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## Death of Harry Ditmas Grieves Poly

The death of Harry Ditmas was a shock to the student body. He was a popular and active worker in the school and in the Agriculture Association for several years, leaving at the end of his Sophomore year.

The members of the present Junior class, Harry's class, attended his funeral in Arroyo Grande. Many others from Poly went also.

The deep sorrow over Harry's death was shown by the great number of students and other friends from Arroyo Grande and San Luis Obispo who were present. Polytechnic extends to Mr. and Mrs. Ditmas and Margaret its most sincere sympathy.

## AGS POSTPONE TRIP TO HEARST RANCH

The agriculturists held a special meeting on March 10. All business in reference to the visit to the Hearst ranch had to be dropped in order to give the proper amount of time to the program the Agriculture Association is to give.

Even at that, as soon as the weather clears up, the Ags are planning to take the trip to the ranch. Things are also being planned on that probably would be of more interest to all if they were put into the form of an expedition—so wait and pray, etc.

## NEW AG TEACHER COMES TO POLY

Mr. S. A. Anderson of Los Angeles has joined the teaching force of the agriculture department in Polytechnic. His work will parallel Mr. Fry's, Mr. Fry taking the special students and Mr. Anderson the state students.

Mr. Anderson is a graduate of the College of Agriculture of U. C. He comes here after work with the Delhi Improvement Company and the United States Veterans' Bureau.

## MR. GAMBS LEAVES POLY

Mr. Gambs has been forced by ill health to give up his work here and take a rest of some months. He left last Friday.

The entire student body and faculty wish Mr. Gambs a most speedy recovery.

## BLOCK P CLUB ENTERTAINS GIRLS

After the Girls' Glee Club of Whittier College entertained an audience of mostly Poly students, the boys of the Block P Club thought it was their turn to do something for them.

They were introduced at the entrance to the Elmo Theatre; after leaving the theatre the whole crowd came out to the dining hall where lunch was served. Who said girls can't yell? If you had been in the dining hall, you would have changed your mind, because the girls have snappy yells and could use them.

From Poly the bunch started for Pismo in the Whittier bus and in

private cars. On the way to Pismo the bus stayed in the middle of the road and made it hard for some of the rest of the bunch to get by. Only by nearly riding some mail boxes and telephone poles did they get ahead.

At Pismo everybody got out and strolled down the longest beach in the world. Some of the girls who were wearing oxfords got some Pismo sand to take home with them, and one even tried to go swimming because she was not watching the waves.

The girls said that they enjoyed the day, and the boys said they couldn't help but have some time.

## ANOTHER ALUMNUS HEARD FROM

Mr. Walter Nelson, Poly '13, writes of his enjoyment of the alumni number of the Polygram, and subscribes for the remainder of the year. He is owner of a dairy farm near San Jose. The school is always glad to hear from its alumni. Wouldn't it be fine if the alumni would keep up a regular news column?

## MISS SCOTT TO GO TO LOS ANGELES

Miss Scott, who came to Polytechnic to substitute for Miss Dull between Christmas and spring vacation, left for Los Angeles Friday afternoon. She will begin work in insurance immediately.

Two reels of films were shown in a special assembly held March 14. The first one concerned the postal service and the second Willard batteries.

## MRS. MORA YOUNG SUCCEEDS MR. GAMBS

Mrs. Mora Young is Polytechnic's new instructor in Spanish and history, succeeding Mr. Gambs.

Mrs. Young is a graduate of the University of Michigan. She has taught in Mexico City, in Mesa, Arizona, and Tonnington, Wyoming. Polytechnic welcomes her to California.

Faye Rougeot, who has been out of school for the past six weeks, returned after spring vacation, minus her appendix.

Get your snap in for the Journal.

## WHITTIER COLLEGE GIRLS' GLEE CLUB VISITS POLYTECHNIC

The Girls' Glee Club of Whittier College gave an excellent program in the Elmo Theatre at 11 o'clock the morning of April 3. The Block P Club backed the concert as far as Polytechnic was concerned.

The students were dismissed at 10:30 and school did not begin until the seventh period. The members of the Block P brought the girls out to lunch in the dining hall and later took them to Pismo for the afternoon.

## FUZZY BOYS VISITS POLY

Ellsworth Boys, Poly '21, visited school last Tuesday. He has been working in a real estate office in Los Angeles, but he is giving up the work to help his brother in a mine in Mexico.

## COULDN'T STAND CHEERS

Evangeline Laury, who won the beauty contest and held office of sergeant-at-arms for the Amapola Club has left school. She has a position in the Quality Bakery.

I am sure the Federal Board men are aware of the fact that there's someone missing from the school—Oh, yes! "Grimes" has been sent to the hospital. Abraham Kurtz and Andrew Carroll accompanied Grimes to Palto Alto.

In about three weeks Mr. Saunders and his horticulture class will begin the planting of about five acres in grapes. The land is located directly in front of the Domestic Science building.

## Circle P Club Organized By Girls

The girls of Polytechnic now have a club that is similar to the boys' Block P—the Circle P. Those girls who heretofore won numerals make up the members. The Student Affairs committee granted the use of the Circle P to the girls in place of the class numerals used before. As no inter-school games are played by the girls, the use of the new emblem makes it possible for the girls as well as the boys to have something definite to show for athletic excellence.

The girls plan to take an active part in the affairs of the organizations in the school.

Those who had won numerals last year and who formed the nucleus of the new club are Dorothy Miller, Alta Mayhall, Anna Chavez and Gertrude Trueadale.

At the assembly on March 22 the Soph-Senior team, winners in inter-class basketball, received their Circle P's. The team was made up of Alma Tognazzi, captain; Mary Chavez, Faye Rougeot, Helen Ruth-erford, Dorothy Miller, Laura Miller and Wilhelmina Johe. Dorothy Miller received a star.

## AMAPOLA GIRLS ORDER RINGS

A special meeting of the Amapola Club was held March 10 to get the order for rings and pins made up. Each girl ordered whichever she wanted. The rings are silver with a silver poppy raised seal fashion.

## STUDENT'S FATHER ADDRESSES ASSEMBLY

On March 22, the last assembly before vacation, Mr. William Corbin, Sr., spoke on some aspects of the railroad question. The students enjoyed listening to one so familiar with his subject.

## MECHANICS PLAN ANOTHER TRIP

The Mechanics are planning to take another trip Friday, March 7, to the Orcutt oilfields to look at the different kinds of machinery there. They maintain that they learn more on these trips than in school.

Have you forgotten to hand in that good one?

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A woman too economical to subscribe to her home paper sent her little boy to borrow a copy taken by her neighbor.

In his haste the boy tipped over a four-dollar stand of bees and in ten minutes looked like a summer squash. His cries reached his father who ran to his assistance, falling to notice a barbed wire fence and ran into it, breaking it down, cutting a handful of flesh from his anatomy and ruining a ve-dollar pair of pants.

The cow took advantage of the open fence, got into the cornfield, and killed herself eating corn. Hearing the racket, the mother ran, upset a four-gallon churn into a basket of kittens, drowning the whole litter. In her haste she dropped and broke, beyond all hope of mending, a twenty-five-dollar set of false teeth.

During the hubbub the eldest daughter ran away with the hired man, the dog broke up eleven setting hens, and the calves got out and chewed the tails off of four shirts.

Beware of this; it might come home.

Jackson's "Kitchen Cabinet."

"The kitchen cabinet" was a name given to a group of political advisers of President Jackson. They occupied no official positions, but were consulted by the President as private citizens. The principal members of this "cabinet" were Amos Kendall, William B. Lewis, Isaac Hill, Duff Green and Francis P. Blair. It was the custom of these official advisers, whenever they called upon the President, to go in by the back door to avoid observation—hence the sobriquet of "kitchen cabinet," which is said to have originated among the Whigs.

Pipeclay for Mats.

Pipeclay acts as a preservative of rubber and makes one of the best mediums for treating the rubber mats used in automobiles. Oil and grease are rubber solvents and ruin the floor mats if they are allowed to remain on them. The mats should be wiped quite dry and then be pipeclayed. The pipeclay dries and sucks the oil out of the rubber.

Take your kodak out these sunny days.

Dizzy Doings About the Dorm

Big Game

The big game of baseball is over and, as anticipated, Company A was the victor. Great enthusiasm was shown on the sidelines, although the Dorm company team had the biggest percentage of boosters. It is hoped that another game may be scheduled between these two teams as they are well matched and the games are more exciting than the class games.

To Have Pictures

At a meeting of the Dorm Club some time ago, President Ricciardi suggested that a picture might be put up in the day room of the dormitory, of the football players and captains of this year's and all succeeding years' teams to help the appearance of the room and to show appreciation of our team.

It was decided by the Dorm Club to put up the picture, but later it was decided to let the loser of the company baseball game do it. There seems to be some misunderstanding about this part, but the pictures are going up no matter who has to do it. In future years you can come back, and as you look over the pictures, you will recognize your team.

Lee Sing Boom

After one of the most thrilling starts ever witnessed in a business venture of its kind, the Hop Sing Boom laundry has blown up with about the same explosion as it was created.

Due to the sickness at his home in Hanford, the founder of the idea had to leave and Don Eveleth, the Idaho Volcano, is in charge. Don promises to erupt in the neighborhood of the tub often and we all hope that the new wielder of the stuff-hat floats (Ivory) will be as effective under grimy circumstances as Hanford was.

Hopeless

He sat by the river, his head in his hands.

On his face was the look of appeal; The mighty tears rolled down from his eyes.

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Diefe (at Dormitory Club meeting)—I move and second it that we adjourn.

Troup (explaining geometry to Lumnox)—Now, you see, you draw an infant (infinitesimal) line here.

Ag—Who's your adviser?  
Mech.—My adviser is Knott.  
Ag—Oh! Knott?  
Mech.—Yes; he's not so bad.  
Ag—I guess not.

Wanted to know—How and where Diefie sprained his ankle. This should be looked into, especially by his girl friends.

Anyone desiring information as to how to hold a stick when splitting it should inquire of R. Le-Grande Diefenderfer, in his private office in the Dorm.

Place—Mechanics I class. Time—Any school day. Reason—None.

Mr. Knott—Troup, will you step to the board and draw a diagram and explain to us, etc.?

(Troup draws diagram and starts to explain.)

C. C. P. (Einstein)—Now, now, you got that all wrong (and rushing to the board) Looky here, I'll show you how that should be. (Aside, to himself, "I learned that when I was working for the Standard in Edna.") That takes in the Corpuscular Theory of light, doesn't it?

Diefie—Miss Abbott owned one of the finest pitchers I ever broke.

Mr. Agosti—Now, think, you fellows; is this right?

Hammond—I think it is.  
Mr. Agosti—C'mon, you fellows, I don't want any hinking now!

I know a girl in Taft.  
The fellows call her Biddy—  
She's not a day past twenty-one,  
And, tho she's kind of giddy—  
She's just what you would call a peach.

Last October was when I found 'er.  
Oh, why do my fond arms only reach  
One-half the way around 'er?  
—Fat Hodges.

Listen to what "Doc" says:  
Love may not be good for one,  
but it is fine for two.

Some are blondes and some are brunettes,  
and some are blondes and brunettes.

It takes a drug store to make tho girls blush.  
Taking a girl for face value means several dollars a week.

Mr. Hardy, the milker, would like to know where Hodges and Reich spend their time between 3:15 and supper time; also what attraction draws them there.

—I. Sawitt.

Coyner (Pretty Boy) at dining hall.—Say, you boys are old enough to know better than to holler at me when I'm conversing with a lady.

C. C. Pihl—Why, Bud, you know we wouldn't try to embarrass you; we never mentioned your name; all we said was "pretty boy."

Coyner—Well, everyone knows who it is!

4.—Have you any idea as to the highest inhabited point in the world? It is conceded that is the Buddhist cloister at Hanle, Thibet, where a number of priests live at an altitude of 16,000 feet. This is 2,175 feet higher than Maun-Kea on the Island of Hawaii.

5.—How many states did the Democrats carry in the last election? Ten—Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas and Virginia.

6.—What was the name of the first daily newspaper published in the United States? The first daily newspaper published in America was called the Advertiser. It was issued at Philadelphia in 1784.

7.—Which college or university has the largest number of books in its library? Harvard probably has this distinction, having in its library in July, 1919, 1,940,000 volumes.

Among the recent arrivals at the school are Mr. Jordan and his wife. I am sure the boys that knew him in the Palo Alto Base Hospital will

welcome him and wish him success. He is interested in electricity and has commenced his course under Mr. Wilder. Among other arrivals are Edward F. Schobert and David C. Bahr.

**Vocational Trainee's Replacement Training**

Now that Gonzales has been transferred to Los Angeles kindly tell us what the chickens will do? I mean poultry.

Did anyone know Sattley has left the school? It seems as if some didn't know he ever was at the school, as he was not seen very often. Well, he is now bound for Minnesota.

Thurwall Jones has been transferred to Los Angeles, Urho Laspa to San Francisco and John W. Newmaker to Los Angeles.

**Well Ventilated Pullmans on S. P.**

Students reaching San Luis Obispo from San Francisco, complain of the S. P. Pullman being so cold that when they reached San Luis they were laid up with la grippe for some time, and one had to be sent back to the hospital on this account.  
—A Customer.

Mr. Frye has a student in his class who is musically inclined. He also is a fairly good poultryman. I won't keep you guessing—his name is TETELBAUM. Is he Irish?

No doubt every Polyite would like a fresh egg or two for his breakfast before coming to school. Well, here is an easy way to raise baby chicks without a brooder or a hen. From six to twenty-five chicks

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By E. E. STAVRO

1.—What does "Flapper" mean? The common word (derived from English hunting slang) means a bird to young to rise in flight, especially a young wild duck. It is now applied in referring to an innocent young girl who is more or less daring in her desire to have a good time—one who aspires to fly but can only flap.

2.—What does "Isle of Man" mean? "Man" part is derived from an old "Vannin" or "Menavia" (in Manx "Vannin" or Mannin) meaning "middle" from the geographical position of the Isle of Man.

3.—How might Lent be defined? As the Spring or vernal feast of the Christian church as observed in preparation for Easter, by members of the Greek, Roman and Anglican churches.



# ATHLETICS

## COMPANY A DEFEATS COMPANY B 9 TO 8

The big game that caused pep was the company game played Wednesday night after school. The game started with Company B's line-up at bat and was a thrilling game the seven innings.

The city boys scored two runs the first inning and from there on the Dorm boys tightened up, scoring five runs in the second inning, forcing Patchet to leave the box in the third. He was relieved by Righetti.

The rooters for Company A were numerous, and, through their organized rooting kept the players in top spirit. The Dormers copped two

runs in the fifth inning and two more in the sixth. This aroused the B's to such an extent that they came to life and scored five runs in the last inning, bringing the final score 9-8 in Company A's favor. Fry and Agosti were umpires and Capt. Deuel was scorer.

### Line-up

Company A—Troup, cf; Flick, ss; Annin, c; Sommers, 1b; Elliott, 3b; Urquiso, 2b; Potter lf; Martinson, rf; L. Erwin, rf; L. P. Erwin, p.

Company B—Vreeland, 3b; Tomasin, rf; Lima, lf; Cook, 2b; Righetti, 1b; P. McKee, ss; Miller, c; Patchett, p. cf; Davis, 2b. lf; Stevens, cf.

## INTERCLASS

The seniors were the dark horse in the first half of the inter-class series; they just beat the freshmen in the first game by one point, while the other classes ran the score up on the freshmen by a large percent. The juniors cleaned up on the rest of the classes until the junior-senior game, when the seniors cleaned them by a big score. This leaves the seniors the winners of the first half. The next half will be played off as soon as the weather permits. What class wins the second half is doubtful.

Have you taken that picture of the school beauty?

## NEWS OF SPECIAL STUDENTS

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can be successfully raised in a box two and one-half feet in length, two feet wide and two feet high. Make a slanting roof lid on the box, one that can be lifted off, and cover the outside of the lid with roofing paper to prevent leakage in case it rains, if the box is out of doors. Bore four one-inch holes around box and have a slot or wire door for ventilation.

The bottom of the box should be covered with soft hay, and covered with a piece of soft flannel cloth so as to make it comfortable for the chicks. Tack hanging strips of cloth from the ceiling of the lid in front, as this keeps out the wind and cold air. When everything is completed the baby chicks can be bought cheaply at any of the poultry departments in the country. Place the chicks in the box and cover them with a flannel cloth. It is advisable to keep the box in a warm place during the first week.

After the first twenty-four hours the baby chicks should be given nothing but fine sand. After about thirty-six hours they can be given the regular commercial chick-feed. Feed them four or five times a day during the first two weeks, giving them as much as they will eat in about fifteen minutes. Mix a hard-boiled egg with the chick-feed, also a little chopped tops of onions or some other greens. Onions tops are the best during the first four weeks as they help the digestion.

The fourth to eighth week they will remain in the run all day,

consequently keep them busy scratching by throwing a little grain, bread-crumbs, and greens to them from time to time during the day.

If all these principles are strictly adhered to, there is little danger of losing any of them. The second week a small run should be provided as the chicks must have exercise. They are now hardy enough to go from the box to the run, but be sure not to place the box and run in the wind, and put a little hay or straw in the run in which the feed can be placed or scattered. During the first eight weeks keep the chicks in the box and their run, making sure that they are kept well protected and free from drafts at night and in the cold weather. About the ninth week the chicks can be put into a regular poultry house, as they are now old enough to take care of themselves.

Last Monday evening Colonel Dan Smith, who is touring the country under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon League, delivered a masterly address on the horrors of war, as he saw it on the battlefields of France.

The colonel commanded the 312th Infantry, 90th Division known as the Battalion of Death on account of the almost superhuman way they fought the Germans at St. Mihiel. The battalion, the colonel said, went into St. Mihiel with 1150 men and after three days terrific fighting were surrounded on all sides by three German regiments, but they kept on fighting until the put the enemy on the run, capturing many

men and guns. The American losses were 800 men killed, wounded and missing, where the Germans lost three times this number in killed, wounded and captured.

The colonel concluded his address by strongly impressing upon his hearers the principles of law and justice for which America entered the war, and asked every loyal American citizen to help win the war which this government is waging against the countless number of bootleggers all over the country.

Mr. Saunders and his horticulture class have started planting a five-acre tract in apricots. The land is located directly in front of the dormitory. Anyone interested in this work should not miss the opportunity of seeing the boys planting and pruning back the trees. Mr. Saunders will be glad to answer any questions that anyone may desire to know regarding the heading, planting and pruning of the trees.

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