

SO MUCH ACTIVITY In So Little Building Space

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It is up against much of the same problem: it has no adequate space in which to conduct rehearsals. It has to go asking for an off-campus place to hold its concerts in a downtown hall or church.

Observe that our College Arts Society faces a similar predicament: it must present its fine films in the small space of the Main Building "lounge." We all know how unsuited the "lounge" is for this purpose. UNFORTUNATELY, there is no place large enough for us to have convocation gatherings for the entire student-body, where distinguished guests and lecturers can address us. This applies to all social activities which have to be held off-campus.

Come up to the third-floor quarters of our campus newspaper, **The Highacres Collegian**. It is a small closet-like, poorly ventilated area where mimeographing machine, typewriter, desks for planning issues, etc. are huddled close together. The **Collegian** staff is forced to intrude into Professor Steel's Zoological Lab. for its meetings.

Watch out for the thrusts of long foils! The Fencing Club meets almost anywhere it can for its enthusiastic practice sessions in some momentarily unoccupied classroom.

Finally, just at random, consider these additional campus groups that meet wherever they can: Student Council, House Rules Committee, Parnassus Group, Student Government, Committee on Academic Honesty, Freshman Class Elections, and Sophomore Class Elections.

A Student Union Building would help solve these problems for all these organizations. Moreover, it would add so much enjoyment to our Highacres college years.

A Student Union Building has been the dream of many of our students, present and past. Yet, while we have been thinking about this, nothing concrete has been accomplished to make it a reality.

As students, we owe a great deal to Highacres, for it is here that we are receiving our foundation for college life, and it is here that many of us leave behind that trying period of adolescence, to become more mature human beings. In the future, Highacres will always conjure good and happy memories. We will remember the campus, the instructors, the students, our friends that we are cultivating here, and our social activities.

Do we have an obligation to Highacres and to the students who will take our places when we leave? Most of us think that we do. We need a Student Union Building. Your support is necessary. Without Your enthusiastic support, the dream will fall back into the limbo of unrealized wishes.

Highacres will have given you so much in two years. The question is **What are YOU going to leave Highacres?**

TWO-YEAR TECH. VIEWS

Reported by E. KOKINDA

Upon graduating in June, our students of the two-year program will look back on their scholastic stay at Highacres with various opinions. After all, the students of this program consider Highacres as their "main" campus, because their associate-degree studies terminate here, whereas the four-year baccalaureate students move to the University Park Campus to receive their final two years of studies and ultimately their degrees. Thus, a baccalaureate student, when he looks back, has memories of the two campuses, while the associate-degree student cherishes memories of the Highacres campus.

I am sure that the majority of the future graduating students of the technology courses consider the instruction of the highest caliber. It has been professionally proved that Highacres ranks as one of the best among the technical centers. The Highacres curriculums present a masterpiece of scheduling, offering so many courses within the framework of the available facilities.

Yet, while scholastically speaking, the two-year program is of the best, not much could be said about the recreational facilities, because we are limited to merely intramural activity, such as off-campus bowling, basketball, and baseball when the weather permits. Due to the limited size of our so-called Recreation Hall, a student is confined to the three C's: checkers, chess, and cards. How one misses a roomy ping-pong area, for example! Whenever

a student is in a state of low morale, which happens often, where can he go for a little relaxation?

We all realize that a Student Union Building is the answer to this problem. Yet, as Mark Twain allegedly commented on the weather, "Everyone talks about it, but no one does anything about it." **IS THIS TO BE THE DESTINY OF OUR PROPOSED STUDENT UNION BUILDING?**

BEST WISHES FROM OUR ARMINISTRATIVE HEAD



MR. FRANK KOSTOS

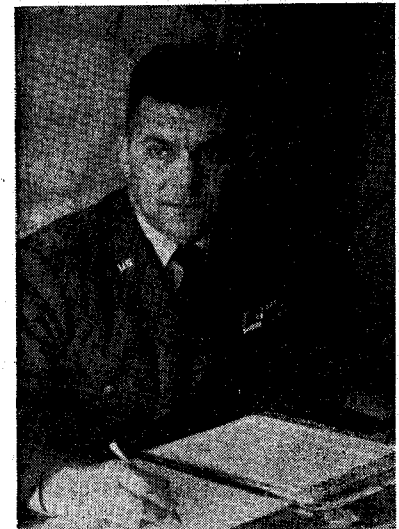
Highacres Student-Committee Visits The Ogontz Center Campus

Reported by K. REKAS

Four Highacres students, Theodore Waters, James Marnell, Raymond De Balso, and Karl Rekas, accompanied by Professor James Steel visited the Ogontz Center Campus, near Philadelphia, to see the new Ogontz Student Union Building. It is a handsome structure, housing many recreational, social, and student-comfort facilities, which includes a large dining hall. It has the features described in the proposed Highacres Student Union Building.

The delegates were warmly received by the faculty and students of our fellow Ogontz Campus, and enjoyed the many facilities at the New Student Union Building.

A SALUTE FROM THE CAPTAIN



CAPTAIN PAUL HARHI
Professor of Air Science
at Highacres.

AFROTC NEWS

The Highacres AFROTC Unit, under the direction of Captain Paul Harhi, has had a most successful semester. Cadet officers have done an excellent job in organizing, planning, and managing many of the activities of the program. All cadet officers have had the opportunity to learn the true meaning of the words, leadership and responsibility. The high degree of leadership potential was reflected in such activities as the Leadership Training Program, the Drill Team, Rifle Team, and Fencing Club. In each of these activities, cadet officers have had a free hand in organizing and conducting the entire program under the watchful eye of Captain Harhi, Associate Professor of Air Science. The various activities and the cadet officers in charge are the following:

1. Leadership Training Lab: Responsible for planning and conducting all phases of close order drill from, how to salute, to how to pass in review as a unit. Much credit in this activity goes to the Cadet Squadron Commander, Anthony Mercantino and his staff, Cadet Capt. Richard Maggio, Cadet Lts. Ben Tuchi, and Eugene Kovatch.

2. The Drill Team, which consists of twenty men, is the "elite" of the Corps. The hard work put forth by all the members was reflected in their winning of the second prize in the Mummets Day Parade held in Hazleton last October. The majority of Cadets on the drill team were freshmen and had but a few weeks of drill practice before taking second prize in competition with drill teams

from as far away as Maryland, New Jersey, and others from Pennsylvania. Cadet Lt. Ben Tuchi deserves credit for his outstanding job as the Drill Team Commander.

3. The Rifle Team is comprised of twelve cadets, who have been hand-picked from a competitive group of seventy cadets that tried out for this activity. They competed against the AFROTC Rifle Team on the Main Campus, on the 15th of December. This activity is carried on by Cadet Capt. Stimeling who is a Flight Commander as well as the Rifle Team Captain.

4. The Fencing Club has attracted a large number of Cadets. This activity is carried on by a Sophomore Cadet Officer and Basic Freshmen. Cadet Captain Richard Maggio is the Fencing Club Capt., as well as the Cadet Squadron Executive Officer. Capt. Maggio instructs club members in various fencing positions and drills. Cadet Severud, who is a freshman, has been assisting in making this activity successful.

Med-Tech. Students Hear Dr. Stone

Reported by M. PREPUTNIK

Dr. Robert W. Stone, Professor of Bacteriology at the Pennsylvania State University, recently visited Highacres. This distinguished authority has been affiliated with the Pennsylvania State University for the past twenty years. The topic of Dr. Stone's discussion was, "The Importance of the Medical Technologist."

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