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Junior Farm Center Day

On April 18, 1925, the Junior Farm Center will stage its first great "Day." This is going to be a new stunt at Poly and is for the betterment of agricultural interests at Poly and in the county.

Poly is going to put on an agricultural day. This is going to be of educational benefit, social benefit, and the Ags hope financial benefit. We have something to sell, we want the public to know what we have, we want to know what the farmers are doing.

Advertising is going to help Poly; that is one reason why we are going to stage this day. By getting young fellows here and showing what the Poly is we expect to arouse the interest of these fellows and may get new students for Poly.

A tentative program has been adopted and plans are underway to put this over in as good a form as the Ags are capable of and they always do their stuff.

A fitting contest is going to be conducted. This will include all of value both to participants and spectators. Suitable prizes are to be awarded for first, second and third places. To finish the fitting contest a livestock parade will be held and the spectators will see some real prize winners.

All during the day links will be held open for any team representing any center or otherwise in a fast and furious game of barnyard golf. This is an open contest and to the winning team will be awarded a grand prize.

An open weight guessing contest will be held all day. This will consist of a hog in a pen. The person guessing the nearest to his weight shall receive a handsome and useful prize.

All during the day judging contests will be held for the Ags in the judging of animals and dairy products. This will be useful to the students, and the farmers if they are watchful may gain some very beneficial knowledge from the association with the students who are making it their business to know animals.

A mock auction will be held and students and men will "buy" the animals at public auction. The animals will have an appraised valuation placed on them beforehand. This will let the public get some valuable knowledge of a fair price for farm animals.

At noon a big, free basket lunch will be served. This is to be a composite affair donated by the farm centers of the county. Following the lunch will be a few short speeches from the farm center leaders of the county.

Later in the afternoon a big league baseball game will be played on the Poly diamond. This game is going to be played by teams from the Junior and Senior farm centers. Of course the Junior farm center is going to win, but come and see a good game.

The "Death of the Scrub Bull" is next on the program. This is a ritualist degree that has been decided by breeders of purebred livestock, and consists of a trial with able lawyers on each side. These lawyers represent usually "public opinion" and the farm advisor. The judge is the wide-awake young man who knows what he wants and goes after it. We will put on a trial and if the judge sentences it, the execution of the scrub bull will follow.

In the evening there is going to be the far famed Poly barn dance.

The Honor Roll

At the last assembly, Jan. 7, the honor roll for the last six weeks was announced by Miss Chase. The following names appear on the roll:

Freshman—A. DeVaul, H. Brown, H. Bardeness, R. Boyson, C. Hayden, S. Hotchkiss, B. Memham.

Sophomores—V. Mills, T. Mills, A. Isola, E. Tognazzini.

Juniors—E. Anholm, V. Langenbeck, H. Perry, C. Davis.

Seniors—O. Groenveld, D. Fulwider, F. Louis, W. Lumley, B. Martinsen, W. Miller, A. Young, B. Tommasini, A. Call, D. Eveleth, R. Mayhall, L. Oldham, D. Miller, M. Word.

Poly to Play Santa Maria

Our Green and Orange cage squad will meet the Junior College quintet from Santa Maria on the Winter Garden floor next Saturday. And then Poly eagles will journey over to Santa Maria and play the Collegians a return game the following Saturday, January 24th.

Not much is known of the strength of the visitors this year. No doubt they remember the two defeats handed them last year by Poly and will have this uppermost in their minds when they meet the Poly melon tossers. Because of the burns of the double defeat handed them last year by Poly, the local cage fans will be treated to some hot and furious playing. Remember, be sure and see that you and your friends get their pasteboards early. Boost our ticket sales!

Assembly January 7

The assembly was called to order by Dr. Crandall. The announcements were heard. Mr. Agosti spoke a few words about basketball, announcing the game with the San Luis Athletic Club, and also announcing a ticket selling campaign, in which one class is to assume the responsibility for each game. Mr. Agosti promised a good game and urged a one hundred per cent attendance of the student body. Miss Chase announced the members of the honor roll for the past six weeks.

Leslie Oldham and Chester Davis gave an outline of their experience at the Astor convention. After singing the school song the assembly was dismissed.

Printers Visit Our Shop

Messrs. Kinder and Smith from the mechanical department of the Herald-Telegram visited the Polytechnic print shop one afternoon last week. They were well pleased with the impressions they received of the plant.

This is going to be an invitational affair and everyone is going to have a good time. Owing to the foot-and-mouth disease there was no barn dance last year, so come and have a double time this year.

There are to be concessions all during the day, such as hot dogs, pop and ice cream. There will be a nominal charge for the dance and perhaps some other small charges. Everything that we can give will be free and all shall be as low as possible. We want the co-operation of the students. We do not want something for nothing, but we want everyone to have a good time, play hard and work hard and enjoy a good time while the Ags are the host.

Poly Gets Appropriation

The Governor's budget, which was submitted to the state legislature at Sacramento last Monday, included \$820,800 for salaries and maintenance of the California Polytechnic School for the next two years. This is an increase of about fifty per cent over the sum allowed for the past two years.

This sum is exclusive of a special appropriation of approximately seventy-five thousand dollars for the construction of new buildings which was asked for and which has not been heard from.

New Panel in Power House

Mr. Knott's Senior electrical class has been very busy of late setting up the new plug panel at the power house. This panel, which is the result of the combined efforts of several branches of the mechanics department, is now almost ready for operation. The conduit is in place, the framework set up and the panel is mounted, and it is expected that this valuable addition to the switchboard unit of the power plant will be ready for operation in a few days. The work is under charge of Don Fulwider as student foreman, and is supervised by Mr. Knott.

Receive Minor Injuries

Prescott Reed, while working in the chemistry laboratory last Tuesday afternoon, received a severe cut on the hand. A piece of glass tubing with which he was working broke and embedded itself in his palm, making a rather painful wound.

Morris White is nursing a sore foot. He injured his arch while at basketball practice Tuesday night. He expects to be in condition for the game next Saturday evening.

Former Polyite Married

Friends in town recently received word of the marriage of a former Poly student, Vernon Gill, last week at Porterville. Vernon, who was an agricultural student at this school, and a member of the Class of '25, has many friends here who wish him well.

Sophs Plan Wienie Bake

The Sophomore Class is planning a wienie bake to be held at Morro next Saturday night.

Seniors Order Rings

The Seniors have sent in their orders for class rings and pins, and have also selected their Commencement announcements. The rings and pins are of the conventional Polytechnic design and except for the date are similar to those of previous years. The announcements are to be quite simple, but appropriate.

Assembly January 14

The assembly on Jan. 14 was called to order by Dr. Crandall.

Mr. Agosti announced that there would be a basketball game with Santa Maria Junior College next Saturday night at the Winter Garden. He stated that he wished the students to get out and sell more tickets.

After the announcements Dr. Crandall turned the assembly over to Don Eveleth, who with Vernon Langenbeck gave a resume of the entire convention.

SCANDAL!

The next issue of the Polygram will be the "Raspberry Edition." If you know any scandal, interesting news or any peculiarity of some one of our student body, be sure and write it up. If you only have a small idea but a large imagination, let your conscience be your guide. The only thing we ask is that you have your write-up in by January 21 and the article must be written on but one side of the paper. Put all articles in the box just outside Room 0, or hand to the editor.

Senior Meeting

A meeting of the Senior Class was called in Mr. Knott's room Tuesday, Jan. 6, by President Oldham for the purpose of discussing subjects of general interest. Some of the matters considered were class dues, class pins and rings, inter-class athletics, and the selection of a class motto, a class flower, and a class tree. The chair appointed two committees, one to consider the possibility of inter-class basketball, and the other to select the motto, flower, and tree. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Burton Crandall to Davis

Burton Crandall, son of Dr. and Mrs. Crandall, returned to Davis last Sunday to resume his studies. Burton has been visiting his parents here since the holidays, and accompanied the California Polytechnic School delegates to the Western Students Convention at Astor as a representative of Davis. He became very popular and made many friends during his short stay here, and everyone regretted to see him leave.

New Students

Among the additions to the student body are the following:

Perry Hayden, from Selma, who was so favorably impressed by the reports from his brother, Chester, that he has enrolled in the mechanics course.

Paul Welsher, who has moved to San Luis Obispo from Atascadero and has enrolled as a mechanic.

Carl Moraga, a former student here who is now living at Plomo, is back again and will specialize in mechanical drafting.

Mrs. Malzie Prettyman of San Luis Obispo is taking a course in printing.

Allan Mori, of San Luis Obispo, is back again. Allan, who has long been a familiar figure on the campus, returned after a semester's absence to finish his mechanics course.

Pearl Pettit, of Bakerfield, has enrolled as an Agricultural student. Pettit visited the school last fall when accompanying a consignment of livestock purchased by the Junior Farm Bureau, and was so well pleased with the school that he decided to become a Polyite.

Another Co-ed

Miss Alva Green, a well known San Luis Obispo society girl, and a graduate of San Luis High, is taking a post graduate course at Poly.

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NEW YEAR

This is the beginning of a new year. Perhaps a year is not much, considering the years that are past and the years that are to come but to each one of us a year can mean a great deal. Probably we have not had much to do with the passing of the years heretofore and the mark we may make on the years to come may not seem much in comparison with other marks and records and the time may not seem long for what little we may do.

It is unnecessary for us to worry about the time being short or our accomplishments few provided we do our best and make the most of the time given us. What if everyone does seem to pass you? Someone must be last and that is no dishonor providing you have not lain down on the job.

New Year is a time chosen to make resolutions governing our actions throughout the coming year. The idea is all right, but let every day be a New Year's Day in this way.

It is not really necessary to make a resolution. Just say to yourself, "I will." If you live up to that your career is made. No matter if you spend the rest of your life digging post holes you will be a success at it.

Never make a resolution you even think there is a possibility of your breaking for every promise broken does harm enough to counteract the good of three that are carried out. Every time you make a resolution and break it later, your strength of will is weakening. You are doing yourself an infinite amount of harm though you may not realize it at the time.

To avoid this chance of breaking resolutions why make them. If you have a habit that you wish to break or you have not a habit you wish to acquire why proclaim to the world that you hereby resolve to do or not to do this, that and the other thing. Does not this seem as though you were admitting a weakness? That you doubt if you can succeed in doing this but you dare anyone to tell you so? Like a child entering a dark room who declares he is not afraid to go in and becomes angry if told he is afraid but just the same his steps become more hesitant as he nears the door. Why does he not admit his weakness but as to entering the door say, "I will," and thereby doubly prove his courage? The child has not the reasoning powers of his mind developed but for us there is no such excuse.

Do not make each step an hour of misery and say to yourself, "I don't want to but I have promised and must. I wonder if anyone is watching me? If not perhaps I might just as well let it slip this time. I'm sure it won't do any harm just this once and it can't be as hard next time."

Why not step forward and say, "I will." You will find it's not half as bad in the dark as you imagined, and all that suspense is omitted. Our imagination is one of the largest factors in deciding our futures. A strong imagination can make a strong man a coward or a weakling a legion. Get your imagination to work for you and not against you, determine to do your best now and you cannot be far wrong.

Former Polyites Visit Us

Enrique Aranda, Jr., a former popular Poly student, has been visiting friends in San Luis Obispo during the holidays. Aranda is attending "Davis," and returned to resume his studies last Monday.

Jack Hammond, a graduate of Poly, who is also attending "Davis," stopped to visit the campus and former school-mates, while on his way back to school.

The moonshine club recently changed their table from one end of the cafeteria to the other.

POLY CHATTER

Bill Rougout has been writing letters on pink and blue stationery. She writes long letters and has a far-away look in her eyes. Fay has been using her stamped envelopes to write to someone else.

Ruth Smith borrowed Albert Call's car to take Jack Babcock joy riding. Albert is such a trusting boy, but then love is blind; ask Lumley.

Prescott Reed and Ethel and Herbert McKeen and Rada were standing in front of the church Sunday night. McKeen and his partner came inside.

Arthur Call is such a cherubic looking youngster. It is too bad that he is the meanest boy in drafting. Arthur is also a good handball player.

Red Patterson goes automobile riding every day during vacation. From his action you would think him quite a sheik. He is entirely harmless, though, and we still have lots of hope for him.

C. Earle Miller went to see his girl every day while in Fresno. It is too bad that Jap beat Earle's time. His poor heart is broken and he has sworn off girls forever (while in San Luis).

Bob Hillis has fixed his room up with light and heat and some say that he expects to run opposition to the Bee Hive.

Jack Haas went out for basketball the first night after he started to school. It was also noticed that he carried a physics book around the next day.

Is Walter married? He has been receiving congratulations, but he has not been passing out the cigars. Walter is on the honor roll and has made some wonderful New Year's resolutions. We all wish Lumley success in his new venture.

Mr. Agosti has a new car. That is fine; he can now haul the teams from place to place for athletic engagements. We all like the color scheme, only the car is a trifle too dark.

Heavy spends all of his time in drafting talking to the girls in the classes. It is all right if when Dr. Wilder comes back he does not get jealous.

It is the style around Poly now to wear a sheepskin coat, no hat and take hand to get out of drill. With uniform regulations and a military drill, why is it that there seems to be no regulations? Sweaters, coats and caps are the deviations from the regular O. D. uniform. We hear so much about "in the good old days." Let's see them back again.

Chester told us in assembly what the reason is why Pfeiffer comes from Monterey. He could not stand it to stay at home.

There is something wrong with Fred Louis. In the surveying class he has not been asking enough questions. Mr. Knott had time enough one period to ask two questions.

Some people say that they will not wear the class emblem of their own classes, but emblems of former years may be seen about the persons of these same kickers.

The class of '25 has always been the champion in rifle shooting. Why doesn't some class endeavor to wrest the honors from this class? Has class spirit died?

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Birger: "My girl is surely lucky."
 Oldham: "How is that?"
 Birger: "We went to a party and played a game where you either had to kiss a girl or give her a box of candy. Alta got fourteen boxes."

Ivan: "Why so despondent?"
 Dick: "I've been up shooting."
 Ivan: "Make any bulls-eyes?"
 Dick: "No, but I rolled seven six times straight."

Dorothy: "I can't find my last year's bathing suit."
 Hald: "Maybe a moth ate it."

Dumb: "Why are there two handles on a bouillon cup?"
 Belle: "To accommodate left handed people."

Avery: "Mr. Tenant gave me two days to pay my bill."
 Sullivan: "What did you do?"
 Avery: "I picked Easter Sunday and Christmas day."

She: "Do you want to start the Victrola?"
 He: "Why?"
 She: "It's about time you started something."

Dr. Wilder (in electric 1): "How many poles are there?"
 Stocking: "There is a family of them that lives next door to me."

He: "She looks as young as ever."
 She: "But figure the expense."

Mr. Peteler: "The symbol is that of a Greek Lyre. I suppose you know what a lyre is?"
 Rosalind: "I ought to; I was out with on last night."

It's great if you don't weaken, but a lot nicer if you weaken a little.

She: "I suffered in silence."
 He: "I'll bet you did."

Marty: "Have you any idea of what your wife should be?"
 Ivan: "Yes, an heiress."

Surgeon: "Your minister is here. Do you want to see him before you are operated on?"
 Patient: "No, I don't want to be opened with prayer."

Dorothy H.: "I despise you from the bottom of my heart."
 Ellsworth: "Oh, well; there's always plenty of room at the top for a good man."

Rosalind: "Why do people gossip?"
 Walter: "She is jealous."

Allen: "Dorothy tells me I am the first man that ever kissed her."
 Reed: "You big dumbbell. I have kissed her a hundred times."
 Allen: "Well, the statement still stands."

Walter Lumley (to Langenbeck in S. A. C.): "You are the biggest boob in the school."
 Dr. Crandall: "You forget, boys, that I am present."

Jack: "Why don't you practice economy?"
 Hills: "I do, just before remittance day."

Dick: "You couldn't let me have five dollars till next week, could you?"
 Hills: "No, and not even then."

Mother: "What did he say last night?"
 Belle: "He told me I was beautiful."
 Mother: "And what did you say?"
 Belle: "I said, 'I believe you.'"
 Mother: "How many times have I told you that one should always tell the truth?"

Everyone has noticed that Ruth practices yells the ninth period.

"Triplets," announced the nurse to the proud father.
 "Really?" he said, "I can hardly believe my census."

Lumley: "There are lots of girls that don't care to marry."
 Hills: "How do you know?"
 Lumley: "I've asked them."

Rae: "Tell me, have you ever loved another?"
 Young: "Certainly; do you think I would practice on you?"

Wife: "Do you know that it was just ten years ago today that we were engaged?"
 Absent minded hubby: "Why didn't you remind me before? It's high time we were married."

Sullivan: "Have you some cigarettes?"
 Miller: "Yes, plenty. Thanks."

Taxi driver: "Seventy-five cents, please."
 Lumley: "Back up twenty-five cents worth; all I got is four-bits."

First Newlywed: "Do you hear from your husband often?"
 Second Newlywed: "Whenever I stop for breath."

Morrison: "I want a room with all modern conveniences."
 Clerk: "Yes sir; I'll send the house bootlegger up immediately."

Elder (in taxi): "Would you please change seats with me?"
 She: "Why so?"
 Elder: "My right arm is hurt."

Margaret: "What were you doing last period?"
 Dorothy H.: "Engaged in a guessing contest."
 Margaret: "But I thought you had a chemistry exam."
 Dorothy: "I did."

Father: "Do you think you can give my daughter that which she is used to?"
 The sucker: "Sure, we smoke the same kind of cigarettes."

Ruth: "Where is the ladies section?"
 Bowlegged Floorwalker: "Walk this way, madam."
 Ruth (indignantly): "I wouldn't if I could."

Miss Chase: "Women made history. Look at Joan of Arc. Look at Eve."
 Miller: "Yes, I'd like to."

Fulwider: "It would be a great life if you would weaken a little."

Birger: "If all that I have said to Alta were put on paper it would form a line—an awful line."

Ruth: "Why does Haas wear his hair so long?"
 Belle: "To make us believe his brain is fertile."

Elder: "Do you dance?"
 Belle: "I love to."
 Elder: "Then lets love."

Hills: "What can I do for falling hair?"
 Lee: "Get out of the way."

She: "I can't marry you."
 He: "Why not?"
 She: "I was married last week."
 He: "Thank goodness, I thought you didn't love me."

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Poly Cagers Win Game

The Poly basketball team started their 1925 season off right by winning the first game of the season over the experienced San Luis Athletic Club quintet. The score, 20 to 26, itself indicates that the game was hard fought and close. It was hot and furious all the way through the game. Last Saturday night the cage fans saw at the Winter Garden the fastest and most closely contested game seen in this section so far this season.

Poly took the lead in the opening minutes of the game and kept it most of the time throughout the game. At the end of the first half our Green and Orange casaba alligators emerged with the long end of the score, 16 to 12.

In the first part of the second half the clubmen came in strong. Carter, their star basket shooter, put away three field goals in succession. Poly would not stand for that a minute and our hoopsters took the lead away in a hurry. The clubmen held on tight, though and our melon tossers had to fight hard to keep a few points ahead. Interest was very tense now for the end was drawing near. At last Erwin, our tenacious forward, relieved the Poly rooters by putting the game away safer by shooting a basket from a difficult angle. The game ended with a 20 to 26 victory for the Green and Orange.

White played a good game and was our high point man. Lumley and Erwin played their usual good games at the forward positions. When Varian went in for Tardif, he showed us that he is out for a regular berth on Poly's quintet.

The line-ups:
 Poly—
 Lumley 5 F 8 McKenzie
 Erwin 6 F Mecker
 White 11 C 12 Carter
 Carroll 4 G 6 Patchett
 Tardif G Moss

Poly—Traver 3, for Erwin. Varian for Tardif.

Club—Shirley for Patchett.

Officials—Referee, Haines; timers, Elder and Albers; scorer, Tonge.

More Support Needed

We must have better support at our basketball games. Did you notice the size of the crowd at the game with the Athletic Club last Saturday night? It was rather small. But the most noticeable thing about that small crowd was the absence of a number of Poly students. Many familiar faces on the campus were missing at the game. They should have been there supporting their school and team. Remember, they are OUR games and teams. To make Poly athletics a success we must give them our full support morally and financially. Basketball is the only sport where we have the opportunity to show our financial support. Our Student Body card admits us to all other athletics at home. The athletic department is expensive to run and the success of it depends largely upon the students. It is the little bit from all that counts. Let us all try to sell as many tickets as possible and attend all of the few games which will be played at home. We want to keep up that reputation as having a nearly 100 per cent loyal student body.

Alfred Young is going to run a line parallel to the pole star. He told Mr. Knott so in surveying.

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Dorm Doings

Christmas vacation is over with and once more the Dormitory is the scene of familiar activities and noises. The fellows have all put on the harness and settled down to work again. The latest forms of amusement seem to be trading Christmas presents and breaking New Year's resolutions.

The Dormitory and all of its members seem to be the same except in a few instances. Ivan Reynolds is still with us, but his "white wonder" has not been seen on the campus since the twelfth of last month. It is rumored that Ivan and his car met with disaster near Santa Barbara while he was homeward bound. The greatest change, however, has come over Walter Lumley. Walter has changed in a great many ways. Up until now many have wondered why Walter got on the honor roll, and at last the truth is known: Those desiring further enlightenment on this subject must refer to the next issue of the Polygram.

The Dormitory lost three of its members as a result of vacation. Allan Stafford, one of our most promising athletes, has left us and is now working in the southern part of the state. Sam Hotchkiss is now going to high school in Hollywood. Chester Hayden, although he has not left school, is no longer in the Dormitory; he is now living in the dairy barn.

The loss of these three members is nicely counterbalanced by the entrance of three more. Otto Groenveld, better known as "long-boy," the great pugilist and sergeant of company "B," is now a member of the Dorm Club. Another one, who can hardly be called a new member as he has been with us before, is Clarence Haas, better known as "Bud" or "Jack." John Traylor is also back with us once more.

Dick Morison's room has suddenly developed a great attraction for certain members of the Dormitory. Some say that he has a very interesting collection of Christmas presents, and others say that he has started some kind of a business. The truth is not yet known, but time will tell.

Eveleth: "So your girl has taken up fancy dancing. Does she show aptitude?"

Reed: "She did, but her mother made her quit."

AUSTIN'S
 We have just received some specially packed fruits of different varieties from Fresno.

WICKENDEN AND WICKENDEN
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 CLOTHES
Polytechnic School Uniforms

Interclass Basketball

There has been discussions at the Senior Class meeting and around the campus as to the possibilities of an inter-class basketball schedule of some sort. The writer sees no reason why a satisfactory schedule could not be arranged and played out. It will oscillate a little school spirit which seems to be rather low. At the same time, it will ruffle up a little exciting class competition. Although the boys' basketball court is not in condition, due to the fact that one of the goal posts was blown down, the girls' court could be used. If these games can be arranged, we will see some hot competition.

While we are on the subject of inter-class athletics, track and field discussions would not be out of order since they provide the hottest and most exciting inter-class competition of the year. The rivalry is keen and the events are looked forward to months ahead of time with premeditative dope being aired throughout the campus. The leather trophy presented to the winning class, now in possession of the present Senior Class, will incite inter-class competition to a higher pitch than ever before. It seems that in the past at Poly, the inter-class track and field games are held towards the end of the season, rather than at the opening of the season, like it is arranged at other schools and colleges. This gives a fellow a chance to find out which events he should train for and gives the coach a line on his material. But here at Poly it seems as if the inter-class track and field games are held as a sort of climax to our athletic schedule for the year. In fact, last year we did not even have the real collegiate track and field games. A series of picnic games on May Day was substituted for the track and field events last year. A very enjoyable time was had by all, but the chief interest lay in the leather trophy. This year we hope to have the real honest to goodness inter-class track and field meet at the proper time of the year.

The different classes should take the subject of inter-class basketball up immediately and start things rolling.

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