

EDITORIAL

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE BREAKFAST WITH ERIC WALKER?

By LEONARD KUCINSKI

Because of the housing shortage for students this term at the main campus, several students are staying at President Walker's home.

What is interesting about this development is that a housing shortage does exist. That it exists is easier to explain than why. No one seems to want to take the blame for it. The only explanation this paper could offer is that the number of dropouts anticipated did not materialize. This is a simple situation that can be corrected easily. 1) The blame is with professors who, through some mysterious reason, did not flunk out enough students. 2) They can correct this grave error by, not only flunking out enough students for this term, but, also, for the last term. This housing situation can be eliminated by simply getting rid of the students. If the profs fail to do their part this term, the shortage will be much worse.

It should be noted that the students are just as much at fault as the profs. After all, if they did not study and make passing grades, the profs would not have to pass them in the first place. Students, please note: In the future you will have to co-operate more closely with the University; when the University wants 1000 dropouts, you will have to meet this quota. After all, what is more important, succeeding in school or keeping the vital statistics of the university in balance?

Students of Highacres who plan to go to the campus for the winter term had better polish up on table manners, because if this housing shortage isn't eliminated by then, you too may be staring across your poached eggs at Eric Walker.

Dagmar Microfilm Reader at Library

The Highacres Library at the Hazleton Campus has recently acquired a Dagmar Super Microfilm Reader. It will be available for use by the faculty and student body.

The micro-film contains New York Times' newspapers from 1950 to the present. Each roll in-

cludes two weeks' issues of the paper, including the Sunday issues and the Sunday magazine section. These micro-films will arrive every two weeks.

It is hoped that everyone will take advantage of this new facility at his convenience.

FEE INCREASE SEEN IN 1964

A slight increase in University room and board fees will almost inevitably occur within the next year, President Eric A. Walker disclosed earlier this month.

The President denied, however, rumors that a similar increase in the cost of tuition is also forthcoming.

Rising prices, over which the University has no control, have precipitated the situation, he said, and the end result will probably be an increase in the room and board charges.

Walker gave no further details on the increase.

Highest Fees At Penn State

Students at Penn State, according to latest figures compiled by the University, pay the highest academic fees of all who attend land-grant colleges and universities in the nation.

PRESIDENT . . . (continued)
love of humanity will remain a symbol of greatness and goodness and help light the way to future endeavors.

New Loan Fund

In order to provide financial aid for able students who need it, The Pennsylvania State University provides a series of scholarships together with the University Loan Fund and the National Defense Loans. In the Hazleton Area, there are also the Dorr-Oliver Scholarships of \$480 per year for two years. One of each of these is offered every year to freshman Associate Degree students based on ability and need. Other area sources of assistance are the Hazleton Elks Club of \$200 a year, the Unico Club of \$250 a year for a student in any curriculum, and the Hazleton Campus Auxiliary Loan Fund.

Recently, a new Loan Fund has been set up by the Hazleton Education Council in charge of the Scholarship Committee at the Campus. Sears, Roebuck and Co. has given \$1,000 to this Loan Fund last year. Recently, the same amount was given this year.

However, students, especially entering freshmen, are unaware of these sources of finance. Many potential students do not enter college at all due to lack of funds. There is a need to stimulate interest in beginning freshmen to become aware of these sources of aid and to investigate specialized fields of study for scholarships.

ALTOONA DORMITORY BOMBED; FBI MAY INVESTIGATE DAMAGE

A labor dispute has been raging between the Carpenter's District Council, AFL-CIO of Pittsburgh, and the Paul E. Hickes Construction Company since June 15 when the Hickes Co. was given a \$1.25 million contract to construct a laboratory building and dormitory-student union complex at Altoona Campus.

Early Sunday morning, November 10, a bomb exploded in the still incomplete women's wing of a dormitory-student union complex causing an estimated \$50,000 worth of damage. Considerable damage was done to the closed-in dormitory wing where the explosion shattered window panes and twisted their steel frames. In addition, a steel I-beam to which the explosives were attached was bent and will have to be repaired.

The FBI has offered its facilities to local authorities conducting an investigation of the bombing. The FBI will formally enter the case only if requested by the local authorities of the Department of Justice. Federal legislation approved last year grants the FBI with the authority to investigate church and school bombings where there is a presumption

that interstate commerce is involved.

The University has maintained a neutral position in the matter from the outset. Robert E. Eiche, director of the Altoona campus, stated that it is a "matter for the courts and law" — a situation which exists "between the union and the contractor." At present, work on the new buildings is continuing, with emphasis on enclosing all the spaces practicable so that work need not stop with the onset of winter. Original plans called for the construction to be completed by July 1, 1964.

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