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## DORM CLUB HOLDS BARBECUE

On the evening of the first Friday before Easter vacation, the Dormitory Club gave a barbecue for the Dorm fellows. The different members of the club each had his duty to do in order to insure its success and it turned out in grand style. Congratulations to the chief cook, Harold Newman; his wife need not worry about that particular end (when he gets one).

Captain Deuel and Colonel Ryder were both present and each gave a little talk and told some funny stories. A short program had been arranged and several songs were rendered (or rendered helplessly). Next all the fellows from town were called upon to tell some joke or funny story they knew, and they all proved themselves very entertaining. At last everyone had eaten all he could hold, so the party broke up. Get Diefenderfer to tell you his favorite joke.

## "The Boy that was unlucky", or "A composition by a Freshman"

In a western town of California there was a military school where about sixty young boys went to learn trades and how to become better men. Among these young boys was a fellow that ranked as high as captain as he was a very nice boy every body liked him even a young girl that went to the same school.

One day while this fellow was out riding with this girl they got to eating each other and she told him that if he was not a captain she would not care for him, he did not pay any attention to it because he thought that he would never have to be worried about such a thing. They were both very fond of each other altho they would have childish quarrels every once

in a while but they never would mean anything. He was very jealous he did not like to see any other boy talking to her. Still one day while he was about to start to read he called me to his side and talked to me for a while about this girl who it seemed was causing him a lot of trouble. I gave him a little advice about the matter.

One day he got mixed up with a little trouble and him being a captain they reduced him down to a private still his girl did not go back on him and he thought he was a very lucky man because he thought that his girl was the only girl in the world.

After a while the school term ended and he went to a college where he bettered his education and then came back to try and find the girl but sorry to say he found her already married to a poor but lucky fellow from Mexico. The thought of it made him sick so he went away and worked himself into the heart of another girl that had gone through college with him.

I thank you—J. C. A.

## PROSPERITY WEEK IN SAN LUIS OBISPO APRIL 4 TO 11

Among the numerous events of the big celebration last week in San Luis Obispo a track event was held on Tuesday, April 5. Four boys represented Poly and even then it was a walk-away. Gill, Bock, Newman and C. Steiner were the entries for the hundred and the relay. Merchandise orders will be issued to the winners; if cash prizes had been given, Poly would have had a large track team entered.

Whitlock (In Gen. Rel.)—"Why do you strike a match to light it?"  
M. Tuley—"You strike a match to take a smoke."

## LAST ASSEMBLIES INTERESTING

The Assembly on March 16 was in the hands of the Ag Association. It consisted of a country-town trial, Fat Burr presiding as judge. The four classes of the school were tried and the witnesses testified. They were found guilty of various misdemeanors and sentenced to sing a song. They sang "Hail, the Gang's All Here," and concluded their much appreciated program by singing the school song.

The Sophomore Class had charge of the Assembly March 23. Their program consisted of a dramatization of four acts from the comic paper. They concluded by singing a parody on Poly Woly Doodle and the school song.

In the regular Assembly held April 6, Col. Ryder announced that the afternoon session would be dismissed in order that the boys guard the race course for the auto race in San Luis Obispo.

Because of a missing reel for the moving picture machine, the student body was dismissed still earlier than intended.

## P. E. FATAL TO TRACK MEN

For the last few months, track men of the Dorm have been excused from the physical exercises at 6:30 a. m. It's a wonder there are so few out for track from the Dorm.

It's nice to get up in the morning.

It's nicer to stay in bed.

And look at the front from your window

And be covered up to your head.

Track men have to report for roll call anyway, so yet there is not much advantage in it.

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## COLONEL RYDER

The lives of a great many people are full of interesting details but as a rule most of these are of such a general nature that they are rather commonplace to us. However, here and there, characters are found who stand out among their fellow men as persons who have struggled for and attained the higher ideals that make one's life worth while.

Among those who have climbed the rugged road to success may be placed the name of our director, Colonel Ryder.

Coming to Poly as a naval officer he became a teacher of mechanics in 1911. As a teacher he did much to improve and enlarge the engineering-mechanics course of that time.

In 1913 Colonel Ryder was given his position of directorship of the school. He asked the government to be transferred to the army. His transfer was granted and he thus established our present military system. He made many changes in the courses of the curriculum. He established the four-year course in place of the inefficient three-year course of that time. He instituted a much better and practical mechanical engineering course, enlarging many of its departments; the present power house was put into working order and the sewage system was originated through his efforts.

Among the many other things he has done for Poly and its students is the establishing of the present social life. Before he was director of our school very little social life of any kind was permitted.

In everything that Colonel Ryder has done for the school and its students, the welfare of the student body was first taken under his consideration.

His greatly appreciated talks and lectures coming from such a versatile man will be greatly missed in the future, for duty will soon call him to the Orient as a colonel of the Engineering Corps of the United States Army, where Poly may justly wish him all the success due him.

We may not be able to appreciate or realize fully the value of his past work until time has lengthened the years of his absence from our midst but we can see now that it was through his untiring and devoted efforts that Poly has become one of the State's best educational institutions.

### EXCHANGES

The Porterville Weekly, El Granito, is asking the students who read the exchanges to take better care of the exchanges as they are constantly being read and passing into the hands of so many they soon become almost illegible from misuse.

Blue and White, Bakersfield: One suggestion we might make would be the presence of more school news.

The Campanile, Palo Alto, suggests the formation of a Betterment Committee, to keep the school grounds in proper condition. This idea might be taken up by some other high schools.

Trident, Santa Cruz: Why not use a space in your paper for your joke column? The addition of more jokes improves the paper a great deal.

The Telescope, Eureka High: You have a very good item on Civic Duty; we all agree with you.

### You Can Always Tell

You can always tell a Senior,  
 He is so sedately dressed;  
 You can always tell a Junior  
 By the way he swells his chest;  
 You can always tell a Freshman  
 By his timid looks and such;  
 You can always tell a Sophomore,  
 But you cannot tell him much.

Mr. Watson—"What's a cow?"  
 Burr—"A cow is an animal with a leg at each corner."

## THE PIG CLUB ORGANIZED

The Pig Club was organized April 7 with the following members: Edmund Burr, Harold Newman, Ray Tuley, Eugene Van Schalek, Jack Hammond, Legrand Diefenderfer, Carlos Amleva, Rafael Hidalgo y Teran, Rudolph Releb, Merle Tuley, Jesus Urquiza.

Each boy will feed one or more pigs for sixty days, keeping strict account of feed, weight, and cost of feed and care, turning in a report every two weeks, and a final report at the end of the contest with a paper on "How I Raised My Pig."

At the end of the contest the pigs will be judged by three disinterested people chosen by the members contesting. The awards shall be first and second places, based on points as follows:

Value of pigs with regard to weight and stock—30 per cent.

Profit made by contestant judging from record of cost of production—50 per cent.

Essay on "How I Raised My Pig"—10 per cent.

System and accuracy of keeping accounts—10 per cent.

Total—100 per cent.

## AG CLUB PLANS ENTERTAINMENT

The Agricultural Association held a special meeting April 7 to receive a report from its committee in charge of the photo-play "Hearts and Jerseys" which is to be given in our Assembly Hall Saturday, April 16, both afternoon and evening. The afternoon program will begin at 1:15 and will be over in time to witness the baseball game between Poly and Paso Robles. A small admission will be charged, the funds going to the Agricultural Association. The play shows the best in farm life with a charming romance that grips and holds the audience.

The association at this meeting, agreed to give certificates to the two highest scoring contestants in the Pig Club.

### Applied Algebra

A Equals Boy  
 B equals Girl  
 C equals Chaperon  
 A plus B equals Joy  
 A minus B equals Sadness  
 A plus B plus C equals gloom.

Paul Jackson—"A corporal is a private's steering gear."

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**JOSHES**

Sweet Sixteen (long, lingering)  
—"How did you ever get so cross-  
eyed, Loren?"

Pruden (young and handsome)  
—"I was born in the middle of  
the week looking for Sunday."

Troup—"Where's the center?"  
Zanoli—"In the middle there."

If you want to see something  
swell put a sponge in water.

We wonder at the difference be-  
tween Piper's voice and Anthony's.  
Is it fair?

Student—"Things similar to the  
same thing are similar to each  
other, because things equal to the  
same thing are equal to each  
other."

Skarstedt—"You might just as  
well say that two fellows loving  
the same girl love each other."

E. W. Burr was telling "her"  
how he had been attracted to her.  
"You were a lovely flower and I  
was a bee," he cooed. "I was a  
mouse and you were a piece of  
cheese."

And then he wondered why she  
rose and left the room.

"Funny thing happened the oth-  
er day," related Jones. "I was in  
one of those near beer places and  
absent-mindedly asked for a Man-  
hattan cocktail."

"Did you get it?"  
"No, manhattant any."

West (trying to explain about  
the product of the two parts of two  
intersecting chords in a circle)—  
"If one chord is equal to it, then  
the other chord is equal to it."

Word—"What did you just now  
tell me awhile ago?"

Mr. Skarstedt (in geometry)—  
"That proof, Miss Van Wormer, is  
like proving that a cat has seven  
tails—no cat has six tails and one  
cat has one tail more than no cat  
therefore one cat has seven tails."

Miss Williams—"A horizontal ver-  
tical line always seems to con-  
verge."

Jack Piper—Mine do, don't  
they?"

Perry—"Gee, this soup is de-  
licious."

Wilson—"Yes, it sounds like it."

Mr. Yeury—"What is the presi-  
dential succession law?"

Van Schalck—"The presidential

succession law provides that if  
both the president and vice-presi-  
dent die the cabinet members fol-  
low in succession."

H. Truesdale—"Ma, I wish you  
would quit calling me your lamb  
when company is here."

Mother—"Why do you wish  
that?"

H. Truesdale—"It makes me feel  
so sheepish."

A Tognazzi (in applied arts)—  
"Miss Williams, I want to pay you  
for my hide."

Phyllis—"What is the difference  
between a lemon and a horse?"

Mr. Fidge—"I don't know."

Phyllis—"You would not be a  
good one to send to buy a horse."

Laura—"Does your tooth still  
ache?"

Gill—"I don't know."

Laura—"Why don't you know?"

Gill—"Because the dentist kept  
the tooth."

A tiny bit of powder,  
A tiny little rat  
A monstrous bunch of feather  
Sometimes called a hat.  
A pair of high-heeled slippers,  
A tiny little curl,  
Makes the sweetest thing on  
earth—

A modern high school girl.  
(Exchange.)

Anna Goise—"I want a good  
joke."

H. Brown—"Think ten minutes  
and you may have one in a nut  
shell."

Tuley—"That's a bad cough."

Fuzzy—"I know, but it's the best  
I've got."

Prof. Gary (in track)—"Bmat-  
ter, Carl, do your new shoes hurt?"  
Carl—"No, my feet do."

Lee Otto (in history)—In Eng-  
land during the 18th century they  
had hansoms driven by horses.

Mori (to usher)—"When does  
the show start?"

Elmo Vamp—"When the curtain  
goes up."

Righetti—"Hey, Word, what time  
is it?"

Word—"Time all fools were  
dead. Don't you feel awfully sick?"

Steiner—"Your neck reminds me  
of a typewriter."

Ditmas—"How's that?"

Steiner—"Because it's so dis-  
tinctly underwood."

### LAST CALL FOR SNAPS

If you make it snappy, you have just time to get in snaps for the Journal. There are good ones in, but go everyone one better and hand in your best. We can't have too many good ones.

Miss Stempel has been entertaining Mrs. Carpenter of Upland the last week. The two were friends back East.

Kelvin Club will meet on Poly campus next Tuesday evening, with Mrs. Bland and Miss Dull as hostesses.

Prosperity week has not been a particularly prosperous week for the studying of some people we know.

Mr. Whitlock took the boys to the tri-county track meet in Santa Barbara in his machine. They left at noon Friday and returned Sunday.

The Battalion patrolled the streets for the races during Prosperity week. The patrol duty was the only part Poly played as a school during the celebration.

Homer Tibbs, who left Poly last Christmas, is now attending high school in Hanford.

### INTER-CLASS MEET

The inter-class track meet held the Thursday before vacation resulted in another victory for the Senior class. The final scores ran: Senior, 52; Sophomores, 37; Juniors, 26; Freshmen, 8. Harold Newman, for the Seniors ran up a higher score than any other individual. A feature of the meet was the entry of a girls' 50-yard dash won by Marjorie Andrews, '23, and a girls' relay won by the Sophomores.

Mr. Gary considered the meet a success as he found material for track that has evidently been hidden for some time.

### THE ROOTERS HELPED TO DO IT

Poly defeated Arroyo Grande in the first baseball game of the season on March 19 by a score of 13-5. In the first inning Arroyo scored three runs and two hits on two costly errors, but after that Righetti settled down and played the rest of the game without any danger. Poly plugged along and in the sixth inning took the lead and kept right on going ahead. Patch-

ett's hitting and fast fielding was a feature.

The number of rooters that came to life and put more pep into the game helped the team considerably. We hope the good spirits will keep up.

The fellows who played for C. P. S. are: Righetti, p.; Burr, c.; Davis 1b.; Tuley 1b.; Troup, 2b.; Vreeland, 3b.; Kolkana, lf.; S. Patchett, cf.; Flugger, rf.; Rougeout.

### MECHANICS' ASSOCIATION

On March 18 the Mechanics' Association went to the Southern Pacific roundhouse to watch a thermite welding job. Machines were arranged for and at 2:30 the association left the machine shop. While the fellows were at the roundhouse they inspected the entire place under the guidance of the shop teachers, who explained the work done in the various departments.

### SOPHOMORE-JUNIOR BASEBALL GAME

The Sophs defeated the Juniors by a close score on our home field a short time ago. The score was 13 to 14 in favor of the Sophs and would have been a tie if the umpire had not been dreaming when a close play was made. Rooters from both sides filled the side lines and at the end, many were crippled and stiff for the following few days. The game was worth the while and many received an entertaining afternoon.

### BASEBALL GAMES SCHEDULED

The Poly baseball nine has games scheduled for the following dates: April 16—Paso Robles at Poly. May 7—Arroyo Grande at Poly. May 28—Paso Robles at Paso Robles.

May 30—Santa Maria at Poly. Santa Maria has canceled the game that was to have been played April 23. In addition to these scheduled games, Santa Barbara has promised a date as soon as their schedule is so arranged that they can be definite; this game will be played at Santa Barbara. It is also reported that King City is willing to come to Poly if the time can be arranged.

Many would like to know the name of the "vamp" who is wearing Sammy Wright's Ag pin.

### TRI-COUNTY MEET AT SANTA BARBARA

Harold Newman, Carl Steiner, Carl Gill, Harley Bock, Bob McKie and Virgil Wimmer made the trip to the tri-county track meet held in Santa Barbara April 9. Gill brought back the medal for third place in the quarter mile; otherwise the other schools took the points. Mr. Gary reported fast time in all the events, and the tendency of luck to break against, rather than for, Poly.

Santa Barbara won the meet, with 28 points; Oxnard and Lompoc tied for second.

The boys were entertained at a dance in the gym Saturday evening and the medals were awarded to the point winners.

Track is not over at Poly, though, for plans are being made for an invitation meet at Atascadero, and for a dual meet with Paso Robles.

### MISS HOWE TO BE COURT-MARTIALED

The report is that Miss Howe is to be court-martialed soon because of her recent serious offense at Kelvin Club. According to the constitution of Kelvin Club the papers are not to exceed thirty-five minutes in length; Miss Howe was still going well after two hours and ten minutes. In justice to Miss Howe it must be admitted that no definite action has been taken. It may be that the demerits will be suspended pending future conduct.

Fat Hodges (Hearing Gaxiola talking Spanish)—"Hey, Belata—Ek-Bazookus-Bazookus, Hi lu—" Gaxiola (breaking forth)—"Hay! What you think I speak, 'Chinese'?" Hodges—"I don't know. All I know is I can't understand it."

We all admire Ray Tuley's taste for cake.

Johnny Miller—"I always speak as I think."

Hess—"Yes, Johnny, only often-er."

Father—"What do you expect to be when you are out of school, my boy?"

H. Truesdale—"An old man, father."

Newman—"What is #203?"

Kincaid—"I had it on the end of my tongue."

Newman—"Then spit it out, it's arsenic."