

**L. A. School Supt.**

**Kersey To Make Commitment Speech**

The speaker chosen for this year’s graduation exercises is Dr. Vierling Kersey, city superintendent of schools at Los Angeles. Dr. Kersey was formerly state superintendent of instruction and state director of education, directly preceding Dr. Destler, who now holds those positions.

Kersey is taking a very active interest in defense and war work and is making reports on Los Angeles schools.

Kersey is also very enthusiastic on practical education, he is also materially responsible for the development of the Home Economics program at Los Angeles High School.

For entertainment, the West Coast Relay team will give a small farm in the San Fernando Valley and naturally, a great interest in agriculture.

Dr. Kersey, who has a very dy"mamic personality, has chosen for his topic the graduation speech, "For the Minds of America."

**Spring Football Practice Ends With Flurry**

Spring football practice ended last weekend with the boys showing a form not seen in a short practice session. Due to the draft and war, many of last season’s faces have been shipped out, much of the work left to ordinary players and freshmen.

The club being practically closed up, much of the practice was limited to the freshmen and the club being given the practice under the direction of John Henry.

Going up in the machine gun class at fullback, Gene Pimiental at right half, and halfback, Henry House at guard, next year’s football season promises to be a very successful one.

*Frosh Work On* May 29 Grad Dance

The freshmen are starting work on the annual graduation dance, which is to be held the night of May 29 in the gymnasium, directly following the graduation exercises.

On the decoration committee were drafted R. Ris, chairman; C. McKee, A. Gilstrap, D. Campbell, B. Winans, W. Gash, D. Martin, C. magnet, D. Day, R. Gerber; R. G. A. Fuller, chairman; J. James, and L. Campbell are on the publicity committee. On the program committee are D. Seaton, chairman; P. B. Campbell, L. Burge, and M.锺 was asked to be chairman of the band for the evening.

If the fellows appointed will act on those respective chairmen in the near future, the preparations for the dance will progress with more rapidity than ever before.

**MOTHER NATURE BECKONS**

**Hort Boys - Woo-Woo**

The members of the Horticulture club are in the mood for this weekend for a couple of days with Mother Nature. The group is planning a short trip for their annual tour of California nurseries which was cancelled this year because of the war situation.

The exact location of this camp-ground is uncertain, but it is reported to provide excellent fishing. The club is also going to be interested in the crops of the region.

The students who plan to go are: Bob Thompson, Fred Bradley, Jim Wood, Eric Arnold, Bob Ferguson, Bob Howes, instructor.

**Girls Invited**

The Junior Catholic Daughters of the American Revolution have been invited to Friday night’s College of Gustine club dance. Need we say more?

**New Officers Elected**

For Two Poly Clubs

The Boots and Spur club held their election of officers for 1943-44 at their last meeting. Those elected were: president, Bill Gibson; vice president, Dwain Campbell; secretary-treasurer, Horace Johnson; Goodbody; and reporter, Johnny Briggs.

Bob Winterbourne was elected president of Gamma Pi Delta fraternity. The vice presidency went to Haroon Delafield, while Bob Thompson was voted secretary-treasurer. Dwight White was elected reporter and Harry Hunsaker assistant reporter.

$50,000 will buy a purveyor plant. $75,000 will buy a medium tank.

**Blind Xylophonist to Appear Here at Assembly on Monday, May 18**

The real treat in store for Cal Poly students at our next assembly Monday, May 18, at 10 a.m. is the National Transcribers Society for the Blind is presenting a program put on entirely by the blind. The feature artist of this program is Pierce Knox, a very accomplished blind xylophonist.

Blake College has just finished his high school and is totally blind. However, that does not stop him from being one of the greatest blind musicians in America. Pierce was awarded the gold medal of all American high schools at the national high school contests at Cleveland, Ohio. Contact: John Henry.

"This is one of the most interesting things I have ever seen done on an xylophone. Pierce Knox played for Ripley’s at the New York World’s Fair and has just completed a very successful year of concert work, including programs at many leading colleges and universities. He has also given his most difficult musical written for the xylophone, including "Flight of the Bumble Bee," "Gypsy Airs," and many others.

Between musical numbers the blind will demonstrate their Braille system of writing. By means of a unique electrical device, the Braille code may be read by any blind person does when he writes.

The National Transcribers Society for the Blind, who are directing the program, is an organization employing the blind to raise funds for Braille books for other blind to enjoy.

Every Polyite should make it a point to be there and help in any way he can to spread this wonderful work the society is doing.
Don't Kick Your Neighbor's Dachshund...

Don't go kicking your neighbor's dachshund around because you suspect that the dog might give you German measles. This advice of Bob Becker, WRSP, is based on a recent survey of dogs in America, and he declares:

"Any sixth generation American is usually regarded as a pretty substantial patriotic, and that ought to remove all suspicion from dogs that are descended of six, a dozen or even 20 generations in America," he declares.

"If the public wants to kick the dachshund around, then it had better also kick the Doberman Pinschers, the Poodles, the Collies, all the royal blood of the dog world, he says. Most dogs in America, regardless of breed, are American bred and born, Becker declares.

Crops Mechanics Class Building Grain Bin

The crops mechanics class, under W. J. Walker, is constructing a grain bin in the loft of the sheep barn. The slope of the roof, the bin is to be 15 feet high at the front and four and one-half feet high at the back. It will be 27 feet long and 15 feet wide at the floor. It will have a capacity of approximately 2970 cubic feet. The bin is to be put into an opening in the end and to be taken up through a chute to the feed car. A door is to be built into the bin to facilitate cleaning and emptying. It is under construction now and they hope to complete it before school closes.

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Over Crops Boys

And still they battle! Probably the two clubs with the best rivalry in the county, the Crops club and the Los Lomitas boys had their second softball game last Sunday morning. These clubs, during the basketball season, played a number of basketball games in which the dairy boys always seemed to come out on top. Now that the baseball season is here, they dropped basketball and have had two baseball games.

The test-pullers defeated the crops boys by the very close score of 11-9 in their first game held two weeks ago Sunday. This was a very close tilt, with the harders milling into the lead at the very 40th minute. But that game was nothing compared to the one they had last Sunday. The two teams battled for two extra innings for the winning position, which finally came to the crops club. At the end of the seventh inning the score stood eight-all. That's where the fun started. The eighth inning went by with no runs scored. Both teams were in a state of nervous tension. The pitchers couldn't pitch, the catchers couldn't catch; and everything else went wrong. Finally, after one very hard and trying inning, the crops club pulled away to win the game by the same score that they lost by a week ago, 11-9.

And since the struggle is still on to see which is the better club, the boys will have another game and we'll tell the story we hope.

Poly and JC Players Enjoy Barbecue

Who says baseball players aren't muscle men? Well, last Sunday four Poly baseball players and seven junior college baseball players jouneyed to the County Park where each fellow indulged in two pounds of barbecue beef. The barbecue was the feast held as part of the round robin baseball tournament between Poly and the Mustangs. Of course, the Mustangs took the series from the Vignetics five games to two. It was a big day for the J. C. boys, Bob Daken, with little "Dorain" Donmitchell and "Pat Boy" Schohodok keeping him well in hand. Just ask Daken if the boys didn't have very good care of him.

As for the last man to leave the table eating barbecue, well, we won't say. We know him as maybe you can guess who he is.

The company of two ex-Poly sportmen was enjoyed. These fellows were Wes Budetun and Joe Stomboagh.

Next to Last Collegiate Club Dance Tonight

The next to the last collegiate club dance of the year is to be held in Crofton gym this Friday night. The Junior Catholic Daughters of America and the San Luis Obispo High School Girls' League have been invited as the special guests of the Collegiate club.

The Colleagins have a number of fine pieces some of which they have played before. They are "Nightingale," "The Sentimental Sailor," "Always in My Heart," and "The Three Bears.

The members of the orchestra are watching the final closely these days for a shipment of traveling jackets that have been ordered for the boys in the dance band. These jackets are to be decorated with leather sleeves and will have a winged "Collegians" emblem on the side. The idea for these jackets was originated while the orchestra was on tour with the glad club in April.

Aero Boys to Have Fun Fest at County Park

The Mustang baseball season ended last weekend with a game at the San Luis Obispo County Park. The boys are leaving from the airport on a mission in the Air Force. The Mustangs had a very successful season considering the fact that all but three fellows, John Schohodok, Bill Mallory, and Don Crawford were freshmen here at Poly.

The Mustangs played a total of 18 games and won 10 of them. The team was opened with the defeat of the Santa Barbara State Gauchos, with a 6-8 score. Don Crawford was the mound that day and gave four scattered hits. Two of their runs were unearned. This was a very fitting start to the season, because the Mustangs had not won a game from Santa Barbers in five years.

Bob West, the first sacker for the Mustangs, finished the season with a .344 batting average, followed closely by Marlar Stewart and Bob Mallory. Stewart did some very impressive catching this year and showed five ability in handling the pitcher.

One of the highlights of the season was John Schohodok's find with Bob Daken, coach of the San Luis Obispos.
Oh! Happy Day
Lash Becomes Shave-Tail

Aiasi! Our librarian, Henry "Buck" Lash, and Miss Johnson, Aero Instructor, are leaving school. The two men are going to the Air Force Replacement Training Center at Santa Ana. No, they are not to be soldiers or flyers, they are to be instructors. Lash is to teach pilot mathematics, while Johnson will teach math or aero subjects.

Both men have been with Cal Poly since 1940. Lash received his B. S. from Harvard in 1932, M. A. from the Teachers College at Columbia in 1935, and B. S. in Library Science from the University of Southern California in 1938. He now holds teachers' credentials for the State of California.

Phil Johnson, who teaches aeronautics and aeronautical drafting, received his B. S. from the University of California in 1939. He formerly worked as an aero alumnus at North American Aviation, Inc., in Inglewood, California. These two men will leave some time next week, and don't be surprised if "Buck" turns up here in a second-Lieutenant's uniform, because men over 30 in this line are eligible for a commission.

Hay-Loft Dance
Clintex To YF Events

With everybody dressed farmer style, drinks (soft) flowing, and a very "army" atmosphere, the annual Young Farmers barn dance was indeed a success. This dance was held in the hay loft of the Agriculture building, and a better place for a dance of that sort couldn't be found.

Featured at this dance were two Paul Jones (one Eugene), the farmer that he is, very "army." At the second of these dances, the Collegettes disintegrated to about four pieces and gave the dance a "Red Headed Valley"-type category. The orchestra brought out one of the newest songs, "All ways I'm My Heart" at this dance. All in all, everybody enjoyed the dance, the music, the atmosphere, even, though it looked like the girls were going to outnumber the boys at the very start.

NOTICE
Henry Lash, librarian, announces that all library books charged out to Cal Poly students are due on or about May 27.

NOTICE
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