

Memorial Observance Today

Students To Gather In Men's Gym
Scheduled To Meet at 10:15

A Memorial Observance in honor of the ill-fated members of the college football team will be held at 10:15 a.m. today in the Men's Gymnasium on the college campus.

"Students will be dismissed from their 10 o'clock classes, and all staff and administrative offices will be closed to join in expressing their grief at the loss of members of the team," Clyde P. Fisher, dean of the college, said. "Citizens of the community are also invited to attend."

The observance is being cooperatively planned by the Associated Student Body officers, the college Executive Council, and the college Inter-Faith Council. In addition to the observance, the college flags will be flown at half-mast for the remainder of the week.

Fred M. Waters, mayor of San Luis Obispo, has proclaimed Monday through Saturday a "Week of Sorrow" in sympathy toward the victims and the bereaved. "We are asking that all flags in the city be flown at half-mast during this period," Mayor Waters said.

"We are deeply appreciative of the sentiment and cooperation being extended by the citizens of San Luis Obispo," said Robert E. Kennedy, college vice-president. "Maximum cooperation by the press and radio is requested, to announce the memorial observance, as repeated telephone calls to survivors in this area are being held to a minimum."

The memorial observance will include remarks by ministers of various faiths, Dean Clyde Fisher said.

"The observance will be a pause in the ongoing pattern of college life, to memorialize fellow classmates who will no longer be with us on the campus and to pay a quiet tribute to them," he said.

Instructors have been asked to dismiss classes promptly at 10 a.m. to allow students time to enter the gymnasium before the beginning of the observance.

All 10 a.m. classes will be cancelled for the observance. Classes at 8, 9 and 11 a.m. will meet at their regular times.

Student representatives met with Dean Fisher last night to make final plans for the observance. Attendance is expected to fill the gymnasium to capacity. Numerous residents of San Luis are reported planning to attend the observance, college officials said.

Williamson, Harden Praised by McPhee

Heroic action by coaches Walter Williamson and Sheldon Harden was praised last night by President Julian A. McPhee upon his arrival at the scene of the Poly air crash in Toledo.

"Both men have been working hard every moment since the crash, doing everything they could to help out," McPhee said. The president cut short a business trip to Washington, D.C., to fly to Toledo. He was met at the airport by Harden, Dean of Students Everett Chandler, and the president and dean of students of Bowling Green University. Chandler arrived in Toledo late Sunday afternoon on a flight from San Francisco.

President McPhee praised the "outstanding cooperation" of Toledo residents and Bowling Green officials. "Everyone, from the sheriff to the newspapers, has helped in every way conceivable," he said.

The president said he would remain in Toledo until everything possible had been done to take care of the dead and injured. He was scheduled to visit survivors in Toledo hospitals immediately after his arrival, accompanied by Dean Chandler and Harden.

Harden, who had checked on the condition of crash survivors before McPhee's arrival, said the condition of the injured men was encouraging. The husky coach, who was uninjured in the crash, helped administer emergency first aid to survivors before ambulances and doctors arrived.

"Things look better than they did just after the crash," he said.

Crash survivors will be brought back to California as soon as doctors approve their being moved, Harden said.

El Mustang Office Headquarters Press

El Mustang's editorial offices in Adm. 21 were used as press headquarters yesterday by reporters and photographers coming from Los Angeles and San Francisco to the Cal Poly campus. Both wire services sent representatives, and United Press International set up a wirephoto transmitter to send pictures to the UPI network.

Press representatives on campus included one group reporting the aftermath of the Toledo plane crash for a French weekly magazine.

Hospitals Report Players' Conditions

Hospitals in Toledo reported the following conditions of survivors in the Saturday night plane crash; Don Adams, head injury, good; Carl Bowser, good to fair; John Brennan, good; Fred Brown, not hospitalized; Bill Dauphin, good; James Fahey, good; Coach Sheldon Harden, not hospitalized; Head coach Leroy Hughes, head injury, fair; Dr. Arthur A. James, team physician, leg broken, fairly good; Brent Jobe, good; Dick McBride, good to fair; Coach Howie O'Daniels, fair; General Owens, good; Bill Ross, critical, second and third degree burns; Roy Scialabba, good; Walter Shimek, fair; Ted Tollner, good to fair; Jerry Williams, good; Coach Walt Williamson, not hospitalized.

The following are also in Toledo hospitals: Bob Johnson, multiple fractures; Roger Kelly, spine fracture; Al Maranai, compound fractures; Gil Stork, fractured back, broken vertebrae and Russ Woods, serious head injury. John Nettleship, Telegram-Tribune sports editor has been taken off the critical list at Mercy hospital in Toledo.

Known dead in the Saturday night crash are 16 players: Larry Austin, Rod Baughn, John Bell, Dean Carlson, Joel Copeland, Vic Hall, Guy Hennigan, Curt Hill, Marshall Kulju, Jim Ledbetter, Lynn Lobaugh, Don O'Meara, Ray Porras, Wayne Sorenson, Bill Stewart, and Gary Van Horn. Team manager Wendel Miner and Mustang Booster Pete Bachino were also killed.

The pilot, co-pilot, and two relatives of the pilot returning to California on the plane also were killed.



Flags Echo Campus Sorrow

FLAGS AT HALF-MAST . . . News of Saturday's tragic plane crash is read by Dairying Senior Austin Olinger and Mrs. Olinger in front of half-masted flags at the Administration building. Flags will continue to fly at half mast in city during remainder of week, which has been proclaimed a "Week of Sorrow" for San Luis Obispo by Mayor Fred Waters.

The Last Photograph Taken of Complete 1960 Mustang Football Team



Before tragedy struck . . . the 1960 Mustangs gathered in the stadium for this picture. The players are as follows: FRONT ROW (l-r): Don O'Meara, Don Adams, Russell Woods, Benny Martin (did not make trip), Coach Roy Hughes, Marshal Kulju, Bob Johnson, Bill Stewart, Gary Van Horn. SECOND ROW (l-r): Dick McBride, John Reardon (did not make trip), Mike Young (did not make trip), Dean Carlson, Roy Scialabba, Jim Ledbetter, Brent Jobe, Doug Minton (did not make trip), Clark Tuthill (did not make trip),

John Bell, General Owens. THIRD ROW (l-r): Ted Tollner, Norton Engen (deceased earlier this season), Walt Shimek, Gil Stork, Al Marinai, Lynn Lobaugh, Guy Hennigan, John Ramsey (did not make trip), Wayne Sorenson, Rod Baughn, John Brennan, Fred Brown. FOURTH ROW (l-r): Terry Betterton, Trainer, (did not make trip), Wendel Miner (manager), Joe Copeland, Curt Hill, Larry Austin, Roger Kelly, Bill Ross, Ray Porras, Bill Dauphin, Carl Bowser, Skip Straton (didn't make trip), Walt Williamson Asst. Coach.

Sixteen Gridders, One Manager Killed in Crash

Flags on campus were at half-mast today after a chartered plane carrying the Mustang football team home from its game in Bowling Green Saturday night crashed and burned at the Toledo, Ohio airport.

Twenty-two persons aboard the twin-engine C-46 airliner, including 16 Mustang football players, the team manager, a member of the Mustang Booster Club, and four other persons perished in the crash.

Injuries of varying degrees were reported from three Toledo hospitals, including 18 players and three coaches, in addition to John Nettleship, sports editor of the local Telegram Tribune.

Initial reports of the crash came from various media, indicating the tragedy was even worse than it eventually turned out to be, as confusion at the scene of the accident resulted in garbled accounts of the situation.

Cal Poly had been defeated by a 50-6 score in its afternoon game with Bowling Green but, according to statements of survivors following the crash, all the players had been in excellent humor prior to takeoff.

The Cal Poly party had boarded the plane after a bus trip from Bowling Green, and the decision to take off in the dense fog reportedly was made by the pilot of the craft, Capt. Bob Fleming of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Because of the density of the fog surrounding the field, eyewitness accounts of the crash varied, but the general opinion was that the plane warmed up for the initial takeoff down the runway, disappeared into the mist and exploded seconds later, apparently after gaining altitude of approximately 100 to 200 feet.

D. D. Richards, air traffic controller at the Toledo air terminal, said the pilot had cleared his plane by radio and pronounced himself ready for takeoff.

"A few seconds later," Richards said, "I looked up and heard a

loud thud and saw the plane in flames."

The plane apparently broke into sections after the explosion, with approximately 35 feet of the tail assembly lying about 30 feet in front of the main part of the aircraft.

The plane wreckage was scattered over an area of 200 feet. The Toledo aviation commissioner set the time of the crash at 10:02 p.m. (EDT).

The dense fog hampered rescue workers trying to get to the airport, located 20 miles southwest of Toledo. The first ambulances brought the injured to the hospitals approximately one hour after the crash.

Assistant coach Sheldon Harden, who reportedly was the only survivor to escape uninjured, had been seated in the tail section of the plane, and reported afterward that the plane definitely had become airborne, but seconds after the takeoff, the tail section began to weave and shudder.

Moments later, the explosion occurred. Harden managed to free himself and struggled to the front section of the plane in an attempt to pull others in the party to safety.

The plane departed from the Santa Maria airport Thursday morning, arriving later that afternoon in Toledo without incident. The team was scheduled to arrive at the Cal Poly campus yesterday morning at 8:00 a.m.

Campus Flooded with Wires Offering Sympathy and Help

Expression of sympathy and offers to help were telegraphed to the Cal Poly campus from all over the United States, as Americans responded to the tragedy of Saturday's plane crash.

Alumni across the nation were among the first to send their sympathy.

Homecoming Cancelled

All Homecoming activities set for next Saturday have been cancelled following a meeting of Alumni Association personnel and college officials yesterday.

Owen Servatius, national secretary-treasurer of the Alumni Association; Donald Van Harra-veld, national president; Jack Spaulding, president of the South Coast Region, and Carl Beck, San Luis Obispo faculty representative, met with Clyde Fisher, dean of the college, and announced the cancellation.

Beck said that national regional presidents and all officers of the Alumni Association have been contacted and have been asked to report the cancellation to media in their area.

Beck also said that Mrs. Helen Wong Jean, member of the Louis family who were to be honored as the Alumni Family of the Year, had been notified in Chicago, Ill.

Dean of Arts and Sciences Roy Anderson said that letters are to be sent by the college to individuals whom had previously indicated they were going to attend Homecoming divisional functions.

Mustang Grid Schedule Cancelled For Season

All remaining football games on the Mustang schedule have been cancelled.

Graduate Manager Bob Spink has been requested by college officials to notify the colleges remaining on the schedule.

The Mustangs were to celebrate Homecoming this Saturday and were scheduled to meet Los Angeles State College in a California Collegiate Athletic Association contest.

The Nov. 12 game was scheduled with Adams State College of Alamosa, Colo. The University of California, Santa Barbara would have been the opponent Nov. 18.

Most college administrative officials worked around the clock without sleep from Saturday evening until late Sunday, notifying parents and wives and making necessary arrangements.

Victims Majored in All Fields

Sixteen Cal Poly football players, and San Luis Obispo insurance broker Pete Bachino were included among the fatalities of a chartered Arctic-Pacific airliner crash in Toledo, Ohio, Saturday night. They follow:

ROD BAUGHN, 21, a Mechanical Engineering junior, was from San Gabriel. He was the son of Wayne Baughn. He attended Alhambra High School.

GUY HENNIGAN, 20, Physical Education junior. He formerly attended the University of New Mexico, Harbor College and East Los Angeles Junior College. He was the son of Earl H. Hennigan, Los Angeles.

VIC HALL, 23, Social Science junior. He was an alternate member on the U.S. Olympic team this year. He was an outstanding track star in the 100, 220, and 440 yard dashes. A graduate of Fremont High School in Los Angeles, he attended Oregon State College prior to enrolling at Cal Poly. He was the son of Mrs. W. F. Clift, Los Angeles.

CURTIS HILL, 21, Physical Education senior was regarded a top professional prospect. Hill worked out with the San Francisco 49'ers this summer. He was rated one of the top collegiate pass receivers on the coast and one of the best small college ends in the nation. His next of kin is listed as Willis Hill, Bakersfield.

JIM C. LEDBETTER, 19, Aeronautical Engineering sophomore. He attended La Sierra High School and was the son of Mrs. Eva B. Ledbetter, Sacramento.

WAYNE R. SORENSON, 20, Social Science sophomore. He attended Washington High School in Los Angeles and was the son of Jerry Sorenson, Los Angeles.

LYNN T. LOBAUGH, 20, Social Science junior. A graduate of Huntington Park High School, he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Lobaugh, Huntington Park.

LARRY AUSTIN, 23, Physical Education sophomore. A graduate of Bakersfield High School, Austin was married. His wife lives at 850 Leff street, San Luis Obispo. He was the son of Kyle Austin, Bakersfield.

JOHN BELL, 26, Physical Educa-

tion sophomore. He was a graduate of Tilden Tech, Chicago, and the son of John C. Bell Sr. Chicago. OLIVER DEAN CARLSON, 20, Mechanical Engineering sophomore. A graduate of Lompoc High School. He was the son of C. A. Carlson, Lompoc.

JOEL COPELAND, 23, Physical Education junior. A graduate of Bakersfield High School and Junior College. Copeland was the son of Kyle Copeland, Bakersfield.

MARSHALL KULJU, 20, Aeronautical Engineering junior. He entered Cal Poly from Diablo Valley College where he competed in both football and track. He was the son of Mrs. Anne Clark, Antioch.

WENDEL MINER, 21, Journalism sophomore. Student manager of the team. Miner was the son of Mary L. Miner, Los Angeles.

DON OMEARA, 25, Physical Education junior. A graduate of Madera Union High School, he entered Cal Poly from Santa Rosa Junior College. His wife lives at 1310 Foothill, San Luis Obispo.

RAY PORRAS, 27, Physical Education senior. Porras was well known in San Luis Obispo and was a part time employee of the city recreation department. His wife and four children survive. His local address was 30-A Casa street, San Luis Obispo.

WILLIAM STEWART, 19, Physical Education sophomore. A graduate of Mark Keppel High School, he was the son of Ralph Stewart, 107 Indio Drive, Sunset Palisades, San Luis Obispo.

GARY VAN HORN, 22, Crops Department senior. Considered one of the outstanding football products of Paso Robles High School, the Cal Poly senior was the son of Leatha E. Stringham, Box 97, San Miguel. His wife resides at 3118 Pine street, Paso Robles.

P.E. Wives Give Help

Wives of Physical Education instructors helped comfort wives of team members in the hours after the Toledo crash. The group provided warm meals and babysitting services to the student wives while the campus waited for complete news of the disaster.