THE SAFETY FIRST MEETING.

Thursday, April 29th, the Mechanics' Association of the Polytechnic School attended the regular meeting of the Southern Pacific Safety First committee. The meeting was held in the waiting room of the Southern Pacific depot.

Mr. E. H. Anthony, assistant superintendent of the Southern Pacific Railroad, was chairman of the meeting. The meeting was held for the purpose of improving the condition of safety throughout the system. In explanation of the work of the Safety Committee, every accident, no matter how small, must be reported and cared for. A complete record is kept of these accidents for the future reference of the committee. In consideration of these accidents the Safety Committee attempts to contrive changes and improvements to minimize as much as possible all causes for injury.

A number of accidents were commented on before the meeting and suggestions made as to how they could have been prevented.

Mr. Jenessen, general foreman of the Southern Pacific roundhouse, had prepared an interesting paper which was read by Mr. Anthony. Engineer Burbank gave a talk on safety first in general, calling particular attention of the Polytechnic students to the railroad crossing on the Polytechnic road. This crossing is considered by railroad men as dangerous because of the number of students crossing it daily. Mr. Burbank also called attention to the fact that the swinging danger signal at this crossing is not operated by handcars or by trains not on the main line.

The meeting proved interesting throughout and convinced us of the sincerity of the railroad officials in their attempt to prevent accidents.

The Mechanics' Association owes much thanks to Mr. Jenessen for his invitation to attend the meeting.

The Farewell to Maj. Livernash.

Last Tuesday evening the Dorm boys presented Maj. Livernash with a farewell token of their regard and good will. Assembly was sounded and when the boys had gathered Perry Martinson, in behalf of the boys, presented the Major and Mrs. Livernash with a fine electric percolator.

The Major replied very appropriately. He thanked the boys and wished them the best of success in their athletic affairs. The Major left by automobile at 5:30 the next morning. The boys were up, and sent him on his way with cheers and yells.

Major Livernash has gone to Huntington Beach where he will visit his brother for a while. He plans later to go into playground work in Los Angeles. The Polygram joins with the Dorm boys in wishing the Major fifty-seven varieties of good luck.

MISS HELLOWS' DINNER.

On Wednesday afternoon, April 31st the second dinner served by the Junior Cooking Class in the dining room of the Household Arts Building, was given by Miss Cecile Bello. The room was daintily decorated with Cecile Brunner roses and asparagus fern, the color scheme being carried out in pink and green. In the center of the table was a roguish kewpie surrounded by a profusion of beautiful flowers. Those who enjoyed the dinner were Mr. Ryder, Miss Whiting, Mrs. Day, Mr. Jenkins, Miss Howe, Mrs. Hiland and Mr. Hoover.

THE OPENING GAME.

The first baseball game of the season was played at Arroyo-Grande last Saturday. Peterson was picked to pitch the game, which he did and won by the large score of 20 to 7. Peterson had his opponents guessing when and where to strike. His control of the ball was perfect. The game was a hit and run affair. Perry started the ball a-rolling when he hit a home run with two on bases. Blake, Tibbs and Perry made home runs for Poly.

Poly's fielding was not up to standard. The game was tied up till the third inning. Peterson then tightened up, retiring his opponents one-two-three. Arroyo had to use two pitchers against the heavy slugging Polytes. The greatest drawback Poly had at her two games was the lack of rooters. Not enough of the students turn out to encourage the players.
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GINGHAM APRONS.

Dorothy Prewitt.
Are we all wearing, or should we all be wearing, gingham aprons? Now that it is the rage everywhere, why should not the Poly girls be in style, too?

Gingham aprons are to be worn to bring down the High Cost of Living. They are to be used in place of wool clothing to decrease the demand for wool, and thereby reduce the present very high price of it. Almost all the summer clothing worn by women and children is cotton. All lingerie bed linen and bed clothing, most of men's and boys' summer underwear and shirts, all bath towels and dish towels are cotton.

If gingham aprons and denim overalls are worn to reduce the price of wool, in a few months all the above mentioned articles will be greatly increased in price. And this surely will work a greater hardship on the people than the price of wool is doing now.

THE GOOD QUALITIES OF GIRLS' UNIFORMS.

There has been considerable discussion in this school as to the possibility of adopting a uniform dress for the girls. The boys have worn uniforms for a number of years, during which time the uniforms have proven very satisfactory and have added a great deal to the distinction of the school. There is no reason why girls' uniforms would prove less practical.

During these days of high cost of living, economy is absolutely necessary. The wearing of simple uniforms is one of the best ways of economising. The dresses, as proposed to be worn by the girls, would be simple and yet becoming. The suggestion has met with the most approval of that of wearing white middy suits for summer and serviceable navy blue serge suits of the same style for winter.

The accessories such as ties, hats and shoes could easily be obtained in uniform style by deciding upon some simple design and securing a large quantity at the same time. The uniform would not only reduce the cost of school clothes but also abolish rivalry in extravagance. Under the rules which accompany the uniforms, everyone would be equal in dress, and all have the same opportunity of presenting a pleasing appearance. The equality in clothes would tend to establish a feeling of unity among the girls.

The uniforms would be easy to take care of, a fact which would be greatly appreciated by the mothers. The question "What shall I wear?" would be simply answered, for always a serviceable and attractive uniform would be waiting, one which would produce both a pleasing and harmonious effect.

GIRLS' ATHLETIC CLUB.

On Thursday, April 28, the members of the Girls' Athletic Club held a short meeting in the parlor of the H. A. Building. The purpose of the meeting was to start practice for the girls' track meet to be held this spring. The following officers were elected: Captain, Marguerita Tognazzi; first lieutenant, Cecile Belso; second lieutenant, June Taylor. From the spirit with which the girls are entering into the practice the track meet promises to be a most interesting and enjoyable affair. The different classes will compete in the meet, so everyone should support the girls of his class.

Miss Wooddell—In Chemistry—
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JOKES

Paternal Error.

The young man of age had dis­
obeyed his father and had joined
the colors preparatory to going to
the border. After he had been in
ramp about a month he got a day
off to visit his home.

"My son," the father greeted him
sternly, "I didn't take you to be a
soldier."

The son gulped a great gulp.

"I know you didn't, Dad," he re­
plied, "and if you could only see
the way those officers have been
man-hand ing me to correct your
mistake, you would kick yourself
thoroughly if you had the slightest
filial regard."—Judge.

Annoying.

A box from St. Croix
Who accepted with joyx
A place as an invalid's chauffeur.
Slowed up at the signs.
Thus avoiding all flxna.
And was promptly dismissed as a
chauffeur.

—Judge.

The Cooperin.

"Teacher—Johnnie, I don’t believe
you have studied your Geography.
Johnnie—No. Sir. I heard Pa
say the world was changing every
day and I thought I'd wait a few
years 'till things had kinda got set­
tled.

—Trident.

The cows are In the meadow,
The sheep are in the grass.
But all the simple little geese.
Are not In the Freshman class.

Irwin Jones was asked if he had
any relics from the Civil War.
"Yep," says Irwin, "I got a union
suit."

Senior—"Why go to church? You
are sure to go to Heaven."
Soph—"How do you know?"
Senior—"You're too green to
burn."—Exchange.

Judge—"What is your age, mad­
am?"
Witness—"I've seen thirty-seven
summers."
Judge—"How long have you been
blind?"

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School Notes

The new Federal Board men that have come in are Homer W. Gibson, John H. Walsberg and Frank Bryson.

Walter Perry of the Federal Board group of students is out every day practicing on the baseball field. Walter has played baseball for several years and will be a valuable acquisition for the school team.

Mr. Lyval Mahoney of the Federal Board group is another baseball veteran. Mahoney has played professional ball in many parts of the country, and will help us out at any time when we need a real umpire.

We have received word that the Templeton High School think they cannot play ball with us this year, because they cannot find any place for a diamond.

Mr. C. J. Smith of the office force has left us and is now bookkeeper at the San Luis Bottling Works. Mrs. Bland could understand why the men of the office force are leaving if they were single men, this being leap year. But she cannot understand these new cases as the men leaving are all married.

Mr. Hess is now the new athletic manager.

A senior class meeting was held Thursday, April 30. The meeting was called for the purpose of deciding on the class pins and rings. Each member of the class ordered either one or the other as a souvenir of 1920.

On Tuesday, April 27, the Ama pella Club held a special meeting in the girls' parlor. The meeting was called for the purpose of planning a picnic to be given by the girls. Nothing definite was decided as to return to school Tuesday.

Miss Woodell has been ill at her home with tonsillitis. She expects to return to school Tuesday.

Leonard Maker, a former Polyite, visited school on Monday, May 2. He is at an aviation school in Riverside.

Alice May Dodge, class of 115, was married to Harry Bergman on Friday, April 16, at Los Angeles.

The Lure of the Colored Footlights.

By O. A. Klamroth.

Last spring 1 became valet to a donkey. Perhaps it will interest you to know why a donkey needed a valet. Caruso did a clever stunt in the circus that we were with. When the band started playing his trick was to bray and chime in with the music.

Almost before I could realise it winter arrived and I found myself with nothing to do but look after Caruso. Mr. Reynolds, my boss, soon agreed to try Caruso for a performance at a well known theatre in a nearby city.

Everything went fine until I ushered Caruso onto the stage and introduced him to the audience. The band struck up "The Dardenelles" and I looked up at Caruso expectantly, but not a sound did he make. He merely wagged his tail and looked pleased.

Mr. Reynolds came out and explained to the audience that Caruso had never failed us before and if they would only be patient perhaps we could find out what the trouble was.

After a few minutes we found that the colored footlights were attracting his attention.

We at once told the switchman to turn out most of the lights. This was done. The band burst out again, and Caruso's basso profundo once more "e-hawed" a thunderous obligato to music as lustily as ever.

MECHANICS' DANCE.

On Friday evening, April 30, the dining hall was converted into a ball room and the Polytechnic students were transformed into overall lads and bungalow apron lasses.

The affair was given by the Mechanics' Association, and the costumes essential for admittance into the ball were overalls and aprons. Everyone complied with the rules and this proved to be the source of great merriment. Brown's three-piece orchestra furnished the music, while punch and chocolate eclairs were served throughout the entire evening. The decorations were not as plentiful as usual, for even the old-fashioned wall-flowers which are so copious at most of our Poly dances seemed to have disappeared, due to the fine management of our Mechanics. The success and spirit of Friday night's dance convinces us that Poly needs more social entertainment, which has been so lacking during this present year. So, let's have another dance!

NABISCO'S.

Have you ever heard of the Nabisco's?—well, we are not going to keep it a mystery, nor are we going to create a puzzle out of it, so here goes. It is a real baseball team consisting of 'real' sport men, managed by Mr. Hess of Los Angeles. If that is not thoroughly understood, here's another. They sometimes call themselves, "California All-Stars," also "Deafy"' they says only live ten miles apart.

The Nabisco's traveled to Atascadero Sunday May 2, and won a fast and snappy game over the Atascadero ball tossers. The score of 3 to 1, is enough evidence to show that the game was a pitcher's battle, in which Arnold of the Nabisco's was the outstanding star, striking out about fifteen men. Potter and Guyton made the two runs for the Nabisco's.

A game with the W. O. W. of San Luis Obispo is expected next Sunday.

Line-up.

"California All-Stars"

Burr, catcher, Haywards; Arnold, pitcher, Santa Margarita; Peterson, pitcher, Oakland; Blake, 1st base, Atascadero; Tibbs, 2nd base, Hanford; Guyton, 3rd base, Pacific Grove; Curtis, short stop, Carpinteria; Perry, right field, San Francisco; Martiasea, center field, Santa Barbara; Potter, left field, Los Angeles; Troup, substitute, Santa Barbara.

SOPHOMORE ENTERTAINMENT.

Sam Wright.

On Friday, April the 30th, the assembly was entertained by the sophomores.

Two well rendered violin solos, "Dardanella" and "My Baby's Arms," by Mr. Gardner, opened this delightful program. Miss Cook recited a humorous sketch of a country boy's love affair. "The Hawaiian Lullaby," sung by the Girls' Quartet, was then enjoyed by the assembly. Miss Cook, Miss Truesdale, Miss Golea and Miss Van Gorden compose the Girls' Quartet.

A class stunt portraying the "freshman babies" at the baby contest followed. Each participant was dressed in baby clothes. From his shoulders hung a placard bearing the name of the freshman he represented. Miss Golea was their spokesmen. She said the freshmen were interested in the better baby movement and told of the care babies should have, and said that because they, the freshmen were receiving good care, they are excellent babies, but know nothing yet. Each one said something to portray the nature of the freshman he represented.