

# U - HIGH MIDWAY *Forums and films: presidents outline*

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## Final trials ahead for 12 on Merit list

Ten per cent of U-High's seniors are considered in the top one per cent of the nation's students, according to an announcement of the National Merit Scholarship corporation, which has named 12 U-Highers as Merit semifinalists. They now face final eliminations.

U-High has four more semifinalists than last year and, this year, has all but one of the semifinalists in Chicago private schools.

U-High has more semifinalists than any Chicago school.

THE semifinalists include Frank Alviani, Suzanne Epstein, Ray Finkel, Dan Harris, Glenn McDavid, Cal Melamed, Dan Meltzer, John Nambu, David Rohrlach, Mary Scranton, Barry Spergel and Kim Yasutake.

In addition, four students who were at U-High last year received the honor. They are Carl Becker, Scott Davis, Ted McClure and Jim Rosenheim.

A PERCENTAGE of students who scored just below the semifinalists have received letters of commendation.

They are as follows:

Ross Anderson, Joan Atlas, Fred Belmont, Naava Binder, Richard Booth, Carol David, Jim East, Dan Erickson, Bobbie Green, Eva Grunwald, Janice Halpern, Rolf Hartmann, Audrey Kavka, Carolyn Kent.

Alma Kolb, Steffen Kurz, Judith LeFevre, Peter LeFevre, David Levi, Stephen Lewontin, Robert McCullough, Maria Nipson, Kitty Picken, Matt Piers, Raphael Pollock, Michael Potter, Peter Rosenthal, Larry Samelson, Ed Taylor.

## On The Midway

How many students suffered the first day of school like Senior Julie Schiller, who made a knee-numbing run to drama class on the third floor of Belfield only to discover her class wasn't scheduled until next quarter?

### COMING ATTRACTIONS

Today Oct. 10—Soccer game against Oak Park, varsity and frosh-soph, 4 p.m., away; cross country meet against Illiana, 3:45 p.m. away.

Friday, Oct. 13—Soccer against De LaSalle, varsity and frosh-soph, 4 p.m., home; cross country against Oak Lawn, 4:30 p.m., home.

Tuesday, Oct. 17—Soccer against Evanston, varsity and frosh-soph, 4 p.m., away; cross country against Lakeview, 3:45 p.m., away.

Thursday, Oct. 19—Soccer against Chicago Christian, varsity only, 4 p.m., away.

Friday, Oct. 20—Cross country against Marshall, 3:45 p.m., home.

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### NEXT SHOWTIME

Midway out after school Tuesday, Oct. 24.



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THEIR NAMES in the Daily News mark the accomplishment of these U-High Merit semifinalists. David Rohrlach holds the clipping admired by, from right, Suzanne Epstein, Glenn McDavid, Frank

Alviani, Dan Harris, Kim Yasutake, Cal Melamed and Mary Scranton. Unable to appear for the photo were Ray Finkel, Dan Meltzer, John Nambu and Barry Spergel.

## Grading question gets further look

By next Tuesday at least one representative from each High school department will have been chosen for a new committee on grading approved at a faculty meeting October 2.

Through use of available statistics, its own research and questioning of parents, teachers, students and other sources, the committee will attempt to decide if U-High's present grading situation is a workable as can be expected or if recommendations for a new grading system or replacement for grades can be made (see editorial pg. 2).

The faculty had decided at a meeting June 5 to put off until fall a decision to either formulate a grading policy for all-school or department use or decide why U-High shouldn't have one.

This decision resulted from a report from a faculty committee

on grading, delivered on its behalf at the June 5 meeting by Teacher Paul Moulton.

The committee directed itself to answering three major questions pertaining to grading practices at U-High.

FIRST WAS, "To what use to the students and their parents (besides the obvious use of supplying information) are grades put?"

They decided from a tabulation of grades actually given that grades are rarely used for anything outside of proving colleges with criteria to guide them in selecting students for admission.

SECOND QUESTION was, "What grades are actually assigned?"

Committee members found that U-High teachers assign grades on far from a normal distribution.

Average grade here is a high B- (Continued to page 4, Col. 1)

## Drama room to be remodeled

## 'Theater-in-round' ahead

A Greek-style theater-in-the-round is planned through alteration of the present drama room (Belfield 342) by Teachers Robert Keil and Thomas Potenza. The theater would seat 300 people.

"By creating theater-in-the-round," Mr. Potenza said, "we will be able to create more intimacy between the cast and audience."

"Where a theater-in-the-round isn't desirable," added Mr. Keil, "we could arrange the stage differently."

A THREE-QUARTER round or alley-type, stage could be constructed by rearranging the seats.

During construction of the new setup, the drama room will be cleaned, worn costumes thrown out and the stage removed.

Portable seats rising to the walls of the room will be installed and the room will be painted.

IN ADDITION to the new physical layout, the teachers plan a new approach to play selection.

All productions will be three-act plays "that are not too deep or classical," Mr. Keil said.

"We want the audience to understand and enjoy what is going on and not fall asleep," Mr. Potenza explained.

Plays under consideration include "Arsenic and Old Lace", "My Three Angels" and "Harvey."

BY PLAYING for two consecutive weekends instead of one, Drama club members will be able to present six instead of four performances of each production this year.

Mr. Keil said that the school hopes to broaden its drama curriculum. "We feel," he explained, "that drama should become a required part of every student's life."

## Forums and films: presidents outline Council, Union

Forum-like Student Council meetings, elections conducted in homeroom, movie parties and a bake sale are some of the new ideas proposed by Council President James Steinbach and Student Union President Beth Fallers, as they begin their terms of office.

"Special forum-like Council meetings will be run without parliamentary procedure," James explained.

He hopes this plan will encourage students—other than representatives—to take an active part in Council affairs. Meetings will usually, however, be run with parliamentary procedure.

THERE WILL BE regular forums as well as to discuss problems which arise during the year and can't be handled by Student Council alone, he added.

James also would like to initiate informal talks after every meeting where representatives could air their ideas on Council affairs.

James pointed to the dismal turnout for last year's referendum on Student Board elections as a reason for holding voting in homeroom.

"The count was 98-86, which means over two-thirds of the student body considered classes and talking to friends more important than voting," he said.

"If elections were held in homeroom there would be nothing else to do but vote."

TURNING TO the Laboratory Mutants, of which he is a member, James described that student group, which publishes an underground journal and last year sponsored student-teacher forums, as "basically opposed to Student Council."

But he saw no conflict in his roles a Mutant and Council president.

"Just because I'm in both groups doesn't mean I'm going to change my views," he stated. "I will continue to think like a Mutant but won't change Student Council because of it. The Mutants are against parliamentary procedure but I'm not doing away with it entirely."

A MOVIE PARTY, a computer party, Giant Gym Night and an outdoor sports party in the spring are planned by the Student Union this year, according to President Beth Fallers.

"We are trying to get away from the idea of just dancing parties," she said.

Although in her campaign speech last year, Beth questioned holding a Date Dance this year because of poor attendance in past years, she announced that there will be a Date Dance this winter.

"I talked to a lot of people and everyone wanted the dance," she explained.

INSTEAD OF THE traditional Christmas toy drive to raise money for a community organization, however, the Union plans to sponsor a bake sale.

"We have several surprises scheduled for this year and the bake sale will include a few of them," she added.

Beth hopes to revise the Student Union constitution, but admits she doesn't know much about parliamentary procedure. She urged everyone to attend Union meetings because "last year there was a lot of grumbling but I want to hear it first hand" (see editorial page 2).

BETH FEELS THAT the Union will not be run by an "in" clique, as was charged last year. She points to the variety of groups represented on the Union executive board and to the events planned for this year which "are so different that everyone will find at least one party he can enjoy."

She added, "We've had some great planning sessions and the whole Union board is excited about this year."



James Steinbach



Beth Fallers

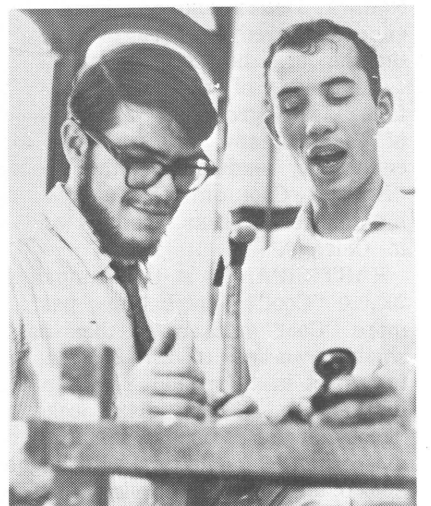


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WITH HAMMER and nails, Drama Teachers Tom Potenza, left, and Robert Keil begin the remodeling which hopefully will result in a new theater in Belfield 342.



# Critics should be 'delegates' first

Student Government Presidents James Steinbach and Beth Fallers, in a front page story this issue, have outlined their plans for the school year.

As in past years, these plans are sure to be criticized by students and faculty members who have time to talk but not to attend Council and Union meetings.

Student Council meetings are open to everyone, but few students other than representatives attend, and usually the only faculty member present is the adviser.

Last year even key administrators often were absent from Council and Union meetings.

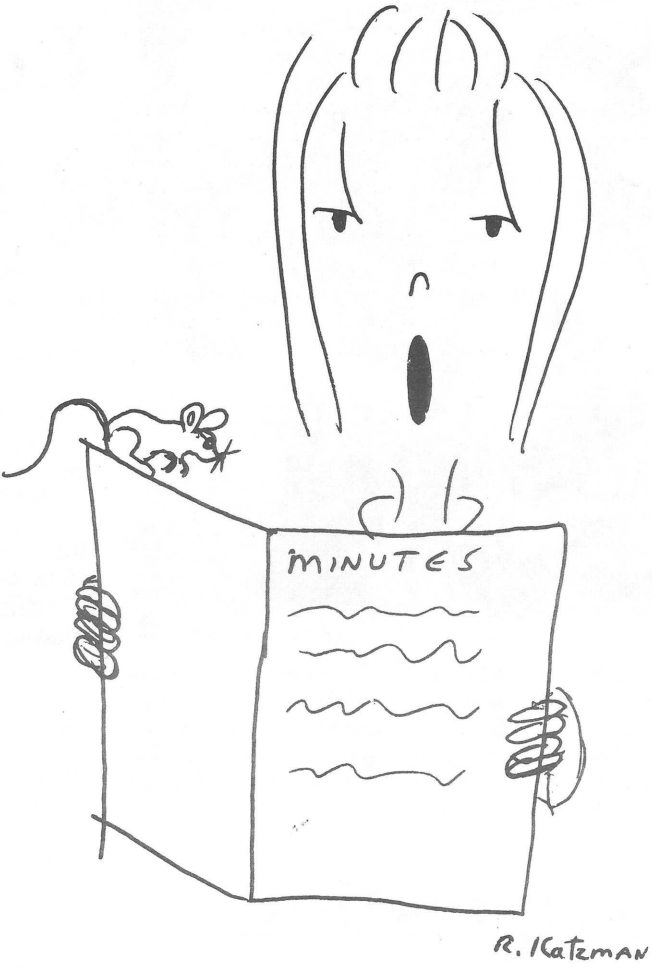
Criticism of student government is only effective when the critics are well-informed. And to be well-informed they must know what is going on at Council and Union meetings.

## 10-second editorials

According to U-Highlights Editor Mia Takehita, quotes (used up to 1965 and still being requested) could not be considered for the senior section. U-High's administrators were advised last year not to permit them. U-Highlights' printer recently lost an expensive libel suit involving a senior quote at another school.

Since students can't assume legal responsibility for the school's publications, this is one decision they will just have to accept gracefully.

● In response to the Midway's editorial suggestion September 25 that he be allowed a two-month grace before students comment on his policies, new Principal Carl Rinne has stated in a letter to the editor that he feels student and teacher complaints, accompanied by proposals for action, are "too important for the future of the school to be reserved for the sake of courtesy."



"... And concluding the reading of the council minutes, we wish to commend A. Mouse, our sole visitor last week."

## Nat'l Newspaper week salute

# 'Defender' helped to keep city cool

**Editor's note:** National Newspaper Week (October 8-14) was conceived to explain the role of newspapers and their service to the public and the importance of a free press in a free society. The Midway staff, accordingly, each year observes this week by saluting the work of a Chicago newspaper.

**By Bobbie Green**

While many U-Highers spent last summer enjoying courses at universities or jaunts through Europe, thousands of people back home in Chicago were participating in a much different kind of program.

Because there was racial tension in Newark, Detroit and San Francisco, Chicagoans feared for their own safety during the long, hot summer ahead.

Publishers of the Chicago Daily Defender, a Negro daily with a circulation of 43-45,000, saw an opportunity for real community leadership. They launched a "Keep A Cool Summer" campaign, hoping to prevent riots, looting and killing in Chicago.

**PARTICIPANTS** in the campaign wore 200,000 "Cool" lapel buttons, pasted even more "Cool" stickers on their car windshields, worked at 257 booster centers, took part in 10 special YMCA programs, listened to WVON disk jockeys talk "cool" on the radio and sent to a contest more than 20,000 letters with suggestions and opinions on improving the city.

Last week, Mr. Thomas Pirou, manager of circulation, sales and promotion and director of the booster center program, was able to look back on the campaign and say, "It was without

question a success. It was the vehicle which stimulated community action to combat the problem we're involved in."

**LETTER CONTESTANTS'** ideas on keeping Chicago cool were varied. One letter writer said:

The so-called long, hot summer that is upon us now, and the ones to come, will cease when the Negro people are no longer systematically denied rights as citizens of this nation.

**Another letter writer offered:**

I suggest that some of the teenage parties be eliminated—especially the house parties.

**ANOTHER writer commented:**

Chicago, well, what I've seen of it, it's very crowded. Why don't some businessmen sponsor community cleanup and community safety?

**One lady suggested in her letter:**

To keep a cool summer you must keep your city clean because a lot of junk makes things seem hotter than it is. Everyone should have an opportunity to help others. People should not go rioting or fighting. It really is too hot for policemen to hurt someone, and they don't mean to but they have to.

**THERE WAS** plenty of opposition to the Defender's program of overcoming the Negroes' problem without violence.

Lewis G. Robinson, a black nationalist leader who was accused of teaching teenagers how to throw molotov cocktails but not indicted, wrote:

The only weapon black people have is the violence and discontent of the young Negroes. You can't stop the riot that's coming. All the city has been doing is trying to change attitudes and conditions.

Without a crash program of long duration controlled by the ghetto people themselves, there's not a prayer of a chance. There will be next summer and next summer.

On the first day of fall a Defender editorial congratulated Chicagoans for having kept a cool summer.

**IT ALSO LISTED** goals for the winter months sent in by its readers. Among

these goals were organizing gangs into squads for positive efforts, stressing more education and preparing for more and better jobs.

Though the long, hot summer is over, the Defender is not stopping now. It has already begun working toward the goals set up by its readers by adopting a new slogan: "Be For Real . . . Have A Warm Heart."

# Courses need standards

According to a teachers' committee report (see story pg. 1), grades at U-High rarely are used for any purpose other than guiding college admission officers in selecting students.

If so, and if the school is to present colleges with the most accurate information on applicants, U-High teachers must adopt the uniform grading practices the report shows at present are nonexistent.

The committee's report points out that U-Highers can usually adjust to differences in grading practices, but their transcripts cannot, because a "B" from a hard grader looks like B, and A from an easy grader looks like A."

Because of the wide variation in subject matter and objectives between departments at U-High, a schoolwide grading policy would not be practical . . . or desirable. Study habits, for example, might obviously be of greater concern to an English teacher than they are to a man who teaches the fine art of kicking a soccer ball.

And because the courses within a department also might vary widely in purpose, department-wide grading policies also are not the answer.

Probably the most meaningful way to achieve grading consistency at U-High would be for each department to set standards for each course it offers. The effect of being graded by one teacher instead of another in the same course should not bar a student from admission to his dream college.

## A MUSING

... about buying books

"I'll need the 'Habits of the Eurasian Titmouse', too."

"That'll be \$46 please, plus tax."

"YoYu're kidding! The 'Titmouse' is only a seven-page pamphlet!"

"YOUNG MAN, this bookstore has only a limited selection of items. We have to make ends meet somehow."

And so starts the year. After a 45-minute wait to get into the bookstore, the bottom falls out of your wallet.

Freshmen get the roughest deal because of the shoving. This year it's rumored that one senior's elbow lodged in a freshman's braces. Another freshman dropped his change in front of the door, and as he bent down to pick it up, the tardy bell rang. He was never seen again.

**WAITING WOULDN'T** be so bad if there was something to look at besides pencil sharpenings and red-hot pitches to buy the New Yorker at half-price.

What's worse, you know that when the year ends and you figure you can maybe salvage a buck or two from your tattooed volumes that you will hear this dialogue:

"Hello, Mrs. Bookie, I've come to sell back to you these five books I bought last year for \$67. I've done my best to care for them and keep them clean."

"HMMMMMMMM, I notice a crease on page 672 of your math book. Can't use it."

"How about my dictionary? It's spotless."

"That's what you say. There is strong evidence you've used the book. See that little dent in the binding."

"Where?"

"Never mind, we can't use it. Say, why are you taking off your watch? Where are you going?"

"Where? I'm going to see if I can pawn it and buy dark glasses and a cup. Goodbye."

—Robert Katzman

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# Play soccer in spring, Mustang executive urges

If played in spring rather than fall, soccer—U-High's major fall sport—would enjoy the kind of spectator popularity it now lacks.

So advises Mr. Stu Holcomb, general manager of the Chicago Mustangs, the city's new entry in the new United Soccer Assn.

"In the spring, there is no competition with football, there are fields available (football stadiums) and the weather is more suited for soccer," he said in a recent interview with a Midway reporter.

AS FOR the newly-begun (in the United States) professional sport of soccer, Holcomb believes it will



Mr. Stu Holcomb

gain popularity in the next few years as "hometown boys" start to join the teams.

For its first season, the Mustangs had to import a pro team from Italy.

"It takes at least one year to organize a team," Holcomb explained, "and when we found out that the other league (the National Soccer League—in Chicago, their team is the Spurs) was going to begin playing this season, we had to come up with an already-established team."

First year attendance figures for the Mustangs were a poor 4-5,000. Next season, when a homegrown team is expected to play, Holcomb expects attendance to at least be doubled.

HIGH school soccer teams will begin to feed players to pro squads in

the next decade, he feels. Soccer is an ideal high school sport because it is inexpensive—the ball is about the only equipment—and can be played on any field, he said.

"There are no obscure rules that youngsters need argue about," he said.

Soccer has long been a major school sport in England, where boys begin playing at 8 or 9 years and form clubs by the time they are 12.

FOR ANY U-Higher who is interested in playing college soccer, Holcomb feels Michigan State and St. Louis are outstanding among midwestern universities with strong soccer teams.

As baseball has its boys' camps, Holcomb would like to see soccer camps. But he doesn't expect them

in the near future.

"There is some soccer played at the White Sox Boys camp (owned by Artnell, Inc., which also owns the Mustangs) but it isn't a major

activity yet," he said.

Given time, though, and that lucrative spring season, soccer can flourish, he feels, as one of this country's most popular games.

## Beat Oak Park? Yep, say Maroons

Shouts and cheers illuminated U-High's dim locker room as the players filed in fresh from a 3-0 victory over Illiana Christian Friday.

As the Maroons began to dissect their victory, a visitor asked about today's game at Oak Park.

"I think we'll beat 'em," Larry Rehage ventured.

"When you start scoring, spirit picks up," Team Manager Dick Dworkin added.

"THE WHOLE TEAM lifts with a surge," Rehage agreed.

"We can beat anyone. At worst we'll tie — we're undefeatable!" came the cry from the showers.

But the Huskies are a tough team and Coach Sandy Patlak realizes it. "There's not a cinch in it (the season) . . . they're all gonna be tough games," he said.

But still the Maroons were optimistic.

"We ainta gonna miss. We'll go undefeated," Dick Townsend exclaimed.

THE STEAMY MIST floating from the showers and through the room did not waterlog the Maroons' spirits. But for today's journey to Oak Park, Patlak maintained, "We'll have to play every game the day of the game."

Despite their easy victory over Illiana, the Maroons saluted the Vikings.

"They have improved 100 per cent," Patlak said at halftime.

"Two hundred" added a Maroon.

After a rough, unorganized first half, the Maroons picked up while Illiana slacked off. It was only then that the Maroons made up for Christian's height.

"Illiana really slowed down after the first goal," Richard Booth said.

From Illiana to Oak Park is a giant step, but no one in the locker room — except Sandy Patlak — seemed worried.

## . . . Looking ahead the next two weeks

. . . the Maroons face their toughest opponents. In addition to Oak Park (see story above), U-High will battle De La Salle Friday and Evanston Tuesday.

De La Salle beat St. Mel 1-0 in the opening minutes of their game October 2. U-High tied St. Mel the next day.

The Maroons will be out to avenge last year's 4-0 loss to Evanston. To repeat their earlier 2-1 victory against Chicago Christian will be the Maroons' goal Thursday, October 19, there.



Photo by Schrammel

PRESEASON PRACTICE is over for U-High Maroons. Today they face Oak Park, a major oppo-

nent. In the last preseason practice match, Brian Jack, left, Matt Piers, Larry Rehage and Frosh-

soph Coach Ed Ponder converged on the ball.

## Frosh kickers face test

Cancellation of the St. Mel game slated for last Tuesday sends U-High's frosh-soph soccer team into the crucial week of their season with no game experience.

Beginning with the Oak Park game today, 4 p.m., there, followed by De La Salle Friday and Evanston Tuesday, the Maroons will play three of their four remaining matches within the next eight days.

ST. MEL game was called off because the school failed to produce a frosh-soph soccer team.

The day was not a total loss for the j.v., however, for they scrimmaged the University soccer squad at North field.

Coach Ed Ponder went into the game with high expectations: he thought a victory was possible, a loss by a couple of goals the worst to be expected.

U-High lost 10-0.

THE MAROONIS suffered insult as well as injury: a U of C student blasted a recording of "Wave the Flag for Old Chicago" from his nearby dormitory window after each tally by the college.

What was worse was that Coach Ponder didn't find the top-rate goalie he had said (before practice) he'd have to get for a top-rate team.

Still worse, the rest of the team fell apart, according to Mr. Ponder.

"I DON'T think you could pin the problem down to one area," he said the day after the scrimmage. "We just weren't moving the ball well."

By Friday he had a specific problem in mind: passing the ball too much.

"But beyond correcting that, there's not very much we can do until we play a couple of games.

Right now, how well we do depends mostly on how good our opponents are."

## Richards a running unknown

Strangers will be running Friday in Jackson Park when new-opponent Oak Park-Richards meets U-High's harriers October 13 here. No one on the U-High team knows what to expect.

At least a repeat of last year's 28-28 tie is the goal of the Maroons when they meet Lake View next Tuesday there. A weakened Marshall team visits October 20.

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## '68 yearbook gets start

Senior formal photos, October 28, will be the first major step toward completion of the 1968 U-Highlights, the yearbook.

Underclass and organization photos will follow November 10. Sports photos will be taken after school on days spotted throughout the year.

Seniors will be required to bring October 28 a list of their four most important school activities for the Senior section (see editorial pg. 2) and a small deposit on pictures. Full details will be included in a letter the staff will mail to seniors' homes.

THOUGH senior photos are first on the staff's work list, they actually are considered of secondary importance to the story of the year and will be placed in back of the book with the other formal shots as part of the directory, or reference, section.

"We're playing up the informals," Yearbook Editor Mia Takehita explained. "This year's U-Highlights will emphasize a picture story of the year, photos of events as they really happened, such as Life magazine would present them."

Though the organizations section will include the usual group shots necessary for a record of the year, they will be played down and informal candid shots we given the big display, Mia said.

THE STAFF spent several weeks studying top-rated yearbooks and newest developments in the field before planning its book. Though the cover and theme, as usual, are secret, Mia did reveal that "the staff plans to make more use of color this year."

For the first time in recent years, teachers will have to pay for their copies of the book. The staff felt that it was unfair that the student body had been carrying the \$5-per-copy cost of faculty books.

Orders will be taken from teachers through October 31 in the publication office, with payment due when the book is delivered in June.



Photo by Schrammel

A LIVELY YEARBOOK in the style of Life and Look magazines is the goal of Mia Takehita, editor-in-chief of the 1968 U-Highlights, and Gary Kaplan, layout editor, who consult those magazines and award-winning yearbooks from other schools for layout ideas.

lication office, with payment due when the book is delivered in June.

BECAUSE OF rising printing costs, the staff needs the revenue from teacher sales to pay for proof-reading costs. Before corrections, the book will cost \$3,800 as compared with \$3,600 for the same book

last year.

The book's three 40-page print ing deadlines are in January, February and late March.

"The hard work is just beginning," Mia observed. "We're hoping for a lively, interesting yearbook in keeping with the lively, informal tone of U-High."

### Odds 'n Ends

● SENIOR JON LASH enjoyed a five-day (September 28-October 3) trip to New York City and a stay at the posh Waldorf-Astoria hotel courtesy of Seventeen magazine.

Jon participated in a panel discussion on teen fashions conducted by the national publication.

● MR. FRANK TIRRO, music chairman, has been selected to represent the American Society for Aesthetics and read his paper, "Jazz Improvisation," at the International Congress for Aesthetics next August in Sweden.

His paper was selected in a national contest as one of four whose authors will receive travel grants to Sweden from the American Council of Learned Societies.

● TWO THEFTS here were reported to campus police September 28 by a teacher who saw two men who claimed to be "school workers" in the vicinity at the time.

● EXTRA COPIES of the Midway's exchange papers, among them some of the best high school papers in the country, are now available for reading in the library.

## Grading

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minus, rather than the normal C. Breakdown of average grades both by and within departments showed that there is no agreement between departments or between teachers within the same department on what constitutes an A or B.

According to the report, U-High students usually adjust to different grading practices, but their transcripts do not—B from an easy grader looks the same as B from a tough grader.

THE COMMITTEE used a questionnaire to answer the third question, "What are the underlying reasons that teachers have for assigning the grades they do?"

They found that U-High's teachers don't agree any more about what qualities make an A student than they agree on how many A students there should be.

### After a Chilling Soccer Match

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## Debate captain sees topic as asset here

*Resolved: That Congress should establish uniform regulations to control criminal investigation procedures.*

This issue, decided upon last May by the National Board of High School Forensics, will be argued by the U-High debate team as well as 15,000 other high school squads across the nation.

"Its an excellent topic," asserted Debate Team Captain Raphael Pollock, "because both the affirmative or negative arguments can be equally strong."

"BECAUSE of the resolution's highly technical nature, in addition, the team that wins will of necessity be the one that has done the best research. That should be us because we have available the U of C Law library, probably the best in the Midwest."

Raph expects the toughest competition to come from New Trier East( Rich East, New Trier West, Evanston and Homewood-Flossmoor.

"These teams all were among the top 10 in Illinois last year, and since they did not lose too many debaters through graduation, they should all be very tough," he explained.

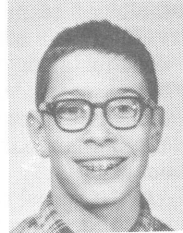
ALTHOUGH Raph is the only returning varsity debater and the team has a new adviser, Social Studies Teacher Earl Bell, he feels

inexperience will not be a problem. Team Members Dan Erickson and Dan Harris have strong junior varsity and novice backgrounds, and Lee Manschreck, a new senior, and Eliot Minberg, a sophomore, have about a year's practice.

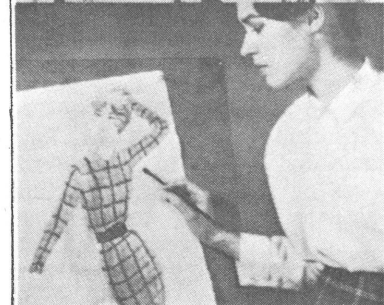
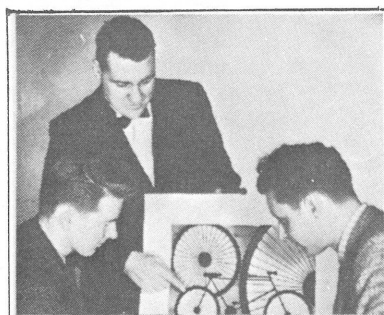
"Mr. Bell has inspired us and worked us very hard," Raph commented.

"WE WILL take part in about 60 debates, more than twice last year's number," he added. "This is one of the highest totals in the state and should more than counteract any 'varsity greenness.'"

"We should qualify for the state championships in April at Illinois State university. I believe we are capable of placing among the top five at state; hard work and some good luck are all we shall really need."



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