Back of the news

A teacher strike at U-High is an unlikely prospect, administrators, teachers and students agreed late last week as the Chicago Teachers Union (CTU) considered one in its drive for higher pay. U-High teachers are not members of the union, but some belong to a Faculty association (story this page).

"I believe in collective bargaining," stated Dean of Students Standrod T. Carmichael, whose wife is a member of CTU.

"If STRIKING is the only effective way to motivate improvement, it is justified. Teachers, preachers and social workers should not be asked to work for love alone." A strike at U-High is unlikely, however, since the Faculty association isn’t unified enough to organize a right one now.

Principal Carl Rime said he felt a strike here unlikely because “the teachers approached Mr. Lloyd (Lab Schools Director Francis V. Lloyd, Jr.) for a salary increase last year and received it.

"I don’t think they’d strike except as a last resort," Mr. Rine said. "The Faculty association, agreed with Mr. Rine, that a strike here is unlikely.

"THE FACULTY is a long way from striking," he said. "There are many other possibilities open to us. We have indicated to Mr. Lloyd that we would like to have a dialogue between our representatives and him about salaries."

Social Studies Teacher Earll Bell also feels a strike here is unlikely since there is too little appreciation for unionism among faculty members here.

Mr. Donald Conway, director of administrative services, said he felt that teachers shouldn’t be concerned about a strike. They are not justified in striking because it harms an innocent third party, the students.

STUDENTS at U-High generally feel that a U-High teacher strike is too remote a possibility to consider. Some feel, however, that CTU would be justified in striking.

Junior Bob Jaffe said, "There is no reason why the teachers shouldn’t get paid more. In many cities teachers are paid less than garbage men."

Senior Mimi Stern agreed. "I don’t think the teachers will strike," she said. "Striking will not get them the results they want. Teachers in Chicago aren’t that bad off. Actually, they’re relatively well paid."

Faculty association continues to push for salary changes

Trying to air problems with the administration concerning salaries will be the main aim of the Faculty association this quarter, according to members of its executive board.

Officers and their departments are as follows: President, Mr. Philip Montag, Social Studies department; first vice president, Mr. Ralph Bargen, Math department; second vice president, Mr. Richard Muelder, Math department; secretary, Miss Janet Kobrin, Lower school (2nd grade); treasurer, Mr. Norman Pounder, Phys Ed department.

A PANEL of U-High alumni and faculty members will present to a meeting of the U-High National Alumni Association an interview with U-High, past and present, and its influence upon American education.

The event is scheduled for 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22. Because the panel is a team effort, its members are reviewing some of their own proposals and reaching constructive suggestions.

"In its editorials, the Midway takes the position that there is a need to present with literature balanced views. Also memorial presentations will be Alumni Sherman Ser­iously, Faculty Members John Gunton (U-High principal); Roger Aubrey, Earl Els, Edgar Seidman and Dick Scott (Principal Carl Rime) and SLCC President Fred Lemanoudt.

On The Midway

Tuesday, Jan. 14 — Swimming, Elgin academy, here, 4 p.m.; Basketball, Elgin academy, away, 6:30 p.m.; Girls basketball, Paulinier, here, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 15 — Swimming, Ken­wood, here, 4:15 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 17 — Basketball, Francis Parker, here, 4:30 p.m.; Track, Hirsch, here, 4 p.m.; Girls Basketball, Parker, here, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 18 — Swimming, Glenwood, away, 4 p.m.; Girls basketball, Ithaca, here, 4 p.m.; Basketball, Glenwood, away, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 22 — Alumni Assn. Roundtable Discussion, Judd 126, 7:45 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 24 — Track, Senn, here, 6:30 p.m.; Swimming, St. Patrick, away, 6:30 p.m.; Basketball, Har­vard, here, 4 p.m.
**As the Midway sees it**

**Fiddling while Rome burns**

(Also see news story page 4)

In a recent memo to student government, Principal Carl Rinne expressed deep concern over growing disciplinary problems in the school — and attributed some of the problem to the school's mounting behavior problems. In the neighborhood, at University facilities, in the community, people have been appalled to realize that the school has experienced a string of serious offenses.

Principal Rinne's letter to student government makes the case that the school has a reputation for stealing, vandalism, truanting, fighting, drug use, and all other forms of deviant behavior. Rinne says he has heard of the school's reputation and has seen it in his own children's experiences. The school, he says, is not what it should be.

**They said it:**

**What do you think was the biggest news story of '68 at U-High?**

**LAURA FRIEBERG, junior: The recent drug problem, because it's about time that some disciplinary action was taken against students abusing not only our school rules but the laws of the nation as well. Too many kids get away with illegality here. I've glad that something was finally done about it.**

**HELENE COLVIN, sophomore: The new dress code decision, because it's a big accomplishment for SLC and for the entire student body. It allowed student government to show that it has more power.**

**By Bruce Gans**

Two stories the Midway snubbed

The Midway has often been accused of managing news. This because Midway editors admittedly prefer people to feel newsworthy. Well, obviously the Midway staff makes mistakes, and I am happy to correct this inadquacy. I have selected two stories that were otherwise gone unprinted, unnoticed, unknown.

**BRUCE GANS**

The first is an article written by School Hostess Muriel Roblin, who last was featured in the Midway four years ago and, therefore, was still considered newsworthy by the editors.

A TAC showed up in Brine 1st same day gea eager to take a group of women on their lunch hour. The TAC was met by a mob of women. The reason was that the TAC has been nationalized and the women think it's unfair. The TAC was not very impressed with the depressionists. However, they didn't mind the students who were there, because the students were from Japan and Korea, and they were dressed in 1930's clothes. This was a disappointment for the TAC, who are now members of the Boy Scouts of America and have been in Scouting for two hours to seven weeks.

During the first week of the Laboratory Schools term, the academy director of the school decided to observe classes in the new U-High school when it opened in 1968. He welcomed the victory and had chats with the students who were there. He then had plans to see if the new student government which has been started is working. He stayed from two hours to seven weeks.

The second story is about the new student government, which is working. The new student government is working. It is scheduling a press conference to announce that the school has been elected to the National School Press Association. The new student government is working. It is scheduling a press conference to announce that the school has been elected to the National School Press Association. The new student government is working. It is scheduling a press conference to announce that the school has been elected to the National School Press Association. The new student government is working. It is scheduling a press conference to announce that the school has been elected to the National School Press Association. The new student government is working. It is scheduling a press conference to announce that the school has been elected to the National School Press Association. The new student government is working. It is scheduling a press conference to announce that the school has been elected to the National School Press Association. The new student government is working. It is scheduling a press conference to announce that the school has been elected to the National School Press Association. The new student government is working. It is scheduling a press conference to announce that the school has been elected to the National School Press Association.
Alumni win spirited contest

By Andy Dworin

"Where are you goin' to school, baby?"

"Yah playin' any ball lately?"

"Whatcha been doin' the last few years?"

Questions filled a locker room of U-High graduates as they awaited the beginning of their game with the varsity basketball team December 19 in what could be the beginning of a new U-High tradition.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION Director William Zarvis, alumni coach, organized his team of 21 into several squads, according to year of graduation starting with the oldest graduate — Bob Wiseneck, '53.

From the first second of play to the end of the first quarter both teams took the game seriously. Both had agreed to play halves of unlimited time, instructing the timer, Former Soccer and Swim Team Manager Dick Dworkin, '68, to let the clock run. The result was a 36-minute half.

We just played the longest half in U-High history," Mr. Zarvis told his team during the half time. With the score U-High 46, alumni 44, Coach Sandy Patlak said he thought his varsity team could beat the opponent.

During halftime neither team got a pep talk although the alumni were introduced to Lab Schools Director Francis V. Lloyd Jr., who informally talked about old times with the old-timers. Principal Carl Rinsa, in his second year here, listened with interest.

For the record . . .

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| FRESH SOPH BASKETBALL | U-High | 21 | 13 | 7 | 9 | Points | Leading scorer: Jim Naisbitt, 16 points. Date: January 16.
| VARSITY SWIMMING | U-High | 30 | 29 | 21 | 10 | Points | Leading scorer: Jim Naisbitt, 16 points. Date: January 16.
| FRESH SOPH SWIMMING | U-High | 29 | 29 | 21 | 10 | Points | Leading scorer: Jim Naisbitt, 16 points. Date: January 16.

**DURING THE THIRD quarter, when the varsity gained 10 points over the alumni Mr. Patlak jokingly produced a word of bills offering a referee a bribe.** Patlak kidded his former stars too. "In the championship game, you got caught doing that," he said when Jim Friedberg, '64, was called on the violation of a back court rule.

"After the game, which the alumni won by one point, both teams congratulated each other on a good game."

"It's one of the best games we played in a long time," said Junior Bruce Montemurro, "and I hope we have one every year."

HE ADDED facetiously, "But I think it's time for a new coach."

Senior Bruce Burziss agreed with his teammates, saying, "It's the most fun we've had all year. I think the idea for the game is good and I hope it becomes a tradition."

**Coaches see wins, no championships**

By Mark Seidenberg

Although unwilling to predict any championships, coaches of U-High's basketball, track, swim and winter intramural programs look forward with cautious optimism to the remainder of their seasons.

Basketball Coach Sandy Patlak predicted his team could "take it all" this fall because of its "deter­mination," but after four early losses he hopes to end the season with as many wins as losses.

"It's a big struggle and lack of ball control killed us," he said.

ALTHOUGH HE expects the three practices during winter vacation to improve the team in these areas, Coach Patlak foresaw a close game with Francis Parker 6:30 p.m. here Friday.

"We should beat Glenwood (Janu­ary 21 away) and Hinsdale (February 11 here) because they have weaker teams this year than they had last year."

On the distaff side, the girls basketball season begins this week, Coach Margaret Mates, enthused by the large turnout for tryouts (50 girls), looks for the team to win most of its games mainly because of the poor quality of the competition.

She cautioned, however, that many of the girls think they are better players than they actually are.

**Schedulewise:**

**INDOOR TRACK**

| Jan. 18 | Boys 100-yard dash | Home | Loudon Park | 13 14 12 13 8 9 15 10 17 | Points | Leading scorer: Michael Conley, 13 points. Date: January 16.

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Student Board sends SLCC plan to reduce membership

By Paula Kaplan
Political editor

A motion by President Wally Lipkin to remove everyone from the 60-member Student Board except for the executive committee and SLCC representatives and for each grade to newly elect eight representatives was passed by the Board last week and now goes to SLCC for consideration.

"With 60 people, Student Board is too large an organization to control," Wally explained.

The Board can remove members who miss two consecutive meetings without valid reason and, through class election, replace them, but has not done so.

WALLY said he feels the perfect board size would be 32 people and that he feels he could administer a group of this size.

He pointed out that the 68-person Board was written into the student government constitution with a hall and cafeteria monitor system in mind but the Board dropped that system this year.

Instead, all students were made responsible for writing and filing referral cards for other students who break rules.

Because of a growing behavior problem in the cafeteria, however, monitors — three a day — are being restored there, Wally said.

Three faculty positions change

Three new faculty members are replacing three departing U-High teachers this quarter.

Mr. Arthur Scherrer, who has taught in Beirut, Lebanon, has taken Mr. John Thompson's place in the English department. Mr. Thompson found a position outside the school, according to Principal Carl Rime.

Mr. Anthony Ferrantino is teaching high school biology and lower school science in place of recently married Miss Lola Boeck.

Miss Diane Perlit is taking Mr. Thomas Newman's spot in the Social studies department; he is on leave of absence. Miss Perlit has been a teacher three years in history at Roosevelt University and the University of Illinois Circle Campus.

December month success, failure

Student Union President Leslie Hyman as a Christmas present.

Alan, Tony and Matt were all very happy with a new camera and photo equipment you'll need to get the great winter and spring shots ahead. Next time you go for your camera, let it be a new one from MR. G's. This supermarket, serving the Hyde Park-Kenwood community, is known for its friendly and helpful service and low, low prices. A toast to the new year ...

A CHAOTIC Happening presented by the avant-garde classes drew mixed reaction at the Student-Union-sponsored holiday assembly December 20. Many people thought the assembly was a welcome departure from traditional Christmas programs but others felt it was merely confused. The wine ensemble, Theatre Workshop, orchestra and vocal ensemble also participated. In this scene from the Happening, Matt Goldwater, left, and Alan McNeil wrap David Hyman as a Christmas present.

Midway becomes 4-pager as money problems mount

The Midway will be a four-page paper the remainder of this year. Editor-in-chief (of business and advertising) Paula Kaplan has decided after evaluating the paper's growing danger of a deficit and prospects for future ad revenue.

SLCC gave the paper about $800 less than it would need to retain its originally planned schedule of four pages winter quarter and eight pages fall and spring quarters. By selling more ads than necessary in the fall quarter, the staff had hoped to make a profit which could be applied to spring quarter issues for the extra pages. But the staff failed to sell sufficient ads to even pay for the eight-page fall issues, much less make a profit, Paula said.

"WE ARE ALREADY $800 behind our original plans," she explained.

"By going four pages and landing the paper with ads we should be able to finance each issue and make up our loss so far. Our major responsibility is not to leave a deficit for next year's staff or student government to cover.

"The staff may be able to publish an eight-page graduation issue, Paula said.

"If we could have higher salaries here we could attract more and better teachers," he said.

"Low salaries are also a main reason for the present void of black teachers at U-High."