GOVERNOR RICHARDSON AND THE CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC SCHOOL

The statements made regarding the California Polytechnic School quite justify a brief statement of facts.

It is intended for boys who want vocational training for specific occupations. There is no “college” in the usual sense, no dormitories, no public lectures, and no courses in general education. It is not a four-year college, but a school of practical education.

The training now given at the California Polytechnic School and the equipment of the California Polytechnic School are given in the large city technical high schools, but these institutions are open to a very small proportion of the boys of the State and are not available to fifty per cent of the boys of high school age; that is, boys between fourteen and twenty, for the reason that of all the boys of high school age, only one out of every ten attends a high school.

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The California Polytechnic School is not a high school and is not intended for those who are through basketball prattle. Speeches were cheerfully made by each new member (by re-election) as to what he thought of the “Dutch” Sommers from Gonzales, the “Rudy” Reich who had every official coffee-maker and bean-boiler, the grub wrocker; Krny Patchett, the “Fat” Hodges, and Johnny Carrol, the car wrecker, apd Carrol sitting down and Rudy started a whirlwind bout which ended by these two promising lookers. Next between “Fat” and “I'm the plug.” Both by these two promising lookers. Next between “Fat” and “I'm the plug.” Both by these two promising lookers. Next between “Fat” and “I'm the plug.” Both by these two promising lookers.

The need for farm schools is limited. It is the opinion of the agricultural department of the school that it is possible to carry on the agricultural work with the “stars,” as the title might suggest, but that the process through which a celluloid film goes in the process of making.

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No. 11

Students—Attention! Friday, February 23, at 7:00 there will be a rally in front of the Administration Building for the games to be played at FRESNO.

Every member of the student body and faculty is requested to attend.

DICK WILSON

Yell Leader

ASSEMBLY OF FEB. 16

At a postponed assembly of February the statement, a basketball game, "A Trip Through Filmland," was shown. This proved a source of interest to the students as it did not with the "stars," as the title might suggest, but showed the process through which a celluloid film goes in the process of making.

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RALLY BEFORE FRESNO GAME

Led in many roaring cheers by the frantic cheers of our yell leader, Dick Wilson, the entire student body and faculty turned out to show their pep, and the games were well attended as the weather was perfect. The gym was densely packed with the lads and lasses, the air being filled with the loud and brazen shouting of our beloved "stars." The entertainment was excellent, the crowd being well satisfied with it.

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WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR THE BUDGET

Our long-dreamed-of greater development of the Polytechnic seems to have been knocked lifeless when Governor Richardson advised a cut to one-fifth of what was asked for for the bimonthly of 1923-24, a cut to less than one-half of 1921-23.

What this means is hard to realize completely, but this much we see now: we shall have the same crowded shops, the school will not be able to handle an increased enrollment, a new dormitory will be out of the question, and the gymnasium and swimming pool will remain a dream.

Again they say that the same training can be given in a high school that the students get at Polytechnic; if that is true, why do parents send their sons as far as two and three hundred miles to C. P. S., if the same training is obtainable in the high school not more than ten miles from home?

The answer is that the high school does not give that training; that question has been fully discussed and answered elsewhere.

What the Polytechnic, particularly of the dormitory and of the town, too, is here is a way that you can help before it is too late. Write home to your parents; urge them to let their representatives and friends in the Legislature know what the school is doing; tell them what the budget means to our school.

Surely this is not asking much from any one person, and there is nothing that will help so much as the influence of the students expressed through the voters of California.

ALUMNI AROUSED BY GOVERNOR'S BUDGET

While the following letter explains itself, still comment on the spirit of the Alumni should be made by everyone interested in Polytechnic. The most common question asked by those who wonder about the value of our school is, "What are its graduates doing? - Are they interested in what they got from Poly?" Here is the answer.

Dear Alumni: No doubt you know what the Alumni Associations have done when called upon in an emergency. The Alumni Association of the University of Michigan, for instance, not long ago, helped very materially in procuring adequate appropriations from the State Legislature. More than once the Alumni of the University of California have rallied to the support of their Alma Mater.

The California Polytechnic School now needs the united and active support of the Alumni. This is a call to rally to the support of the Alma Mater in order that the Governor may be convinced that the California Polytechnic School ought to be given the financial support it needs and ought to have.

Conflicting statements have appeared in newspapers up and down the State within the last two weeks. The Governor is not thoroughly informed regarding the training given at the California Polytechnic. The best and most reliable information that he can get should come from the Alumni of the School.

We are planning, therefore, to have a representative call upon the Governor personally and speak for the Alumni of Polytechnic. In order that particular be elaborated upon, that of say that the Alumni of the School are paying his expenses, will you not immediately contribute a small amount. Fifty cents on a dollar, to establish a fund to be used in sending the representatives of the Alumni to Sacramento to confer with the Governor and members of the Legislature? Whatever amount you contribute will be credited as dues.

I am sure that you will feel only too glad to contribute at this time to show your loyalty to Polytechnic and to enable the Alumni to convince the Governor that Polytechnic should receive proper financial support and be placed in a position to do more and more effective work for the State.

Is it fair to provide free education for doctors, lawyers, and engineers and refuse to give to the farmers' boys the kind of training given in agriculture and mechanics at Polytechnic?

Let me hear from you at once. Make your check payable to Lynn Broughton, attach it to this letter and mail it immediately in the envelope enclosed for your convenience.

Faithfully yours,
LYNN BROUGHTON, President Alumni Association.

A BASKETBALL HINT

One reason why Poly lost the game to Fresno on the home floor is the lack of practice for the team. Coach Agost showed the burglary bit, but a few men out do not get enough practice in playing basketball. Playing a game is the way to get practice and there are not enough fellows out for good games between teams.

Attend those games Saturday!
WATCH YOUR STEP!

Seven years ago a farmer hung his vest on the fence in the barnyard. A cow chewed up the vest, in the pocket of which was a gold watch. Not long after the animal, an old milch cow, was no longer needed for her milk, and the watch was found to be lodged in such a position between the cow's lungs that the cow's breathing had kept the watch wound up, and the watch had lasted but four minutes in seven years!—Ex.

BAD BUT TRUE

Sing a song of Poly school,
A locker full of books,
Some of which we carry home,
Just for sake of looks.

Mr. Sanders—"If that young man's going to see you every day in the week, you'd better give him a hint about your after school hours.

Jeanette—"I don't think it is necessary, Paul. That's what he comes after school for.

Dick Wilson (during rehearsal of "Cheer Up")."These trousers really are too tight.

Dorothy Lebo—"Oh, no, they aren't either.

Dick—"They are too. They're tighter than my skin.

Mary—"They can't be.

Dick—"Well, I can sit down in my skin, and I can't sit down in these pants.

Sounds bad when Mr. Wellington, director of "Cheer Up", has to tell Dorothy Lebo not to make love like that.

Mr. Jay Wellington spoke before us concerning the play which was put on at the Club this week—"Cheer Up." He urged us all to take part in this play, if possible, as he was endeavoring to give Poly a boost by having the cast made up of Poly students as much as possible. One act in the representative may be able to "Oh You Ruh! Rah! Boys!" This was "Oh! I'll Be There"—"I've often wondered why they choose to have me and not a fellow drunk a lot of booze and died in half an hour.

(Answer—"Let me tell you, it takes a strong man to get drunk now.

(Moral—"Drink, sing, and be merry," said the frog, "for tomorrow we are no more")

CHEER UP DIRECTOR TALKS IN ASSEMBLY

Our regular assembly of this date had originally been planned as a period during which the students should report to their counsellors, but due to another incident the student body and faculty had the pleasure of listening to a talk from a man who seemed interested in the school and its members.

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POLY LOSES GAMES ON THE BIG TOUR

San Jose, the first team met in the big tour, proved somewhat slower than many of the Polyites had expected. Having defeated the fast Fresno five, Poly players figured that it would be a fast game with a large score.

The main event followed a fast preliminary between the 180-pound teams of San Jose and Bakersfield, in which Bakersfield walked away with the honors.

San Jose started the ball rolling by scoring from under the basket; Poly followed a few seconds later with a long one by Lumley. The Poly team showed sports of playing that promised to bring home the game, but inability to connect with the ring was the losing factor. Time and again the ball was carried to our goal, only to go back after three or four futile attempts at the basket.

The first half was quite slow and with a 9-15 score in San Jose’s favor; the second half opened much faster and rougher, with loss shooting and more wrestling. Few fouls were called and these were mostly of personal. Poly outplayed San Jose in team work, but could not hit to go back after three or four futile attempts at the basket.

The second game, the one played at Fresno, proved the beat that the team had put up against such odds. The score was 48-11.

At Bakersfield Poly met a team which had Poly been anywhere near the regular stride, would have been easy meat. The Bakersfield men were about our size.

Poly took three shots at the basket to one for Bakersfield, but we seemed in the grip of the same jinx that has followed us since the Pico Robles game.

The first half ended 10-15 in favor of the Drillers; the second half Poly played hard, but the jinx held on and we could not get away. The game ended 51-17 for Bakersfield.

The team received fine treatment in Bakersfield and San Jose.

Bakersfield has promised us a game about the start of March, and as Poly has discovered our big weakness, we are practicing hard every evening at the art of throwing in the hoop, so that we expect a good game next time.

SOCIAL EVENING FOR KELVIN CLUB

Kelvin Club met in the Household Arts Building last Saturday evening for a purely social affair. Because of the illness of several of the members, the attendance was smaller than usual.

Under the direction of Miss Pendrey and Mr. Herspringer of the entertainment committee, dancing and cards were enjoyed by the guests, after a program by friends from towns.

Students Have Easy Week

Due to the illness of Mrs. Wilder, and the absence of Mr. Agosti, the students of the Spanish, Chemistry, and Physics classes had an exceptionally easy week last week. Classes in Spanish were held only on Thursday and Friday, while the other two classes were held only on Monday.

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