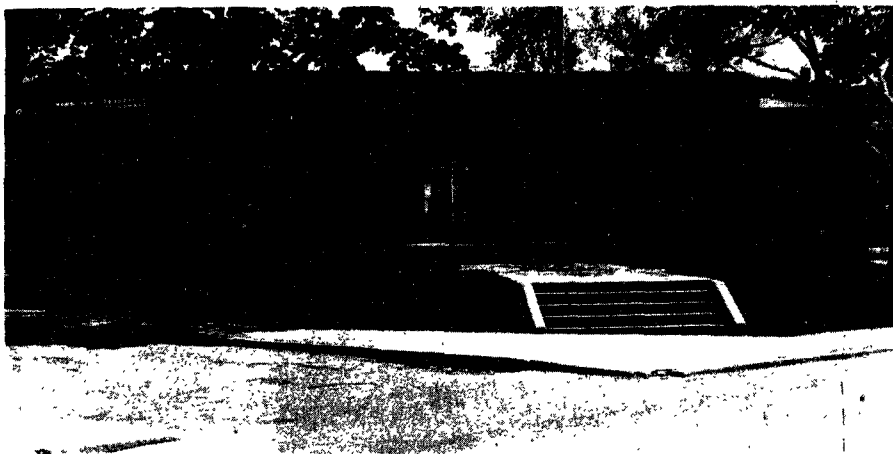


3rd SITE: A. D. THOMAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



4th SITE: WALNUT STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (Old Building Burned)

- 1943-51 - Amos A. Goss
- 1951-54 - Merle E. Campbell
- 1954-73 - Frank G. Kostos
- 1973-present - William David

At present, the assistant director at Highacres is William Schneider, who came here in 1956.

Increasing enrollment necessitated moving into larger quarters. So, having outgrown its original quarters within three years, the Hazleton Center moved to the West Broad Street School, which was made available by the Hazleton City School Board in 1937. At this time, the student enrollment climbed to fifty-seven.

Four years later, the United States entered World War II. It was at this point in the history of the Hazleton Campus that its progress was not a steady one. In 1943 there was a question of the continuation of the institution because of the low enrollment during the war years. Decline during the war years reached a low in 1944, when

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HISTORY

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Hazleton Undergraduate Center was opened in 1934. The school has been a positive addition to the community ever since its birth in the Markle Bank Building to its present location at Highacres.

The beginning of our campus was a humble one. In 1934 the college had an enrollment of forty-seven students taught by seven faculty members in three rooms. The original home of the Center in the Markle Bank Building consisted of two small classrooms, an administrative office, and an undernourished library. Robert Eiche, now Director of the Altoona Campus, was the first administrative head. The administrative leadership has been a contributing factor to the progress the Hazleton Campus has made. From the beginning to the present, these have been the administrative directors:

- 1934-39 - Robert E. Eiche
- 1939-43 - Coleman Herpel



AIR VIEW OF THE HAZLETON CAMPUS



Construction of the Residence Hall