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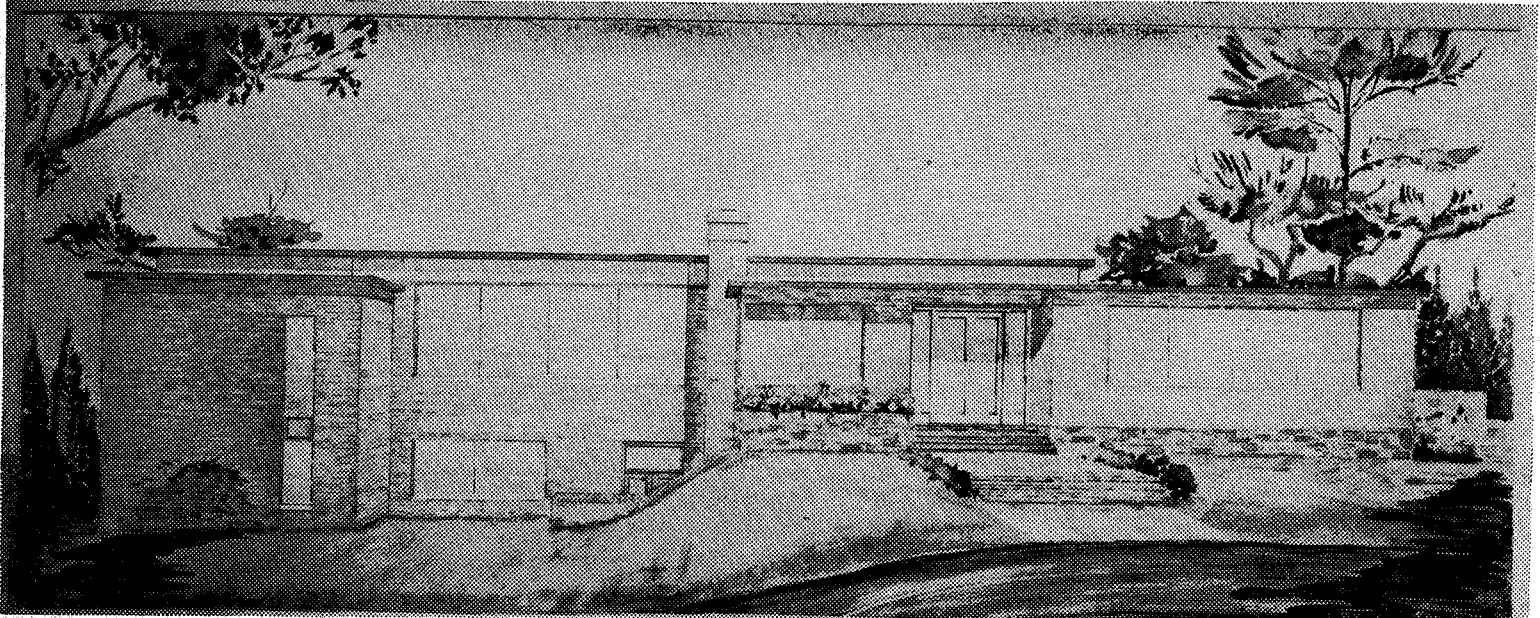
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HIGHACRES' NEW STUDENT UNION BUILDING



This is a frontal view of the new Student Union Building being constructed at Highacres. It is expected to be completed in time for the beginning of the fall term of 1958. The cost is estimated at \$100,000.

The split-level construction, 90 feet long and 55 feet wide, designed by architect Harry Lentz, will be located about 150 feet from the Main Building, overlooking Conyngham Valley.

Brick and stone are being used in the construction. The side facing the valley is to be made almost entirely of glass. The new building will include a large social, recreation room, and a spacious cafeteria. In addition, there will be rooms for student activities. The entire building and grounds will combine the best characteristics of utility and gracious modern living.

Reported by Fred Steckert and Joanne Edwards

President Walker Comments On The Future Development And Expansion Of The University Centers In Relation To The Main Campus

Reported by John Cappello (Exclusive to The Highacres Collegian)



DR. ERIC A. WALKER

In response to the question asked Dr. Eric Walker, President of Pennsylvania State University, by your editor, concerning the University's plans for the future development and expansion of the Center-campuses in relation to the University Park campus, Dr. Walker sent us the following statement for exclusive release through *The Collegian*:

"The importance of the community college — an institution both responsive and responsible to the local needs—to the solution of the educational crisis facing both Pennsylvania and the nation in just the next few years has been only recently recognized. Because of this, the initiative and foresight of the several communities in which

Penn State Centers have been established deserve great praise, and Penn State is proud to have been permitted to cooperate with these local groups to give Pennsylvania at least a start toward a truly significant community-college system.

"I have been asked to comment on the future development and expansion of the Penn State Centers. This is a difficult task. It is important that the programs at the Centers remain flexible so that they can adjust easily and quickly to the shifting economy and culture not simply of the Commonwealth but also of the community itself. This fact adds a new and difficult dimension to the always risky business of predicting.

"The committee that drew up our long-range report completed only this last winter predicted a total enrollment at the 13 Penn State Centers of 10,000 resident students by 1970. Fewer than 2700 students are now enrolled at the Centers. For the Hazleton Center, the committee foresees an increase in enrollment from the present figure of about 300 students to almost 800.

"Frankly, I think this prediction is extremely conservative. A report issued in April by the Department of Public Instruction disclosed that, in 1953, almost one million youngsters between the ages of eight and 13 were actually enrolled in Pennsylvania schools. Insofar as I can tell, the figure is limited to public-school enrollment and does not include enrollments in the private and parochial schools. If this is true, these youngsters provide much, but not all, the reservoir

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Let's Look Ahead To Our Highacres' Silver Anniversary

By Mauro Pancerella

Penn State University's Hazleton Campus is preparing to celebrate its 25th anniversary in 1959. Its history shows a constant growth and expansion to meet the educational and cultural needs of this area.

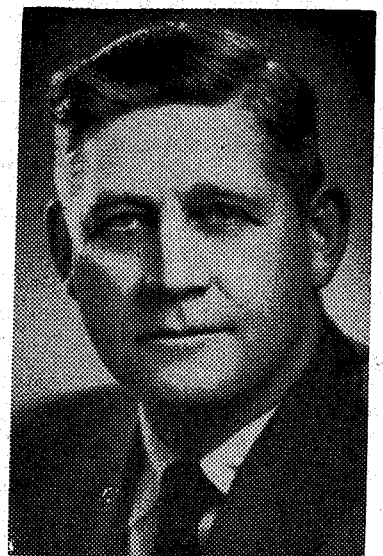
Here is a brief history of the Hazleton branch of the Penn State University. The Penn State Center at Hazleton was first organized in 1934, with classes and administrative offices in the Markle Bank Building. Then, we moved to the Broad Street School building, which is now occupied by classes conducted by the Hazleton School District. Later, classrooms were added, by the use of rooms in the Walnut Street Building, which has since been replaced by the new Hazleton Elementary School building. Eventually, the State of Pennsylvania bought the spacious Markle Estate at Highacres for us. This is the present location of Highacres Campus.

Here are the former Administrative Heads: From 1934 to 1939 Robert F. Eiche, who is the present Administrative Head at the Altoona Center; from 1939 to 1943 Coleman Herpel, now the Administrative Head at the Ogontz Center; from 1943 to 1951 the late Amos A. Goss; from 1951 to 1954 Merle Campbell, at present in charge of the Division of Center Administration at University Park. Our present Administrative Head, Frank C. Kostos, was appointed to that post in 1954.

FACULTY TO CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY TO THE STUDENT UNION BUILDING

A faculty committee has been appointed to handle faculty contributions and to determine on what part of the project the faculty contribution is to be spent.

BEST WISHES FROM OUR ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD



MR. FRANK KOSTOS

HOW TO SEEK A SCHOLARSHIP

Reported by Al Hinger

There are two sources of financial scholarship aid: locally here at Highacres, and on a University-wide basis by action of the Scholarship Committee. Here are some of the details:

1. Locally, there is available for a deserving high-school senior, a scholarship fund consisting of five hundred dollars offered to a freshman in the pursuance of a Baccalaureate Degree. The high school student is to consult his high school principal for the details.

2. Also locally, for high school seniors, there are two scholarships

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