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POLY-DEBATERS TO REPRESENT DISTRICT.

Local Institution instead of Arroyo Grande is Winner in this District; Santa Cruz is Next.

(From Telegram of Feb. 5)

Students of the California Polytechnic School have recently received word from the University of California, that, as winner in the district debates, they are entitled to compete in the inter-district debates.

The local assignment of victory to Arroyo Grande came from an error in scoring due to the withdrawal of Santa Maria. Arroyo Grande, Santa Maria, and California Polytechnic each received one decision in the first series of debates. In the second series Arroyo Grande's affirmative team lost to the Polytechnic, her negative team won by default of Santa Maria, giving her two decisions for both series. The Polytechnic affirmative team won by the default of Santa Maria, the negative team won at Arroyo Grande, giving her three decisions in all. Had the debate between Arroyo Grande and the Polytechnic at the Polytechnic been included in the final score, Arroyo Grande's negative team would have been credited with two victories for the same day at the same time.

The next contest of the Polytechnic takes place on March second in Santa Cruz. The question under debate is "Resolved, that California cities with a population exceeding thirty thousand, should adopt a city manager plan of government."

Each side supports the affirmative side of the question at home, and sends to debate with its opponent a team upholding the negative side. As Santa Cruz last year won the championship of the northern division of California, the Polytechnic debaters feel that no easy task is before them.

OFFICIALS AT POLY TODAY.

Senate and Assembly Members Here Today Inspecting Polytechnic in Furtherance of Appropriations Request.

(From Telegram of Feb. 6.)

State Senator W. I. Chandler of Fresno, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee; Senator John J. Crowley of Los Angeles member of the same committee, and Assemblyman Henry W. Wright of Pasadena, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the lower house, in company with Senator L. S. Rigdon visited the California Polytechnic School today.

The three legislators are touring the state collecting estimates among state schools, hospitals and other institutions of the amount of money that will need to be appropriated at the present legislative session for upkeep and improvement.

"The state's financial needs have grown much faster than the state's revenue in the last few years," said Assemblyman Wright, "and we will be unable to cover all the improvements asked in this

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ACTIVITIES FOR SPRING.

It has been reported more or less around the school that the California Polytechnic has withdrawn from the San Luis Bay Association. This report is true. C. P. S. has withdrawn from the association but its action must not be misunderstood to mean that there will be no track-meet this year. On the contrary it means that there will be more track-meets than ever.

Arrangements have already been made for a dual meet with the San Luis High School. Our team has been invited to attend both the San Luis Bay Association meet at Santa Maria and the Santa Barbara meet at Santa Barbara. Besides these meets, the Athletic Committee is making arrangements to have a meet of our own if possible to which all High Schools of this county and adjoining counties will be invited. Each Polytechnic student has this year the chance of his lifetime to make a showing.

Practically a new team will have to be developed and this team will contend in at least three different meets.

Coach Winnie Cutter reports that the material for a track team is plentiful. All that is needed is a little "pep" and a little work.

"A little bit of energy,
A little bit of vim,
Keeps my mighty muscle
In the best of trim."

ARE YOU OUT FOR TRACK THIS YEAR?

Track season has begun! From the number of candidates seen on the field, however, one would hardly think it. This condition probably arises from the fact that the field as yet has received no attention on account of lack of to work it but by the end of the week it will no doubt be in much better condition.

However, prospective members might come out and do the preliminary work under Coach Cutter.

Poly has a number of meets in which to enter, one coming in about two weeks or less. It will be held here and will be against our worthy opponents, the High School. After this comes the tri-county at Santa Barbara March 24, with an invitation to a meet of our own later. We will very likely enter the League meet but it has not been definitely decided as yet.

So the members have something to work for and if all the material running around the campus with their hands in their pockets would come out, Poly ought to show something this year.

Things don't turn up in this world until somebody turns them up.

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year's budget."

None of the party committed themselves as to what part, if any, of the appropriation asked for improvements of the local school would be recommended at the present session.

All three stated, however, that if it was clearly apparent that new buildings were needed. They paid a compliment to the school authorities, saying that nowhere in the state had they found the grounds more presentably kept.

The State Board of Control in the budget presented January 11 recommended an increase of \$18,300 over preceding years for maintenance of the local school. This does not include any building cost. A big appropriation for new buildings is contemplated but in view of the present financial needs of the various institutions, it is hardly likely that the total amount needed will be appropriated this year.

It is hoped, however, that a start will be made and the work completed as more money becomes available.

This noon the visitors were guests of the Polytechnic at luncheon, evincing keen interest in meeting the students and faculty members. Shortly before luncheon Senator Chandler addressed the boys of the battalion. He spoke principally along agricultural lines, telling the boys of how he has succeeded in establishing and managing his extensive ranch near Fresno. His hearers were deeply interested, and would gladly have listened longer had time permitted.

After noon Director R. W. Ryder took the three visitors, Senator Rigdon and Trustee L. F. Sinsheimer to Paso Robles, where they caught No. 77, northbound. They stopped off at Atascadero en route.

LAST WEEK'S ASSEMBLY.

The first assembly of this semester was held on the lawn. Director Ryder presided. The first number on the program was a selection by members of both the girls' and the boys' bands. Mr. Johnstone was the principal speaker and gave a most interesting talk on the value of football and athletics as a whole. The block letters were then awarded to the successful football team. Those receiving them were Captain Leonard, M. Martinsen, P. Martinsen, Hodges, Ruda, Chavis, Scarlett, Muzio, Tomasini, Erickson, Baldwin, and J. Brown. Letters were also presented to the two coaches, Messrs Schlosser and Williams.

After another selection by the band, Captain Leonard took charge of the program and called upon each recipient of a block letter to give a few words of encouragement to the students relative to athletics.

JOURNAL STAFF.

The Journal Staff have been appointed for this year's book. The first meeting of the staff was held in the Library Monday evening.

The officers are as follow:-

Editor-in-Chief.	Ada Forbes. '17
Literary Editor.	W. C. Wilkins. '17
Art Editor.	Edwin Knight. '18
Josh Editor.	Harold Stewart '19
Business Manager.	Ted. Erickson. '18
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Athletics.	H. Hodges. '18.

Association Editor.

Class Editors.

Senior.	Sarah Bushnell.
Junior.	Howard Sebastian.
Sophomore.	Helen Shipsey.
Freshman.	Elsbeth Meinicke.

Class Business Assistants.

Senior.	Chas. Hartman.
Junior.	E. Andrews.
Sophomore.	E. Boyer.
Freshman.	O. Holstead.

POLYGRAM STAFF.

Due to a number of the Polygram staff having been appointed to positions on the Journal, it became necessary to appoint new editors in their places. Those elected were as follows:

School Notes.	Alta Truelove, '17
School Notes.	Guy Baldwin, '17.
Athletics.	B. Russell, '18
Josh Editor.	Rush Taber, 20.

AMAPOLA CLUB'S OFFICERS.

The Amapola Club held their semi-annual election the last Thursday of the first semester. Their officers for the second semester are Ada Sprague, president; Helen Shipsey, vice-president; Gertrude Day, treasurer; Ethel Colon, secretary; and Catherine Shanklin, sergeant-at-arms.

THE MYSTERIOUS GANG.

"The Peanut King" held their weekly picnic and hike last Sunday. The first stop was at Sulphur Springs where the luncheon was consumed but the iron springs failed to quench the thirst of Messrs. Leonard, Nix and Bott.

The journey was then continued to Avila where a luxurious yacht awaited them. The ride proved very enjoyable but there seemed to be a corner on the lemon. They also inspected a large oil boat in the harbor. All sorts of sports were indulged in on the return to the Springs.

SOPHOMORE PARTY.

The Sophomore dance given last Friday night was a huge success. It was held in the dining room and dancing began at 8:15 P. M. The crowd was just right and everyone danced to their hearts content.

Miss Whiting and Mr. Greenmyer chaperoned the party and the Sophomores extend to them their sincere appreciation. The programs carried out the class colors purple and white, and the music and punch were both good.

"BLAFONEMO CLUB."

The charter members of the secret society of Blafonemos held their first banquet and business meeting in School Canyon Monday night. It was represented by half a score, every one an officer. The principal business before the assemblage was first to get rid of the eats; second, to discuss memberships, and last, the method of initiation. It was unanimously decided to make the initiation so severe that only the ablest and strongest would survive it. After several hours spent in debate, several motions being laid on the fire, the meeting adjourned.

Members are asked to watch the designated places for an announcement of an important business meeting in the near future.

Signed.

"Desperate Ambrose.
Se'y & Treas.

FRESHMAN PARTY THIS WEEK.

The Freshman class lost no time in planning for a very nice party to be given in the Dining Hall, once their President, Rush Taber was in their midst again. Plans are for a particularly nice party and it is hoped the upper classes will appreciate the efforts of the Freshmen.

BIRTHDAY ON FEBRUARY 12th.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S life was lived -
"With malice toward none, with
charity for all, with firmness in
right, as God gives us to see the
right."

PERSONALS.

Little Bobby Nyder has been dangerously ill the past week with scarlet fever and we are very glad to learn that he is slowly improving.

Students were pleased to hear that Herman Hodges had been appointed track captain.

We are very sorry to have our teacher, Mr. Johnstone leave us. He went Friday to Los Angeles where he will take up work in the high schools. Mr. Brown of the southern part of the state has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. C. H. Williams has been quite ill for the past two weeks. Report is that she is much better today.

Miss Edna Skov, a former Poly student, is now attending San Francisco Normal.

An accident which might have been serious happened Wednesday noon when Alice Rhyne was hit just above the left eye with a bat. She was acting as catcher for the girls' baseball team.

We have with us another Sophomore girl, Mabel Rhoda, who entered at the beginning of the second semester.

John Perozzi is with us again.

after an absence of several weeks on account of having to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Ruth Lyman leaves Friday for Los Angeles where she will remain indefinitely.

Major Ray now has charge of the study hall in Senior Hall building part of the time.

Willard Hanselman and Everatt Chandler were made happy this week end with a visit from their people.

Helene Van Corden spent the week end with her people in Cambria.

Under the supervision of Mr. Schlosser, a Girls' Glee Club has been organized. This is a large organization and plans are being made to give an operatta in the near future.

The second semester has begun. Not only have nearly all the students returned but we have a few news ones with us.

We hardly find any person of good sense save those who agree with us.

The ladder of success does not start with a brass rod.

The world owes all its onward impulses to men ill at ease.

J O S H E S .

Sarah: "We are going to have a Journal staff meeting this week."

Ada: (Editor-in-Chief): "Will I have to reside at the meeting?"

After Her First Game.

Sebastian: "And which player do you like best?"

Marcella, (thinking of the watcher) "The one with the muzzle on."

Barnes to Hilliard: "Gee! those are big oranges, aren't they?"

Hilliard: "Yes, it don't take many of those to make a dozen."

How many can ride in a Ford car?
Ask Barbara Marquart, she knows.

Whom did Bennie Schlocker take to the show Sunday night?

Where is Zanolli's Maxwell?

Ruda: "Say, Bud, we saw a shark at Avila, Sunday."

Bud: "What kind? Pool or Porker?"

A. Brown: "Did anybody lose this?"

Hanselman: "Yes, I did. What is it?"

Mr. Nelson (to Mr. Lowman): Say, do you want some pork for the dining hall?"

Mr. Lowman: "I should say I do. There's nothing I like better than

pork."

But some time elapsed, and no pork appeared at the dining hall. So one after-noon Mr. Lowman asked about the pork.

"Oh," answered Mr. Nelson, "the pig got well."

Miss Hartzell: "And what is a caterpillar?"

Frances S.: "An upholstered worm."

When Chaves boarded the train for Santa Barbara, the car was so crowded that there were only two vacant seats which faced each other. Mr. Schlosser: "Well, Chaves, I will ride backward, as it does not make me sick, and it might affect you as this is your first trip." Chaves (greatly alarmed) - "But I don't want you to ride backward. I want to go to the same place that you go."

Inquiry has been made as to why Hodges looks at the sewing room windows so often.

Maxine: "But there's a lot in him when you know him."

Helen Palmer: "It must be a vacant lot."

Mrs. Lieb sends Albert down to the meat market to buy a chicken.

Al (to the butcher): "I want to buy a chicken."

Butcher: "Do you want a pullet?"

Al: "No, you mutt, I wanta carry it."

Helen Palmer want to know how 'Our Pig' is.