

**AT CHRISTMAS FORMAL** . . . Three Poly students and their "dates" enjoy the annual Christmas Formal presented this year by the AC club. Shown left to right are Bob Bryant; Miss Kathrine Frye, of Santa Barbara College; Gene Weisenberg; Miss Joanne Davis, of Alhambra; Miss Barbara Sumner, of Oakland; and Herb Bundesen.

## Christmas Formal Draws Large Crowd

By Eugene Kemper

Dancing to the easy-to-listen-to music of the "Collegians," 300 people attended the Christmas Formal sponsored by the Air Conditioning club Saturday night in the gym. Theme of the dance was Christmas in "Ye Olde Inn" and was supported by the tavern-like decorations.

At one end of the room, there was a fireplace including a "fire" with frosty windows on both sides through which could be seen trees, while at the other end of the room there was a lighted Christmas tree with a floor lamp and easy chair.

Lighting of the dance floor was accomplished by the use of wagon wheels made into lighting fixtures hung overhead. A ceiling of brown crepe paper was used to give an effect of rafters as would be found in an old inn. To add atmosphere, deer heads were hung at each end of the "inn." The entrance to the dance was made to conform to the theme by using mistletoe and branches from Christmas trees.

Just a few short steps off the dance floor was the stairway leading to "Ye Olde Cider Cellar" in which could be had cold cider and Coca Cola.

The orchestra played from the stage which was ornate with small trees and gold drapes upon which were a star and multicolored balloons. A beautiful setting was made by using colored spot lights.

Intermission entertainment was furnished by the "Three Dukes" who played several numbers. This ensemble is composed of Ken Hawkins, Stan Raymond, and Skip Costa. Raymond also sang several numbers with the Collegians.

It was announced during intermission that the records made by the Collegians and the Cal Poly Glee club are now on sale and that orders for them must be in soon.

Although there was a large crowd at the dance there was still room to do uninterrupted dancing. It seemed that the formal was so good that the people hated to leave. They stayed for over half an hour after the dance just sitting and chatting while Costa and Raymond played the piano.

As the last dance of the year 1947, the Christmas Formal turned out to be a success. All work on the dance was done by the Air Conditioning club with the exception of the stage lighting which was created through the efforts of the Poly Phase club. Stage drapes were used through the courtesy of Max Decker, Poly Phase student who has done stage work in theaters. The first dance of the year 1948 will be the Poly Phase dance to be held January 17.

## Excavation Begins On New Library

By Emmett Lindstrand

Cal Poly students have discovered that the best way to spend a few interesting minutes is to watch the excavation work being done for the new class room and library building.

The job of moving away the soil is being carried out by A. Madonna, San Luis Obispo contractor. General contractor for the construction of the building is the S. J. Amoroso construction company of San Francisco. The excavated material is being used to fill in portions of the Poly air strip.

Students living in the Navy Way dorms and in Vetville have been dodging the trucks used by the contractor.

Being built at an estimated cost of \$530,185, the building is expected to be completed about February 11, 1949, and will be dedicated as the Walter F. Dexter Memorial Library. Dexter was State Superintendent of Public Instruction and was vitally interested in vocational education.

## Utah Young Farmers Visit Here

Thirty Utah Young Farmer delegates to the American Vocational Association were honored Tuesday evening at a special meeting of the Cal Poly chapter of the Young Farmers.

The Utah men stopped here for two days on their way to the AVA convention at Los Angeles. They were welcomed by C. O. McCorkle, dean of instruction, who told the delegates something of the history of Poly and of the teaching methods used here.

The "Majors and Minors," a vocal novelty group entertained the group with their interpretation of such old favorites as "Don't Bring Lulu," "A Tavern in the Town," and "Shine."

Gus Beck, faculty advisor to the Poly chapter, was presented with an honorary membership to the group by its president, Jim Jessup.

Bob Bowman, past national president of the FFA and president of the Freshman class, spoke to the group on the purpose of the Young Farmer organization. He explained how the group formed a link between the high school FFA and the adult agricultural groups. Bowman then went on to tell how the Young Farmers help young men to establish themselves in agriculture.

The club then discussed its coming dance to be held in the Hillcrest lounge on January 9. It was decided that the event would be an old-fashioned barn dance complete with hay and apple cider.

Color films of the 1946 Poly Royal were shown after which the group adjourned to El Corral for coffee and doughnuts.

Wednesday morning the visitors from Utah toured the farm and campus. They saw all of the various livestock crops units and were very much impressed with the efficiency displayed. After a dinner in the Poly cafeteria, they departed for Los Angeles.

## ENROLLMENT INCREASES

The Recorder's office reports today's enrollment at 2114 as compared to 1490 students enrolled one year ago.

## Winslow Voted Most Valuable Player Trophy

By John Patterson

Harold Winslow, sophomore right end of this year's Mustang gridsters, will receive the Clarence Brown award it was announced Wednesday.

This award is made each year to the football player voted most valuable by his team mates, by Clarence Brown, local jeweler and member of the Mustang Booster club.

Winner of the same award last year was Marsh Samuels.

Winslow has won several previous honors for his gridiron ability. A former resident of Corcoran, he was named All-San Joaquin valley end during his high school days. The College of Pacific named him to their all opponent conference team this year. He received honorable mention on the 2C2A conference pick made by the coaches of teams in the league.

El Mustangs Sports Editor Russ Pyle tabs Winslow as the top lineman of the squad and a man who played consistently good football. Pyle also commended the rugged end in the glue-fingers department, listing Winslow as a top man on the receiving end of passes.

He came originally from Sparta, Mo. and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Winslow of Coalinga.

Winslow is married and a veteran of three years service in the U.S. Navy. He and his wife are living at 269½ High street. He is a sophomore and is majoring in Animal Husbandry.



**HAROLD WINSLOW** . . . elected by his team mates to receive the annual Clarence Brown award. He was named for his consistently good football playing, his cooperative team-work, and his steadiness. He is a sophomore and has two more years of collegiate competition ahead of him.

## Madge Resigns El Mustang Editorship

Paul Madge, former editor of El Mustang, has resigned his position, it was announced by John M. Patterson, manager of the publications board. Madge's resignation was effective December 8.

In explaining his resignation Madge stated that if he were to graduate this winter, he would have to carry too heavy a load to give the paper its required amount of time.

Don Johnson, M. E. student and former assistant editor of El Mustang, succeeds Madge. Daye Goodman, Poultry major, has been named to the position of assistant editor. Goodman was formerly the editor of the service publication The Tailspinner of Lackland Field, Texas.

## Poly View Trailers Have Few Openings

By Donald Merchant

Mrs. F. B. Kandrat, director of the Poly View trailer camp again urged all married students interested in obtaining a trailer to contact her or Mrs. A. J. Wilson at the trailer office. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The 188 original units are now 75 per cent occupied with 307 people living in the new trailer camp. A recent census taken showed 60 children living in the trailers. Ages were from three days to 11 years. One married student with four children occupies two trailers.

There has a steady flow of new occupants recently, among them Mr. and Mrs. Tsei Suan Hu. Hu is an agriculture student and was sent here by the Chinese government.

## Park Scholarship Awarded To Bower

Don Bower, A.H. student and swine unit husbandryman, was recently awarded the Philip R. Park scholarship.

The Philip R. Park, Inc., Naval Station at San Pedro awards two of these advanced student scholarships each year to men who have completed two years of outstanding work at this school in Animal Husbandry, Dairy Husbandry, or Poultry Production.

## Santa Arrives At Poly . . . .

Santa Claus (Kris Kringle) arrived at Poly yesterday for a brief sojourn before he undertakes his arduous task on Christmas Eve.

Santa was welcomed by C. O. McCorkle, dean of instruction, on behalf of the college, in the absence of President McPhee. John Leslie, chairman of the Rally committee, welcomed Claus on behalf of the student body and Gil Brown led the welcoming crowd in a few yells.

Santa was to be quartered in "Bachelors Fishbowl," but after a look at the "Fishbowl," he decided to take a vacant trailer instead.

His eight reindeer, Dasher, Prancer, Donner, Blitzen, Cupid, Comet, Dancer and Vixen, after a thorough check-over by Dr. Dean Lindley, Poly veterinarian, were turned into Dr. Logan Carter's perennial

pasture to recuperate. At the same time Santa picked up a balanced "reindeer ration" from Messrs. Hoyt and Bloom.

Claus' sleigh, a bit worn after its long trip from the Pole, was taken to Jim Carrington's vehicle maintenance shop for a thorough overhaul.

Santa's Christmas list and budget was somewhat confused, so it was taken into Don Nelson's accounting office for auditing.

Bob Kennedy's publications' office has been kept busy sending out publicity and answering questions from the press on Santa's visit, because Claus is not holding any press conferences.

When asked about his impressions of the campus and farm, Santa replied, "I have long been an advocate of vocational education on a college level. To me 'Learn by doing' is the only way."



## Free Scandinavian Trips For Essay Contest Winners

Six free trips to the Scandinavian countries in the summer of 1948 with all expenses paid will be first and second prizes for the best essays on "The Influence of Swedish Settlers on a Community or Region" in a contest sponsored by the Swedish American Line, G. H. Lundbeck, Jr., managing director of the line announced today.

Other awards include three trips to Swedish Pioneer Centennial Celebrations planned in the Midwest next summer while nine awards will be in the form of U. S. Savings Bonds.

### Open to Three Groups

The contest is open to three groups, judged separately: 1. College undergraduates; 2. High school and preparatory school students; 3. Adults regardless of occupation. The contest closes April 1, 1948. Fourteen prominent educators and heads of colleges will serve as judges.

"This is the first time a contest on this subject has been initiated," Mr. Lundbeck said, "and we hope it will bring to light many interesting stories of Swedish immigration and the influence of Swedish settlers on American culture." The essays, written in English, may concern a person—man or woman of Swedish birth or descent—anywhere in the United States or Canada. While the subject need not be a person of national prominence or of historical importance, it must be one who has exerted an influence on a community or region. The essay may also concern a colony, group, society, church, or organization, past or present, it was pointed out.

The Swedish Pioneer Centennial will be celebrated throughout the country, beginning next June.

### Contest Rules

The contest rules follow:

1. The essay should be a biographical presentation of a person, man or woman, of Swedish birth or descent, anywhere in the United States or Canada, who lived during the past 200 years. It need not be a person of prominence or historical importance, but one who has exerted an influence on a community or region; or the article may concern a colony, group, society, or organization, past or present.
2. The manuscript, written in English, may not be more than 2500 words.
3. The essays will be judged for their style and originality as well as for human interest and local color; if fictionized, the material must be authentic.
4. Three copies of each manuscript, typewritten and double-spaced, must be sent in, two of which may be legible carbon copies. The author's name and address should appear at the upper left corner of the first page. The group in which the contestant competes should be indicated at the upper right corner of the first page. Undergraduates and students (Group 1 and 2) should list the name of their college or school as well as the name of a teacher.
5. All manuscripts will remain the property of the Swedish American Line. If a manuscript is sold, the money received will go to the author.
6. Inquires as well as manuscripts concerning the contest should be addressed to: Contest Editor, Swedish American Line, 636 Fifth Avenue, New York 20, N. Y.

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## Vet Subsistence Bill Goes To Senate

Chairman Edith Nourse Rogers of the house veteran affairs committee told reporters today that House Republican leaders are considering special rush priorities to get three bills for war veterans through Congress before Christmas.

The most important of these for Cal Poly students is the first bill, which has already passed the House and is now before the Senate. This bill deals with the raising of the subsistence for vets in school under the G. I. bill.

Mrs. Rogers said, "I expect the bill to pass without trouble."

## Job Placements Available To Students

There are many openings available for jobs in several fields of agriculture and engineering. For all information see John Jones in room 125 Adm. building.

There are specific placements open for ranch managers, nursery helper, and sugar beet ranch workers in the farm line. For men interested in communication there are State civil service examinations for radio telegraph operator grade 1, final filing date is January 15th. For Junior mechanical engineer final filing date is Feb. 14th. These examinations are open to senior students and graduates.

## Architects Plan Trip

At the Architecture club meeting last Thursday, a field trip was the main topic.

The group will visit many architectural achievements in the Los Angeles area.

## Model Makers To Present Hobby Show

The San Luis hobby show will be held in the City Recreation Hall 865 Santa Rosa street, Monday, December 22, from 8 to 10 p.m. A Lionel electric train will be given away during the show, announced Bob Brothers member of the Golden Coast Model Railroad club.

Various hobbies will be displayed such as model trains and boats, stamps, rocks and many other items of interest. Poly students interested in placing their handy work in exhibit should contact Thor Olson at the City Recreation hall.

The Golden Coast Model Railroad club is sponsoring this year's show.

## Official Notice

The period during which students may change their winter quarter programs ends at 5 p.m. on Friday, December 19. After this, date students should not plan to add courses to their programs except at the request of an instructor.

Students may withdraw from a course at any time during the quarter with the exception that after December 19, a "Permit to Withdraw" form be obtained in the Recorder's office, room 102, Adm. building. The course instructor will use this form to indicate a "W" grade if work is satisfactory up to the time of withdrawal. If the student is failing to date, the instructor will submit an "F" grade which will become a part of the student's record.

## ROAD CLOSED

California avenue between Cuesta and Pepper Lane (along the front of the warehouse building) will be closed during the construction of the new library building according to E. A. Steiner Poly security officer.

## ADDITION

Bob Johnson, Poly Dairy major, returned to school from Belvidere, Ill. the other day with a bride. Trailer Plaza welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Johnson.

## Short Circuits Send Perozzi

By Donald Miller

Whenever something goes wrong with the electric power, or a water main breaks, the first person to be notified is Poly's chief engineer, John H. Perozzi.

Perozzi and his two assistants, Arthur G. "Mike" Terrel and Fred McMasters, receive about 15 emergency calls on an average day. Twenty calls are not uncommon.

"Figuring the extent of Poly's campus," said Perozzi, "we travel close to 20 miles each day covering emergency calls besides attending to our regular maintenance work."

All utilities on the campus, with the exception of the installations in the trailer and Vetville units, are under the jurisdiction of Perozzi. The Poly electrical department works in conjunction with Perozzi in keeping abreast with maintenance and installation of electrical equipment.

When you see a "Model A" Ford pick-up truck bumping around the campus with a ladder protruding over the tail gate, you'll know that Perozzi is out trouble shooting.

### Lots Of Watts

"This campus is like a city in itself," explained Perozzi. "The college consumes 100,000 kilowatts of electricity per month. Some months this figure has reached 138,000 kilowatts."

In other words, the school uses enough electric power to supply 2500 average homes using electricity for cooking as well as lighting.

Light bulbs are another large item on Perozzi's list. Each month 300 new bulbs must be installed. Their sizes range from large 1500 watt bulbs down to small 25 watt sizes.

When questioned about power failures, Perozzi stated, "The

heaviest load is thrown on the line between 5 and 6 p.m. causing the fuses on one leg of the line to blow. Thus the lights dim or go out completely."

### Water System Explained

Forty-one fire hydrants are located on the campus, with a 50,000 gallon tank supplying water through two and a half miles of mains. Domestic or drinking water, is carried in a separate main from that of the fire hydrant system. Eight miles of mains are needed to supply drinking water to the campus from the 200,000 gallon storage tank located on the hill in back of the campus.

The one well which the college owns is not sufficient to supply all the water needed, consequently water must be tapped from the city supply.

### Past and Future

Perozzi, who is in charge of all these utilities is a Poly alumnus. He enrolled here in 1909 and graduated in 1912. After graduating he worked in the college power plant and later became chief engineer.

In relating the history of the power plant, he said, "Student carpenters worked with the contractor on the construction of the present building. The original powerhouse was located in the building which today houses the auto shop."

The power requirements of the college were supplied by the present plant until 1943. Due to the growth of the college and the resulting heavy load placed upon the system, outside power was contracted for.

The new power plant, which will be constructed in the near future, will remedy many of the ills of the present system.

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## ★ SPORTS ★

### Varsity Quintet Wins One, Loses One

After taking the Chapman College quintet in stride Saturday night by a score of 52-46, the hard-fighting Cal Poly cage squad suffered its first defeat of the season at the hands of a powerful Pepperdine team, 54-48, Monday night at Pepperdine. The team arrived in Santa Monica around noon, and stopped over at the Carl Sea Air motel, Monica's version of the Motel Inn.

Saturday night's game with Chapman was more or less a repetition of their last contest, with the Mustangs leading most of the way. The usual five started for the locals with Ellis and Coghlan at forwards, Babich at center, and Moroski and Ross at guards. Except for occasional spurts by captain Moroski, the first half was very loosely played by both teams.

In the second half the Mustangs buckled down and held Chapman pretty well at bay. Playing without the services of their ace guard Ross, who sprained his thumb just before the half ended, the Mustangs began hitting with Coghlan, Ellis, and Moroski showing the way. The sharp eyes of Coghlan, Moroski, and Ellis, along with fine floor play of Babich and Andrus contributed to the final defeat of Chapman, 52-46. Coghlan was high point man for the night with 15 points. It might be added that Andrus brought all 75 people off their seats with an impossible circus shot in the second half.

Against Pepperdine, Monday night, the Polymen probably played their best game of the season, although losing by the tight score of 54-48. Pepperdine lost a little of their confidence and gained some respect for the local five soon after the game got under way as the Mustangs matched them basket for basket all the way through the first half. Led by Moroski, who was sinking long shots from all over the court, the Poly team left the floor at intermission on the short end of a 32-30 score.

**Basketball**  
At the start of the second half, Gerry was inserted into the lineup at center and came through by scoring four points and playing a nice floor game. Pepperdine lost no time in taking a 42-32 lead, but the Mustangs did manage to cut it down to six points as the gun sounded.

Although Pepperdine's height and steady stream of reserves did finally wear down the Mustangs, Poly looked good with special attention to Hank Moroski, who was easily the outstanding player on the floor Monday night.

#### POLY MERMEN HONORED

Two members of Poly's water-polo aggregation were named to San Jose's All-opponent honorable mention list last week. They were George Davis, back, and Jessie George, forward. This was the first year of water-polo for the local team, and Coach Dick Anderson was glad to see a couple of his men honored.

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### Poly Sports' Personality

By Gene Reno

Gene Smith, history instructor and coach of the Poly tennis team, is much better qualified as a tennis coach than is generally realized.

He earned three letters at the University of California and was captain of the tennis team during his senior year. He coached the Piedmont high school tennis team to the league championship three times between 1937 and 1941. He was also chairman of the Northern California Junior Cup squad from 1936 to 1939.

It may be asked, "What's so good about that?" Well, listen to this.

In 1935, Smith teamed with Don Budge to win the California state doubles championship. He toured Asia in 1936 with Wayne Sabin, now playing professionally, and they didn't lose a match. In 1939, he traveled around Europe with Bobby Riggs, Don McNeil, Elwood Cook, and Grayen Wheeler Kelleher.

Smith placed in the first eight in the Wimbledon tournament, the largest and most famous tennis tournament in the world.

All of his playing has been strictly in the amateur classification and will continue to be so.

Smith plays a well-controlled game, is a stickler for technique, and attempts to outsmart his opposition.

Outside of his tennis accomplishments, he is an outstanding lecturer in history and in political science, he speaks the Japanese language fluently, is modest, likeable, and exceedingly helpful.

### Mustangs to Meet Poets And Sagehens

Returning to home courts after a two week's absence, the Poly Mustangs will play host to Coach "Bonney" Bonham and his Whittier Poets this Friday night. Although they are called Poets, the famed purple and gold quintet has been making beautiful music on courts throughout the United States during the last two seasons.

Some great teams have been produced at the Quaker campus during Coach Bonham's 10 year span and this year's team seems to be no exception. Led by All-conference stars Bill Moore, Jean Martin, and Gordon Pedersen, they'll be hard to beat. With the addition of Ray Hooper and Don Wardman to the line-up, Coach Bonham will be able to field an all-letterman team.

Last year the Poets were probably the best small school team in the nation. They racked up a total of 63.87 digits per tilt against a 40.75 points-per-game average of their opponents. Two great gaps were left in this year's aggregation however, with the graduation of Carl Sherwood, all-conference last season, and Bobby Tuttle, who made an all-coast forward position. These two guns accounted for an average of 21.75 counters-per-game between them last season and are bound to be missed by Coach Bonham.

#### MEET SAGEHENS

Saturday night the Mustangs will again play on the local courts when they meet the Pomona Sagehens. Not much is known about Pomona at this time except that they gave a few teams a rough time at the Redlands Invitational Tournament.

Starting line-ups for the two visitors will probably be as follows: Whittier: Barton and Martin at forwards; Pedersen and Wardman at guards; Moore at center.

Pomona: Hough and Welch at forwards; Essig and Grass at guards; Olson at center.

In a preliminary to Friday night's game, Coach Bob Mott will send his unbeaten Frosh squad against Salinas JC, who upset the San Jose frosh team a couple of weeks ago.

"My boy friend is serving on an island in the Pacific."  
"Which island?"  
"Alcatraz."



Whittier College Head Basketball Coach Aubrey Bonham talks things over with his five returning lettermen from last year's S.C.I.C. championship squad. Left to right are: Don Wardman, guard; Captain Bill Moore, center; Gordon Pedersen, guard; Bonham; and Jean Martin, forward.

### Linemen Honored By Mustang Opponents

Echoes from the grid season were heard again last week when two Poly linemen received honors from schools the Mustangs played this year.

Hal Winslow received his second honor by being named at one of the end posts on COP's All-opponent team. Just two weeks ago Hal was voted an honorable mention on the All-2C2A eleven.

Marsh Samuels was the second green and gold uniform to be feted by being named on Occidental's All-opponent team. The game at Occidental was one of the few Marsh got to play in, but he more than made up for lost time in this tilt.

### Basketball Admission Procedure Explained

Supplementary tickets will not be needed by student body members for the games tomorrow night and Saturday night. Since most of the students will be on vacation it is hoped that plenty of room will be available.

Jack Fleming, student manager, has announced however, that the tickets will be required for the COP game January 9, and for all home games thereafter. For details on the supplementary tickets see the SAC story of last week.

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# HOOF PRINTS

By PYLE

Down among the Brazilians, coffee beans may grow by the millions, but up at San Jose the main crop seems to be excuses this year. Yes, the old Scrooge of the 2C2A, mainly one Coach William Hubbard of the sacred Spartan soil, is at it again.

To refresh any memories which might be going stale, Coach Hubbard is the man that ventured off his high pedestal, surrounded by stalwart Spartans, long enough one clear cold day last November, to refer to the Poly football team as a bunch of farmers. He was also, so he claims, the main target of a coke bottle which happened to find its way out of the Poly bleachers during the Spartan-Mustang tilt. But knowing the townspeople as I do, I think it is safe to say that the bottle was more than likely aimed at a member of the Poly team.

It seems that Mr. Hubbard, one of the few that gets paid for worrying instead of playing at San Jose, either has an acute case of ulcers or is just a little mad at the world in general. Last year he was complaining because he couldn't find enough good competition. This year he's making excuses because he found to much of it.

Yep, get this. Mr. H's excuse for the poor showing of his San Jose squad this year was because the competition the State aggregation was forced to play was so second rate, that the team was completely let down and refused to be fired up. Of course San Jose did lose to USF, COP, and Fresno. Maybe Hubbard can explain the loss to Fresno, but here his brilliant deductive reasoning ends. It seems that they played USF in their first tilt of the season—maybe the boys were just let down from Spring practice—but COP? As the man said as he watched the worm in the apple, "I'm afraid he'll wiggle and squirm a long time before he gets out of this one."

Not wanting to do Coach Hubbard too much injustice, Let's take a look back about this time last year, and see what his trouble was then. Quoting Mr. H., "I can't for the life of me see why Santa Clara passed us up in forming their '47 schedule. They have signed both COP and Fresno, two weak-sister teams that we've beaten year after year." Pardon me coach, but your press clippings are showing. What a coincidence these two teams should happen to beat you this year.

It seems that the only solution for Coach Hubbard is to start drinking tea instead of smoking the stuff. Besides I've heard tell that it's a sure cure for the ulcers.

And oh yes, be careful with those excuses Willy. Only a certain Russian diplomat gets away with that stuff and we'd hate to see anyone in the 2C2A placed under suspicion—it might hurt the box office receipts.

P.S. This is purely one farmer's point of view.—R. P.

## Intramural Squads Begin Competition

By Byron Culver

The Intramural Basketball tournament began last week with 19 teams taking part in a double round robin tournament. The tournament will last until February 24.

This intramural program was arranged and developed by Coach Bob Mott who has succeeded in attracting a good representation from Poly's clubs, dorms, and other groups on the campus.

Aiding in the intramural basketball program are representatives from the Physical Education department. These candidates for future Phys. Ed. degrees are handling the job of officiating at the games. Officiating takes much time and patience and is sometimes a thankless job. Let's hope that the competitors in the program take this into consideration when unavoidable disputes occur in their games.

### Old Timers League

The first night of league play saw Poly Phase short circuit the Walnut Club 33-32; Mariner Hall, did away with the Aero boys 31-23; While the Ball & Chains tied up Los Higuera 22-21.

	W	L	P
Poly Phase	1	0	1.000
Mariner Hall	1	0	1.000
Ball & Chain	1	0	1.000
Walnut Club	0	1	.000
Dauntless	0	1	.000
Los Higuera	0	1	.000

### Far Western

The Far Western League roared into action the second night of league play with the Crops Club chasing Chase 24-19; Avenger dropping a hot one to the AC 16-14; while the boys from the Dairy milked the Buffalo herd 31-9.

	W	L	P
Crops Club	1	0	1.000
Air Cond.	1	0	1.000
Dairy Club	1	0	1.000
Chase Hall	0	1	.000
Avenger	0	1	.000
Buffalo Hall	0	1	.000

### Big Six League

The six of the Big Six started their season off with Deuel Dorm downing Seagull 25-20; Jolly J's knocking the stars out of the All Stars 42-24; and the feather merchants proving too much for the Young Farmers 28-22.

	W	L	P
Deuel Dorm	1	0	1.000
Jolly J's	1	0	1.000
Poultry Club	1	0	1.000
Seagull	0	1	.000
All Stars	0	1	.000
Young Farmers	0	1	.000

## Mustang Sluggers Drop Close Match to Gauchos

By J. W. Carter

A low blow and a cut eye cost Cal Poly the boxing meet last Wednesday night with Santa Barbara. The Gauchos won 4½ to 3½.

Art "Gugie" Gugulimelli, last year's 125 pound 2C2A champ, in the first bout of the evening was knocking Don Wilde all over the ring, when, at the closing seconds of the first round, the two "gladiators" bumped heads. "Gugie's" eye closed immediately. According to 2C2A ruling, the bout was called a draw, giving Poly a half point and Santa Barbara a half point.

Later in the evening Willie Baker was winning his fight with Jim Watt of Santa Barbara, when he accidentally hit his opponent low, costing him the round and the bout.

Another bout matched Russ Barr against Jim Cathcart. Barr fought Cathcart twice last year, winning one and losing one. Russ made it two wins out of three Wednesday night.

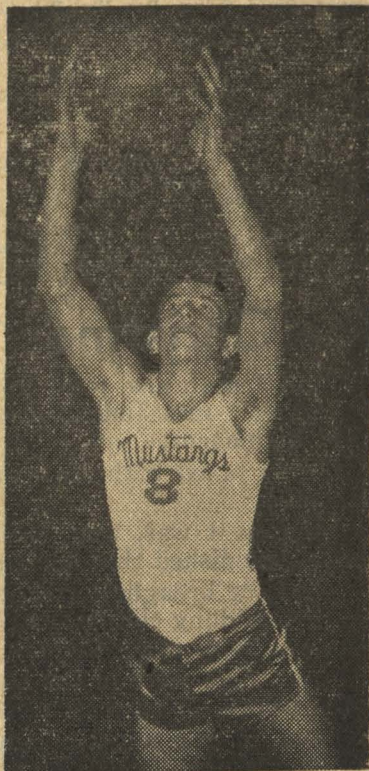
Gene George put up a game fight in the third bout against a tough and hard hitting fighter, Bill Cormier. George got up off the floor twice during the bout to continue the fight, but lost the decision to Cormier.

The last bout of the evening saw Kenny "Rawhide" Cornelius vs. Bill Steele. "Rawhide" took command at the opening gong and never left the offensive. Steele spent the entire fight covering up with one exception. He took one little peek from behind his glove, which resulted in one bad eye for Mr. Steele.

Results of the meet:

Gugulimelli (CP), Wilde (SB), draw.  
Risling (CP) dec. Walker (SB)  
Cormier (SB) dec. George (CP)  
Goodrow (SB) dec. Weems (CP)  
Watt (SB) dec. Baker (CP)  
Barr (CP) dec. Cathcart (SB)  
Kenison (SB) dec. Pembroke (CP)  
Cornelius (CP) dec. Steele (SB)

Frosh: "The professor just hanged himself."  
Senior: "Did you cut him down?"  
Frosh: "He wasn't dead yet."



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### ATHLETIC BOARD MEETS

The Poly athletic board met last week to settle some of the problems that face this year's athletic program.

Heading the list of the evening's accomplishments was the approving of a list of 15 tentative lettermen submitted to the committee.

The major and minor sports' program at Poly were also discussed with a promise being made by the committee to investigate the issue further.

### CHRISTMAS RECESS

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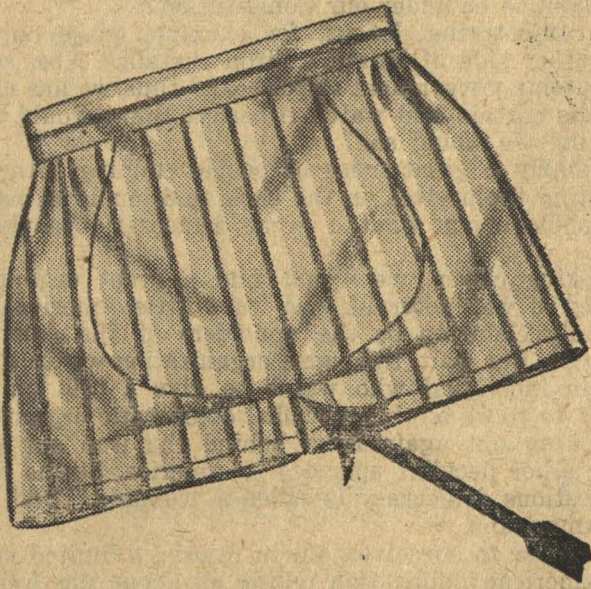
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## The Christmas Story

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem;

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her first born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Luke 2: 4-14

## Switch List...

By Donald Miller

We pride ourselves in being the greatest democratic nation in the world, but did you ever stop to think how other nations judge us. Do they consider us a democracy as we claim to be under our Constitution?

In conjecturing, let us, for example, place ourselves on the other side of Russia's "iron curtain." Now say we are a Russian government official, and thus we are allowed to lift the curtain and watch America. What would be the first thing we would see?

Probably a great mass of people running hither and yon patting themselves on the back, and loudly applauding their babble about what a great democratic people they are.

Looking closer, we would find a great organization composed of war veterans who wave little American flags and loudly claim to be the upholders of the democratic way of life. But wait, this same organization wants to maul a certain individual who wants to give a talk on views contrary to those of this so-called democratic organization.

Looking out again from behind the iron curtain we observe other peculiar episodes in America. Seems anyone who questions democracy is called a "commie." Odd people these Americans.

We muse to ourselves, for in Russia, a limited number of an American publication telling all about the American way is circulated. Let Russia distribute such a publication in America telling about the Russian way, and the lid would blow off the American press.

Still scanning America from the Russian's point of view what else do we find? Most Americans know little or nothing about Russia and its past history. They do not understand why Russia is so embittered against the capitalistic system. Their are well-grounded reasons.

Taking a look into America's system of education we find that the idea of democracy is carried far, i.e., most everything taught is compatible with democracy. Those few schools who digress from the norm are frowned upon by the so-called true believers of democracy. How many schools give a comprehensive course in the Communistic system of government? Americans claim to be democratic thinkers. If so, why do they not endeavor to increase their knowledge through unbiased investigation?

Let us bring the curtain down on this venture, and come back to reality. Fantastic as our tour may have been, Americans must admit that horn blowing, flag waving, and the like mean nothing. We must place our nation before the mirror of judgement. Will the image we see reflected be that of people with true democratic ideals as set forth by the Constitution?

## Three By Eight...

By E. Blake

While idly typing out complaints to the VA about not receiving my check and the high cost of living and other pressing needs for cash and please send some soon, the thought struck me that if I could only trade in those credits in introduction to Walnut Picking (Ag. 666 1/2, 2 units MWF) on credit in Ornamental Horticulture that... Good Lord, I think I graduated last summer!

I snatched down a copy of the catalog and began thumbing through the pages like mad. After briefing out a quick schedule containing two extra-curricular credits in airplane spotting and basket-making, I tore down to the registrar's office to register (naturally).

It was here that I found that glass-blowing had replaced basket-weaving and airplane-spotting was considered passe' and in its place there was something called Russian-baiting taught by some guy named Miller. The well-endowed lady across the counter allowed as how I must have been reading last year's catalogs. I bounced down to Meach's office to pick up the latest dope and was handed the fat green book and then some pretty young thing said something about that being two-bits please.

What's this? I protest, are we being charged for a compilation of advertising copy? She hastily explained that due to the fact that they printed more this year price went way up. By that train of thought *Reader's Digest* should set one back about ten bucks. They print 4 or 5 million of them. She claimed I was just being difficult, that there were not enough catalogs to go around so they put a tariff on them that will scare away all but the rich and well-fed. This may be in the neighborhood of a scoop, but I happen to know that there are three or four huge cases of these "scarce" books in room 5 in the basement of the Adm. building.

In an effort to smooth my ruffled spirits she offered to let me read the office copy, which I did. Of course it was a little hard to open the cover what with the heavy chain bolted on. And the handcuffs made it hard to turn the pages, and the green-clad figure of fire-marshal, police-chief, traffic-cop, forest-ranger, justice-of-the-peace, and safety-engineer Steiner standing over me to protect that precious volume did not make the session any easier.

However, there is one way you can get your catalog free. Have your young brother send a casual letter to the college asking about the whole thing... they'll shoot him one free and he can lateral it back to you. It will work... I know. That is what I finally did.

## LETTERS to the EDITOR

Dear Editor:

In last week's Switch List column the classification of the Republican and Communist parties in the same category seems a bit far fetched.

I appreciate the journalistic efforts of your staff, but I also feel that some study and research should go into all of your work and particularly into those concerning political problems.

The article in question caused me to wonder. Has Mr. Miller ever read in an English text used at Cal Poly an exercise titled, "Tabloid Thinking?" Is Mr. Miller a registered voter and does or has he exercised his privilege as such? Does Mr. Miller pay any federal taxes?

Since I am a registered, voting, and taxpaying member of the Republican party, I should like to present a few facts concerning how the GOP has reacted to the Emergency Relief plan.

I will admit that the considerable disunity in the ranks of our Republican congressmen has not aided the administration in achieving the immediate enactment of its proposal, but I feel that some of this Republican delay was well justified.

The main reason for holding up this plan was the Republican proposal to cut \$108,000,000 from the figure requested for France, Italy and Austria. This cut was requested because there is in the hands of the Italian black market about 1,000,000 bushels of wheat. The Republican contention has been that it would be cheaper to confiscate this wheat and use it for relief, than to purchase supplies here and ship them to Europe.

It has been the Republican leaders in Congress who have insisted that we add \$60,000,000 for relief to China. This is because the GOP believes that we must fight Communism on all fronts.

Finally—two rather significant facts. Mr Taft cast an affirmative vote for the emergency relief plan. Second it was the Republican Speaker of

the House, Joe Martin, who engineered a parliamentary coup-de-etat to get the relief measure through the House over both Republican and Democratic objections.

I shall be happy at any time to supply Mr. Miller or any other member of your staff with information concerning the GOP.

Crispin Wood

Dear Editor:

I was more than interested in Don Miller's article "How Do We Feel About Rationing?" I believe that Don is an idealist rather than a realist. He states that thirty per cent of the people do not worry about Europe's needs. Well, Don, there were about ten million people in the armed forces, and of these ten million let us say that a fifth are going to school.

Few of the ex-GI's are majoring in world affairs, and if they were they would start with the revolution and by the time they came to that chapter entitled 'The Birth of the Nazi Party' we could be in our second year of atomic warfare, providing that the world could last that long.

With each history course, from the eighth grade through college, we start at the American Revolution and make great strides right up to the first world war. From here on the world is at a standstill as far as history is concerned.

One of our history instructors stated that he doubted if a third of his class knew the Marshall Plan. In the next breath he went on to inform us that Theodore Roosevelt disobeyed orders and went charging up San Juan hill.

No Don, I do not know about conditions as they exist today in Europe, but just ask me who was known for his 'kitchen cabinet', or who was 'Old Rough and Ready.' We haven't come to that chapter entitled "What about Europe in '48."

Juan Marin

Dear Editor:

Donald Miller and pinhead are synonymous. What does he mean saying that the Republicans are the same as Communists? That is the only thing I object to in his pap of last week. By his line of thinking, he is admitting that he was once a communist himself—for less than two years ago he was on the same side as the Russians and the communists.

Just what is he, Donald Miller, doing to aid the unfortunate peoples of Europe? Is he going without? No! Is he sending aid? No! Is he offering to fight Russia? No! He is merely tapping out big bad words about the men who are running our country—men chosen by democratic processes. He is stirring up unrest on a very very small scale... but every little bit helps. Ain't I right, Joe?

Name withheld (pending notification, next-of-kin)

## The Cowboys' Corner

By "Oke" Vernon

### SAN FRANCISCO COW PALACE RODEO

The Championship-deciding show of the Rodeo year was held here with just about every rodeo cowboy in the U. S. present. The high-point cowboys were all there to make their final bid to hold, or take the lead in five major events of the arena. Wag Blessing, who held the lead as "World's Champion Cowboy", up to this show, was put into second place by Bill Linderman. Bill took just enough points at this show to skim past Wag, and take the title of "World's Champion Cowboy of 1947."

The competition was as rough as it can get, and the stock, furnished by Harry Rowell, Cuff Burrell, and the Millerick Bros. was a shade nasty. Clowning was done by Elmer Holcomb and Slim Pickens, judging by Cecil Henly and Perry Ivory, with top announcing from Cy Tailon.

The purse was \$12,500 plus \$11,000 in entry fees and about \$10,000 more in awards from various companies. This totaled \$33,500 and the boys really came out of the chutes "a-jobbin'em" to snatch some of that big money.

Cal Poly had five boys in there and they put on a good show. Cotton Rosser came out with the biggest prize when he took second in the Bull Riding average. To do so, Cotton had to beat such champions as Wag Blessing (1947 bull riding champ), Jimmy Schumacher, and Gerald Roberst (both former bull riding champs of the world). Cotton also took a second money (day) in the Saddle Bronc Riding. Red Mason split a third and fourth in the day money on a good bull. Dave Mason came out on the short end of the prize money after putting on two good rides out of the three bulls he rode. John Loftus did a repeat—rode two out of three.

Norman Yeo, the only Poly entrant in the Bareback Bronc Riding, did a nice job of riding on three out of the four horses he drew.

When a rider fails to ride all of his stock, he is definitely out of the final average money. His only chance is to get wild, throw a fit, while atop a bronc or bull, and win some day money.

The Cal Poly boys rode all their stock until the last go-around. On their last head of stock they tried hard to stay up on top to get into the average, but they didn't get too wild for fear of sticking their heads into the dirt. So, when they bucked off their "average" stock, they were also out of the day money. Nevertheless, the boys put on a top show, and they let the other contestants know that they were in there pitching.



# An Unholy Christmas in the Holy Land

By PHILLIP NASRALLAH \*

## ED. NOTE

Mr. Nasrallah, a native of Lebanon, has recently come from his home there. He presents herewith his views of the recent action of the UN. D. J.

As I write these lines, the number of killed in the Arab East is reported to have exceeded 400, as a result of, and following the UN's approval to partition Palestine into separate Arab and Jewish States. Day by day the situation is growing more and more tense as the awaited dread day for action draws nigh.

Quite a time ago, a child and a saviour was born in a stable in those Holy Lands; and for the last 1948 years, free peoples all over the world have been celebrating his birthday as a renewal of love, a reminder of friendship, and a call for good will to all people. This year Christmas brings with it a grievous but significant event, for the birthday of Christ is aflame, turned into an altar where human lives are sacrificed in the name of "Justice" and "Humanitarianism!"

The great traditional bell of Jerusalem shall be ringing—rather tolling incessantly for men, women, and children who decided to die defending their country rather than see it partitioned into lifeless pieces by an unjust and intriguing vote of the UN General Assembly.

## INFLUENCE USED

As the heavy smoke that surrounded and followed the UN's decision dispersed, there was revealed the shocking scars of the pressure exerted on the different delegates in order to swing the final vote to the partition's side. Those plots happened at the very last meetings when the chances of securing a two-thirds majority vote were more scant than ever; and their champion was unfortunately the United States.

On Nov. 28 the New York Times analyzed the improbability of the vote for partition without US active backing by saying, "Partition has little chance unless the United States makes strenuous efforts to win over some of the delegations."

The open manifestation of these "strenuous efforts" was too obvious to conceal, and it was exposed by the American Press and alluded to directly or indirectly by UN delegates.

From a statement by Sir Mahmoud Zafrullah, representative of Pakistan, "Those who have no access to what is going on behind the scenes have known enough from

the press to have a great fear in their hearts not only on this question—because this is one individual question that has come up—but that the deliberations and decisions of this great body in which the hopes of the world for the future are centered, will not be left free on crucial questions."

Mr. Parodi of France hinted, "We have come to the moment of decision and I feel certain misgivings regarding the conditions of the work. These conditions do not seem to have been of the most propitious nature."

After summing up his reasons for opposing the Partition plan, Mr. Dihigo of Cuba remarked, "We have to express our view through our vote in the maintenance of consistency, in spite of pressure which has been brought to bear upon us."

But the pressure, which the Cuban delegate was bold enough to expose and resist, was too much for the other delegates and was that magic hand which swung the final vote.

## PRESIDENT ORDERS

Concerning the responsibility in the presidential lap and tracing the mechanism by which the pressure was applied, columnist Drew Pearson wrote, "Only a few people knew it, but President Truman cracked down harder on his State Department than ever before to swing United Nations' votes for the partition of Palestine."

In the end a lot of people used their influence. Harvey Firestone who monopolizes the rubber plantations of Liberia got busy with the Liberian Government. Adolph Berle, advisor to the president of Haiti swung that vote. Freda Kirchway, editor of the Nation, called foreign minister Carl Berenson of New Zealand and won New Zealand's vote.

Why has all this pressure been applied? If unjust, then why does the U.S. government back partition? Why do the wider and bigger countries refrain from opening their doors for helpless refugees?

## ANSWER GIVEN

W.T. Stace, professor of philosophy at Princeton University, has the answer, and this is a quo-

tation from his article to the Atlantic Monthly of February 1947.

"The answer is that we, the inhabitants of the United States, of Canada, of Australia, of Great Britain, of the rest of the countries concerned, do not want to admit our own plain moral obligations in the matter. We do not want to take our fair share of the burden. We have found a small country, Palestine, and a remote defenseless people, the Arabs, on whom we can unjustly shove the burden of our duties."

And the reason why America in particular tries to force the pace is simply that the Jewish vote is powerful in America." (Dr. Stace implies particularly the important deciding vote in New York State as well as the press and motion picture industries.)

After an all-around analysis of the case and refutation of all Zionist claims, Dr. Stace concludes by saying, "The logic of the case as a whole is too clear for any error in the general conclusion in the dispute between Jew and Arab. The Arab claim is correct and the Zionist claim is without any foundation. This is the inevitable conclusion to which an impartial judge would come."

## HOLD ELECTION

The Mustang Flying association will hold its next regular meeting at 7 p.m. in El Corral on January 6. All members are requested to attend this meeting to elect officers for the coming year. Coffee and doughnuts will be served following the meeting. All persons interested are urged to attend.

## NATURAL GAS USED

In January of this year, Poly consumed 4½ million cubic feet of natural gas. Gas is used for the direct heating of all campus buildings other than the Adm. building, gym, Eng. building, the four permanent dorms, and cafeteria No. 1. These buildings are heated by steam generated by two gas fired boilers located in the power house.

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# More Mileage Means More Work For Busy Auto Shop

By Eugene Kemper

There are more than 1,000 checkouts. This is the number of times the vehicles in the motor pool at Poly are used by students, faculty, and employees of the College each month. Speaking of vehicles, there are seven cars, nine pickups, one jeep, two busses, and 16 trucks headquartered at the auto shop on the campus.

The drivers who make the 1,000 checkouts drive an approximate total of 23,000 miles per month. That's 10,000 miles for the cars and 13,000 for the trucks.

This base of operations is in charge of smiling Jim Carrington and his staff of six who are A.J.W. Barnes, Don Hovely, and Don Lansing who live in the quarters behind the shop, and Albert McDermid, E.L. Miller, and John Walker. With the exception of Carrington, these employees are paid from student labor funds.

Along with all the miles traveled by these cars and trucks, goes many hours of labor to keep them in shape for safe, efficient operation. The boys in the shop work over 400 hours per month overhauling engines, fixing flat tires, repairing damaged fenders, fueling and lubricating, and doing other jobs to keep 'em rolling.

The cars and trucks at the college's disposal are used largely for farm and campus maintain-

ance. Included in this category are trash disposal, hauling janitor and dorm supplies, and moving feeds for the dairy, beef, sheep, swine, poultry, and thoroughbred units. These trucks are also used to supply the cafeterias from the town markets, and to stock the Crops department store.

Several field trips are made each year by the various departments to the Los Angeles and San Francisco areas, besides the field trips which are made locally.

In addition, there are several trips made for student projects. Some of the cars are used by members of the State Board of Vocational Education for their business throughout the state. The college president also has a car for his use.

In explaining other long trips made by the boys in his department, Carrington stated, "Hardly two weeks pass without a trip to Los Angeles or San Francisco to pick up some surplus property which has been bought by the college."

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## Musicians Set Date For Annual Spring Tour

By Tallman

The Music department's annual spring tour, which takes the Glee club, the "Collegians" the octette, and the two quartets into various parts of the state every year, has been definitely planned for early in March of next year.

For the second time since the end of the war, the musicians will act as ambassadors for the college. The tour departure date has been set at March 7 and will find the boys giving their last concert on March 14.

The tradition of the tour was begun by H. P. 'Davie' Davidson shortly after he came to Poly in 1935. Since that time the performance of the musicians has established a brilliant reputation for themselves throughout the state for their formal-informal concerts.

This year the Sacramento valley area has been chosen as the general location itinerary, but no definite concert dates are final as yet. The men will present a minimum of three programs a day while in this area.

This extensive tour does not draw any funds from the student body or from the school foundation. All trip expenses are taken care of by the men themselves. They not only create good will, but they also pay for it.

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Tom: "How can I cure my wife of snoring?"

Paul: "Easy. By good advice, cooperation, kindness, and by stuffing an old sock in her mouth."

Suzy: "Oh, Jimmy, you're so slow!"

Jimmy: "I'm afraid I just don't grasp you."

Suzy: "That's just the trouble!"

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