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COACH HESS ON BASKETBALL.

With the basketball season almost at its height, many of us are wondering what has happened to our team. Last year Poly had a winning quintet much to the envy of all the other schools in the county, being defeated in only one game of the season by the Oilfields club of Santa Maria, a team composed of ex-college stars. Evidently this envy on the part of our sister high schools has shaped itself into enmity for it looks as though Poly has ally for apparently no just reason. tically for apparently no just reason.

About a month ago officials of five of the high schools (Atascadero, Arroyo Grande, Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo and Templeton) within our county held a meeting and organized a basketball league composed of the above-named schools. Our athletic manager was given no notice of this proposed meeting which left Poly without representation.

An athletic director of one of the high schools, when interrogated, gave out the following as an alibi for excluding Poly from the league: "The question was brought up at the meeting whether Poly should be admitted to the league, and it was decided not to do so because the Poly players are too big and too old, and the others of the teams in the league would have no chance."

It is a sure shot that if these sister schools of ours were fortunate enough to have large players to put on their teams they would not hesitate to do so. As for the accusation that our players are too old, that is untrue. Poly is playing basketball under strictly scholastic rules adopted throughout the country; no player is allowed on the team who has attended high school over four years or who is twenty-one years of age or over.

Although there was no organized

county basketball league in 1920, the Polytechnic team succeeded in defeating the high school teams of the county and was therefore recognized as basketball champions of San Luis Obispo county for that year. They played under scholastic athletic rules.

As champions of the county in 1920 and with a team in the field this year which is perfectly evident to the other five county high schools, it is not a justifiable act that Poly should have been shut out of this newly organized league for 1921. It appears to be purely an unwarranted, prejudiced act on the part of those who took it upon themselves to form this league. The fact is always before us that our public institutions of learning are working with the aim of training the rising generation to be efficient, law-abiding citizens, and that cooperation instead of animosity among our institutions is essential to the welfare of the students in athletic activities as well as in any other educational activity.

The completion of the present county championship is being eagerly looked forward to; then Poly will challenge the winner for the championship of the county.

POLY DEFEATED AT BASKETBALL.

King City defeated Poly in a game of basketball on the King City court the evening of January 28, by a score of 30-25. The Poly boys report a good game and a good time; the latter was due to a dance after the game in addition to the general courteous treatment. Those making the trip to play were: Harold Brown, Walter Lumley, Richard Aston, Milton Righetti, Warren Sandercock, George Troup, Ray Tuley and Eugene Van Schatck.

MOVING PICTURES OF FEDERAL MEN

Moving picture men, disabled veterans of the World war, were at the California Polytechnic School January 14 taking pictures for an educational film under the auspices of the Federal Vocational Board. These pictures will be shown in every city of one thousand inhabitants or over in the United States.

The film will be personally inspected by President Wilson and will be approved by the Federal Board before being released to the public. The scenes taken here show Federal Board men at actual work, representing the agricultural opportunities of vocational training. The film in general will show the advantages of vocation education and what the government is doing for ex-service men.

Men taking pictures here were E. F. Bishop, author and director; W. H. Lusher, manager; T. L. McNally, director, and F. L. Lynch, assistant director. Col. Ryder and Mr. Duddleson showed these men all courtesy and gave them as much assistance as they could.

TRACK

Mr. Gary announced in assembly last Wednesday that track work would soon begin and that a meeting of all the men interested in that department of athletics would be held that day.

Track is an event in athletics in which both large and small men can participate. Poly has always had a good track team and the prospects for a good one this year look bright.

The track has been worked on lately by men who have demerits to work off and it is fast getting into shape. Coach Gary hopes that a still larger number will turn out.

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EXCHANGES

Pasadena Chronicle, Pasadena, California; One of our most interesting and well-arranged papers. Your ads are conspicuous by their absence.

Visalia High School News, Visalia, California; We wonder how you can put the News weekly on such a high grade of paper. You are very neway.

Trident Weekly, Santa Cruz, California; a paper having a lot to say in such a small space.

The Owl, Gilroy, California; Your little paper contains many clever and original ideas.

El Granito Weekly, Porterville, California; Our newest exchange, a regular student body paper.

Ye Chronicle, Pomona, California; Their High School proclaims the fact of inadequate school buildings. Their need is that of many other schools.

Meteor, Hanford, California; You have an exceptionally large amount of good jokes for such a small paper.

The Russ, San Diego, California. A regular newspaper high school publication.

The Hornet, C. P. S. Dorm;

"From the great deep to the great deep it goes."—What's the matter? Bankrupt?

The Tamalpais News reports that their girls have buried their paints and powders; some of our girls look as though they had found them.

MECHANICS' ASSOCIATION

A special meeting of the Mechanics' Association was called for 12:30 Tuesday, January 17, in the assembly hall to decide which company should be given the order for pins. It was decided that the order should be given to the Earl Entenmann Jewelry Company of Los Angeles. The pins are expected within a few weeks as the order has been sent in.

Mr. Bendel then picked the fire squad of the Association. As the Dormitory boys would be nearest in case of a fire they were picked in preference to the town fellows; as there are not enough Association members at the Dorm there are several outside members. George Troup has been elected captain.

Tuesday afternoon the Mech. 1 class visited the planing mill to inspect the steam engine running the plant. The class expects to return some time and take indicator cards off the engine, as it is a Corliss engine, a different type from those in our laboratory.

The class then went to the San Luis Ice Company and thoroughly examined the plant. They were shown through the cold storage rooms; the practical side as well as the theoretical side of ice-making was explained.

PRACTICE GAME AT SANTA MARIA

The Poly basketball team lost their first game of this season to the Orcutt Refinery team of all-stars by a score of 36-12. The Refinery men are a fine team of experienced players, some of whom have been on college teams, so, although the score does not show the speed or excitement of the game, it is held that the team made an excellent showing. It is expected and hoped there will be a return game with them in the near future in which the Poly men hope to reverse the score. The line-up for the Poly was as follows: forwards, Righetti and Aston; guards, Sandercock and Lumley; center, Van Schaleck. Troup substituted for Lumley in the second half.

FORMING OF THE JOURNAL STAFF.

The Journal staff is now organizing and work is to commence soon for the Annual that comes out at the end of the year. The first meeting was held Wednesday noon, January 12.

The members of the staff so far appointed are:

Editor.....Archie Kinsman
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Athletics.....Otto Hodel
Military and Art.....Lee Otto
Alumni.....Phyllis Figgis
Society.....Margaret Chapin
School Notes.....Harold Newman
Senior Editor.....Helen Louis
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DORM NOTES

H. Buntin went home last Sunday, called by the illness of his aunt.

Clinton Potter, Alfred Reyburn and Sam Guyton left Poly last weekend.

After Christmas vacation Ormond White, Samuel Schultze and Wayne Wood joined the Dorm bunch. The boys initiated them by having boxing matches.

The Dormitory is a city within itself. It has a shining parlor, a laundry, barber shop, and a cleaning and pressing works that supply the whole Dormitory.

SENIOR CLASS MEETS

The Senior class met last Thursday to decide on some way to raise money to defray some of the class expenses. A number of suggestions were discussed, but nothing was decided upon. A committee was appointed to look further into the matter. A committee was also appointed to make plans for the Class Day exercises.

Ray Tuley, George Troup, Forest Coyner, Fred Flugger, Ernest Elliott, Kenyon Riley, Neil Perry and Willis West were among the guests entertained by Miss Ferrini the afternoon of January 23.

Fred Word, in Chemistry—Miss Howe, the more I read in Chemistry, the less I know about it.

Miss Howe—You seem to have read a great deal.

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JOKES

Gertrude: Did you shave today?
Peaches: No, I shaved my face.

Miss Hayslip: How long does
Garoth stay in King Arthur's kitchen?

Howard: Up to today's lesson.

Josie (In Cooking): Is the butter
off the table?

Marjorie: No, it's on the dish.

Mr. Whitlock (In Gen. Sci.):
What are molecules?

Pavon: Atoms.

Mr. Whitlock: What are atoms?

Pavon: Animals.

To the Ags

Wild oats is the only crop which
flourishes best by moonlight or gas-
light.

The town boys are the funny guys,
They think themselves so awfully
wise;

They do so little and say so much,
O how can they get away with such?

Word: It seems to me that you
have been sixteen years old for
three years.

Cann: Well, I'm not one of the
kind that tells you one thing today
and another tomorrow.

May: Is your brother very steady
at a job?

Laura: He certainly is. If he
were any steadier, he would be ma-
tionless.

Teacher: You ought to know by
this time that you are here to help
others.

Freshie: Well, what are the
others here for?

Margaret D.: One of those fren's
Ags tried to kiss me. He said I
was the first girl he had ever
kissed.

Marjorie A.: What did you do?

Margaret: I told him that I was
no agricultural experiment station.

Rev. Butterfield: If you were a
preacher, what would you preach
about?

Carl Gill: About twenty minutes.

Hostess—Did you see the sun-
burst?

Guest—No, but I thought he
would burst if he ate another bite.

Wanted by Righetti and Wright

A legitimate excuse for tardiness
to Physica. It must be guaranteed
to be suited for the rest of the
year.

Backward, turn backward, Oh Time
in your flight.

Give us a maiden with skirts not
so tight;

Give us a girl whose charms, many
or few,

Are not exposed by much peek-a-
boo;

Give us a maiden no matter what
age,

Who won't use the street for a
vaudeville stage.

Then give the dance of days gone by,
With plenty of clothes and steps
not so high,

And turkey-trot capers and butter-
milk glides.

And hurdy-gurdy twist and wiggle-
tail slide.

Then let us feast our tired optics
once more

On a genuine maiden as sweet as
of yore.

Yes, Time, please turn backward and
grant our request

For the Lord's richest blessing, and
not one undressed.

—Exchange.

HUMAN INTEREST ITEMS

Two popular Poly girls were seen
at the Baptist church with the Elliott
brothers listening attentively to a
sermon on how to choose a mate.

We also saw Pop Bendel and Miss
Williams leaving the Baptist church
after a sermon on the roots of di-
vorce. The Baptist church is popu-
lar at Poly.

What was Tipton doing on Mill
street with Corbin's baby-doll?

Dorothy James has Defaerl Roads
fever.

It was heard that Miss Hawk had
a gentleman caller; we did not hear
who its was.

Tip, Peaches, Bobby McKie and
Bill Corbin are kidnaping the high
school babies.

Mrs. Steadman gives lessons in
driving (out of mudholes).

Eather Whiteside is getting to be
a regular jazz baby. She went so
far as to jazz to church the other
Sunday.

We wonder what Fred Johnson's
English teacher is doing with his
surplus hair?

SCHOOL NOTES.

Margaret Baker, a graduate of '20, is in Palo Alto visiting her alater. She has been training to be a nurse in Los Angeles but has given up the work.

In assembly on January 26 Miss Chase announced that the spring vacation would be from March 25 to April 4.

Mr. Whitlock and his family have moved from Morro street to Broad street, where they are living with Rev. Haney.

Mr. Nord, who taught Mathematics in Poly last year, is the proud father of a son who was born on December 28, 1930.

Olives, olives, ripe olives, is Mr. Whitlock's latest song. Mr. Whitlock's brother-in-law puts up the Rees brand of olives, and, acting as salesman Mr. Whitlock is taking orders. The olives cost thirty-five cent a can plus the freight from Whittier. The Polygram staff is very observing, and it has decided that this constant talk will ruin Mr. Whitlock's voice, so this little advertisement is going into the paper to save a little of his breath.

The first semester of this school year ended on Friday, January 28. Monday was registration day; the morning was given over to enrollment, but in the afternoon the classes went on as usual.

On January 30 the Junior class held a meeting in the study hall during the noon hour, to appoint a committee to plan an assembly for May 4. Those appointed were Warren Sandercock, chairman, Anna Gulse and Richard Aston.

On account of the rain and the absence of two of the officers who were to be on the program, the meeting of the Amapola club has been postponed to February 3.

A special meeting of the Agricultural Association was held January 30. Sam Wright reported that he had talked to Mr. Alley of San Luis concerning a trip to Atascadero

to a pruning demonstration. The Club also discussed the matter of their pins.

The regular assembly of C. P. S. on January 26, was taken up by a talk by Mr. E. Volmer, who was again welcomed to Poly. Mr. Volmer gave an excellent accounting for the rise in prices in the United States, and related how our exchange of produce has been interrupted by the Great War. His talk was thoroughly appreciated by the Poly student body.

The Federal students gave an excellent vaudeville at the Monterey last week for the benefit of those ex-service men whose pay has been held up. The report is that it was most successful financially, but we do not have the exact amount.

Kelvin Club met at the home of Miss Hawk and Miss Hayslip on January 30. A very interesting talk was given by Mr. Skarstedt, his subject being "Libraries." He spoke particularly of the value of public libraries to the community. Not so many members as were expected attended this meeting on account of the weather, but a most enjoyable time is reported by those present. Refreshments of clam chowder, sandwiches and apples were served.

On January 17, the Agricultural Department with the assistance of the Girls' Glee Club entertained in assembly. The program opened with the girl singing, "I Sing Because I Love to Sing." Then while Mr. Watson explained different points there were two reels showing the industries of the Hawaiian Islands. Music by the band ended the program.

At the regular assembly of the Federal Student Body January 31, Mr. A. L. Cunningham of the San Luis Garage, and J. D. Allen, campaign director of the Chamber of Commerce, gave interesting talks on salesmanship. There will be talks every Friday afternoon by men who have received their experience in the school of hard knocks.

Mrs. Curran, a new instructor added to the Poly faculty, will help Miss Dull in the mathematics classes for the Federal students.

The members of the Loyal Sons and the Loyal Daughters classes of the Presbyterian church were entertained at the Truesdale home the evening of January 22; Gertrude Truesdale was the hostess. The program consisted of various games, and refreshments were served at the close of the evening. Those present included many from Poly; the Misses Mildred Gibson, Dorothy James and the hostess, among the girls, and Messrs. Fred Johnson, Ivan Holman, John Cann, Fred Word, William Corbin and Harold Truesdale among the boys.

AT LAST THE MECHANICS WAKE UP

Did everybody notice the peppy little Mechanics write-up in the last issue of the Polygram? Pretty clever, wasn't it? How long did it take to make that up? All last semester, probably, for the Ags have had in several write-ups and that's the first time the Mechanics have had enough club spirit to come back at them.

The Ags are slow; why? Because great bodies move slowly; for example, the Earth.

The Ags have been quite a while deciding on pins for the Club, and it is not fully settled yet for the simple reason that each member has ideas of his own and will stick to them. When the design satisfies the whole Club, the pins will be sent for. The Ags do not believe in rushing into things with their eyes shut, then being sorry for it afterwards. When they do a thing, they want to know that they have done it right.

Another thing the Mechanics were very anxious to know about; Why don't the Ags give a dance or something? They even accused the Ags of spending all their money for their own pleasures and told how liberal the Mechanics are with their funds. In fact they are reckless; in witness note how they gave money to the Ags at a recent assembly. Better save your nickels, Mechanics. And, Mechanics, just hold your horses; you don't know what the Ags might do yet. It is true that they have spent some money, but what of it? The Ags have lots of it, they are not bankrupt yet.

So just be patient for a while and wait and see what is going to happen. It might even make the Mechanics' little outburst seem silly!