

Campuses Cooperate; Parade Float Results

By Paul Tritenbach

Pasadena, Calif. — (CNPS) — The sight of Cal Poly's own float going by in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses parade was enough to make any Poly man swell with pride. A record 1,750,000 spectators, packed along the seven mile long line of march, cheered Poly's entry, the first in the college's history.

"Rocking Horse" was the name of the float, in keeping with the parade's theme of "Childhood Memories." Consisting of a cream-colored horse mounted on a green base with gold lettering, the float represented both campuses of Cal Poly. The horse was ridden by a pint-sized cowboy, dressed in pajamas.

The "Rocking Horse" passed at about the middle of the two-hour parade, in division III. Only two other colleges entered a float in the tournament, and these were the Rose Bowl contestants, Northwestern and the University of California. Watching Poly's entry move by the reviewing stand were President Julian A. McPhee and Harold Wilson, president of the San Dimas branch.

Credit for sparkplugging the idea goes to Float Chairman Don Miller, horticulture student at San Dimas. Bob Cochran and Roy Swanson, also O.H. students at the southern campus, designed the float, with all construction and decoration done by volunteer students. Faculty advisor for the project was Oliver A. Batcheller, OH department head at San Dimas. Details of the float were outlined

by Batcheller who said that the base was 12 by 20 feet, and four feet high; and that the horse, on rockers atop the base, was eight feet high. Inside the base was a Ford Ferguson tractor which propelled the float.

Five to 6 thousand blossoms were required to cover the 120 square feet of surface on the horse with chrysanthemums, and the 75 square feet of lettering with calendulas. The lettering on the front proclaimed "Rocking Horse", while each side bore the words, "California State Polytechnic College, San Luis Obispo and San Dimas."

Recent frosts blackened the fields of flowers started last July by the Horticulture department, so all the chrysanthemums had to be purchased, Batcheller said. Aside from that, every detail was finished by Poly students, many of them helping during vacation season. Seven men from San Luis Obispo who pasted on flowers in Pasadena New Year's Eve were Charles Harding, James Knadler, Vince Hardy, Paul Weller, Ted Clark, John Hamilton, and Gene Weisenberg.

Cost of the float was described as \$250 by Batcheller, who declared "that is a good deal less than \$4000 to \$8000, the cost of most floats." San Luis Obispo's share was \$150, which has been paid, according to Marty Engler, student president. Batcheller also said that splendid student cooperation has resulted in the low overall cost, and that he hoped this year's entry would establish a precedent for future Rose Parades.



LUCKY GUS . . . Queen-elect Dona smiles obligingly for the photogs midst a chat with Carl Beck. This action took pace at the Christmas formal, Dec. 18. Beck is known locally as the "father of Poly Royal."

Radar Search Tower Begins Operation At Campus Airstrip

A radar tower has recently been installed at Cal Poly's airstrip. The tower, reaching 22 feet above the hanger, is to be used by the 50,000 watt radar station which the electronics department is preparing for future operation.

The tower is part of a complete Mark XVI search radar station which was a direct gift to Cal Poly through the Federal Works Agency. The electronics department has obtained a renewal of the experimental license for this station with the call letters W6XDM assigned to it.

The tower weighs about three and one half tons with nearly one and one half tons concentrated at its top. In order to support this weight, the base was previously embedded in concrete. The tower, when righted, was then bolted to this base.

The tower was first assembled on the ground and then pulled upright the morning of Dec. 23, during the Christmas holiday. For erection, a cable was placed through a pulley attached to a gin pole. The gin pole was guyed by means of cables which were kept tight by several tractors and trucks. A tractor was then employed to slowly raise the 60 foot tower.

The task of raising the tower was completed by the electronics department, with the aid of Erle S. Campbell, farm superintendent. The tower was worked into preliminary position by large jacks. Two of its legs were attached to the base by means of steel pins and cables were attached and used to raise the tower. When standing erect, the four legs were fixed to the base.

The construction of the tower marks a major step towards placing the new radar station in operation. Much of the work on the tower and station is being done by students. When completed, the station will be operated by electronics students as part of their laboratory work.

NOTICE

Coach Sheldon Harden stated today that tonight's wrestling match against San Francisco State will be held in Hill Crest Study.

State Veterinarians Meet Next Week At Poly Campus

Leading veterinarians of the United States, including Dr. Otto Stader, who seven years ago introduced to medical science the revolutionary new Stader splint, will be guest speakers at the annual mid-winter conference of the California Veterinary Medical Association Jan. 10, 11 and 12 here on the campus of California State Polytechnic College.

More than 200 of the state's veterinarians will gather on the campus of the state agricultural and industrial college to hear talks by more than a score of nationally known veterinarians and livestock health authorities.

Included on the program will be a paper read by Dr. Stader on "Surgical Problems of the Canine Knee Joint." Dr. Stader developed for use on injured dogs his famous Stader reduction splint, which uses small pins and a bar instead of a clumsy plaster cast to set bones. During the war the navy adapted the splint to set broken bones sailors received in battle engagements.

C. P. Zepp, president-elect of the American Veterinary Medical Association and a practicing veterinarian in New York City, will speak on the diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the ear in dogs and cats. Leslie M. Hurt, retiring president of the AVMA and head of the livestock department of Los Angeles County, will also attend the conference.

Ounce Of Prevention

E. A. Steiner, according to an informed person who wishes to remain anonymous, has installed a chemical fire extinguisher on the back porch of his home at Campus way.

Last Dec. 3, 8:15 a.m., a fire was reported to have done considerable damage to an upholstered chair at the Steiner residence.

Dona Flies Homeward; Will Be Back Soon

Dona Grace Burbage, 1949 Poly Royal queen, writes from Humboldt State college that she has been extremely busy—busy answering questions about Cal Poly.

Dona visited the campus a week before Christmas for a round of publicity pictures. She was introduced to students at a student body assembly and was guest of honor at the annual Christmas formal. Now she's telling Humboldt Staters about her experiences.

She posed before cameras of more than a dozen campus photographers who took an estimated 1,500 pictures. Outstanding photographs will be distributed to general magazines as well as to technical journals in the agricultural and industrial fields.

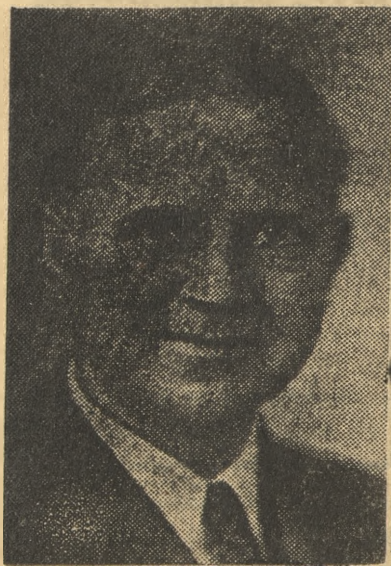
Dona also appeared on two radio broadcasts. She was interviewed by Hugh Harling, on his KVEC sports show and by John Healey, Cal Poly sports publicity director, on a KPIK musical program.

The queen made the 800 mile trip from her home up north at Eureka, California, by air. She had been scheduled to return to the northern city on the Dec. 19, Sunday afternoon flight out of San Luis Obispo, but the flight was canceled when engine trouble prevented the plane from leaving Los Angeles.

So instead, arrangements were made by Larry Wells and Ray Harwood, chairman and vice-chairman of the 1949 Poly Royal Board, for her departure that evening on a flight leaving Santa Maria.

states that "the annual shall be given a reduced price to student body card holders." The idea that the book is free to card holders is erroneous, according to Gandy, and originated when the school's budget could afford to make this gesture.

This is entirely in keeping with the school's constitution, which



Dr. Kirby Page

Dr. Kirby Page Will Speak Before Students

Dr. Kirby Page, author and lecturer, will speak on "Can Military Weapons Defend Us" at an 11 a. m. student body assembly on Wednesday, January 12. Page is the author of nineteen volumes on international, economic, social and religious questions. His works have been translated into ten different languages, and more than a million copies of his books and pamphlets have been sold. Dr. Page has spoken at over 400 colleges and universities throughout the country; he has crossed the ocean some twenty times and has visited some thirty-five countries.

Dr. Page's talk next Wednesday is in conjunction with a Pacific coast tour of colleges, churches, civic and club groups. Besides his 11 a. m. address in the Poly stadium, he will hold an open forum at 4 p. m. in the afternoon in room 214 of the Administration Building. The forum is being conducted in order to give those students who are aroused by his morning address an opportunity to ask questions. In the evening, at 7:30 in the Methodist church, Dr. Page will speak on "What Does God Want" (Continued on page five)

Fellows, Head Man From Print Shop

One of Cal Poly's instructors who is never too tired to give individual assistance is A. M. "Bert" Fellows, head of Poly's printing department. Operating on a 74-hour week schedule, Bert Fellows and Guy Culbertson, almost live in Poly's print shop instructing 84 students in the art of printing.



"Bert" Fellows

Fellows, the son of a country editor came to Poly two years ago. Starting almost from scratch, he took over the print shop and is now teaching a four-year degree course. The only other school in the United States that offers this course is Carnegie Tech in Pennsylvania.

Fellows has had many years of experience in the printing industry. He has worked in California, Alabama, Missouri, Texas, Kansas, and Georgia. For 17 years he was in Oklahoma engaged in the newspaper business. For many years he was superintendent of one of the largest publishing and printing houses in Kansas City, Mo. Before coming to Cal Poly, he had been employed as a mechanical man on the Santa Monica Evening Outlook for eleven years.

Fellows has been active in the International Typographical Union. He was elected legislative representative for the Allied Printing Industry of California, which has a membership of 100,000 people employed in the graphic arts.

In a statement, Fellows said, "I am proud to be a member of the International Typographical Union because it is a progressive and constructive organization and thru its efforts it has improved sanitary conditions, raised the longevity rate of its members from 55 to 64 years, brought about a shorter work week and higher wages, and provided for its old member's security and an old-age pension of \$40 a month after the age of 60."

Fellows fully endorses Cal Poly's educational program of "learning by doing." This program is being carried out in his department.

The printing department is attempting to turn out journeymen workers, not apprentices, according to Fellows.

The course carries the approval of the California Newspaper Publishers Association.

The four-year course is equal of 18 years of apprenticeship training if the apprentice is working in each individual craft.

At present, there is \$180,000 worth of equipment in the plant. The department is hoping to install a Miehle Vertical automatic press, a new type casting machine, an Elrod, and a mat making machine. Fellows hopes to add photoengraving equipment and a lithograph within a few years.

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Vets Switching To State Plan Contact SDVA

Veterans at Poly who are planning to take advantage of State educational assistance for the first time in the coming semester are urged by E.S. Milligan, of the Veterans Service Office, to consult him without delay.

Veterans near the end of the Federal GI Bill of Rights may be able to continue their education through changing over to the California Veterans Educational Institute plan. By looking into the matter before the end of this semester, they can avoid the re-registration rush and unnecessary delays in payment.

Under this plan a veteran may qualify for State payment of his tuition fees, books, and supplies, plus a subsistence allowance of \$40 a month. A total maximum expenditure of \$1,000 per veteran is allowed.

To be eligible, a veteran must have been born in or entered military service from California, and must have served at least 90 days prior to January 1, 1947.

Although the State Department of Veterans Affairs encourages veterans to use up their Federal entitlement first, there are cases in which it may be wiser to use the State plan now and save some of their Federal allowance for the future, Milligan said. This applies particularly to veterans planning graduate studies outside California (where the State cannot assist them) or those planning professional training. Full information on the California Veterans Educational Institute is available at County Veterans Service office, located at 967 Osos Street.

Industrial Men Head Enrollment

The enrollment statistics recently released by the Registrar's office of Cal Poly show that the industrial students have replaced the agricultural students in the number of enrollments.

There are now 1,188 industrial students among the 2,486 members of the student body for the winter quarter.

Science and humanities students number 180 while there are 18 post-graduate men.

In the industrial division are 251 air conditioning and refrigeration men, 212 mechanical engineers, 186 electrical engineers, 184 electronics and radio hopefuls, and 186 aero engineers, with the architects, maintenance men and printers bringing up the rear.

The agricultural division boasts the largest enrollment in a particular major. Animal husbandry students number 487, with 128 dairy husbandry men, 118 ag engineers, 90 crops men, 88 poultry husbandry majors, and ag inspection, horse-shoeing, dairy manufacturing, fruit production, ornamental horticulture, and truck crops supplementing the list.

The large number of veterans, 1,643, comprise 66.3 per cent of the enrollment.

New Division At Stanford

Administering a graduate program and granting a Doctorate and Master's degrees, a new division of engineering mechanics in the school of engineering was established last week at Stanford university. Previously at Stanford, students studied engineering mechanics in the departments of mechanical and civil engineering.

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ISOLATION CASES . . . Dr. Roscoe Balch, veterinarian, examines birds being held in confinement for observation for possible disease. Dr. Balch also instructs courses in livestock physiology and disease.

Feather Mite Is Elusive Prey For Veterinarian

By Jerry Welna

Experiments that are being conducted on *Liponyssus sylvarum*, the northern feather mite which parasitizes chickens in this area and which is responsible for so much economic loss, have led to some baffling incidents.

A number of infested birds were placed in cages at the veterinary hospital. All but two of the birds are receiving various types of treatment, in an attempt to develop an adequate control measure for *L. sylvarum*. Two non-parasitized birds which are not receiving treatment were placed next to the two parasitized birds which are not receiving treatment. Unbelievably, the feather mites didn't migrate to the two susceptible birds.

This is most extraordinary, Dr. Roscoe Balch stated, because a few infested birds in pen 29 were recently detected, and shortly afterwards the whole pen became severely infected.

Last year, at this time, the log-horn males were moved from the range to the pullet houses and were sprayed with a benzene and hexachloride solution. This treatment proved inadequate, however, for it wasn't long afterwards that many of the pullet houses were severely infested with mites that had survived the severe BHC treatment.

The control experiments which Doctor Balch has been conducting have slowed down for lack of infested birds that have not received some sort of previous treatment.

Doctor Balch is wondering if the transfer of males from the range to the pullet houses will produce new outbreaks. If history repeats itself, he will have more birds available for experimental work than he actually wants.

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Collegiate F.F.A. To Hear Fries, State President

Members of Young Farmer chapters in San Luis Obispo and northern Santa Barbara counties will hear Harluf Fries, president of the State Association of Young Farmers, speak at a banquet Friday, Jan. 14, in the cafeteria on the campus of California State Polytechnic college.

Fries, who lives in Rialto City and is a member of the Caruthers chapter, will speak on the topic, "The Young Farmers in California." John D. Lawson, assistant state advisor of Young Farmers, will also talk.

Tonightmaster for the banquet will be Robert Bowman. President of the host Cal Poly chapter is Vince Harly. Other guests will include C. O. McCorkle, dean of instruction, and H. H. Burlingham, agricultural education and teacher training instructor.

Musical entertainment will be provided by the Majors and the Minors, unit of the Cal Poly Glee club.

Wings Fail; Thumbs Work

Two Cal Poly students had an exciting trip hitch-hiking their way home during the holiday's. After changing their plans to fly because of bad weather conditions, Roberto Alexander and Cisco de la Garza, thumbed their way to Mexico.

They made the trip in 48 hours from San Luis Obispo, California to Monterey, Mexico, and it cost them less than \$15.00. De la Garza was wearing a merchant marine officer's uniform, and Alexander a big sign reading "Good Company."

Several bothersome aspects of their journey, De la Garza reported were the embarrassing questions everyone asked about his self designed uniform.

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A Resident?

A recent statistical release from the registrar's office shows that there are now 2,486 students enrolled at the SLO branch of California Polytechnic. This figure represents a considerable gain over the school's pre-war population, which, we understand, numbered around or below the 500 mark.

Any school whose student body has increased at such a clip is bound to be confronted with conflict between the old and the new. Facilities once quite ample are now outmoded jokes. New construction is apparent all about us, the contractors striving to keep up with the influx of more and more men.

New athletic space and equipment are being added, more new instructors—but even so, whether we want to admit it or not, the close relationship between students and instructors seems to be slowly crumbling away. Cal Poly is a big school!

Perhaps one of the most outmoded vestiges of our departed small-time days is the C.P. medical set-up. It's inadequate. Are there any denials? This publication has on several occasions supplied crying towels to persons complaining against the dispensary.

A physician friend, to whom we took the problem, suggested that securing a resident physician might logically be the first step in combatting the issue. He mentioned that a small additional medical assessment per student would pay the salary of such a doctor. He also stated that Amherst college, with a student body of 800, has a resident physician who happens to be a very busy man.

The duties of a resident physician would entail giving more frequent physical exams, blood tests, and X-rays, as well as tending the routine cuts and abrasions.

We're not slinging mud at the present medical staff, they're doing a swell job with their somewhat limited materials at hand. But we are suggesting that a full-time doctor might logically be added to the Poly staff for the purpose of providing a better health service. It is a fact that the campus livestock's health is safeguarded by two resident veterinarians.

P. K.

This Language of Ours

One of the reasons for so many of the quarrels and petty bickerings we find about us are the misunderstandings caused by our ambiguous language.

I was riding up from town on the bus the other day and two school children were discussing their fast disappearing gum drops.

"What you got left?"

"Two blacks and a white."

I heard it vaguely and dismissed it from my mind until about five minutes later a woman across the aisle inquired of her husband, as he read the evening paper:

"Who were the defendants in the Detroit trial, Jim?"

"Two blacks and a white."

I smiled at the repeated phrase. When I got off the bus I stopped for a cup of coffee. As I approached a booth, I heard someone call up to the man behind the counter:

"Two blacks and a white."

Dictionaries define words, but they are inadequate in interpreting context.

"Two blacks and a white" may mean anything. Is it a wonder that arguments arise so frequently within families and close friendships? Or that misunderstood phrases form the basis of much of the political "mud slinging." Is it any wonder that in a world of so many tongues, it seems so difficult to draw a plan of lasting peace?

Perhaps the trouble lies in a close friend, a presidential aspirant and a leading nation of the world not knowing if the other person or nation is speaking of candy, a race of people, or a cup of coffee.—"The Cue," University of Duquesne

ASLEEP IN THE DEEP

Although the amount of space proportioned to it has been nil during the past few issues, we want to assure the student body that El Mustang's staff has not forgotten the Student Union. We are merely awaiting the facts about the situation that the SAC committee was supposed to glean from their interview with President McPhee. As yet we have had no word. When we do, you'll hear about it.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

American literature! Why do they require such dull stuff? These were my thoughts as I studied over the list of courses I had to take in the coming year. I swallowed hard and enrolled in Poly's literature course, American Scene \$11.

My visual picture of American Scene entailed long dreary hours studying the "long hairs" of the American pen—Longfellow, Tennyson, Whit-tier, et al. I expected such questions to be asked: "What do you suppose Tennyson had in mind when he wrote the 'Charge of the Light Brigade?'" or "What does Longfellow mean in line 86 of his poem, 'Hiawatha's Childhood?'"

When I attended the first lecture of American Scene, William Leary, instructor, marched into the classroom right on the hour. Under his arm was a book the size of Webster's unabridged dictionary.

"Well men," said Leary in a brisk manner, "don't let this imposing text frighten you." He held same for all to see. I gulped. Then Leary hooked his feet around the front legs of his chair and hastily outlined the course to the class. After Leary dismissed the class I had made up my mind to see American Scene through to the finish. This decision I have never regretted.

Present national problems may seem complex and confusing, but when the background of these problems are studied they become clearer. If you think the present Communist hysteria is something new, you will find that certain groups of people have always claimed the nation was about to be overthrown. The only difference being these threats to national security went under different headings—early western pioneers, labor organizations, anarchists, and today, communism.

American Scene is divided into topics such as political thought, economic thought, and social criticism. Under each topic the student reads the pros and cons written by men who thought they had the answer to these problems. Then class discussions are conducted by Leary, and the material is analyzed.

With today's mass dissemination of news, it is important that the reader be able to analyze what he reading, for often the true context of the news is shrouded with superficial wording. For the student interested in current events and the ability of analyzing what he reads, and desiring a clearer understanding of present day problems, I recommend American Scene.

Don Miller

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Board of Directors I would like to extend our thanks to all those who helped to make our publicity week-end a great success. Without your help it would not have been possible, and with aid such as you have shown this year's Poly Royal will be the best ever.

Larry Wells
Gen. Supt. Poly Royal

Dear Editor:

The big man at Coca Cola thought they'd done the right thing when they installed the big dispenser in El Corral a few months ago. That was the gismo where one put a nickel in, lifted a trap-door and helped himself. Now that sounds simple enough, but it proved too complicated for the mechanical men of Cal Poly. The ME majors insisted on prying the locked door open prior to dropping the slug and jimmied the whole thing (that "prying-prior" line has possibilities). Mr. Luckenger took pen in hand and told the soft drink magnates to get a simpler machine for his customers. The letter went the rounds and in due course a small man installed a new machine. This one accepts your nickel and three seconds later fires a bottle at you. Nice deal, eh?

As for the other complicated jobby, they sent it up to the grammar school where it is working just fine and making cke hounds of all the little children.

(Name withheld by request)

Dear Editor:

Hate off to the Ski club! I am sure that everyone who attended the Christmas Formal came away very pleased... I know I did.

The queen's appearance did a lot for the intermission, but the dances would have been a terrific success even if Dona hadn't been there. I am sure that everyone was very well pleased with Dona and realizes she will make a very charming queen.

But back to the dance—it just goes to show that the clubs on campus can put on wonderful dances, and I feel the Ski club has set a high mark for which the rest of the clubs should aim and try to surpass.

To Chuck Henkel and the rest of the officers and members in the club I doff my dink!! Aaron Abrahamson did a perfect job in making the arrangements... and I do hope you didn't lose any more hair Abell! It was a job well done.

—Marty Engler

Dear Editor:

You've disappointed me. I thought you were made of sturdier stuff. I believed that once you'd taken over the guidance of El Rag that File 18 would be abolished. But last Dec. 17, your first issue, there was Goodman's column long as ever. Maybe a little longer.

I feel you owe your reading public an explanation and an apology.

No, let's start the new year right—if you can't abolish Goodman, at least moulify him.

K. B. M.

We feel for the freshman who wrote home week after week: Made an A; that's another feather in my cap. Then after mid-terms he wrote: Flunked out. Send money for carfare home. To which Dad replied: Use those feathers you've been boasting about and fly home!

FILE THIRTEEN....

By Dave Goodman

Today, little friends, File Thirteen is titled: Life in the raw, or, Your author takes a tour of San Luis in search of new calendar art to cover his wall.

Our story starts simply: Skinny was in bed one morning waiting for the alarm to go off, signaling him to arise and get ready for his eleven o'clock class, when he got to thinking about the drab condition of the walls of his room. "Look at this joint," he moaned, "nothing but Petty and Al Moore art on the wall, nothing to really inspire an ambitious young man."

"What can I do to improve it?" (like most embryo writers, this joker talks to himself and other inanimate objects.)

"Get out of that sack and walk down town, stop at all the garage and parts shops, the clothing stores and print shops. Calendars, ya dope get a flock of new ones. Who cares what day it is? You just want the picture part. Such a dumbness for me to live in!"

"I did it! Toured the town, asked politely for calendars for the new year, and did manage to accumulate rather a large stack."

"Okay. Now separate the wheat from the chaff: in other words toss out all those with pictures of landscapes and flying birds. Now we're down to the nude photos. Now out the calendars off them. Good! Time now to remove all those unsightly Esquire pictures from 1948, and to replace them with some of this decent stuff."

"There's too many, the walls are full."

"There's never too many. We'll put the excess on the ceiling; you can look at them while lying flat on your back."

"This hovel is really feeling like home now, especially when I got my record player hooked up to the switch-alarm-clock that I hooked out of my Dad's chicken house. Instead of a brass alarm, I'll have the Ink Spots' rendition of 'Paper Doll' to wake me up on these frosty mornings."

We start off this new year with one benefit, Lindstrand is now an adult. This means that the staff will no longer be compounding a felony by buying his alcoholic beverages for him. El Mustang comes of age!

Finally found something to cure most of my house-keeping problems. It's a mending tape for clothes that is applied in a similar manner to hot patches on a tube. Say you tear your shirt! You cut this tape to fit the rent in the cloth, remove the outer covering of the tape, just like a Band-aid, place the tape on the torn article and hold a hot iron to it for a few seconds. Won't wash off either.

With the guys in the horse-shoe school turning out said articles like mad, why don't we get a horse-shoe pitching team here at the institute? Or have we?

According to the man who said it, a man is getting old when he can't take yes for an answer.

Although I realize that the event happened last year, it is still worth talking about for a few lines. Referring to the art show that was brought to town by some of the local organizations. This showing of portraits of famous Negro Americans was just another example of the higher type of entertainment that is becoming more popular in our "hick town" all the time.

The painting, plus the lectures given by the artist, Betty Graves Rayneau, were both interesting, enlightening, and a solid force in the fight against bigotry. Who knows, maybe someday, people will mature, learn to live together, and maybe get to the point where they'll stop trying to kill each other off.

Seeing as this column is the free ad dept., we'll throw a few lines to the Poly Phase club. These men have a coke machine set up behind the EE lab for the use of all students. So if you're in the area and want a quick drink between classes, this machine is set up in the alley between the Auditorium and the lab. Saves the trip over to the Ad building and at the same time helps the Poly Phase make a few cents for their treasury.

No one has ever been able to figure out which way a pin is going; it's pointed in one direction and headed in the other.

Promised Ken Lucas a plug on the Meet the Queen assembly. Where was the little man in charge of bringing over the flag and who ran off with the queen so damn fast and why? Sure would be nice if we could have had a Student Union so that more than one sixth of the guys would have been able to get into that assembly.

Cowboy's Corner

By "Oke" Vernon

Question of the week: Will Poly have a good rodeo at this year's Poly Regatta? Will we have a new arena that will hold half of the people attending?

Last year's show went off in top shape and was enthusiastically accepted by an audience that had the stamina to stand up throughout the entire performance. More than half of them were without space to sit or stand. Not only were the stands full, but the announcers stand which hovered precariously over the chutes was so packed that Chuck Parkinson, top rodeo announcer, had to be given artificial respiration every 15 minutes.

No kidding, that stand was so close to collapsing that one of the bulls turned around to the cowboy about to mount and said, "I'll hold still, if you will hurry up and get on so we can get the hell out of here before we're crushed to death!"

When a bull gets scared, then it's time to improve the situation. What say Poly Regatta board of directors?

Hoof Prints

By Pyle

The little Golden Bear, with his head hanging lower than Pappy Waldorf's bottom lip, left the Arroyo Negro clam bake last Saturday in anything but a happy frame of mind. Matter of fact, the mangy one from Berkley was lucky to have a mind after the Pasadena affair. Had the biggest, baddest Stanford man in the crowd kicked him square in the bleusplids, the little Bear would have felt no more pain than he did from a couple of decisions delt him from the bottom of the rose turf.

'Tis said by a couple of gentlemen, mainly Art Murakowski who was carrying the ball and Jay Berwanger the deciding official on the play, that the second Wildcat touchdown was perfectly legal. The Bear facts of the argument seem to be that Murakowski fumbled before he reached the end zone. According to Bob Brunk and Will Lotter of the Berkley backfield, Murakowski played dropsy with the ball when Brunk hit him on the two yard stripe. Lotter got into the argument by falling on the loose ball in the Bear end zone. It's a safe bet that the play will cause more than a little dinner table conversation in the weeks to come, plus a few more hard feelings over the Big 10-Pacific Coast relations.

Being one of the 90,000 who will swear that they saw the whole thing perfectly through blood shot eyes, I'll quite frankly admit that I was lucky to know who had the ball, let alone being able to tell whether it bounced, rolled, or was carried over the chalk stripe which was all but invisible—especially on New Year's Day.

As for the game, it was worth every bit of the 10 seal skins we had to kick over to the Pasahogan scalpers for an end zone pasteboard. The tackling, blocking, and running was everything. Granny Blue said it should be. As for the kicking and passing, I would just as soon watch Zuchow work out on a muddy track in a pair of ballet slippers. It was pretty bad for college competition.

Can't imagine what happened to the University of Nevada and one Stanley Heath over the holidays. From all reports there wasn't enough wind to unripple Heath's rippled hair and he still couldn't connect. Must have been his pass receivers this time.

Great to see Charlie Weber get the player of the year award. No one deserves it more than does this soft spoken Texan who maps out plays between singing engagements. Along with the player of the year, Chuck was also voted captain for the 1948 season. Seems Poly is one of the few schools in the country who chooses a captain for the past season instead of electing one for the following year—but then we are the upside down school, aren't we?

According to Time mag, a Hollywood sculptor by the name of Yusef Salamunich has been working around lately. In preparing a list of legs he admires, Yusef listed Citation in the number six spot. The Calumet Colt was outdone only by Hedy Lamarr, Alexis Smith, Kay Bolger, and Julie Wilson. Finishing behind Citation were Jane Russell, whose game Salamunich claims have been "overshadowed," and a Chipendale chair. Matter of fact, with his two pair of legs, Citation held

ME Leads Bowlers As Loop Enters '49 Competition

The Cal Poly bowling leagues started off the new year with flying pins Monday night. Clarence Kallenborn of ME club walked off with the high series of the evening with 564. Cortwright of AC 2, rolled the high game of the night with 220.

Following are the standings to date:

TEAM	WON	LOST	PCT.
1. M.E. Club	82	12	.727
2. Pathfinders	20	15	.659
3. Dauntless	20	15	.659
4. Guy's Guys	28	16	.686
5. Engineers	26	18	.591
6. Variety Club	25	19	.568
7. BHR's	25	19	.568
8. AC Club	28	21	.523
9. Schlitz Sots	22	22	.500
10. Crows	21	23	.477
11. Poultry Club	20	24	.455
12. Panay Pickers	18	26	.409
13. Seagull	18	26	.409
14. Fellow's Fellows	17	27	.386
15. Poly Phase	18	31	.285
16. By Passers	7	37	.159

Between Races

With WALT BOEHM

This is the first of a series of articles concerning the track and field possibilities for the 1949 season. These articles will attempt to bring out interesting points about the leading athletes now attending Cal Poly.

Cal Poly should be proud of "potential" Eddie Mack as a contender for a CCAA broadjump championship.

Born in San Mateo 21 years ago, Eddie started his competitive days at San Mateo high school. At the conclusion of his inter-scholastic career, he had to his credit four track letters and the honor of holding the new school record in the broadjump with a leap of 22 feet 8 inches.

At San Mateo J.C. his competitors gained respect from his multitude of broadjumping performances. In his 1944 season he attained a leap of 25 feet 4 inches in competition. His two years of J.C. experience was climaxed with a victory in the Northern California J.C. championships. In addition to this honor, his teammates elected him as team captain.

The most impressive item in Eddie's past is the fact that he is undefeated in N.C.J.C. competition. With this record, great things can be expected of this fine track man.

down both the fifth and sixth spots. Although the pool hall gang warned us to bet differently, it looks like Coach Ed Jorgensen and company will win Poly's third CCAA basketball game in three years of competition tomorrow night. Couldn't happen to a better bunch. Now all we need is a gym to play in.

Another head rolled down the slopes of the Westwood retreat awhile back. Too bad, La Brucherie was a good guy. Trouble is, colleges seem to be after football coaches these days. They have enough good guys in the public relations department.

It was heart-warming news! Coach Gene Smith, the man who guides the destinies of the local netmen in between Poll-Bel. sessions, has finally got what he wanted from our board of Athletic Control. The Mustang tennis mentor has received nothing but trouble from the athletic wheels during his past two years of business—let's hope he doesn't have anymore. Many top teams have been signed up for the coming season and the racquet men deserve a chance to make good.



Hardwooders Look Sharp Winning Yuletide Tilts

The Cal Poly hoopmen stretched their season record to a 4-2 record over the holidays winning games from both Chapman college and Northwest Nazarene on the local courts. On December 23 the Mustangs delivered an early present to Coach Ed Jorgensen in the form of a 60-47 win over Chapman. A week later the cagemen followed up with an 82-80 win over Northwest Nazarene of Montana making it four in a row without a defeat.

Against the Chapman Panthers it was Hank Moroski night again as the sharp shooting guard dumped in 25 points to take high scoring honors. The rest of the Mustang scoring was divided up between Ross, Simpson, McMurdie, and Coburn. For the Chapman quintet it was Captain Murrell and Dave Weatherall who led the scoring parade with 18 and 10 points respectively.

In the second holiday tilt, the Mustangs hit their biggest scoring stride of the year. Hitting the basket from every angle eleven different Polymen scored points, McMurdie leading the list with 18 followed by Ross and Thompson with 10 apiece. Leading the scoring column for the Nazarene was Jamison who tanked nine during the evening's tilt.

Looking good for the Mustangs in both tilts was Bud Gutierrez who has been filling in of late for the ailing Bobby Coghlan. Gutierrez made 11 markers in the two games and showed a lot of speed in getting the ball down court. Also living up to preseason notices was Ward Coburn and Red McMurdie. Tommy Thompson also looked sharp in the Mustang's latter game, showing his old eye on the corner shots.

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Montezumans Favored In Conference Opener

By Russ Pyle

The Cal Poly quintet will receive its first taste of conference competition when it rolls onto the San Diego State hardwoods tomorrow night against the Aztecs of the Montezuma mesa. With an 8-2 record trailing behind, the Mustang, who hasn't been beaten in his last four starts, will place his green and gold head on the 2C2A block for the first time this season against the slightly favored scarlet and grey five.

Coach Ed Jorgensen, who draws his pay for worrying about such things, has seemed anything but overjoyed at the mention of Saturday's encounter. Although Coach Ed admits his boys looked good over the holidays, he's just a little afraid of what they might run into tomorrow night.

A fast look at the records shows the Aztecs have won 3 while dropping 7. The Borderlandmen have beaten the SD Alumni, Chapman college, and Whittier. On the darker side of the paper appear the names of Arizona (Tempe) State, University of Arizona, Creighton University, Loras college, Marquette university, Beloit college, Bradley university and Loyola. For those who still believe in comparing scores, Poly beat Chapman 60-47, while the Aztecs hammered out a 47-10 win over the same team.

If Coach George (they call him Ziggy) Ziegenfuss wanted to, he could place an all lettermen lineup against the Mustangs Saturday. Returning letter wearers at the mesa this season include Bill Hutchison, Tom Keesey, Don Nuttall, Paul Rundell and Don Smith. Two boys who played a lot of ball for the State quintet last season but never got their stripes, Dick Adair and Dick Barnes, are also back to make it rough for the Aztec opponents.

If names mean anything in the cage sport, a newcomer to the Aztec fold, by the name of Forrest Phelps should be the one to watch this season. Twenty two year old Phelps is younger brother to the immortal Milky Phelps who made basketball history at State a decade ago.

For the Mustangs, it should be a good night. Although the "hosa" has always had trouble on the Aztec court, he should find the going a bit easier this time. The Polymen will be at full strength at



WORKHORSE . . . the diligent gentleman pictured above is none other than Poly's Ward Coburn, forward for the Jorgensen quintet. Ward is a transfer from Glendale J. C. where he earned a rep for fast floor work plus dead-eye shooting.

latest report, which means Moroski, McMurdie, Coburn, Strathman, and Coghlan will open against the State crew.

The Mustangs will face the Broncoas of San Dinias on the Southern court tonight, while the Aztecs will be entertaining the San Jose Spartans, this year's defending 2C2A champions.

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The Way I See It

By Emmett Lindstrand

The swinging door type western saloon as depicted in the Hollywood horse opera never ceases to provide me with a good hearty laugh. Like all pictures emanating from Hollywood, these saloon scenes are stereotyped and give us a rather distorted idea of that period of American history when elbow bending was a pastime for men only.

The ingredients for the movie version of this bit of Americana have long been standard. The camera pushes itself through the proverbial swinging doors and provides the movie audience with a general view of tin-horn gamblers and miners leaning over roulette wheels. The atmosphere is hazy with the blue smoke of five cent cigars. Women in gaudy attire execute a can-can dance while their audience roars approval by firing pistol shots into the ceiling. In an obscure corner, completely oblivious of the festivities, sits a poker faced piano player wearing a green eye shade and playing lively bar room favorites on a battered upright piano which is horribly out of tune. Occasionally he removes a chewed-up cigar from his mouth and takes a swig of beer from a never empty stein that reposes on top of his piano.

Next, the camera moves over to the bar where weatherbeaten sordoughs are crowded about, consuming unlimited quantities of wobble-water. Times must certainly have been prosperous in those days, for suddenly someone announces that the drinks are on the house. Immediately all roulette and card games cease and the bartender is deluged with loud requests for straight shots of "Red Eye," which according to Hollywood, is about as smooth to drink as a can of Sani-Flush. The Western movie bartender is a character capable of sending a filled shot glass sliding from one end of the bar to the other without losing a drop of the contents.

Now the action starts. The villain swaggers over to the hero of the picture and announces in a voice that resembles a worn out cement mixer, that "the town ain't big enough for the two of us, I'll give ya until sundown to git out." There is complete silence in the saloon. The hero, who is about two or three sizes smaller than the villain, slowly rises from his poker game and the battle commences.

As if nothing had happened, the piano player nervously begins to pound out a tinny rendition of "Just a Girl That Men Forget," while whiskey bottles sail past his head. What started out as a show down battle between the hero and the villain ends up as a free-for-all brawl. Bottles fly into mirrors and chairs are smashed over heads. Men are thrown through plate glass windows and the hero receives a crushing kick in the jaw which of course never puts him out of action.

Within a few minutes the battle is over. The camera makes its exit through the swinging doors, while the town drunk, who always survives these brawls unscathed, notices that the bartender is out cold and takes advantage of a few drinks on the house.

These saloon brawls are certainly executed skillfully and no Hollywood horse opera would be complete without them. Yes sir, those were the days when men were men and women were glad of it.

The Slide Rule On Hydraulics

By Fred Hawley

Ed. Note—This is the second of a series of feature columns that will be run this quarter about the various engineering departments. Fred Hawley, the author, is a senior ME student. Any engineer outfit with news about their department can locate Hawley through the El Mustang office.

Collette, Mikesell and Co., Engineering and Contracting. That is how the designers and builders of the new hydraulics lab could advertise themselves.

The enterprises of J. B. Collette and K. L. Mikesell, senior ME students, are many and varied. But let's begin at the beginning.

It all began with a surplus army chlorinator—a device just bristling with electric motors, pumps, pipe, fittings, and venturi meters. With this stuff, they said jokingly, we could start a fluid-flow lab. Mr. Zilka, ME department head, said why not, and gave them free reign over the project. There's was the responsibility for designing and building it completely.

They stripped the chlorinator of its appendages, commenced an unparalleled "beg, borrow, and steal" (steel is hard to get) campaign, and ordered other equipment and material. Then, by dint of sweat and toil of their own as well as many other willing hands, the work progressed through the digging, concrete laying, and plumbing installation stages. A monster weighing scale was installed in its pit. The manometers were made, and many of the pipe fittings to be tested are now installed.

With this formidable array of equipment, much valuable work may be accomplished. Pipe fitting will be tested for friction loss. Venturi meters will be calibrated. Open channel flow will be studied and weir constants determined.

These two men are learning by doing; the hard way. It's a mighty big job with plenty of chances to louse-up, but they haven't. Much of the success of the project may be attributed to the cooperation of the AG Engineers as well as the EEAs, the machine shop, and welding people. By such cooperation, many will benefit.

If you drop in for a look, watch your step. You might drop into the pit in which the weighing pan and sump are located, and never be seen again. That would never do.

POLY PHASE CLUB

Two motion pictures were shown at the meeting of the Poly Phase club held December 15 in classroom 14. "Rotating Magnetic Fields" and "One World or None," dealing with the atomic bomb, were the films shown.

Plans for the club's spring field trip were discussed, and a poll taken indicates that most members have chosen the San Francisco area as their destination.

A Coca-Cola machine has been installed behind the Electrical Engineering lab for the benefit of students, according to Charles L. Hennigan, club reporter.

Out Of Town

With Gene Kemper

News from San Dimas shows that California Polytechnic is attempting to gain possession of the famous Kellogg Arabian Horse ranch near there (one mile from Poly's southern campus). Meeting in Los Angeles, the State Board of Education passed a resolution this week asking the Legislature to obtain the ranch from the Agriculture department and make it a branch of Cal Poly.

According to President Julian A. McPhee, a legislative committee recommended an increase in enrollment from 400 to 1000 students at San Dimas. McPhee declared, "The acquisition of the ranch would solve this problem and fit admirably into the college's horse breeding program."

The Kellogg ranch was used as an Army remount station during the war.

Next week: watch for more out of town happenings and a complete list of all the schools and organizations exchanging papers and magazines with El Mustang.

Grapplers Take On S. F. Staters At Mission Gym

Cal Poly's wrestling team will pair off with the San Francisco State matmen in Mission gym, San Luis Obispo, today at 8 p. m.

While most of the boys haven't had an opportunity to get in the best of shape for the match because of the recent holidays, they are expected to give the grapplers from up north a real battle. The Poly wrestling team and their weights are as follows: 128 lbs., Bill Hutchinson; 136 lbs., Webber Lawson; 145 lbs., Paul Munson; 155 lbs., Bob Tillotson; 165 lbs., Jim Dowe; 175 lbs., Fred Adams; 191 lbs., Jack Darling; and at heavyweight, Al Cadena.

The team is weak in the lightweight division, and anyone interested in wrestling is asked to get in touch with Sheldon Harden, wrestling coach.

DR. KIRBY PAGE TO SPEAK

(Continued from page one)
Us To Do About Russia?" at a Methodist and Presbyterian church sponsored meeting. His morning address is co-sponsored by the Student Affairs council and the noon forum is sponsored solely by Cal-Poly YMCA, while the afternoon forum is sponsored by the YMCA.

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College Receives NCAA Membership

California State Polytechnic college, San Luis Obispo, and Arizona State College, Flagstaff, Ariz., were among the colleges newly admitted to the National Collegiate Athletic association as active members. It was announced today in Chicago.

The association, having added 18 colleges and universities to its roster during the past year, revealed that it now numbers an all-time high of 264 active members and a total of 889 active and allied members.

Kenneth L. (Tug) Wilson, NCAA secretary, said the greatest increase came in the Midwest, where active membership increased from 50 to 55 schools. The NCAA has 26 allied conferences in addition to its active membership and it is the schools associated with these conferences that make up the allied membership.

Cal Poly will attain a national standing in athletics as a result of their membership in the NCAA. The college will be eligible to participate in the annual NCAA track meet next spring, and in 1952 will compete through the association for Olympic berths.

A letter from Walter Byer, executive secretary of the association, informed the college today of its acceptance.

Representing Cal Poly at the national NCAA convention in San Francisco Jan. 7 and 8 will be Robert Mott and Vern Meacham.

O. H. CLUB

A flower show for Poly Royal, sponsored by the Horticulture club, was voted at the club's last meeting, December 15. Suggested by Ed Mattson, the idea was unanimously approved. Club president Bob George appointed Mattson as Flower Show chairman.

An Ornamental Horticulture club barbeque has been planned for Sunday, January 9. Jim Dixon is chairman of the affair, which will be held at the Arroyo Grande county park.

AG ENGINEER'S CLUB

The Agricultural Engineering club met last Tuesday evening in Administration 201. Details of the club's coming field trip were explained to the members present.

Nate and Emily; Mr. and Mrs. Now

By K. S. Kupid

Emily Hoffman, secretary in the Cal Poly general office, became the bride of Nate Schuster last week in Las Vegas, Nevada. Schuster is a poultry major and an ex-pugilist. It was a case of true love conquering all, especially during the journey to and from Las Vegas in Nate's war torn and baling-wire repaired jeep. Somehow the couple survived.

The newlyweds have taken up residence at 654 Oso street. According to the bride, all is going well, mostly because Schuster is a past-master at cooking and cleaning. Nate presented his wife with a can-opener as a wedding present. This instrument is standing idle for the moment while Emily takes a short course in home economics.

Mrs. Schuster giggled blushing as she explained to El Mustang's reporter that she and Schuster had had the ceremony performed in Nevada rather than locally, thus escaping all the "fuss and bother."

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RADIO ENGINEERS CLUB

John P. Riebel will be the guest speaker for the student branch of the Institute of Radio Engineers at four p.m., Jan. 10, in the Engineering Auditorium. His topic, "Job Hunting Through Letters," should be of special interest to all, according to Willis Stalford, student president of the I.R.E.

Riebel is an English instructor, and industrial consultant on commercial and technical correspondence. All graduating industrial students are invited to attend this first I.R.E. meeting of the year.

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YMCA NEWS

Delegates to the YMCA conference, held at Asilomar near Monterey during the week of Dec. 28 to January 1, reported an unusually large and successful meeting. Over 500 students and faculty members from colleges in California, Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii attended the conference.

Delegates from Cal Poly took an active part, stated Dr. Paul Pendleton, sponsor of this campus YMCA. G. Hall Landry and his wife, Vivian, were co-editors of the "Cyprus" conference publication. Hugh Pendleton headed the Recreation Committee, and Dick Prigge and Ed Lee presented musical numbers. Chairman of Poly's delegation, the largest in the college's history, was Gary Petterson.

FFA CLUB

James Atkins and Charles Adams were elected to office in the Collegiate Chapter of the Future Farmers of America at a recent meeting of the organization. Atkins is now club reporter and Adams has been selected as sentinel. At the meeting, talks on the significance of the FFA emblem were given by George Couper, of the Bureau of Agriculture Education, and Emmett Bloom, animal husbandry instructor.

A movie, "That Inspiring Task," showing national FFA activities, was also shown to the group. Members of the chapter voted to hold a banquet early in February.

CROPS CLUB

Paul Dougherty, Crops department head, announced that he will hold open house every Sunday evening in January for Crops club members. Dougherty lives at 140 Kentucky Street, near the campus.

Bob Warden, former Poly student, has been appointed to the position of Weed Specialist for the state of Montana, Dougherty said.

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AREO-RADIO

A new aeronautical radio laboratory is being set up at the airstrip. It will contain the necessary equipment for work on communication devices used in aviation.

The electronics department hopes to have servicing facilities available for planes which land at the airstrip. Two installations were carried out by the department during the fall quarter. The new lab should be of great aid to any future work of this sort.

The new lab has been allotted two thirds of the space in the sheet-metal building near the hangar. Lab classes will be scheduled when the work is completed and equipment ready.

STUDENT WIVES CLUB

A talk by Bill O'Donnell, San Luis Obispo's postmaster, and a film high-lighted the meeting of the Student Wives club, held Thursday evening at Hillcrest lounge. Following a short business meeting, a motion picture on California's Centennial was shown, and O'Donnell spoke on the history of San Luis Obispo. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

PRINTING CLUB

A Christmas party was held Wednesday, December 22 by 20 members of Poly's Printing department, according to Don Miller, Print club president. Boyd Haight and John Healy, of the Journalism department; and Bart Follows and Guy Culbertson of the Printing department were the faculty members present at the affair.

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

The Amateur Radio club will meet this afternoon, Friday, at 4 p.m. in Ag. Ed. 113, it was announced today by Cliff Fisher, president of the club.

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Poultrymen Will Manage 100 Projects; '48-'49

Leo Sankoff, poultry project supervisor, stated that approximately 100 poultry projects will be assigned to students during the school term of 1948-49. Each student-majoring in poultry husbandry must have completed a minimum of four project requirements before he is eligible for graduation in any three of the curricula offered by the department.

The project program, said Sankoff, gives the student practice in all phases of commercial poultry operations found in California.

At this time, there are about 85 laying hen projects, and 12 brooding projects in student hands.

For the first time in recent years there is a broad-breast Bronze turkey flock maintained on the campus for breeding purposes. This flock is managed by Herb Winn, a student planning to enter the turkey production field.

Admissions Office Sets Program Change Channels

The usual period allowed students for changing their Winter Quarter 48-49 programs ended at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 4, 1949. After this date no courses may be added to a student's program, except at the request of an instructor.

Students will be allowed to withdraw from courses after January 4, 1949, by using a Permit to Withdraw from a Course, which may be obtained in the Recorder's Office, Room 102. This Permit calls for the instructor's signature and an actual grade, which is to be assigned at the time the student decides to leave the course. This is, of course, a grade card and should be submitted to the Recorder's Office by the instructor. Permits to Withdraw carrying a "W" or an "F" grade will be accepted from instructors only. It is suggested that instructors complete their forms and either bring them or mail them in a sealed envelope, to the Recorder's Office.

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