THE SAFETY FIRST MEETING.

Thursday, April 29th, the Mechanics' Association of the Polytechnic School attended the regular meeting of the Southern Pacific Safety First committee. The meeting was held in the waiting room of the Southern Pacific depot.

Mr. E. H. Anthony, assistant superintendent of the Southern Pacific Railroad, was chairman of the meeting. The meeting was held for the purpose of improving the condition of safety throughout the system.

In explanation of the work of the Safety Committee, every accident, no matter how small, must be reported and cared for. A complete record is kept of these accidents for the future reference of the committee. In consideration of these accidents the Safety Committee attempts to contrive changes and improvements to minimize as much as possible all causes for injury.

A number of accidents were commented on before the meeting and suggestions made as to how they could have been prevented.

Mr. Jensen, general foreman of the Southern Pacific roundhouse, had prepared an interesting paper which was read by Mr. Anthony.

Engineer Burbank gave a talk on safety first in general, calling particular attention of the Polytechnic students to the railroad crossing on the Polytechnic road. This crossing is considered by railroad men as dangerous because of the number of students crossing it daily. Mr. Burbank also called attention to the fact that the swinging danger signal at this crossing is not operated by handcars or by trains not on the main line.

The meeting proved interesting throughout and convinced us of the sincerity of the railroad officials in their attempt to prevent accidents.

The Mechanics' Association owes much thanks to Mr. Jensen for his invitation to attend the meeting.

The Farewell to Maj. Livernash.

Last Tuesday evening the Dorm boys presented Maj. Livernash with a farewell token of their regard and good will. Assembly was sounded and when the boys had gathered Perry Martinson, in behalf of the boys, presented the Major and Mrs. Livernash with a fine electric percolator.

The Major replied very appropriately. He thanked the boys and wished them the best of success in their athletic affairs. The Major left by automobile at 5:30 the next morning. The boys were up, and sent him on his way with cheers and yells.

Maj. Livernash has gone to Huntington Beach where he will visit his brother for a while. He plans later to go into playground work in Los Angeles. The Polygram joins with the Dorm boys in wishing the Major fifty-seven varieties of good luck.

MISS HELLOW'S DINNER.

On Wednesday afternoon, April 30th, the second dinner served by the Junior Cooking Class in the dining room of the Household Arts Building, was given by Miss Cecile Bello. The room was daintily decorated with Cecile Brunner roses and asparagus fern, the color scheme being carried out in pink and green. In the center of the table was a roguish kewpie surrounded by a profusion of beautiful flowers.

Those who enjoyed the dinner were Mr. Ryder, Miss Whiting, Mrs. Day, Mr. Jenkins, Miss Howe, Mrs. Hamb and Miss Hoover.

THE OPENING GAME.

The first baseball game of the season was played at Arroyo Grande last Saturday. Peterson was picked to pitch the game, which he did and won by the large score of 20 to 1. Peterson had his opponents guessing when and where to strike. His control of the ball was perfect. The game was a hit and run affair.

Perry started the ball a-rolling when he hit a home run with two on bases. Blake, Tibbs and Perry made home runs for Poly.

Poly's fielding was not up to standard. The game was tied up till the third inning. Peterson then tightened up, retiring his opponents one-two-three. Arroyo had to use two pitchers against the heavy slugging Polyites. The greatest drawback Poly had at her two games was the lack of rookers. Not enough of the students turn out to encourage the players.

RAV FOR POLY.

Mr. N. Recchiardi, the District Vocational Officer of the San Francisco district, with Mr. Bartlett, supervisor of training, were visitors at Polytechnic last week. Their visit was for the purpose of studying the possibilities of the Vocational Guidance School.

Recchiardi took away with him a very favorable impression of this institution, and promised to send us a large bunch of boys in the immediate future. Mr. Recchiardi is going to Washington, D. C., to take up matters dealing with the Vocational Guidance school, and says he is going to let them all know in the central office at the Capital City what a fine school we have here.

We should be proud to know that this Vocational School at Polytechnic is the first one of its kind in the United States, and is being watched by big people all over the country.
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A special meeting held recently under the presiding of Mr. A. K. Jenkins
Dr. Samuel A. Wilson, Faculty Advisor

Gingham Aprons.
Dorothy Frewitt.
Are we all wearing, or should we all be wearing, gingham aprons? Now that it is the rage everywhere, why shouldn't the Poly girls be in style, too?

Gingham aprons are to be worn to bring down the High Cost of Living. They are to be used in place of wool clothing to decrease the demand for wool and thereby reduce the present very high price of it. Almost all the summer clothing worn by women and children is cotton. All lingerie, bed linen, and bedding clothing, most of men's and boys' summer underwear and shirts, all bath towels and dish towels are cotton.

If gingham aprons and denim overalls are worn to reduce the price of wool, in a few months all the above mentioned articles will be greatly increased in price. And this surely will work a greater hardship on the people than the price of wool is doing now.

THE GOOD QUALITIES OF GIRLS' UNIFORMS.

There has been considerable discussion in this school as to the possibility of adopting a uniform dress for the girls. The boys have worn uniforms for a number of years, during which time the uniforms have proven very satisfactory and have added a great deal to the distinction of the school. There is no reason why girls' uniforms would prove less practical.

During these days of high cost of living, economy is absolutely necessary. The wearing of simple uniforms is one of the best ways of economising. The dresses, as proposed to be worn by the girls, would be simple and yet becoming. The suggestion has met with the most approval is that of wearing white middy suits for summer and serviceable navy blue serge suits of the same style for winter.

The accessories such as ties, hats and shoes could easily be obtained in uniform style by deciding upon some simple design and securing a large quantity at the same time.

The uniform would not only reduce the cost of school clothes but also abolish rivalry in extravagance. Under the rules which accompany the uniforms, everyone would be equal in dress, and all have the same opportunity of presenting a pleasing appearance. The equality in clothes would tend to establish a feeling of unity among the girls.

The uniforms would be easy to take care of, a fact which would be greatly appreciated by the mothers. The question “What shall I wear?” would be simply answered, for always a serviceable and attractive uniform would be waiting, one which would produce both a pleasing and harmonious effect.

GIRLS' ATHLETIC CLUB.

On Thursday, April 29, the members of the Girls' Athletic Club held a short meeting in the parlor of the H. A. Building. The purpose of the meeting was to start practice for the girls' track meet to be held this spring. The following officers were elected: Captains, Marguerita Tognazzi; first lieutenant, Cecile Bello; second lieutenant, June Taylor. From the spirit with which the girls are entering into the practice the track meet promises to be a most interesting and enjoyable affair. The different classes will compete in the meet, so everyone should support the girls of his class.

Teeny: "I'll bet that went in one ear and out the other."
E. Boys: "I shouldn't wonder—there's nothing there to stop it."

LECTURE ON MILK PRODUCTS.

B. V. Wright.
On Wednesday the 21st, Mr. Watson, the professor of animal husbandry in this school, lectured to the students on the food value of milk and milk products. His lecture was very interesting.

Professor Watson related some of the feeding experiments by Dr. McCullen of the John, Hopkins University, upon rats. The feed, every constituent of which was known, were added to the ration one at a time to ascertain their effect upon growth and vigor. Among other things, these experiments showed that butter-fat and other animal fats, glandular origin, are the most important part in a balanced ration.

Another mysterious dietary essential, water soluble b, while most plentiful in butter, is found in cereals and the leaves of plants. Seeds lack salts. The leaves, however, tend to supplement this and other dietary deficiencies.

From the results of the experiments, Professor Watson concluded that it is advisable, in order to promote growth in the young and good health in all, that people make milk and milk products, a part of every meal.

The Telescope.
Around it the girls were quickly gathering, and they did so, they grew more and more excited. Each one was trying to get closer to her neighbor. Those who were tall or short, were fortunate as they could see over or under the heads of the other girls, but those of medium height were unfortunate unless they were in front. Some of the girls were scooping, and some were standing on their tiptoes. Others were holding their heads in the most awkward positions in order to see. All were jabbing and pushing their neighbors until at last the bell rang. A hurry and scurry followed and it was deserted. Then I saw it—the mirror in the girls' basement.

Miss Wooddell—(In Chemistry)—
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Paternal Error.

The young man of age had disobeyed his father and had joined the colora preparatory to going to the border. After he had been in camp about a month he got a day off to visit his home.

"My son," the father greeted him sternly, "I didn't take you to be a soldier."

The son gulped a great gulp.

"I know you didn't, Dad," he replied, "and if you could only see the way those officers have been man-handling me to correct your mistake, you would kick yourself thoroughly if you had the slightest filial regard." —Judge.

Annoying.

A box from St. Croix
Who accepted with joy.
A place as an invalid's chauffeur.
Slowed up at the signs.
Thus avoiding all flags.
And was promptly dismissed as a chauffeur.

—Judge.

The Coalingan.

"Teacher—Johnnie, I don't believe you have studied your Geography." Johnnie—"No, Sir. I heard Pa say the world was changing every day and I thought I'd wait a few years 'til things had kinda got settled.

—Trident.

The cows are in the meadow,
The sheep are in the grass.
But all the simple little geese,
Are not in the Freshman class.

Irwin Jones was asked if he had any relics from the Civil War.
"Yep," says Irwin, "I got a union suit."

Senior—"Why go to church? You are sure to go to Heaven."
Soph—"How do you know?"
Senior—"You're too green to burn."—Exchange.

Judge—"What is your age, madam?"
Witness—"I've seen thirty-seven summers."
Judge—"How long have you been blind?"

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School Notes

The new Federal Board men that have come in are Homer W. Gibson, John H. Walthberg and Frank Bryson.

Walter Perry of the Federal Board group of students is out every day practicing on the baseball field. Walter has played baseball for several years and will be a valuable acquisition for the school team.

Mr. Lynde Mahoney of the Federal Board group is another baseball veteran. Mahoney has played professional ball in many parts of the country, and will help us out at the Lure of the Colored Footlights.

The affair was given by the Mephisto Club held a special meeting in the girls' parlor. The meeting was called for the purpose of planning the annual Hoopla Entertainment. Mr. Hess is now the new athletic manager.

A senior class meeting was held Thursday, April 29. The meeting was called for the purpose of deciding on the class pins and rings. Each member of the class ordered either one or the other as a souvenir of 1920.

On Tuesday, April 27, the Ampeola Club held a special meeting in the girls' parlor. The meeting was called for the purpose of planning a picnic to be given by the girls.

Nothing definite was decided as to the end of the year, but the girls were all agreed that the game was a pitcher's battle. It is a real baseball team consisting of 'real' sport men, managed by Mr. Hess of Los Angeles, if that is not thoroughly understood, here's another. They sometimes call themselves, "California All-Stars!" altho "Deasy" says they only live ten miles apart.

The Lure of the Colored Footlights

By O. A. Klarmuth

Last spring I became valet to a donkey. Perhaps it will interest you to know why a donkey needed a valet. Caruso did a clever stunt in the circus that we were with.

When the band started playing his trick was to bawl and chime in with the music. Almost before I could realise it he was singing and I found myself with nothing to do but to look after Caruso. Mr. Reynolds, my boss, soon agreed to try Caruso for a performance at a well known theatre in a nearby city.

Everything went fine until I ushered Caruso onto the stage and introduced him to the audience. The band struck up "The Dardanelles" and I looked up at Caruso expectantly, but not a sound did he make. He merely wagged his tail and looked pleased.

Mr. Reynolds came out and explained to the audience that Caruso had never failed us before and if they would only be patient perhaps we could find out what the trouble was.

After a few minutes we found that the colored footlights were attracting his attention.

We at once told the switchman to turn out most all the lights. This was done. The band burst out again and Caruso's basso profundo once more "e-howed" a thunderous obligato to music as lustily as ever.

MECHANICS' DANCE.

On Friday evening, April 30, the dining hall was converted into a ballroom and the Polytechnic students were transformed into overall lada and bungalow apron lassies. The affair was given by the Mechanics' Association, and the costumes essential for admittance into the hall were overalls and aprons. Everyone complied with the rules and this proved to be the source of great merriment. Brown's three-piece orchestra furnished the music, while punch and chocolate eclairs were served throughout the entire evening. The decorations were not as plentiful as usual, for even the old-fashioned wall-flowers which are so conspicuous at most of our Poly dances seemed to have disappeared.

Due to the fine management of our Mechanics, the success and spirit of Friday night's dance convinces us that Poly needs more social entertainment, which has been so lacking during this present year. So, let's have another dance!

NAHBICO'S.

Have you ever heard of the Nabiico's?—well, we are not going to keep it a mystery, nor are we going to create a puzzle out of it, so here goes. It is a real baseball team consisting of 'real' sport men, managed by Mr. Hess of Los Angeles, if that is not thoroughly understood, here's another. They sometimes call themselves, "California All-Stars!" altho "Deasy" says they only live ten miles apart.

The Nabiico's traveled to Atascadero Sunday May 2, and won a fast and snappy game over the Atascadero ball tossers. The score of 3 to 1, is enough evidence to show that the game was a pitcher's battle, in which Arnold of the Nabiico's was the outstanding star, striking out about fifteen men. Potter and Gupton made the two runs for the Nabiico's.

A game with the W. O. W. of San Luis Obispo, is expected next Sunday.

LINE-UP.

"California All-Stars!" Burr, catcher, Haywards; Arnold, pitcher, Santa Margarita; Peterson, pitcher, Oakland; Blake, 1st base, Atascadero; Tibbs, 2nd base, Hesperia; Guyton, 3rd base, Pacific Grove; Curtis, short stop, Carpentaria; Perry, right field, San Francisco; Martineau, center field, Santa Barbara; Potter, left field, Los Angeles; Troup, substitute, Santa Barbara.

SOPHOMORE ENTERTAINMENT

By Sam Wright

On Friday, April the 30th, the assembly was entertained by the sophomores.

Two well rendered violin solos, "Dardanelles" and "My Baby's Arms," by Mr. Gardner, opened this delightful program. Miss Cook related a humorous sketch of a country boy's love affair. "The Hawaiian Lullaby," sung by the Girls' Quartett, was then enjoyed by the assembly. Miss Cook, Miss Truesdale, Miss Gola and Miss Van Gorden compose the Girls' Quartett.

A class stunt portraying the freshmen babies at the bayou test followed. Each participant was dressed in baby clothes. From his shoulders hung a placard bearing the name of the freshman he represented. Miss Gola was their spokeswoman. She said the freshmen were interested in the better baby movement and told of the care babies should have, and said that because they are freshies they are excelling but have nothing yet. Each one said something to portray the nature of the freshman he represented.