

## *Willowbrook fires draw investigation*

Fire marshals and detectives are investigating a series of suspicious fires that broke out early this morning in Building 18 at Willowbrook State School.

Police believe someone broke into the building, a self-contained dormitory unit, and started two fires in the kitchen, one in an office and a fourth in the actual dormitory section.

Firemen, directed by Battalion Chief John O'Malley, responded to the scene at 3:45 a.m. and had the fires under control a half hour later, using two engines and a ladder company.

But they found their progress in quelling the fires hindered by other flares as cereal and butter, that had been scattered around the kitchen and office, caught fire too. According to O'Malley, the office had been smeared with butter. O'Malley tagged the fires suspicious and notified the fire marshal's office.