The school and political stance

Can it even seem to take a position without stifling opinion?

Can an institution take a political stand and still maintain an atmosphere where the viewpoints of all members of the community are expressed and heard?

A LUNCHTIME rally Thursday, war protest plans are finalized.

"Schools should be very cautious in exercising their full right to make their opinions known," said Senior Emily Mann, "for they are more likely to face the consequences of their actions than the students who take a stand."

"The school system should be apart from the political structure; it is a part of the larger war of which it is a part ... mourn the Kent University students ... further assert that such improper use of force has the effect of a campaign to destroy the institutions we seek for our schools."

The statement on the war was endorsed 87-7, the statement on Kent and repression, 86-7. Social Studies Teacher Tom Kusmich, in an open letter to the school community, summarized the meeting. "I feel the recent actions taken by the faculty of the Laboratory Schools with regard to the Vietnam War and Kent State violence jeopardize freedom of expression."

Regarding the closing of the school, Incoming Director Philip Jackson told the Midway Friday he believes the School should have remained open in agreement with Mr. Lloyd. Incoming Principal Margaret Falhers also said she was disappointed that the school was closed.

Special issue

Two pages reporting anti-war activities and related developments at U-High were prepared late Friday night and early Saturday morning for this issue of the Midway by a remaining team of Mark Patinkin, Mark Seidenberg, Barbara Goltcr and Bruce Goodman and photographers credited under their photos. Because of a crowded print shop schedule, no copy could be set in type after Saturday noon, but an attempt was made to cover protest plans for the coming week. Regular issue content begins on page three.
Students, faculty unite in anti-war effort

Torming weekend antiwar activities are "highly successful and well organized," said Principal Margaret Fallers said Friday she hoped the joint-student/faculty committee that planned them would re-convene this week to organize future events.

Committee members, chosen at faculty and student meetings Wednesday are as follows:

STUDENTS: Seniors Steve Pitts, Bob Julian, Jim Purdum, Jim Malan, Patrick Smith, Paul Ashin and Jeff Jonas; Juniors Helen Colford, Kathy Moseley and Stephen Bowers.

FACULTY: Mr. Murray Mahr, Mr. Jim Stanford, Mrs. Linda Levins, Mr. William Muelder, Mrs. Martha Warren and Mr. Carl Steele.

Despite Thursday night's Lan-averse Hyde Park and parts of Kenwood, circulating antiwar petitions, the committee is reported to have mailed to either Senators Charles Percy, Robert Smith or J. William Fulbright or to President Richard Nixon. More than 800 people signed petitions, 290 letters were collected and about $400 contributed to cover postage and other expenses.

December 3rd meeting, Lab School Directors Francis V. Lloyd Jr. to close the School Friday for the first time, previously planned liberation classes, speeches and discussions were called off.

The coming director Philip Jackson voiced opposition to Mr. Lloyd's decision to close the School and to open the Nursery School, of which Mr. Jackson is principal, opened open a number of Lower School children stranded by the closing of their own school spent the day there.

Some teachers and student lead­ers were notified around midnight Thursday night that school would be closed but most students learned only upon arrival Friday mor­ing. Posters around U-High direct­ed them to the headquarters. Students estab­lished at the adjacent homes of Parsons senior Jim Grotine, 37/67 Blackstone Ave.

Leaders divided the Hyde Park-Kenwood area into 16 districts and assigned three volunteers to each.

Five centers where passers-by could sign letters and petitions were established at the Museum of Sci­ence and Industry, Pagourtzis Court and shopping centers at 51st and Lake Park Avenue, 51/2 and Kimbark Avenue in downtown and 51st and Lake Park Avenue.

Juniors David Wolf and Richard Cravets and Sophie deCamp operated a traveling food service, bicycling food to volunteers in Hyde Park. Among the activities not previously mentioned included:

Sally Emily McClellan and Jim Grotine, Jan­et Tepoff, Mrs. Frank Hill, Mr. Eugene Hill, and Aparajita Haldar, office manager.

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Festival to reflect today's life

A wide range of life styles "from hippie to establishment," will be represented at the Festival of Life being prepared for opening May 25 according to Faculty Chairman Arthur Sherrer.

"We pick up on some contemporary issues and use them as a basis for activities," Mr. Sherrer said.

Theatre Workshop's production of "Viet Rock," the central activity of the festival, will combine elements of living theater and the musical, "Hair," according to Director Gordon Katz.

The performance will be multimedia, including eyed livestock, frame, and record music in addition to its 20 players, many of whom play multiple roles.

The cast has been rehearsing about 16 hours a week and will work longer hours as showtime nears, Mrs. Munson said.

Mrs. Katz said the festival opens at 2:30 p.m., May 27 (Wednesday), with the first of two consecutive showings of the film "Hair." The second screening will be 5:30 p.m., May 27 (Wednesday).

A 30-piece band, Mrs. Katz said, will play Saturday night between Blaine Hall and U-High - will be opened at 5 p.m. each of the four evenings of the festival, when classes close May 30.

Festival-goers will be able to hear rock bands and record live acts, buy dinner, flowers, trinkets, headbands and other gifts from vending booths; participate in art booths including tie-dyeing, fortune telling and body painting; and view exhibit booths.

The festival will be subsidized by money from Student Chairman Steve Palfi. The planning committee is also appealing for money from the Director's Fund and Parents Association, as well as donations from parents of students.

Tickets are being sold in advance of the festival grounds - the court at the Knickerbocker Hotel Nursing Home, 103rd Avenue and by the high school, 107th South Avenue; at breakfast in the hotel, night, here.

The Wind

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Participants approve SOEC

By Steve Garman

A mid-year poll of students involved in the Student-Ordered English Curriculum project indicates they are enthusiastic about choosing their study areas and teachers.

The project, in its first full year after a one-quarter trial in 1968-69, has 400 students. Students in the program choose study areas for three-week "workshop" sequences. Each of the 400 students at the beginning of the year also chose from five full-time teachers an adviser to help him with self-evaluations.

The average SOEC student has had three teachers since the beginning of this school year, according to the poll.

Almost all the students said they approved the idea of having several teachers because they are less likely to spend a long period of time with a teacher they disliked, and liked the variety of teaching methods and styles. About two-thirds of those polled indicated responsibility in choosing "workshops." They said that one of the criteria they almost always used was need for a subject.

In evaluating students' reactions, SOEC Coordinator Hope Rhine- stine said, "The most positive kids are the younger, and the least positive kids are the older." Only Arthur Heiserman, University professor of English, and father of Thomas Allman and Senior Gina, has evaluated the project, in a report on the high school curriculum compiled by Prof. Stuart Rice for the Parents Association.

"In brief," Prof. Heiserman wrote "I think that SOEC is an imperiously implemented dubious assumption and aims. He added that any evaluation this early in the project would be unfounded. An evaluation for the student will be made at the end of two years. An outside consultant has already been hired to aid in the objective evaluation of SOEC.

According to Mr. James E. Miller, professor of English at the University, there are to his knowledge almost no other such programs in the nation involving the non graded English activities of pre freshmen, freshmen and sophomores.

SOEC, according to the proposal submitted for financial aid, questions the traditional assumption of which English curriculums usually are based: that students should study certain teacher-designated subject areas in a teacher-designated sequence.

Alternative assumptions to be tested, to discover if it is more justifiable to base curriculum on them, are as follows:

- A student is able to order his own learning experiences and their sequence.
- A student is more likely to learn if he chooses his learning ac tivities according to his needs and interests, and a teacher is responsible for making the needed variety of activities available.
- A student should be able to choose from a variety of teachers so he will be able to choose the teacher from whom he learns most.

By using a series of "rap sessions" for 5th period Tuesdays in which 12 students and four adults are participating, the students were chosen according to who had 5th period open and, in the counselor's opinion, would best appreciate the sessions.

The group discusses their thoughts on life, school and themselves. The psychologists are Mr. Gene Coffrey and Mrs. Susan Schumann. Additional sessions may be scheduled next year.

Biology change

By using several picturebooks, deals with individual eights instead of one textbook. Mr. Jerry Ryan pays to concentrate subjects of 5th science 5A, course, and students are divided into groups of three. The current course is the right, it doesn't allow for development," said Dr. Ryan. We also plans to change the last homework from the usual amount of work to the new problem, based on observations of seeing the activity.

The school will be placed on the junior high school, human anatomy and physiology.

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TO TIE TOGETHER three quarters of Urban Studies, Social Studies Teacher Joel Scharlau sponsored an ecological and architectural tour for his classes April 27 and April 28. Monday the group traveled by bus to the Calumet River at 82nd Street where it observed factories polluting the river and air (photos from top). At the Calumet River at 180th Street it observed congested traffic. After lunch back at school, the students reboarded the bus for a tour of the Downtown Chicago lakefront area including the Planetarium.

Winter institute

Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) students will begin in an institute open free of charge this summer to Lutjens, Cook, Du Quoin, Heartland, Western Illinois, Central Illinois and Southern Illinois Universities. The institute will include the following: a five-day workshop for the introduction to teaching; one-day workshops for the introduction to a specific subject; and two-day workshops for microteaching and classroom observation. The Longtime teacher/director Melvin F. total experience of student scores, etc. 445.

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As the Midway sees it

Old Mr. Nixon is too much like he used to be

The "new" Richard Nixon, in little more than a year, has ushered back into this nation the game of old-style politics. For those who have missed his administration's technique in playing it, the Midway has endeavored to elucidate the situation by printing the rules.

RULE NUMBER ONE: Place both pro and con information

Method A — First say, "No more Viet­names," then send the Secretary of Defense to inform the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations that the President doesn't need Congressional approval to send troops to Cambodia, unless, however, you have any obligation to inform either Congress or the American public of the situation in those countries.

Method B — Send troops into Cambodia.

Method C — Tell your fellow Americans you plan to withdraw 10,000 troops within 14 months (contingent on "future hostile ac­tion by the enemy"). Then propose to abol­ish the occupational and parental draft defenses.

RULE NUMBER TWO: Attain support of the South by proving to Southerners that Republicans are sympathetic to their de­mands

Method A — Nominate two unqualified southern based reactionary judges to the Supreme Court, then use them as advisors to the President General.

Method B — Ignore the Supreme Court decision to desegregate Southern schools, but at the same time, preach law and order.

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You (cough) and pollution

Pollution-conscious students and residents will rally Friday night against U. S. Steel and Marblehead Lime Co., the major polluters in West L. A.

High School, California — the shit he is talking about, you have it. His personal belief," he said, "that a fantasy about a student revolt at an East Stroudsburg University is my personal belief," he said, "that a fantasy about a student revolt at an East Stroudsburg University could have been. He believes public action will create better enforcement of existing pollu­tion laws.

The company has a law requiring all coal to contain less than one per cent sulfur. Commonwealth Edison reported difficulty in obtaining coal. But a note of public complaint it came up with 2 million tons, Elliot noted, "The company's working against pollution if they are to reach the ages of their parents."

It could be second only to East Stroudsburg in the amount of particulate film it spews into the air annually, over 80,000 tons. Lake Erie is an example of a malfunctioning plan that of Lake Erie 12 years ago, atomic radiation is increasing at an alarming rate, feel is in the background being east­sidc too long in Los Angeles.

To fight pollution U-Highers can join pressure groups campaigning against such ser­i­ous polluters at U. S. Steel. They can also be using unfavorable detergents, driving instead of using public transportation, and put some time into cleaning up the litter surrounding and pervading U-High.

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U-Highers need yet another slash

Student Union has decided to reduce its size by half. AN student observer said, "I don't doubt, however, that this cut will accomplish what it set out to do, this Year's Union meetings were plagued with noisy, undisciplined and general disorder. Student Union split in the first place to remedy the ills of an unwork­able legislative body.

Experiencing the same problem in the two smaller organizations, the Student Union is afraid that if they see that again a decrease in membership is necessary. But they are falling into the same trap with this minimal decrease.

10-second editorials

• Vice President Spiro Agnew's speech after National Guardsmen shot and killed four students during a rally at Kent State University this spring is seen as almost like those of late Senator Joe McCarthy era, Agnew said the most dangerous kind of predators are not subversives, but those "who perform a more subtle, but infinitely more dangerous kind of violence: a philosophical, intangible violence."

• Somebody observed that the Japanese economy is booming because of "a little" a French student revolt about an English prep school, at the Festival of Life apparently feels U-Highers can't distinguish fantasy and reality. They think that one over.

U-High Midway

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Midway Mailbox

We comfort a Californian

From Michael Bank, editor of the Chronicle, student newspaper at Pasadena (Calif.) High School:

"Receiving your U-High Midway every month or so reassures me that at least it's not this bad everywhere. Freedom of the press is completely unknown at Pasad­ena High School, California — the shit we have to go through to get something mildly controversial printed is unbelievable, and, absurdly, our newspaper, the Chronicle, was recently judged one of the 16 best in Southern California.

It seems sort of a shame to waste what journalism ability some of us might possess on a far out grounded "Girl of the Waste," beat books, cars, shows, assignments.

Your feature-editorial material amazes me. We couldn't touch the drug issue in print with a 10-foot pole. I guess the Passa­dena Board of Education is afraid students might read our paper and "end up" smok­ing or something.

"Think nice thoughts, attend the Rose Parade each year, stay away from mari­juana (but a little drink every now and then won't hurt) and we'll all live happily ever after."
Drug clinic's program encourages addicts to help one another abstain from drugs

A first step away from heroin

By Pam Harris

The drug habit is the worst habi t a person can get into! The worst! People can become addicted without realizing it, just like diabetes, and once you get well, you just don't want to get sick again.

A tall, burly black man about 25 years old, dressed in baggy brown pants and a gray suit jacket, walked into a brightly colored, cheerful room.

The receptionist smiled, "Hi, Willard! Your appointment is on the fourth floor." She reached down to a cabinet under her desk and brought out a bottle of pinkish liquid.

The bottle contained Methadone, a synthetic narcotic used as a substitute for heroin and other physiologically addictive drugs. Methadone prevents withdrawal symptoms which resemble a bad case of the flu: runny nose, temperature, nausea and extreme exhaustion.

"I'M A CRUTCH," said Willard to a visitor, "but it's better than using the drug."

The scene was the Illinois Methadone Drug Abuse Clinic at the University, to which Willard comes three times a week. He heard about the program in jail, he said, from a friend. He decided that he was tired of jail cells and tired of being a bum and went to the Drug Abuse Center for help.

"The DRUG BABY is the worst habit a person can get into!" Willard exclaimed, "the worst! People can become addicted without realizing it. It's a sickness, just like diabetes, and once you get well, you just don't want to go sick again. This program is the only one in the U.S. that has this kind of a maintenance program," he explained enthusiastically.

Dr. Jerome Jaffe, who designed the Illinois Methadone Drug Abuse program and operates it through government grants, explained the procedures through which an addict must go to enter the program.

An addict comes to the program of his own volition. He finds out about the program by word-of-mouth or court referrals. No narcotics agent works the program.

"A person has to want to stop before the Drug Abuse program can help him," Dr. Jaffe said.

"RARELY DO PEOPLE who come to the program drop out, and if they do it is only because they probably never wanted to stop in the first place," explained the receptionist.

When an addict shows an interest in the program he is sent by the doctor in charge of the center at which he made his first contact to the day center on 7th Street and Stony Island Avenue. From there the patient is sent to either a 3-year program or a 2-year program.

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"It's beautiful!" exclaimed Willard. "Here we all care. The world is cruel and you have to care about yourself and you care about me. Addicts include people of all ages and races but it doesn't matter. We're just a big family."

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As he left he glanced at the two signs on either side of the room and smiled. They said:

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We shall overcome Deep in our Hearts
We do believe that We shall overcome Someday.

Ad Infinitum:

Mass communal living in a college dorm: you can't love it and you can't leave it

By Mark Seidenberg

October 23

Dear Jessica,

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I hope you are safe and well. I am sending you this letter to let you know that I am thinking of you. I am not sure how much longer I will be able to continue writing to you. I am under a lot of stress at school and I am having a hard time focusing on my studies.

I miss you and I hope that we can talk soon. Please give my love to your friends and family.

Mark
Netmen seek to avenge Latin

Baseball nine enter state tourney today

Editor's note: Baseball team's entrance in the class tournament has created schedule conflicts. Since the tournament is scheduled for four days, divided into two parts, U-High could face two other teams in the tourney, and as the number of games is based on the schedule, teams already paired and not yet scheduled may force further changes.

U-High's baseball team opens its quest for the state championship against St. Francis de Sales 4 p.m., today at Quigley South. U-High always finds tough competition in the tournament.

Maroons meet Latin 4 p.m. Wednesday there. U-High defeated the Romans 10-1 in their first meeting April 11.

U-High travels to St. Michael's for a 4 p.m. game Thursday, Maroons beat St. Michael's 6-3 April 14.

Second of a two-game set against Glenwood will be played 4 p.m. next Tuesday, there. Maroons pounded the Wildcats 17-4 April 17.

Maroons squashed by North Shore with Elgin, 4 p.m., Friday, here. The Elgin meet scheduled for April 21 was cancelled due to a Jewish holy day and has not yet been rescheduled.

Maroons lost 3-2 to North Shore for the second time this year last Thursday. Numbers two and three singles men Jim Solomon and Scott Harris were U-High's winners.

Maroons lost to Lake Forest April 28 there and May 3 here, 3-2.

Last Thursday U-High lost to Morgan Park 3-2, here. U-High winners were Senior Dean Zavitz and the doubles team of Senior Dudley Clayton and Jim Parsons.

Golfers face Elgin, ISLs

In their last match of the regular season, U-High's golf team faces Elgin 4 p.m. Thursday, May 14, here.

Maroons then participate in the Independent School League tournament Monday, May 18, place and time as yet undetermined.

"We should finish about third," said Senior Jim Epstein. "We can't beat Lake Forest, they're great."

U-High lost to Morgan Park 194-219 April 22. Lake Forest beat the Maroons 140-206 in their next match, April 28, there.

Maroons broke their losing streak with a victory over Latin 221-228 May 4.