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Arabians Parade

President Announces First Horse Showing

Cal Poly's first public horse show will be held in the horseshow ring of its newly acquired Kellogg horse ranch on Sunday, March 12, it was announced today by President Julian A. McPhee. The famous 812-acre, four million dollar Arabian horse ranch is located near Pomona, and tentative plans for its utilization as a part of the Voorhis campus are being worked out by President McPhee and staff members from both San Luis Obispo and Voorhis. As part of the requirements contained in the deed by which the college acquired the ranch, the college must present a minimum of 24 horse shows each year.

Tentative Schedule

In a meeting here Wednesday, President McPhee, Dean Harold Wilson, Voorhis unit, and Charlie Team, Kellogg ranch manager, set up a tentative schedule for these shows. Beginning with the first show on March 12, two 80-minute shows will be held each succeeding Sunday through March 28.

Thereafter, regular shows will be presented every Sunday, starting on the second Sunday in October and continuing through the last Sunday in May, weather permitting. Each show is to include 16 separate acts featuring some of the finest blooded and best trained Arabian horses in the United States.

Admission Price

Regular price of admission has been tentatively set at 85 cents, but President McPhee has stated that Cal Poly student body card holders will be admitted at certain designated shows by paying only the tax.

Months of intensive study and research will have to be completed before definite future plans for the Kellogg ranch unit can be announced. However, President McPhee said that the property will be utilized for a sound, college-level educational program based upon the same philosophy which guides the educational offerings at the San Luis Obispo and Voorhis campuses.

Editor Schedules El Rodeo Sitings

Final portrait sittings and club group pictures for the 1950 El Rodeo are to be completed during the week of Feb. 18-17, it was announced today by Editor Don Johnson. All faculty and graduates who missed the December scheduling and all group officers will have their portraits taken at this time.

In addition, all organizations which have made satisfactory arrangements with Club Editor Jim Tiernan will be scheduled for group shots during this week. All clubs which are now contracted on a "page pending" basis are requested to contact either Tiernan or Johnson before Feb. 8.

Council Plans Charity 'Dollar Days'

Feb. 1 through Feb. 8 has been chosen by the Inter-Club council for its joint charity drive. Two collection tables will be set up, one in El Corral and the other in the lobby of the Administration building, and will be manned continuously throughout the school day by representatives of all the recognized clubs.

Please forms for this joint charity drive will be available with a list of the organizations to be covered. This list includes: March of Dimes, American Heart fund, Salvation Army, Cancer society, WAFB, Red Cross, Community YMCA, Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls.

On these forms the donor may check the organizations to which

AH Men Receive Banquet Awards

Three group awards were given to outstanding members of the California State Polytechnic college Boots and Spurs club at the annual banquet last night at the campus. Club members are majors in animal husbandry at Cal Poly. The first award was a plaque engraved with the names of five graduating students who have gained recognition in scholarship, club activities, school activities and outside field work in animal husbandry. These men were Bob Bowman, Jerry Craig, Dennis Daly, Mitch Evaritch and George Strathearn. The plaque will be displayed in the animal husbandry trophy room. This is the first award of its kind presented by the department.

Judging team members—James Morrison, Daly, Craig, Strathearn, Bowman and Wadie Combs—received belt buckles. Also receiving belt buckles were rodeo team members: Tom Andre, Lem Boughner, Neal Fadler, Cotton Rouser, Bob Doner and Dick Hutchison. Guest of honor was George N. Keyton, San Francisco saddlery manufacturer. College President Julian A. McPhee attended the banquet along with 200 club members and nine faculty advisors. Strathearn was toastmaster.

Club Men Hear Hatchery Talk

Paul Sales, Petaluma, owner of the largest hatchery on the Pacific coast, spoke last night to members of the Cal Poly Poultry club, classroom 19. He discussed opportunities in the poultry industry open to Poly graduates and how they may qualify for jobs.

Sales has been a leader in the California poultry industry for many years. He was former director of the California Baby Chick association and is past president of the California Poultry council. Sales and Bourke, his hatchery, has a 1,000,000 egg capacity per setting. On numerous breeding ranches in the state, he owns more than 40,000 breeding birds.

Also, Sales works in cooperation with other breeders who own a total of 100,000 Leghorn breeder hens.

William Wilkinshaw, freshman poultry student, is Sales' stepson.

he wishes contribution sent. These forms are to be turned in with his donation. Additional space has been provided so that he may fill in the name of any organization not listed.

If the donor has no particular choice, he may mark the column provided for this, and the council will set aside the contribution for special drives not held annually. This is to be the only charity drive conducted on the campus this school year.

Members of the council stated that since this is the only drive to be conducted, they hope that the student body will support this drive generously. They hope students take their slogan, "Dollar Days," to heart and make the drive a success.



Old Reliable . . . Could easily be the tab placed on three year letterman Frank Ross. The Bremerton, Washington lad has played a lot of basketball for the green and gold during the past three seasons, but his efforts have always been overshadowed. Ross will be in action when the Mustangs invade Southern California this weekend.

Article Approves Ag Engineering Department Setup

Cal Poly's agricultural engineering department is featured in an article, "Diesels Demand Degree Dealers," appearing in the January issue of Diesel Progress. F. Hal Higgins is the author.

The write-up features an air photograph of the campus and pictures of ag engineering students at work in classes and out in the fields. James F. Merson, head of the agricultural engineering department, and Dr. Milo Whitson also are pictured.

According to the article, courses available at Poly were reviewed and approved by the California Farm Equipment Dealers association. The association found that the courses offered here are of the type needed to develop men for the farm equipment industry.

The three-page article referred to Poly as "a branch of the University of California Agricultural College at Davis," a mistake which the magazine plans to correct in the February issue, according to one of the editors.

Campus To Receive Dual Conventions

Every section of the state will be represented at the 10th annual Young Farmers convention to be held for the second time on the Cal Poly campus. The convention starts next Thursday and will continue through Saturday.

Concurrently meeting will be the third annual convention of the California Young Homemakers association. Representatives for both groups will register at 10:30 a.m., Feb. 8, in the lobby of the administration building.

Following registration, they will be welcomed to Cal Poly and San Luis Obispo by President Julian A. McPhee, Student Body President Bob Bowman and Mayor Timothy O'Reilly. After that, both conventions will open their business meetings.

Members of both groups will attend the annual dance on Thursday night and the annual banquet, Friday evening. Music for the dance will be supplied by the Collegians, and the San Luis Obispo chapter will sponsor the banquet to be held in the Presbyterian Church Education building.

Mustang Cagers Play Bruins, Pepperdine

By Ed Isler

With a golden opportunity to improve upon its conference record of one victory and one defeat, Cal Poly faces the Pepperdine Waves tonight on the southlander's court. At the present time, Pepperdine leads the league with a record of one win and no losses. A victory for the locals would place

Field Trip Covers Welding Processes

Latest methods and developments in welding design were exhibited to welding design students during a recent field trip to southern California. The trip, conducted by R. C. Wiley, welding design instructor, took place Thursday and Friday, Jan. 18 and 19.

The students visited the Southwest Welding and Manufacturing company, the Kaiser Steel corporation and an ASME meeting at the University of California, Los Angeles.

The value of good design, as applied to spherical tank-heads and in positioning work for welding, were shown to the students by the Southwest Welding and Manufacturing company, manufacturers of large pressure vessels.

Following this, the students visited the Kaiser Steel works at Fontana, Calif., where they viewed modern methods of steel production. Their tour of the plant was comprehensive, starting from the processing of scrap metal, through the open-hearth process and on to the finished product.

SAC Plans Study Of Student Court

Discussion of a proposed student court for traffic offenders held the spotlight on the floor of the SAC meeting last Tuesday night. Although the proposed court has held top place in unofficial discussions for several weeks, Student Body President Bob Bowman's airing of the plan before SAC was the first official action taken by the student body.

It was pointed out by President Bowman that a traffic court on campus would eliminate driving to Morro Bay to pay fines and would give the offender a better understanding of his citation. He also stated that the number of citations issued this school year is extremely high and that if a student court is put into effect the fines could be used for a better purpose, such as the Student Union fund.

the Mustangs at the top of the CCAA scramble. Poly is currently in a five-way tie for second place.

As expected, the Waves have wasted little time in proving to the rest of the conference that their reputation for producing consistently good cage squads will not suffer.

Face Bruins Saturday

Tomorrow night, on the UCLA hardwood, Coach Ed Jorgensen's charges will meet the high flying Bruins in a game that will be shown on television throughout the southland. The Uclans are in a tie for the southern division leadership of the Pacific Coast conference.

The Student Affairs Council urges all those who can possibly attend the Cal Poly-UCLA game to do so. White shirts and reactor's caps are the order of the day.

Last year, a sizable number of students attended the contest and saw Poly put on a fine display of basketball.

Last year, a Poly quistlet that was definitely inferior to the present cage squad, gave the Westwooders a real scare before bowing to the race horse style of play employed by Coach John Wooden. A lack of height and inadequate reserves cost the Mustangs the contest.

Merpaki Named on All-Opponent

Due to his fine play last year against the Bruins, Hank Merpaki was placed on the UCLA all-opponent team.

Playing on the Westwood court constitutes quite a psychological handicap to any opponent. The Bruins have won 51 straight games at home. If everything goes according to Hoyle, they will make it 52 without defeat when they engage the Santa Barbara Gauchos Friday night.

Game Televised

The game will be televised over station KTTV in Los Angeles.

Poly's contest with Pepperdine will be broadcast locally over station KMNS. Saturday's affair will not be broadcast.



Where's Mary? . . . If a picture is worth a thousand words, John Harrison figured that a live demonstration should really save him some talking in his Animal Husbandry 4-A teaching class. Bringing a living example to class, Harrison demonstrated some of the techniques used in taking care of young lambs.

(Photo by Fred Waterman)

Movie Review

'Generals' Lose Buttons In Film

Button, button, who's got the button? This deep intellectual problem occupied two reels of film at the last showing of the Cal Poly Film society. "La Guerre Des Boutons," in our handy little French dictionary means the war of buttons, but it must have lost something in the translation because the English title came out "Generals Without Buttons."

Next Tuesday and Wednesday may see the engineering auditorium filled with the mothers of students as the society presents "The Eagle" with the swoon man of mother's day, Rudolph Valentino. Chapter nine of "Riders of Death Valley" also will be presented.

Not Sexy

Grammar school children, as a subject for the last film, may have been a disappointment to some of the audience who expect a French movie to contain a sexy theme so often touted by press agents. Actually the film did a fine job of presenting the humor that can arise when children try to imitate their elders.

The children of two rival villages declared war on each other and organized armies, complete to generals and scouts. The buttons came in when they decided that the greatest punishment that they could inflict on their captives was to remove all the buttons from their pants and shirts.

Stupid As Parents

Finally the children see the futility of war, and as the film comes to a close one makes the sage observation that when they grow up they will probably be as stupid as their parents. The translator for the English subtitles still is able to condense a five-minute conversation into a three-word title.

Three American Horses Donated To College

Three American saddle-bred gaited horses were donated to the college last week by Walter T. Wells, according to Lyman Bennett, animal husbandry department head. Wells is from the Lane Wells company of Los Angeles.

One of the horses, an eight-year-old Palomino mare, Blossom Peavine, is the dam to the other two. They are a Chestnut mare, Kenner's Princess Blossom, by Stonewall King, and a white colt, Scotch, by Prince of Belvedere.

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Construction Shop Improves Campus

Two-way communication between the student store, book store, coffee shop and Oscar Lucke's El Corral office will be realized in the near future, according to George C. Abel, electrical construction head. It will enable Lucke to contact the different units of El Corral from his office and to make outside calls from any one of the units.

The intersections of California boulevard and Campus way and California boulevard and Entrance way will be illuminated by three 1500 watt lights, and they will be played toward the parking areas in front of the stadium. Night lights operated by key switches will be installed on the old machine shop which will be under the control of the security officers.

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Tropical Glass House
Newest Addition to OH

Latest addition to the ornamental horticulture unit is a new tropical glass house, according to Howard C. Brown, ornamental horticulture instructor. The building is prefabricated and was constructed at a cost of \$4,000.

One entire bench in the building will be used for orchids, and the other benches for other tropical plants. Brown stated that within the next few years, the school plans to offer a course in orchid culture.

Construction of the building was done by the farm carpentry and ornamental horticulture classes.

Camp Student Cars Block Way

Students' cars are obstructing the approaches to stairways and doors to dormitories at camp housing units, according to Ernest Steiner, chief security officer. He said that in the case of fire, firemen would be handicapped in bringing in hose lines.

Art Appreciation Course
Planned For Next Quarter

Art appreciation, a course giving the student an understanding of the qualities of art, will be taught again in spring quarter.

Instructor for the course will be J. S. Smith of the English department, and it probably will be held at the same time as it was last quarter.

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Horticulture Students are shown preparing calendula seedlings in flats for campus beautification. (Photo by Fred Waterman)

OH Students Plant Seedlings

Calendula seedlings now are being grown at the horticulture unit for campus beautification, Howard Brown, OH project supervisor and instructor, announced today. The seedlings are in flats at this time, but they will be ready for planting at various locations on the campus. Freshmen students are responsible for the beautification project.

Five hundred flats were planted by the students. These plants will be grown for a 12-week period before being planted on the grounds. For two weeks the plants remained in a greenhouse. After that they were transferred to lath houses for the remaining 10 weeks.

Later in the year, from February through May, flower and vegetable seedlings are raised for wholesale and retail sales at the ornamental horticulture unit.

Brown said that the seedling plant projects are carried on by

Theses Must Be Ready For Typing March 4

These course students this quarter will be given a letter "P" grade if theses are ready for final typing by March 4. Students not finishing their theses on time will receive the letter grade "E", which is subject to change as soon as all requirements have been met. The letter "P" stands for passing, and "E" stands for incomplete.

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X-Ray Prepares Vegetables In AC Department

Vegetables are being blanched by X-ray preparatory to deep-freezing instead of by the usual steam or boiling processes in experiments conducted by the air conditioning department, according to Norman Sharpe, department head. In the experiments Charles Henkel, senior student and X-ray technician, is testing for color, taste and vitamin content; and indications are that such a process will produce a superior product in all three respects.

X-ray equipment, properly constructed, would probably be less expensive than present steam equipment, Sharpe said; and less refrigeration would be required to freeze the vegetables since they would not be heated during the blanching process. Blanching is necessary before freezing the picked vegetables to halt the life processes which would otherwise continue due to the action of the enzymes.

Major revision of laboratories and tool rooms in the department has been going on for months and is now starting to show results. Two reasons for the change, Sharpe said, were to separate dif-

Power Off On Sundays

Ralph Miller, superintendent of buildings and grounds, has announced that for the next two Sundays the power will be shut off in the administration building. This is necessary in order to get ready for the installation of a new telephone system on the campus, which will be installed approximately Mar. 1.

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Security office reported an on-campus accident last Friday night when two high school boys were racing on Motley drive. One car attempted to make a left-hand turn into San Lucia street, and the driver lost control, side-swiped a telephone pole and ran into a fence.

The cars were moving at a speed in excess of 40 miles per hour through a 15-mile zone, according to the security office.

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Forty-one high school and junior college counselors and school administrators from Santa Barbara, Ventura, Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties were guests of the college last Friday, for the first annual Counselor's visitation day.

Visiting school officials took a three-hour bus tour of the campus starting at 10 a.m. The tour included stops at the major agriculture and engineering departments for the purpose of acquainting the counselors with the college's "learn by doing" methods. Following a luncheon in the school cafeteria, the group was shown through the guidance center and the Dexter Memorial library.

President Julian A. McPhie welcomed the group and explained the "upside down" educational plan of the college. In an afternoon discussion, Dr. Hubert Semans, dean of science and humanities, and C. O. McCorkle, dean of instruction, described the teacher training program of the college.

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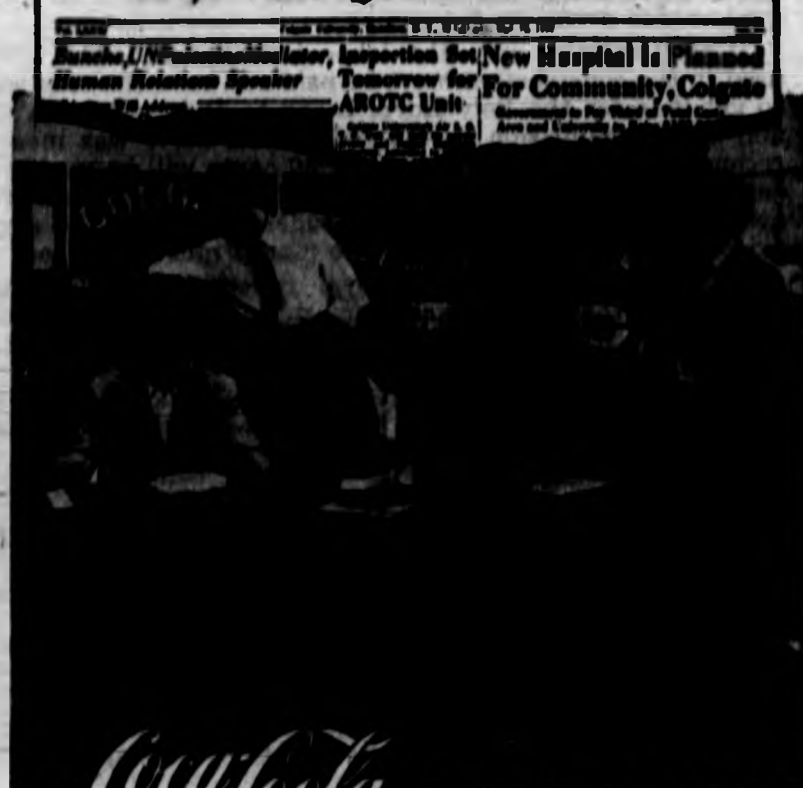
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Charge Attached to Rodeo

Poly Royal expenses have been climbing steadily through the years. The show is getting bigger and, judging from the interest it has kindled among the general public of the state, more important. About 10,000 guests are expected for the 1960 Poly Royal, April 28 and 29. Certain expenditures must be made to provide attractions commensurate with the size of the Poly Royal audiences.

Rodeo is a sport, or a spectacle, which is growing increasingly popular with this school and other western colleges. Even Cal and Stanford are fielding rodeo teams. Fortunately, we are ahead of the game here at Poly. We have a first-rate, seasoned rodeo team that has been with the school for a number of years. Last year the Poly riders took first place at the Tempe Invitational. Shortly after this, they placed second at the Cow Palace Intercollegiate. A fine record for one season. For "putting Poly on the map," rodeo is a splendid vehicle.

But back to Poly Royal. The rodeo is an important attraction at the late April show. It nearly misfired last year, however, when a Brahma bull battered through the arena fence to escape from the catch pen. Luck was with us that day. The bull did not charge into the spectators. He just wanted out. Then came the funny side of the escapade: The announcer had stated over his PA system, before the bull charged, that the fence was safe, bull-proof. After the cold sweat ceased, the crowd thought it was a pretty good.

A few men on the campus, however, realized that bull's getting loose was not even slightly humorous. One of these was Bud Collet, the man now responsible for the construction of a new campus arena. Bud has vowed that no bull will ever stage a second break-through. He is heading a committee of volunteer workmen who want to see a safe and adequate rodeo arena on the campus.

Unfortunately, only the labor is voluntary. The wood used in the construction must be paid for. And the only way to get it is for the Poly Royal board to underwrite the job and charge admission to the rodeo. And so it was moved, seconded and passed. A charge of 60 cents will be made for each adult—a person past the age of 12. There are no student rates. Campus guests and students will pay the same price. It can be no other way. The money must be raised.

Dave Strathearn, Poly Royal general supervisor, has emphasized that Poly Royal is not going "commercial." Only two charges will be made during the annual celebration this year. The rodeo and barbecue, expensive events to produce, will be subject to charge. The Poly Royal board is anxious that these facts be brought before the student body. Any questions may be sent to Dave Strathearn, PO Box 2118.

—S. M.

Degrees for Wives, Too

It won't be long now, Class of 1960; June soon will be rolling around. Four years at the grind—working, sweating it out, studying until the wee hours of the morning, and finally—graduation. What a day to be looking forward to! That's when we are rewarded for all our efforts by getting that old sheepskein.

But there is a small group of unselfish people who toil day after day, helping us to gain that degree and thus a stronger footing in this competitive world. These toilers, who get no personal gain, are the student wives.

Every graduate is rewarded with a degree for his years of labor. Why not his wife, too? Can you think of a more deserving person? Who listens to his tales of woe and cheers him when things get rough? How many students can honestly say they passed English on their own—without critical help from home, that is? And how about all those reports that were typewritten so neatly and the much delayed thesis that was turned in on schedule? Did you accomplish these things by yourselves, students?

Now we're not suggesting Poly should present the gals with Bachelor of Sciences in engineering or agriculture. Not being bachelors, the wives would have to settle for another kind of degree—something on the honorary type to show our appreciation of their efforts.

Other schools have practiced this in the past, and Poly should, too! Let's get busy, men, and get some action on the subject at hand. The letters to the editor column is open to your suggestions.

—R. L.



"Let's watch those lozy fingers, big boy!"

Stable Sweepings

By K. S. Krotch

The past week was a tough one for ol' Krotch. Along with flunking all my midterms, I was told by some sealy character that "Stable Sweepings" was, at best, a poor and bleating imitation of "File 13." It was a blow, men. I have all the respect in the world for my predecessor; but he is he, and I am me. Call me a son of a you know what, and I only smile. But liken my style to Dave Goodman's, and you have a ring-tailed bear-cat on your hands. Such insinuations are about as welcome as a spy from the PE department at Dan's.

While speaking of Dan's, Ed Isler, rookie El Mustang sports editor, is instantly brought to mind. Ed is one man who knows sports, any of 'em. He makes bets about sports events past, lining his pockets with sucker money. But last night Russ Pyle and I thought we had him. Wagers were made and we went over to the library to see if Bob Pastor ever fought Joe Louis before the latter became heavyweight champion. Isler said he did; we said Louis was champion both times he defeated Pastor. On the way to the reference shelves, Pyle and I were in high spirits. We kept saying, "Isler can be had," and tried to con other acquaintances into laying down some dough.

Well, Ed was right. He won. But it isn't genius. Besides being lewd and twisted, Isler's mind is photographic. He remembers everything he reads, and in the field of sports he has read everything. So don't ever bet with him—it's a lost race.

All the campus liberals were agog over the reappearance of Mike Furst, crops student, who has spent the past nine months in Europe. Mike and two Cal Poly chums, Charles Leaky and Wayne Colwell, embarked for France last year to study at the Sorbonne. But, upon reaching the continent, the three became obsessed with the notion of bicycling through Europe and said to hell with scholastics. They had a high time, according to Mike. They wisely took along a goodly store of silk stockings and soap—ooh hal! A youth meeting in Hungary was one highlight of the trip.

Hugh Harling, number one Mustang rooster, got a big headline in the Tel-Trib a week ago, following the charity game. Maybe he does know a mite about the hardwood sport after all. Since then, he has been seen chatting with Coach Ed Jorgensen. But let's not get ourselves in a stew. Harling probably isn't getting a basketball scholarship here—but if he does, I entrain for Fresno. They have a new ag school there—same course as we have, practically, and a basketball team that took San Jose and COP.

Harling, you'll remember, is the chappie who broadcasts our many athletic contests. He is the same one who describes the caasaba shots from 85 and 45 feet out. A couple of us measured that far on the Poly gym floor and wound up on the other side of the center court line. Our boys must be out for the wrong sport.

Your Host, leading California three-year-old, came through in the seventh at Santa Anita last Saturday, winning all the way. We liked Blue Reading, show money, and still do, but any little boss can have an off day. Your Host is being touted as a Kentucky Derby hopeful. Morvich was the last Golden State beetle to cop the Churchill Downs classic. If Your Host can get by the Santa Anita Derby field three weeks from tomorrow, he'll open their eyes at Kaintuck. But let's not go overboard on the young fellas. When the Handicap comes up, keep an eye on that good selling plater, Citation, a Calumet horse. He's all set to give Moonrush one helluva contest—wait and see. Moonrush is best bet tomorrow, also.

Poly Views, house organ of the Voorhis unit at San Dimas, has unleashed a scorching blast at El Mustang. Your paper came out with an editorial panning San Dimas crew's contemplated deal to change their nickname from Broncoos to Arabians. The southern branch took unkindly to it. They say that the El Mustang version of the switcharoo was "vastly overplayed." Okay, then, San Dimas. Go ahead and be Arabians. Maybe we'll change ours to the Thoroughbreds. Zusho's a sterling animal. Just think of the plaudits we'd glean by sending him out on the playing field under a silver saddle and "Tut" Starkey. As an added feature, or precaution if you will, we could send Robbie Baldwin after horse and rider with a dust pan and whisk broom.

Where It's Deep

By Jacques Strappe

"Then to this earthen Bowl did I adjourn
My Lip, the Secret Well of Life to learn; And
Lip to Lip it murmured—'While you live Drink
—for once dead you never shall return!'"

Ah, dear old Omar. Who, among the elbow benders, i.e., Poly men, can question this simple perspective of life of such a profound gentleman? Along with being deep, Omar Khayyam is an extremely enterprising man. He has a restaurant in Frisco, New York and, so I am informed, Los Angeles. He also writes a bit of poetry. Not only that—in between times he squeezes a few grapes and peddles the juice, after allowing it to sit a bit to shake off its greenness, on the road to wherever.

Seriously now, I like the guy. I am all for posting him, posthumously or otherwise, an honorary degree as "A-number-one Doctor of Philosophy," or whatever. Perhaps we even could make him honorary mascot of the Cal Poly "Monday Morning Cotton Spitters" club.

As a point for reinforcement, try this on for size. This bit should fit well on you DAR's who insist upon beating your brains out, digging for more than just an ordinary answer to any sort of question.

"For 'Is' and 'Is-not' though with Rule and Line, And 'Up-and-down' without, I could define, I yet in all I only cared to know, Was never deep in anything but—Wine." Hee-ha!

Enough of such badinage. However, the thought of the grape king's substance of life, brings to mind a character who has been running loose over the Poly campus for some time now. Perhaps you have noticed him, along with that fugitive from hunger, John Blesse, giving it the Santa Monica beach routine. The only muscles either of those guys has are the ones that keep that middle tire from slipping any lower! I have it on good authority that the only reason they let Stan hold the secretary job is because he has been here longer than Julian A.

"Bands of Iwe Jima?" Yeah, that sure brings back the old nightmares! I recall one time out there on that god-forsaken volcanic blister that gimme this vacant look. Man, it was rough!

This particular day was warm and stagnant, and it must have been around 1800 when it happened. Jerry and me was crouching down—Jerry's an old buddy of mine. Yeah, him an me went to different schools together. He was from New York, too. I never seen the guy before. I dunno if his name is Jerry, even—by the Old Man's knocked-out command car. (Some guy had drained the crank case and forgot to replace the plug. Anyhow, it was all from up.) It offered some protection from the sun. The sons of Nippon were as thick as flies down on Okinawa, and there we sat. It was rough, Mac!

Jerry was just remarking, with beautiful gestures, how tasty the food in those parts was when it happened. Yeah, he was just serving himself his second course of "K-ration." Gawd, things were grim! I had been drowsing, dreaming of making Iwe my permanent home, when I was snapped right out of my seivies, by a shriek, the likes of which I will never again survive. 'Twas a cross mixture of surprise, chagrin and determination, and it was coming from Jerry. Things was bleak, Mac.

I was sitting right next to him, and he was gurgling through a half smile. As I was thinking of sumptin' appropriate to say, I leaned closer to the poor simp. All I could hear from him was "I got 'im. I got the dirty s.o.b."

Gees, Jerry, I see. I tel' ya if ya'd wash them dang fatigues once in a while them lousy flies won't bother ya so much.

Who, me? Naw, I never even seen the joint. I was a third assistant bunk boy on the Matsonia, attached to nurses' quarters.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Has your distinguished assistant editor, Marvon Sumner, turned into a complete namby-pamby? Or was "outsider pressure" brought to bear on him to write the editorial in the Jan. 18 issue of El Mustang which apologized to the library folk for the rainy weather-closed door incident? That simply was not the old Marvon Sumner I used to know. I should very much like to know how come.

If a newspaper cannot spotlight injustices, it has very little right to its existence. It merely becomes a periodic news bulletin.

Maybe the columnist was wrong in accusing the library of barring its door to the rain-soaked citizens. But, if I remember correctly, the columnist admitted that his accusation might not be the latest word.

If the library people had any objection or excuse, it was their privilege to write a letter stating their case.

It certainly was not Marvon's duty to write his weak, vacillating editorial exonerating the Allen crew.

Phil Keyser

Dear Editor,

Tomorrow night in the gym the Cal Poly Ski club and the Maintenance Engineers are co-sponsoring a Student Body dance, the theme of which is Snow Frolic. The dress is semi-formal.

Many colleges and universities have a standing "no corsage rule" at their formal dances, and many Poly students have requested that we try this rule here. You will notice that dance posters have been displayed, saying "no corsages." The sponsors of Snow Frolic will appreciate your cooperation in observing this ruling and invite your criticism.

Edward Littman

★ ★ Cal Poly Club News ★ ★

Kappa Rho

The last meeting of the Kappa Rho was held on January 17 for the purpose of reorganizing. A new constitution was adopted and the following new officers were elected: Don Christensen, president; Ken Martin, vice president; Howard Coburn, secretary-treasurer; Dale Thompson, reporter; and Bob McCabe, program chairman.

Members voted to give full support to forthcoming student joint charity fund and started by painting the posters to advertise the drive.

Program chairman, Bob McCabe, announced a social meeting to be held Tuesday January 31. Purpose of the meeting is to acquaint students with the club. Poly Royal movies will be shown and O. B. Nareson will be the guest speaker. Refreshments are to be served.

College Y

The College Y held its first meeting for the new year on Wednesday, January 11, at which time Steve Tudor was appointed sergeant at arms for the purpose of collecting fines from members arriving late at meetings or for talking out of turn, and Don Griffiths was appointed as Poly Royal committee chairman.

Lee Cortwright announced that next week the YMCA was to give a broadcast over a local radio station. Don Christensen and Louis Mayo volunteered to assist in the presentation of the broadcast. Cortwright also made the suggestion that a quartet should be organized, which was agreed upon by the club. Dr. Pendleton closed the meeting with a short talk.

IRE

The next meeting of the IRE student branch will be held Friday, February 3 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 114 of the library. Guest speaker, Dr. D. L. Trautman, Jr. of UCLA, will talk about "The Complex Frequency Plane."

Dr. Trautman, a graduate of Stanford, was employed by Hughes aircraft and is now teaching in the Electrical Engineering department at UCLA.

FFA

Winners of turkeys in the annual FFA turkey drawing between halves of the Poly-Whittier basketball game Dec. 30 were George Moore, Jerry Egan and Kenneth Perry, stated Gus Beck, club advisor. Donations from the contest will go toward two FFA scholarships.

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Ag Engineering

Benny Avila and Ray Garza were elected to the executive committee at the last meeting of the agricultural engineers. They will act as advisors to President Frank Coyes. Roy Marasco, vice-president and social chairman, is arranging a card party for members. Full information is to be presented at the next meeting on Feb. 2.

James Merson, head of the agricultural engineering department, returned from a meeting of the California Farm Equipment Dealers association held in Fresno last Monday. Cal Poly and the association are cooperating to provide courses that are needed in the dealer field, according to Merson. The meeting considered a short course program for the summer quarter.

Dairy

Guest speaker for the Dairy club banquet next Saturday evening will be R. H. Crosskey, secretary of the Challenge Creamery and Butter association. The banquet will be held in the Presbyterian education building at 7:30, and there will be a charge of \$1.75 per plate.

G. S. Perham, formerly of the Borden Dairy Delivery company, and John Buglian, Gernsey breeder of Fresno, will be given honorary memberships in the club at that time, according to George Drumm, head of the dairy department.

Crops

Ted Laine, truck crops major, was recently appointed to head the office of the Dry Pack Lettuce Marketing commission to California. Taking advantage of the slow winter season, Laine is now completing his requirements for graduation.

Poly Wives

Fred Gerts, English instructor, will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Cal Poly Student Wives club, according to Barbara Marvin, publicity chairman. The meeting will be held at 8 p.m., Feb. 2, at the Hillcrest lounge and refreshments will be served following the program.

Old Historic Wood Turned Into Gavel

Jim McBrien, student in maintenance engineering, has turned out a gavel which will become the official symbol of authority for the state association of Future Farmers of America. The wood from which the gavel was made has an interesting history, according to Byron J. McMahon, state FFA adviser, whose offices are here.

The wood came from an oak pin, part of which was hand-hewed and part of it cut, from a grist mill owned by George Washington near Alexandria, Va. The mill now is owned by the national Future Farmer organization and is adjacent to the national FFA camp.

Recently, while some remodeling was going on, the sturdy oak block came into the possession of the California association of FFA. It is not historically possible to determine whether the wood was part of the original mill or a later replacement, but it is very old and actually served a useful purpose in Washington's grist mill for some time.

Bumper Rails Installed

New bumper rails have been installed in the parking zone at Wildcat dorm to prevent persons from driving over the bank. Several near accidents have occurred at night when persons were unaware of the drop-off.

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New Machines Installed, Increase Value of Shop

The Cal Poly print shop has expanded its material wealth by \$18,000 since the first of this month by the addition of two pieces of equipment.

First of the new machines installed was an Elrod strip caster. A model 32, "Bluestreak" Linotype machine is now being erected by a factory representative with the aid of advanced Linotype maintenance students this week. The addition of the new equipment makes the Cal Poly print shop one of the most modern and well equipped in the county, according to A. M. "Bert" Fellows, head of the department.

To the theory that higher education should confine itself to broad, cultural training leading to professional careers, Cal Poly has added a new concept—that of providing occupational training on a college level leading to technical or vocational as well as professional careers.

Thermit Welding Process Demonstrated To Students

The thermit welding process was demonstrated to welding students here January 19, by Elmer C. Thyllin, representative of Metal and Thermit corporation, San Francisco.

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The Outlook

By Ed Laker

At least once during the career of a novice college sports-writer there comes the urge to sound off and drag someone or something over the coals. About all that the misguided writer usually accomplishes, besides making a fool of himself is to hasten his departure from school. My bags are packed and waiting as I now launch my crusade for the reduction of admission fees to the basketball games. This comes from the heart, so read at least one more paragraph.

That \$1.20 fee that the public is asked to hold still for ranks as the second worst crime of the half century. Only Hugh Harling's description of the Cal Poly-San Diego basketball game noses it out for first place.

Now seriously, a rock twenty to see the Mustangs play is pretty close to piracy. Captain Kidd and his crew should take the tickets.

Mustangs Not That Good

Poly simply isn't good enough to warrant such an admission price. They're not the Harlem Globetrotters; they're just a pretty fair collection of players who always give their best and generally put on a decent evening's entertainment. After all, three league victories in the last two years isn't exactly setting the world on fire.

This year's cage squad is probably the finest to represent the school in many years. It is capable of giving most any outfit a rough evening and has demonstrated that several times this season. That Poly will win the conference crown is extremely doubtful; but it should finish well out of the cellar.

More Room—More Vacancies

Last year's admission fee was the same. However, the reason for the stands always being filled was due to the fact that only 50 or 60 general admissions could be sold. Now, with the team playing in Crandall gym, there is more room; and the attitude of the public is certainly being reflected by those large, vacant areas in the stands. In other words, people resent being held up.

Poly's drawing throughout the league is clearly shown by these unfavorable attendance figures: A crowd of only 1100 witnessed the San Diego-Poly contest down at the border city. Contrast this to the 3100 attending the San Jose-Astec clash of the night before. Both games were played at the San Diego home court.

Sad Press Pass Situation

While developing the biceps in my right arm at Dan's gymnasium, a bunch of athletes and I were discussing Poly's miserable showing against the Astecs. Let's not be too harsh on the lads for that dismal showing. It was just one of those games when nobody could hit for missing. That dandy 14 percent average during the first half tells the story.

As long as we're having it around the infield, I may as well get the press pass situation off my chest. The entire El Mustang staff drew straws to see who would have to deposit the family jewels as security in exchange for season's passes to the home basketball games. Three of us losers drew short straws, put up our security, obtained our tickets from Tut Starkey and are now organizing an exclusive vocal group. We will be known as the "Castrade Trio"—not a baritone in the bunch. (Anyone, preferably girls, wishing to contact me before my expulsion can find me most any evening discussing theology with Deacon Dan.)



Maxwell, Dang Top List of Swimmers

Bill Maxwell and Roy Dang, both of whom hold school records, head the list of returning swimmers, according to Coach Dick Anderson. Maxwell, holder of five school marks has the distinction of swimming the 1500 meter distance in 22:15.15, which is 28 seconds faster than the conference record.

As to winning the CCAA crown this year, Anderson had this to say, "We'll be pointing at San Jose this year, and barring the breaks, we can beat them. If we do take San Jose we can just as easily take the conference title."

Much Material Returning
Other members returning from last year's team are: Jim Davis, Jack Sisson, Mel Dye, Bob Davis, John Alkin, Bob Frye, Dick Krieger, Don Louth, Tom Boland, Ed Mottman and Doug Ostman.

New men are Mickey Mowat, Dick Gartley, Buster Lau, Bob Downing, Don Paul, Loren Jones, Summers Howe, Vern Larson and Angelo Pagni.

"Buster Lau is the most promising of the new men," Anderson said. "In the first meet he was ever in, he came within two seconds of the school record. He definitely should develop into nothing short of a terror."

Schedule Not Complete
Meets, scheduled to date include a return meet for the Frosh with Santa Maria High, Sacramento YMCA, San Francisco State, Fullerton JC and the CCAA Meets at San Jose.

The swimming mentor said that he also hopes to schedule meets with Santa Clara, Stanford, Pepperdine, San Diego, Cal Tech, UCLA and Occidental.

Colt Quintet Wins Two

Coach Bob Herwig's Frosh quintet proved to be bad luck to the Paso Robles high school team last Friday the 18th, as the Colts defeated the prepsters on their own home court, 50-30.

In the second game of a busy weekend, the Frosh downed Santa Maria's prep cagers by a score of 36-20. Larry Madison was high point man for the Colts in both games.

El Toro Wrestlers Swamped by Local Strong Man Squad

Cal Poly's grapplers captured every match as they soundly thumped the El Toro Marine wrestling squad by a score of 22-0 in Crandall gym last Saturday.

Howard Tillman accomplished the first pin as he defeated Bill Tarrant of the Leathernecks after 4:15 had elapsed. Bob Croce performed the other pin, defeating Bob Stinchcomb in 4:22.

Dove in Usual Form
Decision wins were registered by Jess Martinez, Bill Plate, Jim Dove, Fred Adams and Bob Thompson. Martinez bested James Threadgill in the 134 pound class, 7-2.

Plate, at 155 pounds, downed Herman Beyer in the only exhibition match. Reliable Dove won the 155 pound class with little difficulty as he scored a 9-1 win over Lawrence Gardner. Donald Hartline of El Toro bowed to Adams at 165 pounds. The final Poly triumph went to Thompson as he registered a 8-0 conquest over Bob Bourasaw in the heavyweight division.

Marine Coach Impressed
The scheduled exhibition matches were canceled, with the exception of the bout between Plate and Beyer. Roland O'Mara, of the locals, did not compete because his opponent suffered a broken leg earlier in the week.

Walter Croce, coach of the visitors, was of the opinion that Poly had a fine team. The Marines had faced San Jose earlier, and Coach Croce was greatly disturbed over the results of the matches. He stated that poor officiating cost his squad a victory over the Spartans. In spite of the barrier, El Toro registered eight points against the northerners.

UP YOUR ALLEY



John Beckman took high individual game last Monday night with a neat 235 and also copped the individual series with 612. This is high score for the individual series this season.

The Standings:	Won	Lost
MM club	28	14
Engineers	24	16
Amateur	24	16
Catalina dorm	24	16
Math club	24	16
Poly Phase	24	16
Wood Choppers	24	16
Group club	24	16
Common's Lancers	24	16
Poultry club	24	16
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Path Finders	24	16
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Nobody Hits; Aztecs Crush Varsity Squad

By Bob Hardy

Following the Mustangs' first league loss Jan. 14, Coach Ed Jorgensen flatly stated that the San Diego Aztecs were a superior ball club. Then he added, "that night." He was impressed by the southerners' defense. The guarding was sufficient to hold Hank Moroski scoreless from the floor. Hank racked up but a single point, that resulting from a free throw.

Poly was unable to penetrate the Aztec defense with any consistency and was walloped to the tune of 51-35. Only Bob Coghlan seemed to have anything resembling an eye for the net, as he led the locals with 12 digits. Dick Barnes of San Diego tallied 14 to lead the scoring parade for the evening.

Wanted—An Accurate Eye
The shotmaking percentage during the first half for the Mustangs was a mere 14 per cent. This was improved upon slightly in the final period, 28 per cent being the average.

San Diego was not vastly superior to Poly in the shotmaking department. The Aztecs made but six more points from the floor. The big edge came from the free throw line, where the border city boys bagged 10 more digits than did the Mustangs.

El Toro Taken in Stride
Things were not a total loss on the southern junket. El Toro's Marines were routed by the Polyites, 55-15 on Jan. 18. Led by Moroski's 11 points, the locals beat the Leathernecks on their own home court.

Leigh Emerson followed Hank with 10 markers and did a nice job of filling in for Doug Strathearn. Strathearn re-injured his ankle and had to be removed.

Student Comment Unfavorable
Comment was pretty rife around the school concerning the miserable showing at San Diego. None of the team members offered any alibis or sea stories.

However, it is worth mentioning a general statement made by most of the players. Hank Moroski was fouled no less than six times as he attempted to drive in. It's just possible that the whole Aztec defense would have been a lot looser if a few of these fouls had been called.

INTRAMURAL CAGE LEAGUE

Intramural basketball is in full swing, with the teams showing lots of spirit. Here's how things stand:

Club League (Monday night)		
Team	Won	Lost
Printers
Young Farmers
Poly Wags
North Bays
Crop Club
Old Ball
Hawai Club
Boys & Spurs
Poultry Club
Ag. Inspection
Y.M.C.A.
Hum Dums

Camp League (Noon)		
Team	Won	Lost
Baracks 334
Los Lechers
Baracks 100
Modesto Pines
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Dorm League (Tuesday night)		
Team	Won	Lost
Mariner
Wildcat 1
Deafies
Royal Flush
Cougars
Catalina
Oil Stars
Wildcat 1
Bus Club
Buffalo
College Dwellers

The Has Been League (Wednesday night)		
Team	Won	Lost
Los Caballeros
Independents
Deafies
Jeepers
Los Higuera
Faculty Sharks



Men's Handball Courts Nearing Completion

The two new handball courts, being placed on the framework, located in back of Crandall gym will be finished by the end of next week. Boards necessary to make up the two faces of the courts are being available for use at all times.

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Coach Jim Jensen announced that track workouts will commence during the last few days of the month. He asks all experienced tracksters, and any men interested in competing, to report to him as quickly as possible.

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According to Drake, anyone interested in flowers is eligible to enter the contest. The exhibit will be held April 28 and 29.

Rules for the contestants are as follows: Only one entry will be permitted in each class by any one exhibitor. Judges will disqualify all exhibits that do not conform to the schedule, and entries must be staged and ready for judging.

Anyone interested in the complete list of rules may contact Drake in the ornamental horticulture department. Prizes will be awarded to the best entries.

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The Philadelphia Sphas, now in their 31st season of topflight professional basketball, will play against a team of Cal Poly All-Stars next Tuesday night, Jan. 31, in Crandall gym. Poly's All-Stars are being sponsored by Beno's.

Philadelphia features a very tall team, with only one man on the squad being under 6'3". Their attack is built largely around Norman Glick, 6'7" ex-Loyola center; Bob O'Brien, 6'5" flash from Pepperdine; and Mike Bloom, the six and a half-footer from Temple.

Largely a barnstorming team during the last few seasons, the Sphas have racked up many outstanding victories. Chief among these is the defeat they handed the Harlem Globetrotters two years ago. Prior to that defeat, the Globetrotters had won 105 straight games.

Admission to the general public will be one dollar. Students will be admitted for 50 cents. Tickets are now on sale at the SAC office.

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