

Rising Tuition Spurs Tax-Credit Program

WASHINGTON (CPS)—Tuition increases are at the heart of the proposals for a tax-credit for college tuitions, for it is the rising cost of going to college that Sen. Abraham Ribicoff, the sponsor of the tax credit programs, says is making it difficult for middle-income families.

Higher tuitions are being considered by the Ivy League and at many private schools, Columbia, for example, raised tuition \$200 this year to a total of \$1,900. It was the fourth increase at Columbia in six years. George Washington University raised tuition from \$1,250 to \$1,400 for the ninth increase in eleven years.

Syracuse raised tuition from \$1,500 to \$1,620 for undergraduates; Stanford, from \$1,400 to \$1,565; and Catholic University from \$1,200 to \$1,300. A few private schools, such as Finch and Sarah Lawrence College, already charge more than \$2,000 in tuition alone.

The National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges reported that this year the median in-state tuition at its 97 members schools was up 5.4 per cent over last year.

Out-of-state tuition, the report said, is up 19.9 per cent from a median figure of \$612 last year to the present median of \$734. Median room costs were up 5.1 per cent for men and 4 per cent for women and board costs rose 2.3 per cent for men and 3 per cent for women.

Only 25 colleges in the association managed to hold the line against increased student charges this year, the report said, and a very few institutions were able to lower some fees. Last year only 14 institutions had failed to show an increase in fees.

Pennsylvania State University was one of those able to lower fees, and the school put a lower in-state tuition into effect Jan. 10. A three-term year at the University Park campus now costs a Pennsylvania resident \$450 in tuition fees. The previous cost was \$525. Temple University in Philadelphia also reduced tuition for the year to \$450. Tuition had been \$920. Both cuts were made possible by increased help from the states.

Temple was officially declared a "state instrumentality" last fall and thereby came in for increased state aid.

Decreased fees were also found at the University of Hawaii where \$14 was cut, the University of Rhode Island where board rates dropped \$50, and the University of Wisconsin where tuition for the branch centers was cut. Wisconsin, however, saw increased fees go into effect on its Madison and Milwaukee campuses.

The report also showed that out-of-state student fees are rising more quickly than in-state fees. Last year, NASULGC reported that only nine schools charged non-residents \$900 or more and that only four of these charged more than \$1,000. This year there are 20 schools that charge more than \$900 and seven have gone over the \$1,000 mark.

Out of state tuition was raised this year at 59 schools, the report said, and in-state tuition went up at 52. On the whole, out-of-state increase were larger than those for in-state students with 26 institutions jumping out-of-state fees \$100 or more. In-state fees went up \$100 in only one school, the University of New Hampshire.

The report also indicated that the cost of going to college is higher in the East and least expensive in the South and West. The NASULGC members with the highest in-state tuitions are almost all in the East, the report said. Of the 15, only the University of South Carolina is south of Virginia. Three state schools in Virginia are among the 15.

Fourteen of the members of the association charge state residents \$22 or less. All but the University of Connecticut are in the South or Southwest. Sixteen of the members charge out-of-state residents \$500 or less in tuition and required fees for a year. Almost all of these are in the South or the West.

Most schools explain the fee increases as a result of inadequate appropriations from the state legislature and rising costs. The need for additional revenue to finance expansion and construction is often cited as a factor in increasing fees.

Greek Probe Continues At Eastern Washington

CHENEY, Wash. (AP)—An investigation into alleged racial discrimination in the fraternity-sorority system is continuing at Eastern Washington State College.

The investigation, spurred by charges leveled Wednesday by the school's student body president, entered its second day with college President Don Patterson scheduled for an afternoon meeting with his faculty. Patterson is expected to present the issue to the E.W.S.C. Board of Trustees at a meeting tomorrow night.

Patterson met yesterday with the student personnel committee

which directs Greek system activities on the campus. The meeting followed publication of an article by student body president John T. Wood in Wednesday's E.W.S.C. newspaper, "The Easterner."

Wood, a Negro from Seattle, charged that Eastern's Epsilon Sigma fraternity had discriminated against a Negro student who attempted to join in 1962. He said he had two statements signed by charter members of the fraternity indicating that the student was not pledged because of his race.

"After considering the evidence presented to me," Wood

wrote, "I feel the only alternative is to ask for a ban of the Greek system from the Eastern campus until satisfactory investigation has taken place.

Eastern has three fraternities and two sororities. One of the fraternities has national affiliations. The others reportedly are seeking such affiliation.

All five organizations received Board of Trustees approval to seek national affiliation in 1964. The board's approval was conditional, stipulating that the organizations must certify that they have not joined a national society with restrictive membership clauses in its constitution or by-laws.

The trustees also ordered the school's Greek chapters to remain the sole agencies in determining membership and initiation eligibility.

Instructor to Discuss Drawing, Sculpture

Manuel Izquierdo, sculpture instructor at the Museum Art School in Portland, will give a gallery talk at 8 p.m. today in the Maude I. Kerns Art Center.

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