

tions which developed last week at Centennial High School rests in the home. "If you teach a child at home to respect others they will grow up like that," one mother said.

"Eighty per cent of the children today don't have any parents, only a man and woman they live with," one man said.

Another caller quoted a paraphrased proverb stating, "A youngster's heart is filled with rebellion, but punishment will drive it away." She added that today's children believe they know it all. "There is a big difference between knowledge and wisdom. It has taken me over 40 years to learn a little bit of wisdom. I am glad my parents cared enough to blister my bottom.... The kids are allowed too much freedom and say so," she said.



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**ALL THAT'S LEFT.** Tom Kay, one of 14 University students who lived in a rooming house at 203 E. Armory, C. known as the Bachelor Officer's Quarters, surveys the damage of a fire early Monday. The charred camera case he

holds is the only salvagable item one student was able to find among his belongings. Kay, 20, is a junior in liberal arts and sciences from Tucson, Ariz., and is enrolled in the ROTC program.

## UIPU Formed To Discuss Bargaining

The University of Illinois Professional Union was formed Monday night at a relatively lightly attended meeting in Bevier Hall.

Ahead of the fledgling labor group for professors are weeks of membership campaigning and finer organizational detail development as some 60 persons out of a total attendance of about 100 voted to establish a charter and elect officers.

Assessing themselves \$5 charter membership, the men and women attending adopted an organization whose purpose is collective bargaining and whose membership extends to "all academic and professional employes of the university, excluding students."

UIPU grew out of the Faculty Committee on Collective Bargaining conviction that the American Assn. of University Professors should not be the sole organizing agent for collective bargaining.

Affiliation with either the American Federation of Teachers or the National Education Assn. will culminate UIPU's organizational activities on the campus.

Officers of UIPU elected Monday include David Whisnant, president; Mrs. Elaine Albright, vice-president; Thomas Krueger, secretary; and Marvin Weinbaum, treasurer.

# No Comment At Centennial

By CAROL MATHERS  
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Describing the current situation at Centennial as "very hot," members of the black community have charged the administrators of Centennial High School with "failure to deal effectively" with problems at the racially troubled school, and have demanded the "immediate" replacement of Centennial principal Richard Longenecker.

In his office Monday afternoon Longenecker denied knowledge of the meeting between representatives of the Black Coalition, Black Ministerial Association and Black Parents of Centennial Students with Marshal Berner, Champaign Unit 4 superintendent. He also denied knowledge of the list of recommendations presented to Berner by black representatives, which included charges of Longenecker's inadequacy. Longenecker said, "I have no comment."

Berner told the News-Gazette that he had "heard complaints" (presented by black representatives from a variety of people," but he declined to comment on the validity of those complaints. The superintendent also refused to comment on

particulars of an investigation of the administration which he says his office is conducting, except to say, "It is part of my on-going evaluation."

An independent investigation of the Centennial administration was one of the requests presented to Berner by black representatives at a meeting in Berner's office at 10 a.m. Monday. According to Richard (Dickie) Davis, Champaign Park District Commissioner and member of the Human Relations Commission, the black community "is calling for a new, more thorough investigation of the Centennial administration" and wants such an investigation to be conducted by "black parents, white parents, and members of the board of education." Davis said the investigation "should be a joint effort."

At a press conference in the Mt. Olive Baptist Church at noon Monday, Davis and other representatives of the black community said that Berner told them he was conducting his own investigation. Rev. H. Henry Walker, pastor of the Bethel AME Church, said that Berner "assured us that our complaints were similar to others he (Berner) had heard and that

these were what he is investigating." Walker also said that Berner told the black representatives that he himself would do the investigating.

In addition to their other requests and recommendations, black representatives asked Berner to arrange a meeting for them with members of the board of education. Berner told the News-Gazette that he could not comment on when such a meeting might take place and that he had not had a chance to begin arranging one.

Berner said, "There's a lot of game-playing going on. When asked for clarification he said that black parents had called him late Sunday night to request a meeting Monday morning, but when the conference was scheduled, representatives of the Black Coalition and Black Ministerial Association came to his office.

At their press conference, black representatives said they are requesting the "immediate removal" of Longenecker and an "investigation and re-evaluation" of the roles of Centennial assistant principals Al Davis, Stewart Jenkins, and Gary Wiseman.

Davis said that if the black

community did not receive the "immediate and public reply" they have requested, "We will have to go to other means." Davis declined to elaborate but said that there has been no discussion of a black boycott of the school.

Mrs. Monroe Roberts, member of the Black Parents organization, said "Dr. Longenecker is directly responsible. We have tried to talk to him, but he won't meet with us." Mrs. Roberts said that the parents of students suspended following racial disturbances at the school last week had received letters from Jenkins saying that the administration would call parents to arrange conferences. Mrs. Roberts said that the parents have not been called.

"Longenecker has overstayed his time — if Longenecker had been gone before last April, we wouldn't have a problem."

Members of the black community said that one of their complaints is that "there is no black administrator at Centennial." They agree that Centennial High School has similar racial problems, but that "there's a better administration at Central — they have the

same problems, but they're handled differently."

Davis emphasized, "We're not placing all the blame on Longenecker — we're placing it on the inability of the administration to handle the situation. Dr. Longenecker reflects the attitude and morale of the entire staff," Davis said. "He's not totally to blame, but we can't get at the smaller problems until the biggest problem is removed."

Davis also said that black parents are not maintaining that their children are blameless, but they are asking for "equality and consistency of discipline."

Walker added that the administration at Centennial has been "weak and poor" and that "both black and white kids are being mistreated because they have one rule one day and a different rule the next."

Parents of black students emphasized that they volunteered to help in the school by patrolling the hallways "anytime we're needed," but that the administration has never requested their help.

"Instead of calling us," Mrs. Roberts said, "the administration called in the police."

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"when asked if reasonable steps are being taken in delicate situations he should have sufficient information to either reassure his constituents or to request further information or council investigation if necessary."

Appel said that 10 days ago during an armed robbery and attempted murder trial "puzzling questions were raised about the operations of the police department."

"The aldermen have been given no information about the reaction of the administration except that the police department was investigating itself — and this information was obtained from the newspapers."

Continuing, Appel said, "I cannot on the basis of any information with which I have been provided verify the claim that a proper investigation is being carried out and I feel that this

copy of the transcript of the trial with Parker's testimony and that he has talked "informally" with several members of the department as well as having taken statements from some.

"That you would think I would willingly withhold information from you or any member of this council is reprehensible to me," Zipprodt shot back at Appel.

"You have not made an effort to find out what's going on..."

Appel suggested the council might be briefed in "executive session" but Zipprodt said there was some question of whether the matter could be discussed in such a closed meeting without violating the Open Meeting Act.

Corporate counsel Jack Waaler warned that a "closed meeting" could be held only to discuss the appointment, dismissal or employment of any officer

outside the police department. He did not name the sources.

One source of concern for

investigation of the council's Public Safety Committee should review come, whatever it is.

## GOP Hopefuls To Be Interviewed Here On Monday

By ED BORMAN  
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All Republicans interested in succeeding Congressman William L. Springer will have an opportunity to present their cases to county chairmen next Monday in Champaign.

The chairmen's decision to hold an "open forum" was at least a temporary setback for Rep. Edward Madigan of Lincoln and a potential boost for Rep. John C. Hirschfeld of Champaign.

Madigan had hoped that a meeting of chairmen Monday afternoon in Decatur would indicate that he had support in a majority of the counties in the congressional district he put together as chairman of a legislative committee. Five of the seven counties in the congressional district are counties Madigan represents in the legislature.

However, the Decatur meeting produced indications that there may be a free-for-all for the nomination Springer suddenly opened up last Saturday.

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# Like Ssshhh-cago, Urbana Now Has Noise Ordinance

By DAN POORMAN

about freedom of speech and the ordinance.

has neither the equipment to measure noise nor the personnel to operate the

signs would have to be posted at each driveway and curbs painted before the ordinance

available. Mayor Zipprodt was authorized to set a public hearing on vacation of certain alleys in

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