

OCTOBER 77

THIS MONTH

October's *Community Calendar* focuses on the critical campaign against the **Bakke Decision**, a legal decision based on the concept of "reverse discrimination," which would do away with affirmative action in education, hiring & training, and other social service programs for minorities. The decision will be upheld or struck down by the Supreme Court in October. The Bakke case calls for a nationwide struggle against the resurgence of racism and in defense of the democratic rights of all working people. Mass actions against the Bakke decision are scheduled for Oct. 3, 8 & 15 (see listings). Please read the back of the *Calendar* for more facts and analysis about this important issue.

The fight against racism in this country is linked to the **Southern African** liberation struggles. Many events this month bring home the necessity of organizing against the apartheid regimes and US corporate collaboration with racism in Southern Africa. See the listings for demonstrations (Oct. 14 & 28), support programs for the liberation forces, educational & organizing forums (Oct. 2, 15, 23, 29, 30), and a new film *South Africa: The Rising Tide* (Oct. 1, 4).

The **International Hotel** and **Nihonmachi** tenants' struggle for the right to decent low-cost housing continues this month with a **March & Rally** (see Oct. 9) and educational & organizing programs (see Oct. 9 & 23). *Long Live the I-Hotel!*

Celebrations of the **Chinese Revolution** will be held on Oct. 1, the anniversary of the founding of the Peoples' Republic of China, in both SF and Oakland, with cultural & political programs (see listings Oct. 1).

Other important events in October include an action against the racist **Narciso & Perez** conviction (see Oct. 11), and an event commemorating the Latin American revolutionary tradition on the 10th anniversary of the death of **Che Guevara** (see Oct. 8).

SAT 1 **New China Festival** celebrating the birthday of the People's Republic of China, with entertainment, speakers, exhibits, sponsored by the US-China People's Friendship Association, at Astro Park, Lakeshore Blvd. and Grand Ave., Oakland, 10 am to 5 pm.

Celebrate October 1! sponsored by the Chinatown Committee to Celebrate Oct. 1 (28th anniversary of founding of People's Republic of China), at Portsmouth Square (Kearny and Washington), SF, 12:30 pm, parade and program, 7:30 pm, outdoor film showing of *The East is Red*.

American Indian Movement and Sid Welsh Defense Committee. A benefit with music, food, speakers & drum, featuring the country music of *39 String Band*, at the American Indian Center, 225 Valencia, SF, 7:30 pm, \$2 donation.

Berkeley Women's Health Collective is having an orientation for new members, 2908 Ellsworth St., Berkeley, 10 am to 4 pm, childcare provided. Call Jeanne for information, 843-1437, free.

Self-Help for Women, slide show and discussion of health care, at Common Women's Force/Everywoman's Clinic, 2600 Park Ave., Suite 106, Concord, 7-9 pm. Childcare (call in advance, 825-7900), women only.

"South Africa: The Rising Tide," West Coast premiere film benefit for the Stop Banking on Apartheid Coalition, plus short documentary: *Nambina: A Study in Colonialism*, at Epic West, 2640 College Ave., Berkeley, 7:30 & 9:30 pm, \$2.

Pena Fiesta, with *Salsa Alacran*, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9:30 pm, \$2.50.

1945: *The victory of the Chinese Revolution is formalized with the declaration of the People's Republic of China.*

1965: *Indonesia, pro-US coup and anti-communist massacre—800,000 members of the Indonesian Communist Party murdered.*

SUN 2 **Dia del Barrio**, with children's program, puppet show, ballet folklorico, teatro, music de Nuestras Americas, 2 pm to midnight, **Salsa dance** 8 pm, at Mary Help of Christians Church, 2611 E. 9th St., Oakland, sponsored by El Comité del Barrio. For information: 261-5948. Childcare, \$1 donation.

African Liberation Political Program, with Hideo Hamutema from the Central Committee of SWAPO (South West African People's Organization), film & discussion, sponsored by Liberation Support Movement & People's Cultural Center, at 721 Valencia St., SF, 8 pm, \$1.50.

"The Good Old Persons," Pena concert with bluegrass at its liveliest, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 8:30 pm, \$2.

1971: *Nine sailors refuse to sail with the attack carrier "Constellation," which is bound for combat tour of SE Asia.*

MON 3 **Day of Student Protest to Overturn the Bakke Decision**, a nationally coordinated demonstration at UN Plaza, Hyde & Fulton Sts., SF, 10 am. March to Federal Bldg II am. Rally at 450 Golden Gate Ave., noon to 1 pm. Demands are: 1) Overturn the Bakke decision! 2) Implement, maintain & expand admissions & other essential services for minority students! 3) Implement, maintain & expand affirmative action programs in employment & minority social services! For info contact Nat'l Committee to Overturn the Bakke Decision, Box 3026, Berkeley, 94703.

Gray Panthers, general meeting, at West Berkeley Public Library, 1125 University Ave., Berkeley, 3 pm, for information call 845-5208, free.

"What Happened in Chile?" Open Studio program on background of 1973 coup and current status of economic conditions and human rights in Chile, on KQEC-TV, channel 32, 8:30 pm.

TUE 4 **"South Africa: The Rising Tide,"** film benefit for the Stop Banking on Apartheid Committee, West Coast premiere of film dealing with what is happening in S. Africa today, plus film *Nambina, a Study in Colonialism*, at the Roxie Cinema, 3117 16th St. (at Valencia), 7, 8:30 & 10 pm, \$1.50.

"Malonga," a Congolese experience in music, song and dance, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9 pm, \$1.50.

"Breaking Out of Silence," Open Studio program featuring performance of original and traditional compositions on political struggle in Latin America, on KQEC-TV, channel 32, 8:30 pm.

"The Bakke Decision," Open Studio program examines "reverse discrimination" and special admissions in light of pending case in US Supreme Court, on KQED-TV, channel 9, 10:30 pm.

"Eligibility for Medi-Cal," legal workshop sponsored by Pro Per collective, at 1890 Alcatraz, Berkeley, 3-5 pm, no appointments, no fees, donations appreciated.

WED 5 **Panama: The Fifth Frontier,** premier film showing of new documentary on Panama & the Canal, a benefit for MASA (Anti-Imperialist Movement for Socialism in Argentina), with Tri-continental FilmCenter, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 7 & 9 pm, \$2.50.

Benefit Concert for United Neighbors in Action (community group working on nursing, home care and housing problems), featuring the *Dynamic Miss Faye Carol and her Sensational Trio*, at Epic West, College and Derby Sts., Berkeley, 8 pm, \$3.50.

"Quillapayun," Open Studio program with Chilean folk group singing new Latin American songs about the struggle of Chilean people, KQEC-TV, channel 32, 8:30 pm.

Nuclear Materials Public Hearing on University of California relations with Livermore Labs (makers of almost 600 nuclear bombs for the Defense Dept.), at UC Extension Center, 55 Laguna St., SF, call 465-0743 for info.

THU 6 **Support Group** for women new to the Bay Area, dealing with issues of loneliness, isolation, etc., facilitated by Beverly Burch & Shelley Brauer, at Berkeley Woman's Center, 2112 Channing Way, Berkeley, 7:30 pm, donation requested, call 548-4343 to reserve space (four-week group).

Pena Concert "La Nopalera," original and very skillful folk music on tour from Mexico, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9 pm, \$2.

"Inti-Illimani!" Open Studio program featuring Chilean song groups performing traditional Andean songs and contemporary texts by Neruda, Jara and Parra, on KQEC-TV, channel 32, 8:30 pm.

"How to Unionize Where You Work," a legal workshop by Pro Per collective, at 1606 Bonita St., Berkeley (upstairs), 7:30 to 9 pm, no fees, no appointments, donations appreciated.

"Vallecitos & Livermore Nuclear Facilities," a program on the storage of nuclear materials at GE's Vallecitos facility in the East Bay, near three earthquake faults and several drinking water reservoirs, on KPFA-FM 94, 8:30 pm.

1918: *First conference of women trade unionists.*

FRI 7 **"La Nopalera,"** music from the heart of the people, on tour from Mexico, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9:30 pm, \$2.

1821: *Birthday of William Still, Black Abolitionist leader and leader of the Underground Railroad.*

SAT 8 **National Day of Protest Against the Bakke Decision**, March & Rally in Oakland, assemble at Sanborn Park (E. 16th St. & Fruitvale) 11 am; rally at San Antonio Park (Foothill Blvd. & 16th Ave) 1 pm. Speakers include Supervisor John George, Elaine Brown, Eileen Hernandez, Congressman Ed Roybal, Harry Edwards, also music & entertainment, sponsored by the October 8th Coalition.

18th Jornada por Chile, marking the 10th anniversary of the death of Che Guevara and honoring other fallen leaders of the Latin American revolutionary struggle, with speakers from NICH (Non-Intervention in Chile) and MASA (Anti-Imperialist Movement for Socialism in Argentina), and two short films, *Che and Miguel Enriquez*, also songs of resistance by Rafael Manriquez, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 8:30 pm, \$1.50 includes empanada and glass of wine.

People's Food System benefit to establish a new food store in West Oakland, with dinner and entertainment, 6:30 pm, \$1.50, and dance with *Salsa de Berkeley*, 9 pm, \$2.50, at People's Cultural Center, 721 Valencia St., SF.

"I.F. Stone," Documentary Showcase program on the independent radical journalist I.F. Stone, on KQED-TV, channel 9, 8 pm.

1967: *Bolivia, Che Guevara assassinated.*

SUN 9 **March, Rally and Demonstration** in support of the Tenants of the **International Hotel**, called by International Hotel Tenants' Association and I-Hotel Support Committee. March from the Hotel at 848 Kearny to City Hall. Begins at 1 pm and ends at Civic Center (Polk and McAllister Sts), where demonstration and rally begin at 4 pm. We are demanding 1) the city buy the hotel with no buy-back plan; 2) an end to all destruction of the Hotel; 3) return of all tenants' possessions; 4) tenants must live in Chinatown/Manilatown; 5) Stop the destruction and dispersal of all Third World communities. *Long Live the I-Hotel!*

International Hotel Benefit program with African Music & Dance Ensemble, Pueblo Unido, slide show, speakers (including representative from the Committee Against the Nihonmachi Evictions), raffle, sponsored by the I-Hotel Tenants' Ass'n & Support Committee, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Oakland, 7 pm, free, childcare by arrangement, call 652-1756 or 549-1833.

Breakaway, teachers' meeting (an alternative school for women), for women interested in teaching or convening groups, no experience necessary, at 434 66th St., Oakland, 7 pm, call Judy (652-0432) or Sally (525-1108) for info.

SF Mime Troupe performs The Hotel Universe, theater based on the struggle for the International Hotel, a benefit for *Grassroots*, Berkeley community newspaper, at King Jr High Auditorium, 1781 Rose St., Berkeley, 8 pm, \$2.50.

"Do No Harm," a film with discussion on the drug industry in the US, sponsored by the Berkeley Free Clinic, at 2339 Durant Ave., Berkeley, 7 pm, free, childcare provided.

MON 10 **"Wilmington 10 Update,"** Open Studio program with Angela Davis and Francine Chavis discussing the political trial of the "Wilmington 10," with Dr. Harold Varner of radio station KDIA, on KQEC-TV, channel 32, 8:30 pm.

1966: Oakland, Ca. Black Panther Party founded.
1969: *Two million people participate in nationwide Moratorium Against the Vietnam War, and in Vietnam many GIs wear black armbands in solidarity.*

TUE 11 **Demonstration** to demand a new trial for **Narciso and Perez** (two Filipina nurses convicted in the deaths of patients in a VA Hospital in Michigan, in a trial marked by racism and a lack of evidence), at the Federal Building, 450 Golden Gate Ave., SF, 12 noon, sponsored by the Bay Area Defense Committee for Narciso & Perez.

"The Hour of the Furnaces," Part I of contemporary film classic shot clandestinely in Argentina, about domination of Latin America by imperialist powers and the struggle for liberation, at the Roxie Cinema, 3117 16th St. (at Valencia), SF, 7:30 & 9:30 pm, \$1.50. (Parts II & III shown the following Tues).

"Freddie Roulette Blues Band," a Pena Concert featuring Chicago blues with Freddie on slide guitar, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berkeley, 9 pm, \$1.50.

"Representing Yourself in Small Claims Court," a legal workshop by Pro Per collective, at S. Berkeley Public Library, 1901 Russell St. (at Grove), Berkeley, 3-5 pm, no fees, no appointments, donations appreciated.

1969: *100 GIs of Ft Bragg's GIs United lead 700 civilians in Fayetteville, North Carolina's first anti-war march.*

WED 12 **People's Translation Service** benefit, publishers of *Newsfront International* present a program on the politics of Italy, with speakers just returned from Italy, and slide show, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 8:30 pm, donations.

"With a Little Help," Open Studio program demonstrating easy-to-make devices that can help the aged and disabled become more independent, on KQEC-TV, channel 32, 8:03 pm.

THU 13 **Caribbean Allstars Steel Band!** steel drum music from Jamaica, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 8:30 pm, \$1.50.

"Collecting Unemployment," a Pro Per legal workshop (see Oct. 6).

Women's Self-Help Clinic (see Oct. 6).

FRI 14 **Demonstration Against UC Regents**, for their continued refusal to divest \$1.5 billion investment in US corporations collaborating with racist Southern African apartheid regimes, and also against new restrictive admissions requirements especially affecting Third World students, sponsored by CUA (Campuses United Against Apartheid), at UC Extension Center, 55 Laguna St., SF, 10 am, call 642-1431 for info.

"Sadaka" & "US Unlimited!" an evening of Afro-American culture with music and dramatic poetry reflecting the lifestyles and struggles of Africans in America, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9 pm, \$1.50.

"Can a Hollywood Film be Progressive?" a Friday Night Forum at the East Bay Socialist School, 6025 Shattuck, Oakland, 8 pm, 75 cents, childcare.

"Battle of Algiers" & "Ashes & Diamonds," films about the liberation war by the Algerian people against French colonialism, and about a young Polish resistance fighter after WWII, at the Roxie Theater, 3117 16th St., SF, 8:30 pm, 8:30 pm, *Ashes* at 6:40 & 10:45 pm, \$1.50.

"Messingkauf Dialogues," a theater performance benefit for the journal *Socialist Revolution*, with a party afterwards, at Epic West, 2640 College Ave., 8:30 pm, 55.

1968: *26 GIs are charged with mutiny when they hold a sit-down strike to protest the shotgun murder of a fellow prisoner in in Presidio, California.*

SAT 15 **National Day of Solidarity Against the Bakke Decision.** March from Dolores Park (18th & Dolores), SF, 10 am, to a Rally at the Federal Building, 450 Golden Gate Ave., at 1 pm, sponsored by the Anti-Bakke Decision Coalition, call 642-6728 or 387-9159 for info.

Third World Liberation Festival, an African cultural & political support program with graphic arts displays, film & slide showings, music, dance, poetry, and special guest speakers, sponsored by CUA (Campuses United Against Apartheid) & ELF (Education Liberation Front), at Pauley Ballroom, University of California Student Union, Bancroft & Telegraph, Berkeley, 2:30 pm to midnight, \$2 students, \$3 general, call 642-0256 for info.

Pena Fiesta con Mirasol, salsa with roots in Africa, Latin America, the Caribbean, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9:30 pm, \$2.50.

"Battle of Algiers" & "Ashes & Diamonds," films at the Roxie Cinema, call 863-1087 for info (see Oct. 14).

1966: *Oakland, Ca. Black Panther Party founded.*
1969: *Two million people participate in nationwide Moratorium Against the Vietnam War, and in Vietnam many GIs wear black armbands in solidarity.*

SUN 16 **"The Hour of the Furnaces,"** Part I, contemporary film classic made clandestinely in Argentina, about the struggle for liberation in Latin America from domination by imperialist powers, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 8:30 pm, \$1.50.

Benefit Concert for the Jeanne Jullion Defense Fund & United Neighbors in Action (UNA), with Margie Adam and *Alive Jazz Trio*, at Castro St. Theater, 429 Castro St., SF, doors open 11 am, concert 1 pm, \$4 advance, \$4.50 door, for childcare call in advance, 654-1797 for information.

California Homemakers' Association benefit with George Thorogood & the Destroyers Blues Band, at the Stary Plough pub, Shattuck & Prince Sts., Berkeley, 7 pm, \$2.

1859: *John Brown leads 21 men in an attack on the arsenal at Harper's Ferry, Va, in an attempt to seize arms and ammunition to free slaves.*

MON 17 **Gray Panthers**, general meeting at West Berkeley Public Library, 1125 University Ave., Berkeley, 3 pm, free. For information call 845-5208.

Native American Indian Day, all-day programming by the Native American Indian collective on KPFA-FM 94.

1821: *Chicago City Council refuses to enforce the federal fugitive slave law.*
1967: *100,000 demonstrate against the Vietnam War at the Pentagon, 600 are arrested.*

TUE 18 **"The Hour of the Furnaces,"** Part II & III, contemporary film classic made clandestinely in Argentina about the struggle for liberation from imperialist domination in Latin America, at the Roxie Cinema, 3117 16th St., SF, Part II 8 pm, Part III 7 & 10 pm, \$1.50, see Oct. 11

"Mwanza," jazz expressions of the consciousness of Black culture, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berkeley, 9 pm, \$1.

"How to Do Your Own Uncontested Divorce," a Pro Per legal workshop (see Oct. 11).

WED 19 **US-China Peoples' Friendship Association** benefit, with speakers just returned from a national minority tour of China, Nancy Fernandez & Ricardo Ontiveros, slide show and literature, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 7:30 pm, donation requested.

THU 20 **Pena Concert with Lenny Anderson & Jaime Steele**, singers/songwriters of music of struggle, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9 pm, \$1.50.

"How to Do Your Own Personal Bankruptcy," a Pro Per legal workshop (see Oct. 6).

Women's Self-Help Clinic (see Oct. 6).

FRI 21 **San Francisco Mime Troupe** performs *The Hotel Universe*, based on the struggle for the International Hotel, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berkeley, 9 pm, \$2.

"The Energy Opposed to Nuclear Energy," a videotape of the protest occupation of the Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant in New Hampshire, a Friday Night Forum at East Bay Socialist School, 6025 Shattuck Ave., Oakland, 8 pm, 75 cents, childcare.

SAT 22 **Survival & Solidarity Fair**, a benefit for the United Farmworkers, with information tables by over 100 labor & political organizations, ecological & health groups, speakers include Jeanne Jullion, Ying Lee Kelly, Mack Lyons from the UFW, & representative from the Black Panther Party, music by BAPMA (Bay Area Progressive Musicians), salsa & blues groups, raffle, drawing, auction, Mexican food & beer, at St. Joseph, the Workmen's Church, 1640 Addison, Berkeley, noon til dusk, donation.

Pena Fiesta with Hedzoleh Soundz, authentic African Hi-Life Funk, direct from Ghana, Salsa de Atrique, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9:30 pm, \$2.50.

"Pacific Rim Day," music from all the countries bordering the Pacific Ocean, all day on KPFA-FM 94.

SUN 23 **Cultural Benefit** for medical supplies for the Patriotic Front in Zimbabwe (Rhodesia), with the *African Music & Dance Ensemble*, poetry by *US Unlimited*, music by Sadaka, and talk by Leonard Mudhvanhyi, ZANU (Zimbabwe African National Union) representative. Sponsored by Campuses United Against Apartheid (CUAA), at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 8:30 pm, \$2.

"Get Together on Housing," an evening of cultural performances, dinner, information exchange, and exhibits, with a focus on Proposition 13, sponsored by the International Hotel Tenants Association, at Ben Franklin Jr High, 1430 Scott (at Geary), SF, 4-9 pm, \$2.50, seniors & children \$1.75 (under 6 free), childcare, call 982-4249 or 863-0848 for info.

TUE 25 **Wilson Pico**, Danza Contemporanea Ecuatoriana, theatrical modern dance, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9 pm, \$2.

Country/Country Western/Blues, all-day programming of the best of these musical traditions, on KPFA-FM 94.

WED 26 **American Indian Survival School** benefit, with a report from the UN Conference in Geneva on Native American treaty rights, music, film, poetry by Simon Ortiz, speaker Dennis Banks, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 8 pm, \$2.

"Harlan County USA," film about the 13-month strike by coal miners in Kentucky, and *Towards the Memory of a Revolution, USA 1976*, a film about ordinary peoples' lives, also *Prairie Fire*, a documentary of the Non-Partisan League, a socialist group active in North Dakota in the 1920s, at the Roxie Cinema, 3117 16th St., SF, call 863-1087 for times, \$1.50.

"Africa All Over," all-day programming by Third World Department of KPFA dealing with the varied influences Africa has had on people throughout the world, on KPFA-FM 94.

THU 27 **Wilson Pico**, Danza Contemporanea Ecuatoriana, theatrical modern dance, see Oct. 25.

"Harlan County USA," *Towards the Memory of a Revolution, USA 1976*, & *Prairie Fire*, films at the Roxie Cinema, see Oct. 26.

"Tenant/Landlord—Rights & Responsibilities," a Pro Per legal workshop (see Oct. 6).

Women's Self-Help Clinic (see Oct. 6).

1951: *National Negro Labor Council founded in Philadelphia. Composed mainly of Black Trade unionists, the Council fought for jobs and against racist discrimination in all forms.*

FRI 28 **Solidarity Rally Against Racism, Colonialism, & Apartheid**, speakers invited include Huey Newton, Angela Davis, Harry Edwards, Dennis Banks, & representatives from the International Hotel Tenants Association, the Anti-Bakke Decision Coalition, and liberation forces of Southern Africa, sponsored by Community United for Black Liberation, a chapter of CUA (Campuses United Against Apartheid), at Laney College Auditorium, 900 Fallon St., Oakland, 7:30 pm, childcare, call 654-7818 for info.

All-Clinics Orientation, sponsored by Berkeley Community Health Project, for people interested in learning about or volunteering in the medical, dental, counseling, or switchboard areas, at 2339 Durant Ave., Berkeley, 7:30 pm, free, childcare, call 548-1668 for info.

Benefit for KPFA radio station, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, call 848-6767 for details.

SAT 29 **"Community & Campus United: One Struggle, Many Fronts,"** a statewide conference focusing on community & campus work against racism, with speakers Huey Newton & Angela Davis, sponsored by CUA (Campuses United Against Apartheid), at Laney College Student Union, 900 Fallon St., Oakland, 9:30 am to 6 pm Sat and 9:30 am to 1:30 pm Sun, free, childcare, call 642-1431 for info.

Pena Fiesta with Legs reggae band, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9:30 pm, \$2.50.

1929: *Black Tuesday, Capitalism crashes and sends US into the worst depression in American history. \$25 billion in stocks wiped out, every bank in US closes and 40 million working people thrown out of their livelihoods.*

SUN 30 **"Community & Campus United: One Struggle, Many Fronts,"** a statewide conference focusing on work against racism (see Oct. 30).

Festival de la Nueva Cancion Latino-Americana, The New Song of Latin America, music from Latin America at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 9 pm, \$2.

Children's Halloween Program, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 2:30-5 pm, children free, adults 50 cents donation.

MON 31 1949: *CIO expels the United Electrical Workers (UE) and the International Longshore Workers Union (ILWU) plus seven other unions for being "communist dominated."*

ETCETERA

Free Film Series, every Tuesday at 7 pm, at the Oakland Community Learning Center, 6118 E. 14th St., Oakland, call 562-5261 for schedule.

San Francisco Mime Troupe will perform *The Universe Hotel*, a new Free Show in the Parks based on the struggle for the International Hotel, Oct. 2, 2 pm, at Precita Park, SF (at Harrison St), also Oct. 8, 2 pm, at Washington Square, SF, call 285-1717 for more information.

Medical Services are offered at the *George Jackson Free Clinic*, 3236 Adeline St., Berkeley, free or donations accepted, call 653-2534 for appointment. Podiatry Clinic Weds 2-4 pm. Gon/Premarital Blood Test/VD Screening Thurs 7-10 pm. Pediatric Services Mon 6-8 pm & Tues 2-5 pm.

Older Women's Support Group, an ongoing group offered by Berkeley Women's Center, 2112 Channing Way, Berkeley, call 548-4343 for information.

East Bay Anti-Nuclear Group meets every Wed at the Friends Center, Walnut & Vine Sts., Berkeley, 7:30 pm, call 465-0743 for info.

"Crimes Against Nature," a play by the Gay Men's Theater Collective, will re-open Oct. 13 and play through Dec 11 at the Sumption Theater, 1563 Page St., SF, 8:30 pm, \$3 donation, childcare provided Sat nights, call 421-7333 ext 9 for info.

Berkeley Women's Health Collective offers various programs, including "What Is Self-Help?" (Oct. 6), "Introduction to Self-Exam" (Oct. 13), "Lesbian Self-Help" (Oct. 20), and "Birth Control" (Oct. 27), for more information call 843-6194.

WE NEED HELP!

If you see the need for the *Community Calendar* to continue, we need your help working on distribution, listings, layout and design, typing, and writing on a regular basis. This can amount to a commitment of 3-4 hours doing distribution each month, up to a commitment to two meetings each month and responsibility for one aspect of the calendar production. Skills are not needed

What is the Bakke Decision?

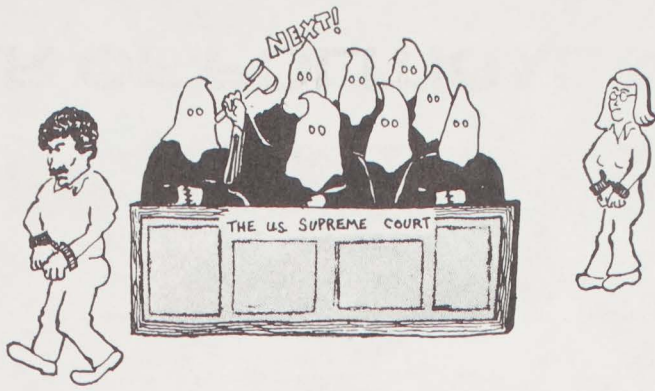
In 1973 and 1974 Allan Bakke, a 34-year-old white engineer, applied for admission to medical school at the University of California at Davis. He was rejected both times. The medical school has only 100 openings each year, yet in 1974 there were more than 3700 applicants. UC Davis medical school also has a special admissions program which reserves 16 of its 100 openings for students from "disadvantaged" backgrounds. These special admissions slots have been filled each year by minority students.

Allan Bakke, with encouragement from a UC Davis admissions officer, filed suit against the University in 1974 charging that he had been a victim of "reverse discrimination" because some of the 16 minority students admitted were "less qualified" than him. In September, 1976, the California Supreme Court ruled in favor of Bakke.

The court based its ruling on the fact that Bakke had scored higher on entrance tests and had a higher grade-point average than some of the minorities admitted. The Court said that it was unconstitutional to favor minority applicants unless the University had intentionally discriminated against minorities in the past, and that special admissions programs which consider race represent "reverse discrimination" against whites. The Court ignored the fact that the 84 regular admissions openings go almost exclusively to whites.

The University of California appealed the case to the US Supreme Court. At that time many legal and minority groups urged UC not to appeal the case, and asked the US Supreme Court not to accept it because UC's defense of the case was so weak. *UC Never attempted to give evidence of its own past discrimination against minorities, and offered little evidence to defend its program. UC ignored the requests of minority groups to hire a minority co-counsel to represent the views of those directly affected by the case.*

Despite the pleas not to hear the case, last February the US Supreme Court accepted it. The Court will hear the case this Fall and make its decision sometime afterward.



OVERTURN THE BAKKE DECISION!

This fall the US Supreme Court will hear the Bakke case—one of the most important cases in the last 25 years on the question of racial equality. The Bakke decision, which is based on the idea of "reverse discrimination," is a serious attack on the rights of minorities to jobs and education. If the Bakke decision is not overturned by the Court, affirmative action programs for Third World people and women will be threatened with elimination.

The Bakke case is one of several cases before the US Supreme Court this year which threaten basic rights, social programs and on-the-job protection won in the '60s.

The 1970s have been a time of economic recession. All poor and working people face severe competition for jobs and educational opportunities. Workers' real wages have declined. Social services of all kinds have been cut back. The Supreme Court and other branches of the legislative system are trying to rationalize cutbacks and unemployment through racist ideas like "reverse discrimination."

Historically, in times like these, Third World people have had to bear the brunt of economic crisis. Not only have minorities and women been "last hired and first fired," but Third World people have been blamed for the scarcity of jobs and unavailability or low quality of education. The idea of "reverse discrimination"—promoted by corporations, institutions and lawmakers—obscures the real reasons for the lack of educational and work opportunities. Some white people—particularly white men—believe that affirmative action encroaches on their opportunities and job security. Rather than questioning the limits on admissions established by the American Association of Medical Colleges and the American Medical Association, Bakke chose to attack the positions open to minorities.

Another example of a case before the Supreme Court that undermines affirmative action is the ruling that workers who are promoted to another job category within the same company will lose their seniority standing unless it can be proven that the company *intended* to discriminate against them in their original job classification. This means, in effect, that discrimination cannot be proven unless a company is willing to testify against itself; it also means that Third World and women workers are often forced to choose lower-paying and less-skilled jobs in exchange for some job security.

The Bakke case is part of a general reaction in which basic human rights are under attack: the anti-gay campaign, the denial of abortions to poor women, and the frequent denial of the right of Third World people to a fair trial (as in the racist frame-up of Filipina nurses Leonora Perez and Filipina Narciso in the deaths of patients at a Veteran's Administration hospital in Michigan) are all examples.



The US has a History of Racist Attacks

Historically, during times of economic crisis minorities have been blamed for society's problems. This has included violent racial attacks as well as official government repression.

- During the depression of the 1870s, Chinese workers in California, recruited during the boom years, were subjected to massive, violent racial attacks. Over half were forced to flee the US.
- With the depression of the 1890s a marked increase in lynchings of Blacks occurred. Between 1889 and 1901 there were 1,955 recorded lynchings, which is nearly half of all recorded lynchings from 1882-1947.
- In the post-war depression of 1919, major race riots against Blacks were instigated in Chicago, East St. Louis and other cities.
- Over 500,000 Mexican workers, imported into California to provide cheap labor for large ranches and farms in the 1920s, were deported during the depression of the 1930s.
- With the return of millions of World War II veterans, racial and sexual discrimination was stepped up, forcing many women and minorities to lose their jobs.
- The crisis of the 1970s has meant rising unemployment with millions of minorities and women subjected to the rule, "Last hired, first fired." The deportation of Mexicans and other "illegal aliens" is again on the rise following a decade of recruitment of foreign-born workers during the good times of the 1960s.

—MCHR pamphlet, *The Bakke Case*

The increased visibility of racist groups like the Ku Klux Klan and the Nazi Party is another sign of Third World people under attack. Racist violence has erupted in Boston, Chicago, Louisville and other communities. Police repression in Third World communities—including the murders of Jose Reyes in the Puerto Rican community of Philadelphia and Barlow Benavidez in the East Oakland Chicano community—are not isolated incidents. Systematic racism in the military and prison institutions is escalating with the tacit support or open encouragement of officials. The case of the Camp Pendleton 14 clearly shows how entrenched racism is in the military.

Legal rulings like the Bakke decision hide the fact that the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s produced gains for all poor and working people; the current setbacks are setbacks for all. The struggles that Third World people led for racial equality and decent living conditions meant that the employment of people of all colors was boosted by the expansion of social service jobs and vocational training programs. Working-class children of all races who were unable to attend college in the past received work/study jobs and other types of financial aid which made higher education a possibility. Improvements in services such as low-cost housing, community medical clinics and new schools were gains for both whites and minorities. And the militance and pride that was developed by Third World people during the struggles for racial equality carried over into union organizing drives in the late 1960s. Third World people have often led these battles. The Civil Rights movement also gave women of all races inspiration and legal and political precedents to demand equal rights in this society.

The Bakke case is particularly important to us because, if the California Supreme Court decision is upheld, it can set a precedent which would allow corporations and institutions to use the concept of "reverse discrimination" to destroy affirmative action programs of all kinds. It would take away job security and educational opportunity from many, many working people—Third World people and women—without providing any new opportunities for white working people. In fact, the bargaining position of all working people together would be weakened.

We must come out nationally against the Bakke decision in order to counter the general attack on our rights. It will take the mobilization of many, many people to defend our gains and to push the struggle for basic rights forward. Affirmative action is just one step in this struggle; the loss of past gains would set our whole struggle back. Demonstrate October 3, 8, & 15. *Overturn the Bakke Decision!*



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