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BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR GOOD OLD POLY.

The Polytechnic on the eve of the fifteenth year of its existence as a vocational school has been recognized by the State Board of Control as developed beyond the experimental stage and as a definite unit of the state's educational system.

As a proof of this recognition the State Board of Control has ordered the State Architect to prepare a permanent building plan similar to that of the University of California. This plan provides for the future enrollment of one thousand students.

The only parts of the present plan to be utilized are the trees, shubbery, and laboratory equipment. All the old buildings must go as funds become available for the new units.

All the new buildings are to be of reinforced concrete of the severe mission type. The estimated cost is \$1,500,000., of which it is expected one-third will be appropriated by the present Legislature.

The perspective of the new plan will be completed in approximately two weeks, after which time it will be posted on the bulletin board.

DEBATE FRIDAY.

Friday, January 12th, is the date for which the second debate of this district is scheduled. The outcome of this debate is par-

ticularly important because the results will determine the team that will have the honor of participating in the Inter-League Debate. Poly being second with three decisions to Arroyo Grande's four, must win four decisions on January 12th to be the successful school.

According to reports received Tuesday morning, Santa Maria has withdrawn from the league and the fight Friday will be between Arroyo Grande and Poly only. This will simplify matters greatly but it will make a much more difficult battle as Arroyo Grande's teams are recognized as our most dangerous opponents.

Both of our teams are working faithfully and Arroyo will find that they are not debating against Santa Maria.

The affirmative has been handicapped greatly by the absence of Donald MacMillan, one of Poly's most forcible speaker's but the alternate Ben Tognazini is working doubly hard to overcome the loss of time incurred. It is whispered that Mac is suffering from an attack of cold feetus. This report being true, he receives the heartfelt sympathies of the club but they hardly think that Mac would desert the colors in this fashion.

The negative, undoubtedly, has the least chance of winning as they speak before a non-sympathetic audience and more less prejudiced judges. For this reason every fellow who can possibly make arrangements should accompany the team to Arroyo Grande and do his part to help make the team win there.

Poly's teams are; - affirmative, Miss Sarah Bushnell, Ben Tognazini. negative, - Percy Peterson, Howard Sebastian.

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Owing to the scarcity of news
and the difficulty experienced in
obtaining appropriate stories and
jokes, the Polygram is again late
with its issues.

The Polygram staff is trying
to the utmost of its ability to
put out a paper capable of the
school and to produce it on time.

It is very difficult in a
school of this size to put out a
paper without the support and co-
operation of the entire student body.
There are a few individuals among
us, who it seems, are inclined to
criticize the paper, to pick out
the jokes that are not original,
and to knock when the paper is
not issued on time or when mis-
takes are made in the printing.
For the benefit of these people
and for those who would like to
help the paper along, the Poly-
gram staff will accept with
pleasure any original jokes or
stories supplied. We will be glad
to consider and print if requested
any criticisms of the work we are
attempting to do.

T R A C K .
GET OUT NOW.

Track season opened immediately
after Christmas. The time from
now until the track meet is of great
value to all track men.

Training makes a track man; with-
out training there is small chance
of making first place. Schools
all over the state have been train-
ing since the middle of December.
Time is valuable. Take every op-
portunity possible to be out on
the track in track suit. In plain
words - train for a place worth
while.

Pa heard him give a football
yell;

For joy he couldn't speak;
He whispered, "Mother, listen
to
Our John; he's talking Greek."

A WARNING TO VALENTINE
SENDERS.

"I'll be your valentine," he said.
She almost shed a tear.
I was in hopes I wouldn't get
A comic one this year."

'Tis the coward who quits to a
lickin';
'Tis the calf who bawls all the day;
'Tis the fool who wins half the
battles
Then throws all his chances away.
'Life's good things all come thro'
hard pounding.
The butter is whipped from the cream
Success is the bride of endeavor;
And luck but a lazy man's dream.
'The time to succeed is when others
Discouraged show traces of tire;
The battle is fought on the home
stretch,
And won 'tween the flag and the
wire.

WEDNESDAY'S ASSEMBLY.

At the Assembly Wednesday morning, Mr. A. D. King, former mathematics instructor at Poly, was the speaker. He spoke on "Vocational Guidance" and illustrated his talk with charts showing the necessity of technical training. He quoted statements from two prominent business men; - "Any vocational guidance that does not keep boys and girls in school, is a failure." The other was - "Outside of the parasitic occupations there is no place in the business world for boys and girls under sixteen."

The girls' band made their first appearance in assembly yesterday and gave three selections.

GET THAT POLY SPIRIT.

The first semester is nearing completion, the exact date being January 26. As everyone has most likely realized, Freshmen especially, this will be the date on which eligibility for further instruction at this institution will be decided. Several faces have disappeared recently to everyone's sorrow for we hate to lose a man at Poly. We like to see everyone get that Poly spirit and make good. If you are one who has not been imbued with this spirit now is the time to get it into you. What if you are low in a few studies. Get down to work and just show that you are not a quitter and are still in the game. If some brilliant senior tells you, "Oh, I don't study, what's the use of studying," don't you believe it for he would not be a senior at C. P. S. if he did not study, so let's go from now and come out strong on the finish, January 26.

ON THE SICK LIST.

Miss Smith of the business office has returned to her work after an enforced vacation of two or three weeks caused by the necessity of an operation on the maxillary bone of the jaw.

Mr. Brooks is quite ill and unable to meet his classes.

Raymond Herr and Richard Ellis were unable to attend classes Tuesday on account of illness.

John Perozzi, mechanics assistant is in the Pacific Hospital, having undergone an operation for appendicitis.

While turning his car on lower Higuera St., Mr. York miscalculated the speed of an approaching car and a collision resulted. Mr. York was thrown from the car and sustained a badly broken leg. At the sanitarium a silver plate was attached to the bone. Several days elapsed before this operation could be performed. About three weeks after the accident, Mr. York was able to attend a class.

Major Beaty took charge of the class in Chemistry Monday. During the last period, Hodges and Nix got into an argument and it required Rollo's muscular efforts to conclude hostilities. The class regard Major Beaty as a "good Prof." in spite of the fact that the Chlorine caused a burning sensation in the lungs.

A couple of new recruits to the Army of General Nuisance are Corporal Punishment and Private Sanitarium.

SOCIETY NOTES.

An informal reception was held in the Household Arts Building last Friday after-noon in honor of Major Ray and his bride. All the faculty members and their wives were there and welcomed Mrs. Ray to the faculty circle.

Miss Nichols Entertained For Dorm Boys.

The boys who remained at the dormitory during the Holidays were entertained at several parties. Miss Nichols gave a party for them at her home on Wednesday evening, December 26. There were good eats, a Christmas tree and a jolly good time for about sixteen of the boys and girls. It is hoped Miss Nichols will invite us again.

A number of former Polyites visited the school Wednesday. They came in time to attend Assembly and had luncheon at the Dining Hall, remaining for the after-noon session. The party consisted of Misses Maude Cheda, Dorothy Gould, Lillabell Wade, Charlotte Perner and Geraldine Fitzgerald.

From "The Boys."

On the evening of January 4, 1917, the Dorm boys gave an informal party for Major Ray and Mrs. Ray. Rollo Beaty presented them with an electric percolator as a present from the Dormitory boys and the Major gave an interesting talk in which he commended them on their behavior and attitude in the Dormitory. The meeting was closed by fifteen "rahs" for the newly-weds.

John Brown Visits in City During Holidays.

John Brown spent a portion of his vacation in San Francisco. He and Donald Riley accompanied Leslie Kamm in his machine. While in the city, our editor had a very pleasant visit with Irwin Harvie, George Difani, and Arthur Krussler. We are glad to learn that Harvie is making every effort possible to return next year and help on the football team.

TAKING TRAINING COURSE.

Miss Josie Renetzsky has gone to San Francisco and has entered a sanitarium to take the nurses training course.

Will Give Reception.

Mrs. J. M. Johnston will be hostess next Saturday after-noon at a reception for Mrs. Ray.

Miss Ellen Rhoda, from Oakland, has joined the office force of Poly, and as a result the Poly campus has one more resident. Miss Rhoda is staying with Miss Williams in one of the little bungalows near the Dormitory. She has expressed a liking for her surroundings, the school and thought a school paper to be very interesting for the students.

A number of the Poly students attended a dancing party given for Edmund Rogers at his home on Palm St. The students reported an unusually good time and hope Edmund will soon be home that they may again have another party.

Pleasant Vacation.

Wilford York spent part of his vacation with Fred Spragg, a former Polyite who is now residing on a farm between San Luis and Avila. Wilford proved quite a successful shot.

Mr. C. T. Keefer, a former member of the Polytechnic faculty, stopped over for short visit with friends here during the Holidays. Students are able to account for the greater part of his visit.

Thelma Gibner returned to San Luis Saturday. On account of poor weather, Miss Gibner was delayed in reaching Poly.

A NEW ADDITION.

There is a new addition to the collection of Fords and automobiles which line up around the shops now. It is a strange looking affair and the make is almost as difficult to ascertain as some Fords we see in disguise. Dante Zanolli, the owner, however says it is a Maxwell. The Maxwell factory then has been in operation for some time we must infer. But, my goodness, it runs much nicer than its looks betray, and it has a whistle that counterbalances easily any lack of cylinders or better day refinements. Dante is becoming quite expert at playing tunes on the whistle and promises soon to be rendering all the latest popular music.

Excitement Among Freshmen.

Much excitement prevails among members of the Freshmen class. They have appeared on the campus since the Holidays with bright, new class pins. The pin is a very neat little design with the letters C.P.S. and the number 20.

The upperclassmen have taken exception to this move on the part of the Freshmen and declare that ere the week passes by, the pins will be no more.

Begin over, today. Forget yesterday if it held failure and disappointment. Today is yours to make or mar as you please. The results are not the important part; the aim and effort alone count.

We watch for snowy sails,
And wait the happy day
When all our dream ships, coming in
Shall anchor in the bay.
But we shall wait in vain,
And weary vigils keep,
If we have no no craft abroad
To sail upon the deep.
We each must launch and load
Our ships and send it far,
Before we sigh for homing sails
And watch the harbor bar.

Said he: "Some day we'll hire a
And take a ride Miss Shipsey."
He kept his pledge, but what a jibe!
He took her in a jitney."

AFTER ASSEMBLY.

Miss Hill: "Oh, Mr. Schlosser, you must never tell me again that you can't play. I know now."

JOSH DEPARTMENT.

When the wool falls out and the
been gets bald,
And you feel undressed when
you've laid aside your hat,
You can't even blush and confine
it to your face,
For it covers all the space
on a high-browed map.

Mr. Nelson had assigned a
long hard lesson to the girls in
Poultry and they were "ohing and
ahing" in despair.
Mr. Nelson: "Oh, that's nothing
girls, I even have one of the boys
scratching."

Mr. Russell, Sr. (Cotton's Dad.)
"I am delighted to meet you. My
son took Algebra from you last
year, you know."
"Pardon me, replied Prof. King,
"he was exposed to it, but he did
not take it."

"Noah, there was time in your
career

When easily you could
By very simple means, indeed,
Have done exceeding good.
BUT you, alas, were derelict
And lost the glory-prize
By failing, when you had the chance
To swat that pair of flies."

To be cut by friends makes a man
feel small
And a cut in your pay is always
a facer;
But the most unkindest cut of all
Is to cut yourself with a safety
razor.

IT SURELY WOULD BE.

Mabel Lieb: "I have forgotten what
Miss Chase told us to write."
Sarah Bushnell: "An essay, per-
haps."
Helene Van Gorden, (teasingly) "Or
an oration."
Mabel Lieb: "I remember now what
it is- it's an imposition."

Mr. Williams: (In Mech. Drawing
after explaining a problem to
Kramer) "Do you understand it now?"
Kramer: "Yes, it is clear but I
can't quite see through it."

Mr. York in Chemistry explaining
the operation on his leg. (Later)
Mr. Muzio, what is Halogens?
Bud: "What is that? Chemistry or
something?"

THERE MUST BE SOME MISTAKE.

Josephine: "Say, do you sleep in
your ear rings?"
Lucille: "No, I sleep in a bed."

Windy: "Pardon me for walking on
your feet."
Mabel: "Oh that's all right. I
walk on them myself., you know."

John Leonard. "These glasses give
me a very intellectual appearance,
don't you think?"
Skinny Sebastian: "yes, they must
be very powerful."