officers; (left to right) J. Cox (rep.), P. Jeter (v-p), P. Godinez (treas.), V. Buccolo (pres.), G. Bolin (sec.), E. Jorgensen (adv.).

Block "P" started the year with a bang by sponsoring the U.C.S.B.C.-Cal Poly football game dance in Crandall Gym. The name given the dance this year was the Santa Barbara Stomp. The club's prestige was raised by several activities like hosting incoming football teams, contributing funds to the P.C.I. wrestling and selling tickets for the tourney. Also the club built its best float, the theme of which, "Hughes, the Lion Tamer," brought praise from the viewers. Tentative plans include a sportsnight and the big initiation of new members.
Bowling

Team No. 1, Monday league

Team No. 2, Monday league

Team No. 3, Monday league

Team No. 4, Monday league
Club

During Monday night and Thursday night you can always find the members of Poly's Bowling league busy hitting the pins at El Camino Bowl. This gives the many members an opportunity to get away from their study worries and relax in the keen competition offered by bowling. In this league, which is open to all students, members can earn both individual and team honors.
Blue Key

Blue Key, a national service honor fraternity, gives service to the college and fosters a richer student-life program and good citizenship. Each year the club selects a major project to accomplish around the school. Ordinarily, Blue Key’s policy is to get a project rolling, then let some other club or organization take the job over. A point in case: hosting visiting football teams. This is now an annual project of the Block P society.

Purchase of new uniforms for band members and renovation of Hillcrest dorm into a temporary College Union were other Blue Key projects. This year’s project was lighting the clock tower on the Administration building so it can be seen at night.

Members are selected from upper-classmen with an overall grade point average of 1.5 or better.
"Yon Cassius hath a lean and hungry look," said Julius Caesar to his confidant Mark Anthony. What Caesar didn’t know was that Cassius hadn’t been to Canterbury Club that week. Of course, Cassius was an unusual person — and so was the Episcopal or Orthodox student who didn’t attend Canterbury Club this year. Membership more than doubled this year, biggest of all years for Canterbury Club. Note the happy, smiling faces anticipating their supper at St. Stephen’s parish hall in the pictures above. They were also looking ahead to the party and dance with Santa Barbara College Canterbury Club girls, the Corporate Communions, the basketball team, the parish picnic, the Santa Barbara Col — oh, well, lots of things made Canterbury popular this year.
Circle K

This "college Kiwanis Club" is for selected men interested in service. Although only in their fourth year at Poly, it has become recognized as one of the most helpful clubs on campus. Its projects over the past year included ushering at football games, TB drive, and the decorating of the lobby in the Administration Building. Cal Poly's Circle K also played host this year to the Circle K District Convention.

Members of Cal Poly's Circle K.
The Future Farmers of America has a principal function in the helping in preparing future teachers in vocational agriculture. Every year, the F.F.A. conducts many activities on the campus — escorting high school students, participating in the many extracurricular activities at Poly Royal and convention is held annually at the Cal Poly campus. The club's primary goal, however, is to supply opportunities to prospective Ag teachers. The future teacher is put at ease, given confidence and will be an all-around expert in his field when he graduates.
Crops Club

The Cal Poly Crops Club, composed of field, truck, fruit, service and inspection, and citrus crop majors, started the year with an excellent student orientation. The club entered a float in the Homecoming parade and held open house for alumni. Estrada Gardens was the scene of a fall barbecue, and the Spring Barbecue was sacrificed to establish the Second Annual Crops Banquet. Other events included a Christmas party sponsored by the married men and their wives, in return for a spring outing sponsored by the single men. Active participation in Poly Royal, crop judging contests, and a very successful intramural sports program rounded out the year.
The Engineering Club Council is composed of representatives from the seven major departments of the Engineering Division. They are chosen by the departmental club, or clubs, and number two per department—plus the chairman and sec-treas. The council is the integrating factor in the constantly expanding division. Because of the expanding enrollment there was felt a need for a central organization to which problems of mutual interest to the departments could be brought and discussed. Each year, the club sponsors the Engineering Alumni luncheon during Homecoming. Any money gained in its projects is held in the treasury until it can be used to help further a departmental objective which will bring recognition to the individual student and the division as a whole.
Gamma Pi Delta, 20-year-old honorary agricultural fraternity, was organized on the Cal Poly campus to recognize scholarship, leadership, and character on the part of agricultural students. It has carried on an active program with the exception of the war years. In 1951, Beta Chapter was installed at the Voorhies Campus.

Among the service activities of the fraternity are: community projects, sorting and mailing Poly Royal Brochures and Green and Gold, and helping the orientation committee during freshman orientation week.

Club officers: (left to right) E. Leal (Hist.), G. K. Sato (v-p), R. McLaughlin (pres.), G. E. Shrader (sec-treas.); not shown are B. Fox (s.a.o.) and advisor C. Beck.
Golden Blade, honorary military society, was founded four years ago on this campus. With expansion of the Military Science and Tactics Dept., it has developed into a large organization which at present has as its goal to enter Scabbard and Blade, national military honor society. The society is composed of upper class students, who were elected to the society because of scholastic achievements and leadership. Many activities were on the program this year. They ranged from a spring picnic to the annual military ball, which this year was held in the officers club at Camp San Luis Obispo.
One of the larger student branches of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, national professional society, is located here at Cal Poly. Its functions are primarily to exchange ideas and technical achievements in the science of aeronautics.

Studded with extra-curricular activities, the year was highlighted by attendance at the West Coast I.A.S. conference, held in Los Angeles. Through the club's meetings and annual spring banquet, comes top-drawer industrial and scientific information from leading engineers of the aeronautic profession.
The Student Chapter of the Institute of Radio Engineers is a society whose professional interests lie in the electronics field. It's the oldest national engineering society on campus with a membership of 90 students. The organization sponsors speakers from the many electronics industries on the West Coast. A Homecoming luncheon for students and returning alumni, an annual banquet, a school dance, and several barbecues during the year were also club-sponsored.

Active membership in the I.R.E. encourages professional attitudes and social contacts, and it entitles students to keep up-to-date with the "I.R.E. Proceedings," a leading publication on advances currently being made in the electronics field.
From far away Hawaii, the members of Cal Poly's Kane O'Hawaii Club gather to promote friendship and to exchange their mutual interests. Among the club's many activities are the "Luau," or Hawaiian Feast, which is an annual club project, a dance in Crandall gym for the student body of Poly, and participation in the various intramural sports. Kane O'Hawaii is also known for attracting their friends from the islands to come to Cal Poly and to enjoy our way of education and character building.

Club officers: (left to right) A. Kimura (treas.), S. Yamagata (v-p), T. Hirayama (pres.), R. Maruyama (sec.), E. A. Rittenhouse (adv.)
The Mechanical Engineering Society has as its goal the stimulation of campus-wide student interest in the different phases of the Mechanical Engineering Department. The club joined in the Homecoming parade, field trips, and participated in intramural competition.

For the fourth time in a row, the Club sponsored the highly-popular Christmas formal dance. A beach party and a smoker were also among the calendar of activities.

Club officers: (left to right) J. Sinnott (v-p), K. Turner (treas.), S. Williamson (sec.), J. Bartley (pres.). Not shown T. Zilka (adv.).
Los Lecheros, Cal Poly Dairy Club, is one of the largest and most active clubs on campus. Each year the club sends judging teams in both cattle and products to the Pacific International Livestock Exposition at Portland, Great National at San Francisco and the Nationals at Waterloo, Iowa. This year the judging teams proved outstanding, especially at Portland, when they won first in both cattle and products contests. Judging teams are not the only activities in which Los Lecheros participates. One of the annual projects of the club is to enter a float in the Homecoming parade. Other outstanding events are the annual banquet and the booth at Poly Royal.
Lecheros

The combined Dairy Judging teams.

Outstanding Seniors for 1956 were: R. Fox, F. Espinola and S. Jones.

"Learning Here to Feed a Nation" was the title of the Los Lecheros Poly Royal booth.

Club officers: (left to right) T. Pinheiro (v-p), L. Calcagno (sac), S. Jones (treas.), M. Stuart (sec.), F. Espinola (pres.), R. Moranda (rep.)
Mat Pica Pi society includes all printing majors and all others interested in printing. Poly’s famed printing eng. dept. does the printing for El Mustang, Young Farmers, Future Farmers magazine, El Goal Post and various other publications. It also provides the printing profession with young men who will help maintain our heritage of the Freedom of the Press. One of this year’s highlights was the annual banquet, held this time in the library.

Mayor Lucksinger of San Luis Obispo helped start another ‘printing week’ celebration on the 250th birthday of Benjamin Franklin, the father of America’s printing. The society was also represented in Poly Royal activities and competed strongly in intramural sports.
Members of Cal Poly's Mat Pica Pi Society.

Mat Pica Pi

Mayor Lucksinger inaugurated "printing week."

Dept. Head Fellows spoke during the banquet.
The Mustang Flying Association was founded in 1946 to provide flying time to its members at cost. The club has 24 active members and two airplanes—a Piper J-3 "Cub" and a Piper PA-12 "Super Cruiser"—both based at the county airport. Membership is open to students, faculty and staff or their respective families. Interestingly enough, the membership consists of about half agricultural students and half engineering students.
Poly Chi is a group to improve fellowship among Chinese students. Purposes of the club are: 1) To assemble Chinese students, 2) To promote higher scholastic standards among these students, 3) To develop leadership and fellowship among Chinese students as well as the general student body and faculty members, 4) To promote social activity.

Activities of the year include: a big feed for new and prospective members, sending of representatives to the annual Chinese Students Intercollegiate organization, sponsorship of a dance, conducting of blood drives, and promoting of a booth at Poly Royal.

To improve fellowship among groups, regular correspondence was exchanged among the Chinese Student Clubs of numerous other schools. Besides promoting better understanding between schools, it enables us to co-ordinate our activities with activities of the other clubs.

We give special welcome to all Chinese Clubs invited from other schools and our alumni at Homecoming and Poly Royal.

Club officers: (left to right) H. H. Wong (pres.), H. Reece (adv.), H. Fong (v-ol), E. Chan (treas.), G. Leong (hist.), D. Tse (sec.).
The ugliest man on campus, better known as "Jack Axe, the Campus Detective," has solved every case of (Bay Rum, that is) on campus. — Ernest Bailey, sponsored by Poly Phase.
Phase

The Poly Phase Circus Train, largest float in the history of Cal Poly's Homecoming, captured the First Place Alumni Trophy Award this year. This is the third consecutive year Poly Phase has taken top honors in this annual event.

Club Officers: (left to right, seated) F. W. Bowden (adv.), R. Snowman (pres.), H. Hunt (sec.); standing—L. Thornum (SAC), D. Howell (treas.), H. Volle (hist.), C. Cummings (rep.), S. Bradley (v-p).
The Cal Poly Penguins take to the hills during the month of February for the annual "Enduro Test," which is afterwards concluded with a barbeque. The rugged event attracts riders from throughout the State. Poly Penguin activities included: escorting of the Homecoming and Poly Royal parades, dances, the Safari booth at Poly Royal, and the annual banquet.
The C.P.W.G. is an association for the promotion of fellowship between students of the Meat Animal Department with an interest in sheep and all persons interested in the production of livestock and meat. These goals have been reached in the past by numerous field trips to production areas. These have included a trip to Bakersfield for lambing, marking, and dinner (Basque style) at the Noriega Hotel. Another interesting trip was to Coalinga to view operations in that area.

This year, the C.P.W.G. has also undertaken trips to San Francisco to see our lambs sold; slaughtered and hung on the rail. In January a successful Barn Dance was held in the sheep barn loft. In February the journey was to Coalinga again to mark lambs for a sheepman there. In April, the club went to the Sacramento area to see the rams being readied for the annual ram sale. To climax the year's activities, May brought a barbecue, and ended a very successful year.
Cal Poly’s Poultry Club serves to organize for joint activity those students at Poly who are interested in the poultry industry and its allied fields. Prominent members of the California industry are featured guests at the regular meetings.

Annually the club sponsors a get-acquainted meeting, a float in the Homecoming Parade, a dance, Alumni Turkey banquet and a spring barbecue. The club also sponsors a Poultry Show during Poly Royal, a bowling team and many members participate in intramural sports. During the Spring quarter, qualified members of the Poultry Department visited many poultry ranches and allied business concerns on their annual Spring Field Trip.
Cal Poly's famous Rodeo Club sponsored three rodeos this season including the Poly Royal Inter-Collegiate. Active since 1949, the club fields a team that participates in inter-collegiate events throughout the west. Members now own their own roping stock and plans are under way for a new and larger arena and student horse barn.

The Poly Royal Rodeo boasted strong competition with teams from Washington State, University of Idaho, University of California, Fresno State, Cal Poly at San Dimas, Arizona State, and University of Arizona all pitching for top honors.
The Society of Automotive Engineers

Cal Poly's Student Branch of the Society of Automotive Engineers is the second largest in the nation with a membership of more than 200. A technical group, the SAE sponsors speakers from the automotive, aircraft, and allied industries. The subjects covered are the latest engineering techniques and practices which help the student round out his academic work and acquaint him with the standard practices of his profession.

Other activities include dinner meetings, joint ME-SAE meetings, and the two highlights of the year are the annual ME-SAE Field Trip. The field trip is made during Spring Vacation — one year to the Los Angeles area, and the next year to the Bay Area.
Only in its fifth year at Cal Poly, the Social Science Club again promoted another full year of activities. It staged public forums on national and local community interests, sponsored a Poly Royal exhibit, studied employment trends in the Social field, and held a dance in Hillcrest temporary Student Union.
Soils Club

The rapidly increasing enrollment at Poly is reflected by the 21 per cent increase in Soils Department enrollment.

The calendar for this year included a successful barbeque to start the ball rolling and an excellent float entered in the Homecoming Parade. At the time of this writing, a field trip to the Bay Area was taking place. The plans for Poly Royal included a banquet for Soils Department alumni and an exhibit to top all previous exhibits. In keeping with the theme, the exhibit depicts the jobs Soils graduates are performing the world over.

Members of the Soils Club.
Members of Young Farmers Club.

Young Farmers

The Cal Poly Young Farmers are composed of those students who are interested in the work of the Future Farmers of America and is open to all. Sparked by adviser Carl Beck, the Young Farmers played an important part this year in the leadership of campus affairs. This leadership was also extended to regional offices, and aid in conducting the annual State-wide F.F.A. meet, which is held on the campus each year.
SCARAB, professional Architectural fraternity within the Architectural Engineering Department, is designed to attain a broader knowledge of architecture and to stimulate a greater interest in expression through graphic arts. Club activities during the year included: designing of the San Luis Obispo art show, hosting the national Scaram convention at Cal Poly, sketch trips, barbeques, and the sponsorship of a design competition for the junior class.
Alpha Phi Omega, which was at one time affiliated with Scouting, has now become a national service fraternity for college men.

Among the fraternity's many activities this year were the upkeep of the activities bulletin board outside the Administration Building and the "Ugly Man" contest. The latter one was won this year by "Jack Axe" Bailey.

Also the fraternity assisted in judging Scout exhibits and constructed posters for Poly Royal. All members were at one time in the past active in the Boy Scouts of America.
Now in its second very successful year at Poly is the student chapter of American Welding Society. Purpose of the chapter is to promote a better understanding of the field of welding engineering and its allied activities to the engineering student, and to expose the genuinely-interested student to the nature and scope of the welding field through the presentation of lectures, papers and other technical information. The chapter participates in technical meetings of the American Welding Society, industrial field trips, and as honored representative of Poly at the Western Metal Show and Congress in Los Angeles. Among its social activities, the chapter boasts quarterly dinner meetings and an annual barbecue.

American Welding Society

Club officers: left to right) J. E. Bontley (pres.), J. Schield (v-p), C. T. Schmidt (sec-treas.)
The 275 members of Boots and Spurs represent one of the West’s largest college animal husbandry departments. The club consists of men who strive to excel in the livestock field.

A barbecue and Western dance is held each fall and spring. The club sponsored field trips to Betteravia, Hollister area, Los Angeles area, and local field trips.

At the club’s annual winter banquet, a prominent livestock man addressed the group. Each spring Boots and Spurs sponsors the stock show at Poly Royal, and an all-college judging contest.
Chase Hall's "Top Hat Club" was organized to make campus living more extra-comfortable for its members. Probably the most visible contribution to comfort was purchase of the dorm's television set. Proceeds from a soft drink machine helped finance subscriptions to two newspapers and a weekly magazine. The club is enrolled in the intramural sports program and maintains a physical culture and exercise room in the basement.

Hall officers: (left to right) J. Mayada (housing office), J. F. Ascarrunz (sec.), D. M. Clements (pres.), J. Smithers (d.m.).
Deuel Dormitory

Those steaks were thick at the barbecue.

"Deuel Dorm" is Cal Poly's oldest dormitory and presently hosts over 100 students. This makes Deuel the largest living group on this campus. It is centrally located and can easily be reached from any part of the campus.

The "Deuel Devils" are very active in both scholastic and extra-curricular activities. This year they fielded a fine intramural volleyball team, which won the championship. Also, the football team, basketball five and the softball squad proved outstanding.

Deuel was proud to have under its roof Poly's Rudy Brooks. Rudy brought laurels to Poly when he competed in football, boxing, and track.

Next year the "Devils" await with anticipation the arrival of the coeds, who will be housed across the street from the dormitory.

Highlighting this year's activities was the fall barbeque, which was a huge success.
El Dorado Dormitory during this past year has been quite active within its own boundaries. El Dorado, or in Spanish "the Golden one," boasted a complete cross-section of students from many of the major departments and from all over the state, as well as a few occupants from outside of the United States. At their regularly scheduled dorm meetings the group viewed movies and upon many occasions adjourned to El Corral for coffee following the meetings. A huge Christmas party was staged by El Dorado with the capable officers doing all the work. Exchanging of gifts, movies, and refreshments were enjoyed by all. Speakers, and organized dormitory outings rounded out this very successful year. In intramurals the dormitory was able to hold its own. They entered teams in football, basketball, and softball and provided the league some strong competition. Many long-lasting friendships were formulated and these freshmen should be seen quite actively in the next three years that they will be attending Cal Poly.
"Home of the boxers" — that's Heron Hall, where Boxing Coach Lee, manager J. Antoine and boxers E. Labastida, V. Buccola, J. Shaw, G. Cox, and P. Godinez kept us well known around campus. Activities of the dorm included intramural sports and, of course, studying. Heron Hall is not without honors, having won the Christmas decoration contest. The scene comprised Santa Claus and his reindeer on the rooftop. Heron men extend a welcome to the coeds in '56 but will miss the comforts of the old dorm.

Bowling team members: (left to right) R. Alison, J. Churchill, J. Hardman, D. Tripodi.

Basketball team members: (left to right) A. Wahlenmaier, B. Farro, B. Strathern, J. White, D. Udell, S. Thigpen, H. Nolte, N. Powers.

Hewson House

Members of Hewson House.
Hewson House, newest off-campus Cal Poly housing unit, is the college home of 132 students of all three majors and is conveniently located in downtown San Luis Obispo. It is owned by Mr. and Mrs. J. M. P. Hewson. Mrs. Nancy Davis is housemother and manager.

Hewson House is run most successfully on the honor system with a house committee composed of nine men in charge of activities. A large lounge, an attractive dining room and a recreation room are on the main floor. The men enjoy TV, pool, ping pong in the building and are active in intramural sports.

House officers: (left to right) R. Lipscomb (f.r.), R. Alison (f.r.), R. Hunter (treas.), J. Howe (pres.), R. Davis (rep.), B. Strathern (v-p.), S. Thigpen (sec.)

The first Y.M.C.A. "branch" at Cal Poly was started this year at Hewson House.
Hillcrest Dorm.

Hillcrest dorm is the most unique dormitory on campus. It is located north of the dairy classroom, next to our Temporary Student Union.

The dorm is unique because its members are all transfer and foreign students who have an average age of over 23. Therefore it is to be understood that the men are serious in their studies and many an honor student has "graduated" from Hillcrest.

The members of Hillcrest Dormitories.
Modoc Dormitory

Modoc Dorm is also called "Cal Poly's International Settlement" since more countries are represented than in any other dorm on campus. Modoc was very active this year in I.M. sports. It placed second in football and fielded a fine basketball squad. Also it took first place in the Frosh Christmas decorations this year.

Members of Modoc Dormitory.
It took lots of practice to gain that championship.

Over 40 persons worked on the Shasta Dorm float which took top honors in the residence halls division.
Shasta Dorm.

SHASTA DORM—"THE ONE AND ONLY": as considered by its residents! Why? A background of participation in college activities.

Take the 1955-56 college year as a typical example. Shasta jumped right into the swing of things with not only one but two intramural football teams. One team took top honors and the other placed second in their respective leagues.

During the Fall quarter, the "Big Brother" dorm also took part in the annual Homecoming parade, thus the only dorm on campus to be represented.

The dorm is also considered a cross section of the college and boasts many members who take an active part in extra-curricular activities.

Christmas season was recognized by the Shasta men—the only mountain dorm to do so.

All of the activities were not in one quarter. Shasta entered intramural teams in basketball and softball and were top contenders in both sports.
Whitney Dorm.

Whitney Dorm is one of the new mountain dorms, situated north of the Temporary Student Union. Many activities were held this year. Starting with the "Ugly Man Contest," in which Pat Allen took fourth place, we continued with participating in intramural football and the ping-pong tournament. The most rewarding thing was that the members renovated our basement to turn it into a lounge, where at regular intervals motion pictures were shown and snacks could be consumed. Finishing this year's activities was the barbeque held in Cuesta Park.
Monterey Dorm.

A picnic, a beach party, and a fine record in Intramural Sports are just a few of the accomplishments of Monterey Dorm this year. Located at the west end of the Freshman Dorm area, Monterey has put to good use the adjoining baseball diamonds and basketball and tennis courts.

Under the "fatherly" guidance of Dorm Manager C. T. Short, Monterey has proved itself to be one of the most active dormitories on campus.
Student

President Bob Grime

Vice-President Ron Kellogg

Secretary John Trexel
Government


Office secretary Mary Slack.  Office secretary Francis Keller.  Office secretary Denny Pine.
S. A. C. Advisory Committee

Board of Publications Control

Music Board
Board of Athletic Control

Left to right: N. Gomez, D. Wilkin, M. Wilkenson, L. Hughes, B. Balman, H. Winerath; (seated) K. Tarbet, D. Wickstrom.

Finance Committee


Film Committee

Student Government Committee

Rally Committee

Combined rally committee with the Poly cheerleaders and the song girls were this year headed by Chairman George Futas, second from left, standing.
The Poly Royal Board was directed this year by Don Halstead (front row, fourth from left).

Poly Royal Board

Assembly Committee

Dance Committee

Junior Class Officers

Left to right: Bob Bakman (sec.), Paul Wilson (pres.), George Schmidt (treas.), Doug Tatreaux (v-p). Not shown, C. Scott, faculty advisor.

Freshman Class Officers

Left to right: Mike Simmons (sec.), Ed Chelini (v-p), Haydn Lee (SAC), Dr. E. Hyer. Not shown here is Danny Esow, pres.
College Union Board


Senior Class Officers

Left to right: L. Dietzel (v-p), C. Chocol (sec.), S. Askew (pres.), M. Kepner (SAC), E. D. Gerard (adv.). Not shown is C. Helt (treas.).

Sophomore Class Officers

Left to right: G. Shrader (SAC), R. Oxley (sec.), S. Jones (treas.), J. Boston (pres.), D. Marino (v-p). Not shown is W. E. Holtz (adv.).
What's for chow tonight?

The sun was bright at Avila.

Poly's "Toast-of-the-Town."

Orientation week dinner.

Indoctrination hour.
Bonfire rally.

Hewson House float.

Engineering (top prizewinning float).

Queen Ruthie and Princesses.

Cal Poly's Marching Band.

Homecoming dance.

Homecoming rally.

Agricultural Engineering float.
Poly's flashing cardstunts.

Ride high, you Mustangs!

Down with the Gauchos!

San Jose exchange rally was a big success.

After-game dance in Crandall Gym.
Stan Gerne, manager of Clarence Brown Jewelers, presents Coach Hughes with the perpetual trophy which will be presented annually to the outstanding all-around athlete of the year.

Indoor sport season arrives.

President McPhee addresses the first Winter Graduating Class’s commencement.

Afterwards the graduates attended an informal coffee hour with their friends, families and faculty.
Clean-up after the winter earth-moving rains was a major problem.

The new Ag-Engineering building was finally inaugurated.

High brass visited Poly during the R.O.T.C. Federal Inspection.

The Fire Department moved to its new home.

Mayor Lucksinger started Printing Week.

“Litch” started the Poly Royal publicity campaign.

Young and old enjoyed the boxing bouts in the gym.
Artist Shoeter showed his cartoons.

The U.C.L.A. Bruins came over to play chess.

Bob Grime hands Ron Kellogg the first El Mustang from one of the new circulation boxes, Circulation Mgr. Mike Mattis grinning approval.

Everybody seemed to enjoy our assemblies.

College Union record dances in Hillcrest Lounge were an enormous success.

During intermissions, "expert" waiters brought refreshments.

"It all started with Eve" was versifier Armour's subject.
Winners in the ping pong tournament held at Hillcrest Lounge were: (left to right) V. Bowker, runner-up; B. Barclay, second place; D. Creasy (chm.); O. Hand, winner; and H. Shams, runner-up.

Davey gives instructions to members of the Glee Club in Coalinga, during the last night of the 7-day music tour which drew over 20,000 spectators.

“Operation Facelift” was started on campus when the old Ag Mechanics labs had to be removed for construction of the Engineering Building.

Frank “Rocky” Loduca won the 147 lbs. division in the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Boxing tournament at Sacramento.

The Collegians “re-appeared” in Hillcrest Lounge before taking off for the Spring Music Tour.

Coach Tom Lee gave final instructions to members of the boxing squad, before the men left for the P.C.I. championships in Sacramento. The Mustangs captured second place behind power-packed Idaho State College. Left to right: F. Loduca (147 lbs. champion), P. Godinez (runner-up), and E. Labastida. Others making the trip were: E. Lelevier (third place), R. Brooks, G. Martinez and V. Buccola (all runners-up).
President McPhee presented diplomas at Cal Poly's first spring graduation. Shown here is Graduate Nick Korpov.

General Young of the Sixth Army visited our ROTC unit with his staff.

L. C. Fletcher, farm foreman, celebrated his 25th year on this campus. Here he is showing students the operating power of a big new diesel tractor.

Candidates for Student Body office presented their views during the campaign assembly. Left to right are: D. A. Coppock (sec.), J. Duffy (sec.), R. Packard (sec.), D. Walker (veep), J. K. Beard (prexy), G. Kennedy (prexy), E. Slevin (prexy). Absent was L. Moore (veep), Slevin, Walker and Duffy won.

Al Pryor (left) and Xiakakis Peterson had a tug-of-war to swing the vote of Steve Emanuel in the controversial issue of three-branch government before student body elections.

U.N. at Corvallis ... Seven delegates represented Cal Poly and Greece at the Model U.N. Conference at Oregon State College in Corvallis. Left to right are: Izzat Maccou (Lebanon), Guy Dilena (U.S.), Adnan Shaari (Jordan), Anthony Kyriakis (Greece), Robert Holley and leader Ralph Jarrett (both U.S.).
The Collegians Quartet went on a music tour this month. Left to right: J. Bart, J. Beatty, D. Marshburn, P. Peterson.

With the Quartet, the Glee Club brought many spring tour laurels back to Cal Poly.
It is with great pleasure that I take this opportunity to express the sincere gratitude of the graduating class of 1956.

During the past four years at Cal Poly, we have been guided by one of the most humble men in the State of California. His words to us as freshmen have stuck with us throughout these past four years, and his ideas of Education and Democracy will stay with us all during our lives. We can only say: “Thank you, President Julian A. McPhee.” Our class has been strengthened immeasurably by many faculty and staff members of this college. Together with the President, they have lifted us to the heights we have attained. We must now use this knowledge to climb even higher and further the attitudes learned at Cal Poly. We say: “Thank you, faculty and staff.”

To our fellow senior classmates, we give our sincere wish for success. We have been through many trying times together. We had to paint the “P” twice, the class put on one of the best Poly Roly Carnivals the college has ever seen, and we have been one of the last classes to see this campus in both its old and new form. We form the last all-male graduating class of Cal Poly.

The underclassmen and those men and women who have yet to come to Cal Poly are in for an experience they won’t forget. College may seem “rough” at times. You may feel like giving up. But the reward you receive in your attitudes and ideas alone should prompt you to go on.

On behalf of the Senior Class of 1956, “I again thank you, Cal Poly.”

JOHN BOSTON
President Class of 1956.
Homecoming
Princesses

Princess Mitzi Kirk

Princess Audry Gowman
Homecoming Queen Ruthie Holbrook

Getting ready for the game.

Her Majesty Ruthie... receives the first receipt for 1956 El Rodeo.
Poly Royal Queen Pat Base
Poly Royal Princesses
24th ANNUAL POLY ROYAL
APRIL 27-28, 1956
Poly Royal is the term applied to Cal Poly’s annual open house. This was the 24th year for the famous “Country Fair on a College Campus.” Originally started as a Future Farmer field day, it has grown to where this year, a crowd of 18,000 attended from all over the country. The show was staged completely by the students of Cal Poly. Poly Royal itself, is designed to show parents, family, and friends the college’s famed Learn-by-Doing approach to higher education.

“It’s a Modern World” was the theme selected for this year’s Poly Royal. The many departments on campus depicted this theme in exhibits and displays to please the visitor. Seen were exhibits prepared and presented by every department on campus. The exhibits carried the theme and for their slogan used “A Country Fair on a College Campus.”

The displays and various exhibits gave us, the students, an opportunity to show the end product of a year’s work and study at Polyland. Everything from the birth of a chicken to an architectural “Gee” was featured during the two full days of educational enjoyment. Special events at the head of the list included an intercollegiate rodeo on Friday and Saturday afternoon. College teams from throughout the West competed for honors. Friday evening was filled with festive atmosphere from the Carnival Dance in Crandall Gymnasium.

Featured the second day was a huge livestock judging contest, followed by an inside barbecue and a band concert. The Poly Royal queen, Miss Pat Base, was crowned at the Coronation Ball on Saturday night. Yes... there was plenty a doing.
The electronics exhibits drew many plaudits. "Gosh, what will they think of next?"

Range improvement techniques were shown by the Soils Department.

This Poly Royal was a housewife's delight!

ASB Prexy-elect Ed Slevin was toastmaster at the Ag Journalists' Banquet.

"Sign up here, Ma'am! We'll have a guide for you in a minute!"

After Queen Pat cut the tape, the festivities began.

The wagon train was a welcome resting place for tired visitors.

The men of Circle 'K' showed our guests the way.
The photo exhibit, sponsored by Cal Poly’s News Bureau, was an enormous success.

A pictorial view portrayed “The Power Behind Engineering.”

A skeleton crew maintained the Bio. Science Lab.

A radiant looking Queen was one of the big crowd who enjoyed the Poly-style barbecue.

President McPhiee congratulated the winner of the statewide math contest.

P.E.’s corrective exercises were enjoyed by both young and old.

Poly Royal, as it has been in the past, was a typical “family affair” again this year.

“A ride ’em cowboy!” (This one didn’t.)

A capacity crowd made the barbecue an enormous success.
THE MEN BEHIND THE SCENES: All during Poly Royal, Harvey Kidder and Mike Mattis (not shown) processed photographs to keep the newspapers informed.

Tom Reynolds showed corrective P.E. equipment to prospective coeds.

The agriculture contests in the stadium also attracted large crowds.

The beautiful flower show was admired by everybody.

A young "marksman" aimed for the bullseye during the carnival, while his friends looked on.

Steer wrestling was one of the colorful events of inter-collegiate rodeo, which was won by the Poly team.
The barbecue was held this year in the cafeterias.

Better watch out for the "weaker sex"; those ladies seem to do all right.

The Holstein-Friesian dairy cows were outstanding this year in the A.H. showmanship exhibit.

Queen Pat arrived with escort Tom Moore at the Coronation Ball—which was held this year in the "Sports Center" at Camp San Luis Obispo.

—a great climax to the best Poly Royal ever: The coronation of Queen Pat by Poly Royal Board Supt. Don Holstead.
VICTOR BUCCOLA, OUTSTANDING: Football, Boxing, Track, Boxing mgr., Jr. Class pres., B.A.C. chm., President of Block "P", S.A.C., Little All-American Football, ROTC.

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Holtville

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- G. D. Foppiano

**CITRUS FRUITS**

- C. W. Elkins, J. J. Marchiando

**DAIRY HUSBANDRY**


**FIELD CROPS**


**GENERAL CROPS**

- C. D. Beaty, T. H. Clark, R. B. Sainsbury

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- F. Guillemet, R. B. Newland

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**SOCIAL SCIENCE**


**AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING**


**ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING**

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**ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING**

- A. Mansur

**ELECTRON/CAL ENGINEERING**

- D. L. Trout

**MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

- E. L. Brown, J. McKune, J. B. Pache

**PRINTING ENGINEERING**

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Senior Class Executive Council
JOHN TRELCE, OUTSTANDING: Wesley Club Worship Chairman and President, M.E. Club, S.A.E., Sigma Tau, Blue Key, Award Comm. Chairman, A.S.B. secretary.


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Dairy Husb.
Lima, Peru
R. J. BECK
Field Crops
Los Angeles
R. F. BURSON
Field Crops
Altadena
P. W. L. CHANG
Mech. Engineering
Hong Kong, China
J. D. CURRIE
Soils Science
Morro Bay
J. M. FULTON
Animal Husb.
Alhambra, Calif.
V. D. KENNEDY, JR.
Animal Husb.
San Luis Obispo
A. G. MADRID
Poultry Husb.
Los Angeles
R. B. NEWLAND
Horticulture
Long Beach
J. A. PALMER
Animal Husb.
Shell Beach
R. E. REID
Ag. Journalism
San Luis Obispo
N. L. WAKEMAN
Ag. Journalism
San Luis Obispo
R. E. WOLLAM
Horticulture
San Luis Obispo
TWO YEAR TECH. DEGREE
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Alhambra
E. MURPHY, JR.
Field Crops
San Luis Obispo
J. E. EDDIE
Animal Husb.
Potter Valley

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Animal Husb.
Santa Barbara
F. B. GUilleMET
Horticulture
Chino

R. A. KIRBY
Dairy Husb.
Los Angeles
R. K. KALUVEK
Ag. Engineering
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Coach "Silverfox" Hughes shows the Mustangs some new equipment.


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Starting off the '55 season, the Mustangs quickly rewarded Coaches Hughes, Harden, Lee and O'Daniels for their efforts.
First by grabbing the big end of an 18 to 40 score against Colorado Western and next by drowning Humboldt State 26 to 0.
The Hughes Men, on October 1, opened their C.C.A.A. grid season. The Mustangs, taking such things in stride as Jeter's injured ankle and several other injuries, were quite confident as they ventured to San Diego to play the Aztecs.
Poly was favored by two touchdowns to whip the...
Aztecs, but the Montezumans nearly pulled an upset, holding the usually strong Mustangs to a net ground gain of 18 yards. Poly still came through to win 12 to 6, marking the fourth straight triumph over San Diego. The next scheduled victims were Santa Barbara’s Gauchos. The Mustangs appeared hindered by the absence of Perry “Jet” Jeter, who was sidelined by his reinjured ankle, as they squeezed past the Gauchos with a 19 to 6 victory. Some say the score doesn’t tell a true story of this game, and perhaps it didn’t, for our grid team did not play a polished game of football. Still undefeated, the Poly eleven played host to the San

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Mustangs 13
Mc Murry 23

Touchdown for Jim Antoine against McMurry.

Dan Delgado

Cal Poly's Marching Band.

Get that man down, Perry!
The Mustangs played host to the McMurry Indians in the Homecoming tilt. The Indians, favored by 10 points, held true to statistics as Poly accepted its first defeat by a score of 23 to 13. McMurry won the first half and that was enough to give them the ball game. Emerging from the first 30 minutes of play with a 20-point lead, the Indians iced the contest with a 20-yard field goal with 12 minutes of play remaining.

After fumble and pass interceptions by the Indians in the first half, the game appeared to be turning into a rout.

Surprising the crowd of 6,000 fans, the Green and Gold looked like an entirely different ball club in the second half as they made a real comeback.

All this came too late. As many stated, "The clock beat the Mighty Mustangs."
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Diego Marines. The Poly 205-pound line, at full strength, faced a 220-pound Recruit Depot line, but succeeded in making butter out of it before the final gun sounded. At half time, local fans seemed satisfied at the showing made by the Mustangs as they held the favored Marines to an even 6 to 6 score. They were even satisfied with a 12 to 12 score at the end of the third quarter, but they went wild when Poly broke loose. The Herd saw very fine running by Jim Antoine as well as good passing by Jerry Duncan. These were only a couple of the standouts, for the Mustangs operated as a team in handing the Marines a
44 to 12 upset.
The Mustangs recovered fast after the Homecoming game as they traveled to Texas to whip Midwestern 19 to 7.
Next on the list was San Jose State. This was the first year the Mustangs played San Jose. Were the Spartans too big for the Poly eleven? The Mustangs must have instilled some doubt in the minds of San Jose, for the Spartans had to really hustle to manage a 20 to 14 victory. The huge rooting section that followed the Mustangs must have inspired them, for they fought gamely to the final gun.
The Hughes Men now faced Fresno State on our home soil. This didn't appear to be an advantage, though, for the Bulldogs handed the Poly Grid Men their worst defeat of the season by making it a decisive victory with a score of 34 to 6. The teams, at first, seemed evenly matched as the local boys scored first. The Bulldogs came back fast to even the score by half time. The score of 6 to 6 proved too hard to hold, for the Bulldogs nipped the Mustangs with a final 34 to 6 shellacking. Seeking revenge after the Fresno game, the Herd obviously decided to take it out on San Francisco State for they thoroughly defeated the Gators 32 to 0. The Poly
Boys staged quite a show for the spectators as they stalled the initial S.F. charge till the second half. After this point, the Gators saw only Mustang hooves, for the Hughes Men unmercifully scored touchdown after touchdown.

The Mustangs finished their season winning 7 games and losing only 3. The boys were obviously hindered by the frequent injuries. The fans experienced some fine quarterbacking by Duncan and Jim Antoine, and a good showing by Perry Jeter, who was plagued by his bad ankle. Jim Cox also thrilled fans with his knack of snagging passes.

**COLTS FINISH WITH A 3-1 RECORD**

Winning three of their four games, the Colts, coached by Tom Lee and Vic Buccola, racked up 79 points while holding their opponents to 38. Losing the opener to Fresno Junior College 12 to 6, they came back to whip Reedley 26 to 7, Coalinga 27 to 6, and Santa Barbara 20 to 13.

Coach Lee lauded, in particular, the efforts of quarterback Jack Sears and halfback Walt Gurney. Gurney gained more ground than any other Colt or opponent. Sears displayed his worth with his quick thinking and fine passing throughout the season. Halfbacks Bob Beathard and Dan Grady also played standout football which will surely gain them a chance at varsity competition next season.

Famed were the Cheerleaders of Poly, and the married Song and Pompom girls.
Cal Poly's Soccer team cinched the Southern California Championship this year for the best booting season the Mustangs ever had.

Starting with a 4-3 win over U.C.L.A., the Mustangs next whipped Pomona 8-0, Cal Tech 8-2, U.C.L.A. 3-0, Pomona 1-0, U.S.C. 9-0, and dropped a decision to Cal Tech 5-3.

When this section goes to press, the Mustangs are awaiting a play-off with the Northern Champion, U.S.F., for the State's Championship.

"Future International"—Hans Mager, Jr., attempts a goal.
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Spring Games:

Stanford 7 .......................... C. P. 8
Fresno State 3 ...................... C. P. 6

Pardo kicks the decisive goal against U.C.L.A.

Angel Ortiz attempts a steal from Cal Tech.
1955 BASKETBALL SEASON RESULTS

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16 wins, 10 losses.

Coach Ed Jorgensen, in his ninth year at Poly, led the Mustangs to another N.A.I.A. playoff.
One of the greatest basketball teams in Cal Poly's history roared to a 16-10 season record, including an N.A.I.A. playoff against the powerful San Diego State Aztecs in the border city.

Under the superb leadership of Coach Ed "Jorgie" Jorgensen, the Mustangs set a new scoring record when they downed Fresno State 112-106 in three overtime periods. This game was the greatest game played on the local hardwoods all year, and the lead changed hands 29 times before our hoopsters iced the game in the closing seconds. Ernie Hall, Jim Gilbert and Atwood Grandberry shone in this game. The first two will be missed by the Mustangs as they will leave Mustangville due to graduation this summer.

Though the Mustangs engaged in independent play this year, it might be good to review in brief the series the locals played against those teams which will form the new CCAA next year.

Coach Jorgensen hands Bob Grime the trophy of the C.C.A.A. Christmas Tournament, which the Mustangs won this year.

Crockom climbs high to score.

Crockom puts the Mustangs ahead against San Diego State during one of the finest games played on our hardwoods this year.
FRESNO STATE: Winning both games against the Bulldogs this year, Cal Poly gained prestige in CCAA play, as they downed Fresno State in the second game by a record score of 112-106.

LOS ANGELES STATE: L.A. was beaten two out of three times, both wins earned on our own court.

SAN DIEGO STATE: The series was split with one win and one loss apiece; when this section goes to press the locals are traveling down to the Aztecs to engage in N.A.I.A. play-offs.

LONG BEACH STATE: They were the newcomers to the CCAA but proved a weak opponent, as the Mustangs tramped over L.B.S.C. with a 79-59 score.

U.C.S.B.C.: against our rivals of the Channel City, the local hoopsters won one and lost two games. The win was in the Christmas Tournament, which Cal Poly cinched.

(The results of the N.A.I.A. tournament will be published in the Summer Supplement.)
Ernie sinks a basket. Crockom puts the Mustangs in front. With one second to go, Hall pushes the winning shot.
Coach Charlie Baca’s Colts finished a most successful season by winning 16 games and losing only 2. The Colts downed Santa Maria J.C., S.L.O. High, Santa Cruz, Westmont J.V., Taft J.C., S.L.O.J.C., Paso Robles High, Arroyo Grande High, Gonzales High, Motel Inn, and the Nunez All-Stars, with only losses coming from powerful Hancock College.

Some fine players were prepared on the frosh team to fill the ranks in next year’s varsity when Ernie Hall and Jim Gilbert will lose eligibility due to graduation. Men such as Ed Krienke, Chuck King, Ron Burk and sharp shooting Flemen Hardy will replace them and should be able to strengthen the varsity considerably.
After launching their 1956 swimming schedule by collecting second place honors in a three-way meet at the University of Southern California, the Mustangs gradually improved to whip the University of Arizona 44-39.

Against U.C.L.A. Cutino won both the 50- and 100-yard freestyle, Lenz taking the 220- and 440-yard events. Leigh Allen won the diving, with the four-man relay team of Lenz, Bolin, Bell and Cutino taking the 400-yard event. One of the highlights this season was the great effort of Gene Lenz when he broke both the college and pool records in the 200-individual medley against Arizona. Gene set a new record in the fast time of 2:25.4. Buster Lau followed Lenz as he set a new school record in the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:41.8. When this section goes to press the season has just started and a complete summary of events and scores can be seen in the summer supplement.

Paced by Steve Olmsted, the Mustang tankmen splashed to second place in the State college tourney in San Francisco. Coach Anderson's mermen dropped a 6-8 match against San Jose State in the finals.
The Mustangs opened the season with a 7-4 win over Santa Monica J.C., downed U.C.L.A. 7-5, and lost to California 11-2, Fullerton J.C. 7-5, and U.S.C. 25-1.
During the first round of the tournament the Mustangs took San Francisco State 6-3.

1956 SCHEDULE

Jan. 14 ..................Chico State at Poly
Jan. 27 ..................Nevada U. at Reno
Feb. 17..................San Jose State at Jose
Feb. 24..................Stanford at Poly
Mar. 3..................Santa Clara at Poly
Mar. 9-10..............Chico State Tourney at Chico
Mar. 17..................California at Berkeley
Mar. 22, 23, 24.. . .P.C.I. Tourney at Sacramento
Apr. 12, 13, 14.. . .N.C.A.A. Tourney at Madison
(Wisc).

(A complete review of the season can be seen in the sport section of the summer supplement.)
The Mustang tennis team started the 1956 season by dropping a 6-3 match to the defending CCAA champions, Santa Barbara's Gauchos. However, the Poly netters returned to their usual strength when they downed Montana State 7-2, and handed Cal Tech another defeat 6-3.

Coach Jorgensen’s team featured such outstanding players as: Roger Hing, Vic Bowker, Charles Harber, Javier A carrunz and Frank Johnson. Remaining opponents at presstime included: Fresno State, Westmont, Santa Barbara Tennis Club, C.O.P., and the Ojai Tourney.

Designated by Dr. Hanks to fill the No. 1 spot on the golf team this year was Tom McFadden, while the No. 2 slot was filled by Roland Conklin.

Others included: Gary Kinsinger, Harlan Kinswold and Steve Reed. The Mustangs faced tough opponents this year. They tied S.B. to start; will face Occidental College, San Jose State, U.C.S.B.C., Fresno State and enter the N.I.C.T. tourney and the C.C.A.A. meet. (For complete summaries please refer to the summer supplement).
Coach Noble's inexperienced gymnastics team competed this season against such foes as Stanford, San Jose, Santa Barbara, Occidental and San Diego State. Top performers were Bob Brundage on the trampoline, and Ron Booth on the horizontal bars.

This year the Poly wrestling team faced its toughest schedule since joining the P.C.I. Among their opponents were powerful San Diego State, San Quentin, Santa Clara, San Jose State and the Bruins of U.C.L.A. Harden's grapplers also entered the P.C.I. tournament, which was held here on March 9 and 10.

(For a complete recap on the gymnastics and wrestling refer to the summer supplement.)


Dr. G. A. Noble, coach.

S. Harden, coach.
Bob Heffron’s mighty stride wins the 100-yard dash against C.O.P. and Westmont in 9.8 seconds. Fleetfooted Rudy Brooks is a close second.


Rudy Brooks continued his good showing in the broad jump against Pomona.

Woody Wilson cleared the high bar for a victory against C.O.P.

Chas. Robson and Dave Wellington lead in the 880 as the Mustangs capture another event from the powerful Sagehens.

CROSS-COUNTRY and TRACK

Coach James Jensen found himself with a green track team when the season opened with a dual meet against Pomona College on March 7. The Green and Gold thin-clads lacked both depth and experience, but were always in a fighting spirit. They were paced by such aces as: Rudy Brooks, sprints and broad jump; Pete Godinez, high hurdles; Woody Wilson, pole vault; Rudy Kaplan, shot put; Cliff Rolland, 440; Ed Gookin, distances; and Bob Heffron, sprints. The Mustangs gradually improved and were expected to capture many a dual meet by season’s end.

Earlier last fall the Cross Country team beat the Santa Barbara Gauchos and S.F. State, placed fourth in five-way meets at Stanford and San Jose State, and lost a close return account from the boys of the Channel City.

(For complete summaries, scores and the C.C.A.A. Conference meet, which was held this year at Long Beach, please refer to the summer supplement.)
Bob Heffron, third from left, takes an early lead to win the 100-yard dash in 9.9 seconds against Pomona.

Poly’s Pete Godinez, second from right, shows improved form as he takes third in the high hurdles against Pomona.

1956 TRACK SCHEDULE
March 7 .... Pomona
March 10 .... Pendleton
March 24 .... UCLA relays
April 3 .... Pomona
April 7 .... C.O.P.
April 14 .... Whittier
April 21 .... S.F. State
April 25 .... Santa Barbara
May 5 .. Conference meet at Poly


Rudy Kaplan heaves the 16-pounder for a 49-foot throw against the C.O.P. Tigers.

Powerful Jim Antoine places third against C.O.P. in the discus.

If Roland outpaces a Westmont Warrior win the 440 in a three-way meet with estmant and C.O.P.

Ed Gookin’s sensational finish in the 2-mile brings the crowd to its feet as he outnoses P. Jones from Pomona.
BASEBALL
1956 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

March
1   Pepperdine College
6   Point Mugu N.A.S.
10  Camp Pendleton Marines
21  Pepperdine College
22  San Diego N.T.C.
23  San Diego N.A.S.
24  Camp Pendleton Marines
25  Camp Pendleton Marines
29  University of California

April
6   Los Angeles State College (2)
7   San Diego State College
10  Westmont College
13  U.C.S.B.C. (2)
14  Los Angeles State College
26  Fort Ord
27  Fort Ord
28  Pasadena College

May
1   Westmont College
5   San Diego State College (2)
6   San Diego N.T.C.
11  U.C.S.B.C.
12  Fresno State College (2)
16  University of California
18  Fresno State College

With some of the top service and collegiate ball clubs of the Coast on the 1956 diamond slate, Coach Howie O'Daniels . . . back as baseball mentor for the first time since 1942 . . . faced a task of thinning a turnout of over 50 eager Mustangs.

University of California at Berkeley, Fresno State and several potent service clubs headed the list of opposition for this year's squad. Stepping up the Pacific Coast conference to meet the powerful Golden Bears from Strawberry Canyon, the Mustangs were expecting the boys from Berkeley to be their usual ferocious best for their home tilt with the Green and Gold.

Fresno State, long-time rivals of the Mustangs, CCAA champs in '55, and recognized in the past as one of the most feared diamond machines on the coast, guaranteed to display their regular "plate power potential!" throughout the year.

Heading the list of service clubs were the Camp Pendleton Marines. Pendleton, well-rounded outfit composed of ex-college and major league greats, were as tough.

The Mustangs opened the season against the power laden Pepperdine Waves, March 1st.

Look for a complete recap of the baseball season in the Summer Supplement.)
Top, below: "Come-on, Ump, give us a break," shouts Pepperdine.
Bottom, below: Bob Cardiff.

Top, below: Murder that ball, Perry!
Bottom, below: Charles Remund.

Ken Lee.
John Freddi.
Lew Gentry.
Bob Linton.

Charlie Fields.
Clyde Remund.

Where did th' ball go? First home run of the season—scored by Charlie Fields against Pepperdine.
Intramural Sports

"The Pigskinners" of the Thursday League were champions in I-M's toughest schedule this year.

Excuse me!

Touchdown bound...

Up, up, and over!
Moments to remember.

Rock-and-Roll waltz.

Got a match?

And off they went!

Gymnastics and basketball do mix.

I.M. basketball officials: (left to right) D. Chambers, T. Reynolds, J. Cox.

Where did that ball go?

On your marks, get set . . .

Come on fellows, hustle!

Next time try the basket!
It was Shasta Dorm that shone again. The boys from up the hill captured both the Thursday league and the I.M. championships.

History repeated itself as Shasta Dorm outscored the power-packed Jesters 29-22 to capture the I.M. Basketball title for the third consecutive year. Poly Phase edged the Crops Club 34-33 with a last-minute field goal to reach third place.

In the semifinals, Shasta Dorm walloped Poly Phase 50-26, and the Jesters ran over Crops Club 39-33.

As this section goes to press, we still await the I.M. Softball competition and the inter-class track championships. The latter two events will be covered in the summer supplement, along with other “late” sports.

For final results of Boxing, Wrestling, Gymnastics, Swimming, Track, Baseball, Tennis and Golf please refer to the summer supplement which will appear in late July. A complete schedule of the 1956 Football competition will also appear then.

The Jesters were the champions of the Tuesday league.

Poly Phase engineers captured the Wednesday league crown.

Monday league honors were earned by the Crops Club.
Ranking No. 1 among all other colleges and universities, the Cal Poly R.O.T.C. unit completed its most successful year since its founding in 1952. Under the leadership of Col. P. O. Loiselle's Military Science Staff, the Mustang Warriors earned the Warrior of the Pacific trophy. This trophy is annually awarded to the best R.O.T.C. rifle unit in the U.S. Last year the trophy was won by the University of California at Berkeley, but it finally had to leave Strawberry Canyon for a better place, the Cal Poly armory.
As the Poly unit is composed of students who volunteer for R.O.T.C. training, the group is considered tops in morale and character. Many graduates have gone as standout officers in our Army.

Further highlights of the 1955 season were the participation of the most outstanding cadets in the Golden
Blade Society, a national organization. This Golden Blade Society sponsored the Military Ball, which was held in the Veterans Memorial Hall in San Luis Obispo. The annual President's inspection and the Federal inspection by the R.O.T.C. commanding officer of the Sixth army in San Francisco finished the year.
General Office Staff, where most work is done.

Off to the Student Union Conference.

Will E. Thomas chiefed Student Football Publicity.
Poly...go, go, go!

Twirl that baton, girl!

Chow is ready, Deuel Devils.

How is it, Rudy?
Cal Poly's famed Collegians, and . . .

El Corral "booksales" offered many bargains.

the like-famous Barbershop quartet.
What's the matter, Bob?

Have we good counseling service?
They did some relaxing, also.

Hit that ball, we're ahead.

At least they try to do their best.

Another bull's-eye; Montezuma, here we come!
This is for the record.

Johnny Byrne will tell them.

We always study very hard.

This looks complicated.

Where's that ball now?
The stock judging squad was fortunate in being able to compete in the three major west coast contests and Chicago's famed International again this year. Joe Williamson was high individual contestant at the Grand National, San Francisco, with Jerry Richardson third, while Ed Bris managed a second high individual rating at Ogden's Golden Spike championship at the Pacific International in Portland where they were awarded the American Shorthorn Cattle Breeders' Association bronze bull trophy.

"What makes a Poly Student tick" was a subject for discovery in our guidance center.

Poly's "western atmosphere" was expressed numerous times with old-fashioned country style dances.

Without mail from home we would have been lonely. Margaret and Don knew the cure for that disease.

Most of the fine photography in this book was done by our News Bureau photographers (left to right): Lotspeich, Kidder, Heine, Hahn, Eckrote and Peebles.

And if we had to get sick, there was always our health center.
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