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## DR. BEN R. CRANDALL

in appreciation of his most successful and untiring efforts toward the advancement of the California Polytechnic.


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## $\therefore-$ EDITORIAL :-

THE FALL AND REBOUND OF THE CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC

The California Polytechnic has gone through the crisis of its most interesting and trying years during the terms that the graduating class of ' 26 has been in attendance.

Looking back we recall the first year of our campus life as one of Poly's greatest. The enrollment was good; the campus life and spirit was high and lively, and above all there was a large budget with increased enrollment in sight for the next year. Then the crisis came (our second year). The budget was slashed to an astonishingly small sum, which of course meant the cutting of our faculty. Along with the faculty went the entire commercial course. This alone meant the loss of about seventy-five students; then the stock and farm equipment; and the entrance requirements were changed so that only those with at least one year of high school training were eligible; this was another jolt to our enrollment and perhaps the worst. The above mentioned results were but details as compared to the great change in the campus spirit of the students; the thoughts of those that had been working so hard to make the value of The California Polytechnic known throughout the state and, above all, the thought of the loss of the recognition of the state.

But the Poly spirit was undaunted at this, and we plugged on with remarkable cooperation, saving a penny here, sacrificing something there, and everybody fighting to put Poly back to its standard again. These things are, I believe, real examples of the predominating spirit at our school. We have been asked how it was all done. Well, we even marvel at it sometimes ourselves, but nevertheless we are here to-day and one hundred per cent.

In the midst of the trouble, just when things seemed all lost, a sudden new hope appeared. Our new and most able leader, Dr. Crandall, came down here from the University of California, to put The California Polytechnic on its feet. This he soon did and before the end of the first year our beloved institution had taken a new life.

From here on Poly took its feet again and started with long strides to regain the ground lost. By the fall of '25 we found ourselves with a $\$ 60,000$ appropiation for a new gym and water system, and an increased budget for the next biennium. This helped to increase our enrollment and four new teachers were provided. The enrollment steadily increased until at present it is double that of a year ago, and is the largest in the history of the institution.

But are we going to stop at this? NO! The Poly spirit is still here and let's display it in a new way. Let everyone of us when returning home this year keep The California Polytechnic constantly in mind and boost for her. Take posters home and distribute them; talk Poly and its wonderful opportunities to all new high school prospects; and, more than that. send two or three new students back next fall.

LET THIS BE OUR SLOGAN: "A hundred percent increase in " 26. another hundred percent in " 27 ."

In this we all can do our part in building our school and making the world realize the value of vocational education and vocational institutions.



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## ERVIN D. McMILLAN

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Captain Baskethall team '26.
Journal Staff ' 26.
Secretary Amapola Club 26.
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## WILLIAM LEE

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President Class 25.
Polygram Staff 25 .
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## DEXTER MAXWELL, JR.

"Will spaken, a mannerly chap."
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## EVELYX JOHNSON

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## THORNTON LEE

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## GEORGE ELLIOT

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The dance we gave was not large but that in no way impaired the pleasure of those present. The banquet given in honor of the Seniors, at Atascadero Inn, was a notable success. After the banquet we had dancing and everyone declared it the best in their remembrance.

When we said farewell to the Seniors and came to the realization that we were on the last lap of our school journey, we were still unable to conceive the grave responsibilities of the Senior year. But we went home content in the thought that we would return again to make the most of our duties as Seniors and make our class the best in living up to the responsiblities and honored purpose of our Senior year.

When we gathered together for the last time in the shadows of our Alma Mater, we each and every one decided to do the best for the old school and ourselves. We elected Chester Davis president. Prescott Reed, Mary Hughes and Fred Luis were chosen to help him in the task.

This year, teams of the school were made up largely of Seniors. Nearly every member contributed to one or more branches of athletics. Then, too, many were valuable members of the band and took part in school dramatics as well as all other school activities.

Competition was keen for the interclass trophy this year, and as in everything else, we set out to capture the prize. Our rifle team made an enviable score; our basketball team defeated all others, and in the interclass track meet. we took more points than any other class.

Our dance, given in conjunction with the Sophomores, was well attended and much enjoyed.

In the early part of May we packed our belongs and went on our Ditch Day. Here we became better aquainted and more united than at any time before.

Now that we have nearly reached the end of our career, at this, our school, and done our bit for this fair institution that has done so much for us, we have much to be thankful for and little to regret. We have accomplished all, and more than we set out to do.

Then, too, we have left a record that any class may well be proud to duplicate.
V. E. L. 26.


I, Ervin MeMillan, do leave my ability as a surveyor to a Junior friend of mine who stutters.

I, C. Earle Miller, leave my various and sundry girls to the school at large, and "Phawrd" to Harry Bowles.

1, Earl Miller, leave my ability as a military man to Leon Erwin, and anything else to anyone else.

I, Wilbur Miller, leave my ability as a journalist to the new editor of the Polygram, and my ability as a student to Harriet Wright.

I, Herbert Perry, knowing more than I need know, leave the surplus for the future use.

I, Robert Steiner, being an actor by temperament and a actor by environment, do give away both, that I may seek another.

I, Louis Morganti, leave my unused ability as a mechanic to George Gingg and my ability as a farmer to most anyone.

Witnessed by us, the Class of Twenty-Six, and sealed by our hand on this, the third day of June, in the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Six.

## OUR SCHOOL.

Down in between the mountains, In our dear old Mission town, There's a school that always beckons, O'er all the world around.

And in and out from its Mission walls, The students come and go
To gain a greater knowledge of the things they ought to know.

Our dear old Alma Mater, Doth e'er stand brave and true,
And in the tasks that face her, She'll brave the future too.

Long will our mem'ries linger On Poly and the past,
How we have been rewarded With the victory at last.

-Ervin D. McMillan,<br>'26.



# THE JUNIOR CLASS 

## Officers

| Presiden | Niels Jeppesen |
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| Vice-presi | Albert Call |
| Secretary | Frank Quinonez |
| Treasurer | . George Isola |

This year the class of 1927 appeared on the campus as Juniors, very proud of our past and of honors that we were sure lay before us.

We entered on Sept. 10, 1923, as Freshmen. There were only fourteen of us at that time, but, although our number was small, we managed to get along very well. At this time only two of our members were out for football or baseball.

The following year we registered as Sophomores. We proved our superiority in interclass athleties by winning the interclass trophy and belt. Our class furnished the high-point man for both of the trackmeets that the school participated in.

And this, our third year, has been very successful, in athletics we took the handball tournament. The social part of the year was very successful also.

Our class wishes to extend to the graduating class the best wishes for their success. Also we wish to assure them that we are well aware of our coming duties and responsibilities, and that we will try to carry them out to the best of our ability.

## THE JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

One of the best and most enjoyable social functions of the year was the banquet given by the Junior class to the graduating class of Seniors.

This affair is alway looked forward to by both classes as an exceptional time for the promotion of friendship, as well as the opportunity for enjoying a good meal and having a jolly good time.

The annnal affair was held in the Atascadero Inn this year. It was a most choice spot and the menu was a very delicious one.

After the meal there were talks by some of those present, a final farewell to the Seniors, and dancing closed a most successful evening.


## THE SOPHOMORE CLASS

Officers
President. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Orvis Hotchkiss
Vice-president. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Pearl Pettit
Secretary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Byron Meacham
Tressurer. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Paul Welsher
Advisors. . . . . . . . . . . Miss Haskin. Mr. MeFarland

The Class of ' 28 returned this year as full fledged Sophomores, well aware of the duties they were to attend to. The first task was that of organization. Under the guidance of Miss Haskin and Mr. MeFarland. we soon were a well organized and active group.

In athletics our class has been handicapped because of its size. In varsity football we had several boys out, and hope to furnish some fine material for next year. In basketball and baseball our men made a very good showing and tried hard to place as varsity stars. In track we furnished the most valuable man on the team, Orvis Hotchkiss. His accomplishments alone were outstanding and greatly commented upon.

In interclass athletics we noticed greatly the handicap of such a small class. We did as well as could be expected, and better than some anticipated. The trackmeet was our first upset of the dope, when we placed second by a good margin and nosed out the overconfident Frosh. The rifle shoot also showed our superiority as a class.

The Sophomores have taken an active part in social affairs as well. We joined with the Seniors and gave a Valentine dance, which was very successful.

As the year draws to a close and we are about to pass on to our Junior year we wish to assure the Junior class that we are ready to step into their position and carry on the responsibilities of Juniors, as, we feel certain, they will carry on the work of capable and distinguished Seniors.
"To every man there openeth
A Way, and Ways and the Way
And the High Soul climbs the High way
And the Low Soul gropes the Low;
And in between on the misty flats
The rest drift to and fro.
But to every man there openeth
A High Way and a Low,
And every man decideth
The Way his soul shall go."
-Oxenham.





THE POLYGRAM

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Mr. Preuss............... Printing Advisor

Just ten years ago the Polygram was first issued here at Poly. During that time it has developed from a single sheet printed by hand to a double sheet printed in the school print shop, until it is now one of the most important items in the school activities.

It has been the aim of the Polygram to give the students something of interest as well as the sections for jokes, campus chatter, news items and advertisements.

The advertisements are obtained from the merchants in San Luis Obispo and their help is greatly appreciated. It is through these adds and the cooperation of the merchants that the Polygram is possible and it is impossible for us to over estimate their assistance.

It was through the co-operation of the student body that the Polygram this year was a success and the staff wishes to thank each and everyone for their help.

Miss Haskins and Mr. Preuss also deserve a great deal of credit for their untiring efforts toward making the Polygram a success.


## THE ENGINEERING MECHANICS ASSOCIATION

## Officers



The Engineering Mechanics Association was organized in 1917 with Junior and Senior Mechanics students. The chief purpose of the organization is to acquaint its members with the problems they are likely to meet in every day life after they are through school. It advances their knowledge in the different phases of engineering and mechanical machinery. The benefits derived from visits to power houses, substations, oil fields, refineries, mines, ships, light houses, pumping stations, and the like are well worth the time, trouble, and small traveling expenses they require.

Mr. Knott, who has been the advisor of the Mechanics Association for several years, has been very successful in planning the trips to places both of mechanical and electrical interest. He has had a great deal of experience along these lines, and inspires a great deal of enthusiasm in the members.

One of the most important trips made by the E. M. A's. was to the Betteravia sugar refinery at Betteravia. The students were shown through the complete plant from one end to the other, and from top to bottom. The plant consisted of several stories. The company furnished guides who explained the entire process: the washing of the sugar beet, the trimming, slicing, etc. This trip was extremely valuable in two ways: first, from the mechanical, and second, from the chemical view point.

The longest trip made was to the oil fields south of Orcutt and to the broad-casting station at Santa Maria. Here the students first visited the Union Oil Company's compressor plant. This was of great interest because of the complete explanation of the process of manufacture of gasoline and gas that was given. After a two hour stay at this station the students visited the newly equipped broad-casting station at Santa Maria. This was of exceedingly great interest to the radio fans.

During the year the students made other minor trips around the vicinity of San Luis Obispo, such as, the round house, Avila, Santa Margarita, and the like, which were of great interest to the Engineer Mechanics' Association as a whole.

The Mechanics' Association is also active in social affairs. One of the annual performances is the assembly given by the mechanics. This year a play was put on, called "The Mechanics of Today". The play was written and directed by Burt Harris, and was a great success.

The Mecharics Association end their progressive school year by having a big feed which binds together their friendship and organized association for the future.


# 'THE AMAPOLA CLUB 

Officers

| FIRST SEMESTER |  |
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| President | Rae Mayhall |
| Vice-President | Belle Tomasini |
| Secretary | Ruth Smith |
| Treasurer | Eleanor Dunlap |
| Sergeant-at-A | Avalyn Schlicht |


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| PEMESTER |  |
| President | Mary Hughes |
| Vice-President | Floretta Tardif |
| Secretary | Ynez Bickford |
| Treasurer | Ynez Hughston |
| Sergeant-at-Arms.Ellen M. Truesdale |  |

The Amapola Club was organized in 1910 , with the aid of Miss Chase, the purpose being to bring the girls closer together and to make them feel like one big family.

This is the first year girls have really been admitted to Poly since 1923, when most of the courses that interested girls were taken out. Sa, until this year, the club has been very small. The girls' sitting room had also been closed, but was reopened this year for their use. The girls' sitting room is in the Home Making building, and in it there are a piano, phonograph, fireplace, and everything to make it comfortable. The Amapola meetings are held here, and it is always open to the girls for reading, dancing, etc.

The club has had many social times during the year. The first one took place just before Christmas when Mrs. Crandall entertained the club at her home on the Campus. The girls sewed on Christmas presents and got many new ideas for Christmas.

Just before Christmas vacation the club had its annual Christmas tree and program. Each one received a 15 cent present. The faculty entertained by telling Christmas stories, relating their experiences at Christmas time when they were small, etc. After this a very able committee served refreshments.

The Club decided to have programs at some of the meetings. The first was a very interesting one. The main feature was a fortune teller, Madame Claytonia, played by Ruth Smith, and assisted by her "man". Shirley Dunning. This was a very clever program and much enjoyed by all.

The next social event was the annual pienic. The girls decided to hold it in the grove below the school, but on the eventful day it rained so hard they held it in the Home Making building. They played games, danced (even learned to do the old fashioned dances), and then had the "eats," hot dogs and everything that goes with them.

The question of girls' uniforms was brought up before the Amapola Club and the girls decided to wear regulation middies and skirts, starting next year.

The girls of the club helped the Monday Club in their drive for the light fund. Some of them went to Mirs. Wilder's home and helped make candy; others sold the candy in the different booths down town. The work of the girls was greatly appreciated by the Monday Club.

The girls have greatly appreciated the Amapola Club this year, and, although the membership has been larger than that of last year, and the years before, they hope it will be even larger and stronger in 1927.


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## THE DORM CLUB



The Dorm Club was organized in 1919 by the boys in the Dormitory for the purpose of arousing school spirit and promoting social activities. Every year it is reorganized by the older students to explain to the new students the purpose of the Dorm Club.

A constitution was drawn up in the year 1924-1925 by the officers of the organization, which was approved and passed by the members. This places the government of the organization on a more definite basis.

When the Block " $P$ " on the hill in back of the Dorm needs shining up, it's the Dorm boys that carry rakes, hoes, lime, etc., and do the work. The Dormitory has made a habit of going up at least once a year and fixing up the Block " $P$ " so that it will be noticeable. Not being satisfied with only one letter, several of the fellows arose early one Saturday morning, took the school truck, several gallons of white paint and some rope, went up to Bishop Peak, and by the end of the day had produced a new Block "P."

This year as well as during past years members of the Dorm Club have taken leading parts in school activities, and all have proved to be a very peppy bunch.

The Dorm barbecue was put on in the later part of the year. There was plenty to eat, plenty of joke, and plenty of good time.

The Dorm dance was also an outstanding feature in the events of the year. It was considered one of the best dances given this year.

The Dorm Club planned a show like the one they gave last year, but on account of a late start and too much school work at the end of the year, it was postponed till next year, when we will give a Dorm Jinks that will beat them all.

The Dormitory was filled soon after school opened, and was soon so crowded that several of the boys "doubled up" in rooms and a few went to the crearnery, while two were staying at the dairy barn.

The Dorm Club is working towards the betterment of the school, and is succeeding. When a better California Polytechnic School is made the Dormitory Club will help make it.


## JUNIOR FARM CENTER

This is the second year of the existence of the Junior Farm Center.
Although the Junior Farm Center is a young organization, it has been very active, and has something to show for its efforts. Two years ago the school was greatly handicapped because it did not have a threshing machine. The members of the Junior Farm Center signed a note, borrowed eight hundred dollars from a local bank, and bought a good threshing machine. By buying and fattening hogs the Junior Farm Center has not only paid off this note, but in addition to this, has purchased two large, modern incubators for the poultry department.

One of the most important events in the school calendar this year was the County Livestock Show. This show, which was the first one of its kind in a number of years, was planned, financed and carried out by the Junior Farm Center. There were a great number of exhibitors from all over the county, and some very grod livestock was exhibited. The members of The Junior Farm Center entered all of their stock and were very successful in the competition. Every ribbon given for hogs was won by animals owned by Junior Farm Center members.

The membership of the Junior Farm Center is composed of all students who are taking one or more agricultural subjects. There is one regular half-day meeting every month at which all business is caried on. The officers consist of a director, vice-director, secretary, treasurer, and faculty advisors.

The Junior Farm Center members take an active part in County Farm Bureau work. They publish a piece in the Farm Bureau Monthly magazine every month, and go around to the different Farm Center meetings to give talks and entertainments.

The Junior Farm Center also takes a very active part in school activities. The annual Ag , barn dance is an event that is looked forward to by every member of the student body.

## FACULTY MEMBERS

Dr. B. R. Crandall, Mr. A. J. Rathbone, Mr. L. E. McFarland, Mr. E. D. Dunming. OFFICERS


Members.-Prescott Reed, Carrol Cavanagh, Kenneth Krames, Roy Bradley, Alwyn Davis, Alva DeVaul, Melvin Jones, George Gingg, F. Gastelum, Herbert Barboa, Joseph Golden, John White, Morris Wallace, Clarence Ellliot, Robert Hunn, Ellsworth Stewart, Paul Hubble, Ralph Watson, Albert Blackburn, Cecil Adams, Carl Hansen, M. G. Salamini, George Thorpe, J. Carson, T. Baker.





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STUDENT OFFICERS

COLONEL C. DAVIS, COMMANDING OFFICER<br>Major F. Louis, Commanding Battalion; Captain E. W. Miller, Adjutant;<br>E. Hughiston, Drum Major.<br>Company $B$<br>$$
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Captain W. Miller.
First Lieutenant E. Hansen.
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Second Lieutenant G. Elliot.
Second Lieutenant R. Traver.
Second Lieutenanst W. Zanolli.
First Sergeant L. Morganti.
Sergeants-E. McMillan, R. Boysen, K. Steiner, I. Stocking, G, Isola, A. Hankerson, E. Tognazzini.
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First Lieutenant H. Koster.
Second Lieutenant P. Reed.
Second Lieutenant C. Cavanagh.
Second Lieutenamt W. Lee.
Second Lieutenant C. E. Miller.
First Sergeant L. Erwin.
Sergeants-E, Varian, P. Del Rio, O. Hotchkiss, T. Lee.
Corporals-Sinclair, R. Perry, F. Alba, Y. O'Neil, G. Sparks. B. Barnes, E. Harper, L. Bradley.
Buglers-B. Harris, H. Barboa, J. White, A. Hedstrom.

First call was sounded on September 7 to the largest student body of boys ever assembled at C. P. S.

There were eight squads in Company A and nine in Company B. The first week the squads were turned over to their corporals, and after a few weeks of hard work they were taught to drill together. All through the year new students have been coming in and were put into shape by the non-commissioned officers.

When weather permitted, target practice was held at the rifle range on Saturdays. Improvement was shown during the year by all who went out. Leon Erwin, the high-point man and winner of the medal, was succeeded as high-point man this year by Elvin Hansen. Einar Anholm was a close second with one point lower.

At the assembly. October 28, Mr. C. M. Carpenter, the Exalted Ruler of the local lodge of Elks, presented the student body with a beautiful silk flag. Several members of the local lodge were present and they all gave a short talk on an appropriate topic.

On April 15 the local American Legion Post sent a group of its officers out to tell the students about the C. M. T. C. at Del Monte. A review was arranged by Captain Deuel and the Senior officers.

The year was closed with the usual participation in the Decoration Day parade. The Battalion made a very good showing and the officers are well pleased with the improvement in the companies and the way they have responded to their duties.

Now she writes just when I can'i go,-and almost the last thing Mother said was, 'Be sure and be nice to your Aunt Eudora'."
"These cousins; who are they ?" asked Ned interestedly.
"Mother had two sisters and one brother. Aunt Lucy lives in Thornton, Iowa. Uncle John died three or four years ago and Aunt Eudora, who had just realized on some good investments about that time, took his boys to educate as a matter of duty. But Ned, what am I going to do? You see from this I can't refuse because I don't imagine she would appreciate being turned down for a mere class election. This is Thursday night and I can't send a letter to her in time and a wire would ruin me sure. Won't you go for me, Ned?"

The last was added in a joking way, but suddenly the possibility of it it struck him. He rushed across and clapped his chum on the back.
"That's it, precisely! You shall go in my place. She has never seen me and she won't know the difference." His room-mate had risen in consternation at this danger which threatened him.
"Preposterous! Why Ev.! She might ask me if your mother's indigestion has improved or something like that!"
"No, my mother does not suffer from indigestion," and Everett lightly pushed that argument aside.

After much persuasion and pleading, Ned gave in. He really wanted to see his friend elected and he could think of no way to appease Aunt Eudora. A long talk ensued, during which Everett gave Ned all his family background and coached him for all the emergencies which they could think of.
"You'll be gone only a little while, just from Friday afternoon till Sunday afternoon. I don't think you could die very many times in that short while and besides I don't think that she is very bloodthirsty anyhow !" And so the matter was settled.

The next afternoon Everett saw his friend off and wished him the best of luck while thanking him for his true friendship.
"Wire me about the election. Sign my name. If you don't win Ill never forgive you so-" Ned's voice trailed off with the fast disappearing train.

Ned Bartlett descended from the train a few hours later with mixed emotions. To all appearances he was a good looking young college boy on a week-end visit. Inwardly he felt like the worst of criminals.

He was met by a man in perfect livery who inquired if he was Miss Fleming's nephew. The footman picked up his light traveling bags and led the way to the car. Ned entered the tonneau feeling positively desperate. The deception was started and he had to go through with it. How should he meet Aunt Eudora? He was taken to one of the most magnificent homes in the city and was shown to a splendid guest room.
"Miss Fleming will see you in half an hour in the library, sir. Turn to the right at the foot of the stairs," and he was left alone with his worries.

When Ned entered the library there were three people present, Aunt Eudora and two boys. The elderly lady arose in great dignity and crossed
to him. She gave him a very dutiful kiss on the cheek and stood back to survey him for the tiniest second.
"My dear Everett, I trust that you are in good health and that your journey has not fatigued you?"
"I am very well. Aunt Eudora, and I hope that you are enjoying the best of health. In behalf of my mother I extend her fondest greetings and affection." All was great politeness.

Aunt Eudora now presented the two cousins, whom Ned found to be likeable young chaps about his own age and then-horrors! His aunt turned and presented a girl who had just entered the room. A girl-Everett had said nothing about a girl. Who was she? Aunt Lucy-that must be it. Aunt Lucy had a daughter. This was the one unprepared-for emergency.
"This is your cousin Clara, who is attending the Hillcrest Seminary. As Hillcrest is not much farther than Fulton, Clara ran over last Saturday to spend her semester vacation with me. It is well that you, who are all cousins, can all get acquainted at once."

The girl Ned greeted was an extremely pretty blonde. The brightest of curly yellow hair adorned her head and sparkling blue eyes danced up at him. A pretty pink mouth formed an attractive smile. Her beautiful complexion was one of her most attractive features. She was slender and graceful in every movement. The little half curtsy she dropped was a very attractive greeting.

Aunt Eudora now exeused herself for a short engagement and the young people were left alone. All restraint was soon removed and the four were soon enjoying a very animated conversation concerning their schools.

At the dinner table the first part of the conversation was left to Ned. He discoursed glibly upon his mother's wonderful health, his father's improved business and the rapid progress his little sister (named for Aunt Eudora) was making in school. Then he very tactfully shifted the conversation to the college Frank and John were attending.

Aunt Eudora had a club meeting that evening, so the young people played a quiet game of Mah Jongg and became better acquainted. Ned made a very good impression and in turn found that his "cousins" were every bit as likeable as he had first imagined them.

The fete the next afternoon was a great success. The younger members of all the best families of the city were there and Aunt Eudora had spared nothing to make the affair enjoyable. Ned passed the test fairly well. He gaily entered into the various forms of amusements and when forced to make conversation, he used his school as his main topic. At the wonderful banquet, which was supposed to close the affair, Miss Fleming announced that she had arranged a theater party for the entire crowd. This was greeted with great enthusiasm as they had sll enjoyed themselves to such an extent that they disliked to have the good time ended.

Frank and John both had their own girls, so it was Ned who was to take Clara. Shortly after dinner he saw her slipping out into the rose
garden where part of the fete had been held and determining to carry out a resolution he had made, he followed her.
"Clara, may I talk to you for a few minutes?" he asked eagerly when he caught up with her.
"Why surely, Cousin Everett," she said demurely. "I left my purse by the fountain and I thought I would come out and get it and a breath of fresh air while the others are dressing for the theater."

They secured the bag and sat down on a comfortable wicker settee near the fountain. As was natural Ned did not know how to begin. Finally the words tumbled out hurriedly.
"Miss Clara, please forgive me, but you see I am not your cousin. Everett Broughton is my room-mate and the election which is to make him class president is being held to-night. The office is high and Everett had to be there. He did not receive your aunt's letter until last night and it was too late to refuse. As Miss Fleming had never seen him he persuaded me to come in his place and here I am. I could pretend as long as it was just around here but when it comes to my taking you out,-somehow I had to confess. My name is Ned Bartlett and if you will so honor me I would greatly enjoy escorting you to the theater this evening." He ended sincerely and eagerly.

The mirth which had been rising in her expression broke into gay trills of laughter. She leaned over and patted his arm reassuringly and then laughed until the tears ran down her face.

Ned was somewhat amazed but the pat had relieved his fears and he was glad that she saw the funny side of it. He didn't, just then.

Finally she controlled her mirth and leaned back weakly to gaze at him with the merriest of blue eyes.
"This is positively delicious! I wouldn't have missed it for a farm. I promised not to tell a soul but I simply must. You see, I am not Clara Staffort either. I am Paula Brent, her chum. Clara wrote and asked her aunt if she could come over for her semester vacation. Like your friend, she had never seen her aunt and was desirious of making her acquaintance. At the last minute Clara flunked her chemistry ex and had to stay and tutor it up this week to pass the second quizz this afternoon. She was afraid to ditch the invitation and so I came in her stead. Isn't this too delightful for anything!"

Slowly the meaning of what she was saying dawned upon Ned. He was speechless for a moment and then he broke forth.
"Why, you game little sport! To face an unknown woman for a whole week just for your friend's sake!"'
"Oh, it hasn't been so bad at all! You see Miss Fleming has a great many engagements and the boys have entertained me beautifully. Then too, she is one of my own sex, a woman; but for you to face one of the opposite sex, and elderly one at that-1 think you have me outclassed for noblesse oblige."

Something would break soon. The stands sensed it and sat forward in strained silence. The heat of the August Sunday, the blueness of the sky, the green of the grass, the colors of the stands, and above all the thrill of the game, had crept insidiously into the players, filling them with a warm nervous energy, running through their blood like liquid fire. But the strain was unreal-almost impossible. Both teams were running bases, hitting, fielding as they had never done before. Something had to break.

It was the last half of the twelfth; the Giants up, two out and the score 4-3 in favor of the Sluggers. Hard-working Harmond had let two strikes go by; hit a foul over the roof of the grand-stand, let two balls go by, tipped one that the Slugger catcher nearly caught, finally got his much battered hip into the path of the ball and trotted, conscientiously groaning to first base.
"Jones now batting for Johnson," bawled the announcer, while under the awning which served as a dugout, the Giant's manager shook Bob's hand and whispered hoarsely and earnestly, "You can do it now. Bust up the ol' game."

There was no yelling as Jones walked out to the plate. Yelling at such a time would have been as ridiculous as howling at a funeral procession. Bob rubbed his hands in the dust, wiped them on his suit and faced the pitcher. His brain was whirling. He was dizzy. From out of the fog surrounding him, distinct, yet terribly clear, fearfully significant, came, "Strike One." Next time clearer, less detached, "S-t-r-i-i-i-ke two." The ball went spinning back to Griggs, the grinning Slugger pitcher. He ground his toe in the mound, spun his arm deftly and threw straight and hard.

To Bob's whirling brain Griggs' movements appeared, as horribly, grindingly slow as those of an athlete in a slow-motion movie. The ball advanced slowly, looming tremendously, growing terrifically. Jones felt sweat break out in cold prickles under his cap. A quaking shiver ran down his spine. There was a void, a feeling of infinite space under his heart. His knees sagged, his arms rested on his hips. He could foul out! No! If he remained there much longer, a little longer, he would faint. Get a hit? No, it would be too obvious a fake, and besides, the ball was fast enough to lay him up if he got hit-fast enough to be a homer if he hit it."

Everything was sharp and clear. He saw Andrews, his mother, Mr. Murray. He was still weak. " $\$ 110.00$ and a job!" "I will be proud of you." And Jane at the next dance. A job. His mother, "Acording to your idea the ol' ball game" "\$110.00 and I will be proud of you."

His energy welled up, teasing him again. He saw Andrews, his mother, Murray, Jane, his manager, Griggs, and last of all Harmond dancing off first. The ball! He felt his grip tighten on the bat. His heart beat faster in great fluttering thumps. He lifted his bat off his shoulder, and drew it back, poised and balanced-?

Now if he won, what did he do? Did he win if he lost, or lose if he won? Did he gain by winning, or lose by gaining? And if he gained either by winning or losing, what did he gain? Answer that, my dear reader.

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One of the most enjoyable functions of the year was a dance and banquet given early in the year in the dining hall at Poly. This was held in conjunction with the annual Home Coming.

The Home Coming week end is to be held again next year. Extensive plans are under way to make it the biggest and best ever held, and it is up to the Alumni to see that the attendance is good. The affairs held the last two years have proved a big success so let's get together and make the next a real big get-together.

In 1907 the Alumni Association was organized and since then it has been growing very rapidly. The list of the Alumni members is kept on file in the school office at Poly.

The list of members beginning with the year 1922 are as follows:

Mrs. Hertic Bell. San Luis Obispo
Harold Brown
Mary Chaves, San Luis 0bispo
Alden K, Davis, San Luis Obispo
Phyllis Figge, Los Angeles
Anna Goise (marricd), Santa Barbara
Wilhelmina Johe (married), King City
Archie Kinsman, San Luis Obispa
Roy Kruze, San Luis Obispo
Laura Miller (married), Porterville
Milton Righeri, San Lais Obispo
Frank Somers, Gonzales
Carl Steiner, D. C. Berkeicy
Warren Sandercock, San Luis Dbispo
Alma Tognazzini (married), Los Alamas
Fred Traver, San Luis Obispu
Genge Troup, Goleta
Gertrude Truendale, San Luis Obispo
Eugene Van Schaick, San Luis Obispo
Clifford Weant
Everett Weant, San Luis Obispo
Fred Word, San Luis Obispo
1923
Ernest Bacmeister. Oakland
Harley L. Bock. San Francisco
Margaret Ditmas, San Luis Obispo
Forrest Coyner, San Luis Obispo
George E. Elliot. Atwater
Alfred L. Ferrini, San Luis Obispo
William Johe, Davis Farm
Alta Mayhall, Oakland
Homer MeChesney, San Luis Obispo
John Loucks, San Luis Obispo
Ed McNish, San Luis Obispa
Mildred Gibson, San Luis Obispo
Neil Perry, Brawley
Stewart Patchett. San Luis Obispa
Marigold Sellers (married), Montobello
Ethel Van Wormer, San Francisco

1924
Douglas Annin, Oakland
Burton O. Bundy, San Luis Obispo
John T. Carroll, San Luis Obispo
W. Avery Clements, U, C., Oakland

Wm. S. Corbin, Jr., San Francisca
R. Legrand Derfer, Pasadena

Lean Gay, Guanjuato, Mexico
Jack E. Hammond, Davis Farm
Ernes Hodgex, Lompoc
Dorady L. Miller (married), Porterville Ernesi Patchett, Stanford Univ., Palo Alto
Hubert Patchett, Palo Alro
Rernhardt R. Preuss, Jr., Sais Lais Obispo
Rudolph Reich, Oahland
Wm. Sinclair, San Diego
Harold Truesalale, San Luis Obispo
Virgil Wimmer, Lompac 1925
Alfred H. Young, San Luis Obispa
John I. Pfeiffer, San Luis Obispo
Marcilear Rac Mayball. San Luis Obispo
Wilma Adele Rougeat, San Luis Ohispo
Leslie B. Oldham, Porrerville
Dorothy H. Hoare, San Luis Obispo
Wibbur Miller. San Luis Obispo
Otro Groenveld, San Francisca
Robert Hills, 3 rd and Nutmeg, San Diego
Donald Fulwider, San Luis Obispo
Arthur Call. U. C., Berkeley
Fred Louis, San Luis Obispo
Birger Martinsen, San Francisca
Derril Wimmer, Templeton
Margaret Word, U. C., Berkeley
Dou Eveleth, Univ, Farm School, Davis
Fay Davis, Oakland
Ellsworth Hald, Los Angeles
Belle Tomasini, San Luis Obispa
Rosalind Venema, San Luis Obispo
Herbert Mekeen, San Luis Obispo

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ever name was attached to them, but from now on the first teams will be known as the "Mustangs" and the second teams as "Mules."

Day by Day

## September

7-9-Registration.
8-Football practice begins.
10--Part time claxses. First assembly.
11-First regular drill.
14-Organization of Freslman and Senior classes. Firse S. A. C. merting.
15-Amapola Cluh arganizes.
17-Block "p" and Sophomores organize.
19-Freshman Reception.
21-Rep. Free speaks in assembly.
23-First yell-rally held.
24-First Polygram our.
25-Pep rally.
26-First football game. S. I. H. S.
30-Football. Atancadero.
Octalier
3-Foothall. Lompoc.
10-Football. Ventura.
17-Football. Stanford second varsity.
24-Football. Modesto.
26-Labar Day.
27-Excused early for Navy Day.
28-Flag presented by Elk.

## Nosember

3-Mrs. Crandall entertains the girls.
5.7-Live Stock Show.

7-Foutball. Santa Maria Junior College. Home-coming Day.
9 -Football. Dorm vs. Town.
14-Football. Santa Sarbara.
20-Foothall. San Jose Teachers college
25-28-Thank-giving vacation.

## Driember

6-Choral Club gives cantata at M. E. Church.
10-Christmas Ball.
11-Christmas vacation begins.


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## "PICKLES" OR "IN OLD VIENNA"

Pennington's Peter Piper Pickles pleased all particular plutocrats on March 11. It was the school's first exhibit of its able Glee Club with Mrs. Evabelle Long-Fuller director and Mrs. Margaret Brown accompanist. Everyone on the school campus gave a helping hand to the operetta which was put over with decided success.

The operetta was a delightful performance, set in Vienna at carnival time. Jonas H. Pennington, an American millionare pickle manufacturer, with his daughter. June, arrives in Vienna amidst preparations for the annual carnival. To his consternation he finds dones, his advertising expert, advertising Pennington's Peter Piper Pickles too well. An old acquaintance, Lady Vivian, a wealthy Englishwoman, alse arrives on her annual quest in search of her daughter, who was lost near Vienna at carnival time when a baby. Kinski, the pompous police chief, plots to substitute the lost child of Lady Vivian and marry her for the fortune.

A band of Gypsies visits the carnival led by Jigo, the chieftain, and his supposed daughter Ilona. Events lead all to the Gypsy camp, where a magic pool reveals the face of Lady Vivian's daughter. Arthur Grefont, a poor artist, wins recognition of his art and also the hand of June Pennington. Lady Vivian consents to become Mrs. Pennington; Kinski's plot is exposed; Ilona is restored to her mother and Jones is rewarded with success in his campaign for the hand of Hona.

## ADAM AND EVA

The second dramatic production put on by the school this year was the well known comedy Adam and Eva. It was presented at the Elmo Theatre on Tuesilay evening. May 11, to a very large and enthusiastic crowd.

The whole thing went over in fine shape and the cast is to be commended on their splendid work. Considering the short time available for rehearsals and the heavy school work carried by the students, they are to be especially congratulated.

The play is in three acts using as a plot the troubles of a rich man in raising his family. The family plots to make the stormy father believe that he is sick, and he soon discovers this; however he goes on a vacation. Much to the family's disgust he leaves his business manager, Adam, in charge of his family of idle wasters. Adam has always pictured family life as a dream, but soon has his idea changed. He privately and ingeniously tells them that their father is ruined; this of course forces them all to go to work. They all choose some profession or settle on the old family ranch and raise chickens. Father returns and finds them all working. He tells them the truth, but they all stay at work and enjoy life a great deal more. A little love story is developed between Adam and the youngest daughter, Eva.

# CALIFORNIA COAST CONFERENCE 

## Santa Rosa Junior College.

 San Jose Teachers College. Sacramento Junior College. San Mateo Junior College.
## Members

Bakersfield Jumior College. Modesto Junior College. Chico Teachers College.

The California Coast Conference, of which The California Polytechnic is a charter member, is a conference of Junior and State Teachers Colleges. The origin of the Conference dates back to May 7, 1922, when a group of the athletic directors and managers met to promote a conference so that we could all get regularly scheduled games. It had been difficult prior to this time for any of the schools to maintain a regular schedule.

Fresno State Teachers College, College of the Pacific, Loyola College, and Santa Barbara Teachers College were charter members, with Modesto Junior College, San Jose Teachers College, San Mateo Junior College, Chico Teachers College, and The California Polytechnic. Fresno and Pacific have outgrown our conference and joined with St. Mary's and other schools in the Far Western Conference. Loyola dropped out and Santa Barbara Teachers also dropped because of finances. Other schools have applied and have been admitted to take their places.

In this the fourth year of the conference, all of the schools have carried out complete schedules in at least two sports; football seems to be the most important, with basketball and track both quite popular.

The Conference meeting this year was held at Fresno when the Fresno State Teachers College was host at the regular yearly Conference Trackmeet. The meeting was long and there were many changes suggested in the constitution some of which were accepted and others rejected. The outcome of the meeting was to bind the schools closer together as an athletic conference. It was decided to hold a meeing during the Christmas holidays for the purpose of drawing up the Conference football schedules.

This meeting was held at the Hotel Montgomery in San Jose on Dec. 27. 1925. All of the Conference members were present except Santa Rosa. The business of the meeting was concluded and it was unanimously decided to continue having the mid-year meeting for the purpose of scheduling football and basketball.

The regular spring meeting and annual track and field meet is held in Modesto for the year 1925-1926. Speaking generally, the year has been a successful one for the Conference and has marked an inward strengthening in the athletics of all of the schools.

## Conference Officers for the Year 1925-1926

A. P. Agosti, The California Polytechnic . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . President
M. McFadden, San Mateo Junior College. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Vice-President

Dr. H. L. Hoch, Modesto Junior College . . . . . . . . . . Secretary and Treasurer

## ATHLETICS




## BLOCK "P" CLUB

## Officers

President. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Prescott Reed
Vice-Pvesident. . . . . . . . . . . . . . George Sparks
Secretary-Treasurer. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Mr. Ar. Agosti

One of the most important organizations at Yoly is the Block "P" Club. Membership in this club is open to all men who have earned their Block "P" in any of the four major sports, namely, football, hasketball, baseball and track.

The membership at the beginning of the year was eleven men, but after football and basketball seasons the membership was raised to twenty.

An initiation of new members was held February 22. These new men were first dressed in queer looking costumes. They were then sent to their classes and attended school all day in their costumes. That evening the new members were welcomed into the club at a barbecue held in Poly Canyon.

The club held its annual assembly in April and put on a very good play.
The Block " $p$ " has always been noted for the high standard of scholarship maintained by its members, and the members have held up that reputation this year. It is noticeable, too, that a good many students who are leaders at Poly belong to the club.

The club has finished a very successful year with several social events of interest which all the members have enjoved.

Next year will be the tenth anniversary of the club's life, and we feel sume that it will be ten times bigger and better.

ROLL OF MEMBERS
Old members
New Members
Mr. Agosti
Prescott Reed
Wilbur Miller
Walter Lumley
Alfred Young
Vernon Langenbeck
Raymond Traver
Wilford Zanoli
Harold Bardmess
Maurice White
Pablo Del Rio

## George Sparks

Elmer Harper
Eric Hughston
Thornton Lee
Fred Graves
George Isola
Orvis Hotchkiss
Eric Varian
Leon Erwin




## FOOTBALL

Poly had a very successful football season this year. The first game was on September 26 with the local High School. Poly easily won this game with a score of 18 to 0 .

We journeyed to Lompoc on October 2 and played the Lompoc High. This game was a walk-away for Poly, the final score being 41 to 0 . Poly's team had no trouble in making touchdowns.

The next game was on October 10 with Ventura Junior College at Ventura. This was a dandy game with the score 10 to 7 in favor of Poly. This was one of the best games of the season.

The next game was on October 17 when Poly went down to defeat at the hands of the Stanford second varsity. The "Goofs" came out ahead by only one point, the score being 20 to 19 . This speaks very well for Poly's team as they were playing against a more experienced and heavier squad of men. Poly was unable to stand one new team right after another that were run in by Stanford.

Poly was defeated on her own field on October 24 by Modesto Junior College by a score of 13 to 0 . Poly played a good game against Modesto and did well in holding the score down so low. Modesto had one of the best teams in the conference..

The next game was scheduled with Bakersfield Junior College. This was called ofi by Bakersfield who had had trouble and disbanded.

The game on Homecoming Day was the big game of the year. This game was with Santa Maria High. Poly started off well, but weakened in the last part of the game and lost by the close score of 15 to 12 . The first half ended with the score 12 to 0 in Poly's favor. But Santa Maria came back strong in the last halt and succeeded in running up 15 points to defeat Poly.

The game with Santa Barbara State College on November 14 was ane of the best. Poly was playing against odds and lost to Santa Barbara by a score of 6 to 0 . Santa Barbara scored in the last part of the first half when most of the second team men were in.

Poly had several practice games with the local High School and succeeded in winning every one of them. She also won a practice game with Atascadero High at the beginning of the season.

Although Poly lost a number of games, she had a good season, as most of the scores were very close. Poly is placed in a difficult position as she is in a conference and plays teams much heavier and more experienced. Coach Agosti worked hard with the team and had a large number on the football squad.






# JOKES and SNAPS 



Which is right, Rabert or Bob?

Robert,
Then I have a Robert-railed dog.
love is a tunny thing. Kind of like a lizzard:
It winds itself around the heart And penetrates the gizzard.

Father: Are you first in anything at school?

Son: Yex, Im first out the door when the bell rings.

Bones: What makes you Jook so slsecpish?

Slatz: Ive been drinking goat's milk. $\qquad$
Want to hear something great?

Sure, what is is?
Rub two bricks together.
If political bosxes are grafters, what will the banana skin?

If jokes are pickles, are daffodills?

If an elephant can waltz, can a tivh rag?

If Keeno loves his racquet, what will his tennis court?

What are the principal parts of firto?

Flirto, engagere, marigi, devorsium. $\qquad$
She (afser a linte argument): Im going home so Mother.

He: Well, that's a lot better than having her come here.




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