

**THU 1** "Inside North Vietnam, an intimate and moving film portrait of the Vietnamese people during the US bombing. Laney College Rm D-200, 10th & Fallon, Oak, 7-10 pm, free.

**Benefit for National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression**, film interview with Ben Chavis by French film director Jean Daniel, and speakers from the Bay Area National Alliance, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 8 pm, \$1. ♪

**Women in the Middle Years**, sponsored by Berkeley Women's Health Collective, a discussion of menopause, estrogen therapy, hysterectomy, sexuality, and the effects of a youth-oriented society, at 2908 Ellsworth, Berk, 7:30 pm, donation, for more info 843-1437. ♪

**Oakland Feminist Women's Health Center**, at 2930 McCune, Oak, will hold a self-help group, health education program, continues for three more Thursdays, from 7 to 9 pm, donation, can bring children, for more info, 444-5076.

**International Children's Day**

1966: James Meredith shot on civil rights march (Mississippi).

**FRI 2** "Did They Kill Victor Jara?" a multi-media program using music, interviews, slides & commentary, participants include Rafael Manriquez, Luisa Teish, Lupe Pacheco, René y Ruben Chavez, Juan Contreras, Javier Canelas, and more, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 8:30, \$2. ♪

**Lilith**, a women's theater collective, performs *Sacrifices*, an original play about the women's movement, at Live Oak Theater, 1301 Shattuck, Berk, at 8:15 pm. Donation is \$3 or PAS Voucher, free childcare on Friday performances, for info 843-3781.

"You Should've Been There" (a play about work) by the Moving Men Theater Co., at Fort Mason, Laguna & Marina Blvd, Bldg 310, SF, 8:30 pm, \$3.50, or PAS Voucher, \$2.50 seniors, free childcare, limited seating, for info call 421-7333 ext 18.

**Current Developments in Chinese Education**, a talk by David and Isabel Crook, is being sponsored by the US-China Peoples Friendship Association at 8 pm, UC Berk, Dwinelle Hall Rm 145, \$1.50 at the door, for more info call 848-2916/451-1025. ♪

**Women and the Family in the People's Republic of China**, with Judy Stacey, who has just returned from China, at the East Bay Socialist School, 6025 Shattuck, Oak, \$1, childcare provided, call 652-1756 for time. ♪

1863: Harriet Tubman leads raid of Black Union troops, freeing 750 slaves.

**SAT 3** Fundraising party sponsored by the Liberation Support Movement, live music, raffle, bar food, 3066 Maple Ave, Oak, 8:30 pm, \$2, childcare provided.

**A fantastic Salsa fiesta**, with Pete Escovedo & Super Combo, featuring Cali Alman & Benny Valardi, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 9:30, \$3. ♪

**Join the Temescal Turkeys** Invitational Basketball League, every Saturday morning starting 9:30 am, the Oakland Tech schoolyard, 45th & Broadway, women & men welcome.

**Lilith**, see June 2 listing.

"If Everyman Had a Baby" play performed by the Moving Men Theater Co., at Fort Mason, aguna & Marina Blvd, Bldg 310, SF, 8:30 pm, \$3.50 or PAS Voucher, \$2.50 seniors, limited seating, for more info and reservations call 421-7333 ext 18.

**SUN 4** La Peña 3rd Anniversary Celebration, an afternoon party with Pan Fever, steel drum band, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 2-6 pm, \$1.50. ♪

**Lesbian Rights Workshop** with Donna Hitchins from the Lesbian Rights Project in SF, at Pacific Center, 2329 San Pablo, 7:30 pm, Berk. ♪

"If Everyman Had a Baby," see listing for June 3 (50 cents discount today).

**MON 5** UC/CIA/FBI and White House Spies against Student and Black Left and Vietnam. ELF Marxist Series Forum. Speakers from South East Asia Research Center, Socialist Workers' Party, All African Peoples' Revolutionary Party, and Educational Liberation Front, Tan Oak Room, Student Union, UC Berkeley, 7 pm. ♪

1967: Rejes Tijerina leads raid on Tierra Amarilla, NM Courthouse to force return of lands stolen by US government in violation of 1848 treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo.

1970: Pit River Indians re-occupy ancestral lands, held by PG&E, marking a new increase in Indian militancy.

**TUE 6** "State of Siege": a film about the Tupamaros, revolutionary guerrillas in Uruguay, sponsored by East Oakland Information Project, and the Experimental College of Laney, 7 pm, at the Oakland Community Learning Center, 6118 E 14th St, Oak, free.

**Tenants Rights Workshop**, sponsored by the Berkeley Tenants Union, from 7:30 to 9:30 pm, 2022 Blake, Berk, every Tuesday night.

**To Die in Madrid**, film documentary about the Spanish Civil War against fascism, with a presentation by the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berkeley, 8:30 pm, \$2. ♪

**WED 7** Fire, film set in a small rural village in South Vietnam, centers on the struggles of villages against Saigon troops and American advisors, Laney College Rm D-200, 7-10 pm, free.

**Michael Goldhaber** will speak on the connections between microcomputers, capitalism and the implications for socialist strategy, at the East Bay Socialist School, 6025 Shattuck, Oak, \$1, childcare. ♪

**Pena Concert: Pesus "Chul"** Negrete, well known Chicano folksinger whose songs are written & rendered in the Chicano Corrido style, 9 pm, \$2, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

**Self-Help for Women**, by Common Women's Force, Everywomen's Clinic, sharing gynecological skills, 2600 Park Ave, Suite 10, 7:30 pm, donation, childcare. ♪

1916: Chicago: National Women's Party organized to win voting rights

1969: Berkeley: Battle of People's Park

**THU 8** Women's Meeting to discuss/plan participation in the Gay Freedom Day March & Celebration, Bishop's Coffeehouse (Womanspace), 7:30 pm, 1437 Harrison, Oak, 863-9893 for more info.

**Senior Citizen Assistance Law Training Classes**; volunteers are now being recruited to participate in a two-day classroom training session to assist senior citizens who are 62 years old (and have less than \$13,000 annual income) with Renter's Assistance, Property Tax Postponement, sponsored by ProPer Collective at the South Berkeley Public Library, 1901 Russell St, Berk. For more info 849-4512 or 653-7535.

"Fire," film about Vietnamese struggle, see June 7.

**Children of Che**, slide show focusing on the effect of the revolution on women & children in Cuba, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 8:30 pm, \$1.50. ♪

**FRI 9** The Deer Woman of Owo Yoruba folk play accompanied by Latin American song, presented by the Commonarts Cultural Center, 8 pm, \$2, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

**Senior Citizen Assistance Law Training Classes**, see June 8 listing.

**Lilith**, see June 2 listing.

1950: Two members of "Hollywood 10" black-listed progressive writers and artists in motion pictures, sent to prison for refusing to cooperate with the House Un-American Activities Committee.

**SAT 10** "Port of Oakland: Public Ownership & Responsibility," a community forum sponsored by the Oakland Study Center, free, 10 am to 4 pm, Laney College, 900 Fallon, Rm D-200, Oak.

**Join the Temescal Turkeys** invitational basketball league, 9:30 am, at the Oakland Tech HS schoolyard, 45th and Broadway. Bring a ball if you can. Men & women welcome.

**SUN 11** Benefit for MASA (Movement for Socialism in Argentina), Bay Area premiere of a new short film *The Triple A are the Armed Forces*, music by Rafael Manriquez & Los Esadadores, Argentine and Latin American folk music, 8 pm, donation, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

**Community Procession** in memory of the 2nd Anniversary of the police killing of Barlow Benavidez, sponsored by the Barlow Benavidez Committee Against Police Crimes. Starts at 4th Ave & E-14th St, Oak, through Fruitvale community, 1 pm, info 261-5948.

**MON 12**

1899: Philippine Independence Day. General Emilio Aguinaldo, leader of Philippine revolutionary forces against Spain, declared the first independent republic of the Philippines. Although the Republic was soon crushed by US colonialism, this day is remembered by Filipinos as a struggle for genuine freedom and independence.

**TUE 13** Public Hearing, come out and support the Community Coalition to Save Highland Hospital. Stop the move of the county board of supervisors to invite a private, profit-making firm to take over and run Highland Hospital, 11 am at Board of Supervisors' chambers, County Administration Building, 5th floor, 12th and Oak Streets, Oak.

**East Bay Anti-Nuclear Group** presents a film: *Lovejoy's Nuclear War*, and a discussion of EBANG's work around Vallecitos Nuclear Center and what Abalone Alliance is doing about the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Plant, at the Friends Meeting House, Walnut and Vine, Berk, 8 pm, donation 465-0743.

**Welfare Workshop: "How to Apply for Food Stamps, Medi-Cal, AFDC"** West Berkeley Library, 1125 University, Berk, sponsored by ProPer Collective, 3:30-5:30, donations appreciated.

**El Jardin de las Delicias**, 1970, directed by Carlos Sauva, film commenting through allegory & fantasy on Spanish fascism, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 8:30 pm, \$2. ♪

**WED 14** Pena Concert: Sweet Honey in the Rock. BLACKWOMANSOUND, 9 pm, advance tickets \$3.50 door \$4, at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

1905: Black Sea, Russia: Sailors on the battleship Potemkin seize control of the ship and raise the red flag of revolution. The Tsar's fleet refuses to fight the Potemkin, but it is forced to surrender when its supplies run out.

**THU 15** Benefit for Grassroots & Prisoners Union, film *3000 Years and a Life*, speakers, attorney Mike Sneider & prison organizer Willie Brandt, 7:30 & 9 pm, \$3 donation, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

1932: 20,000 World War I veterans march on Washington, DC, to demand the bonus promised them by Congress for serving in the war; became known as the Bonus Army.

1898: Founding of the Anti-Imperialist League in the US. Over 500,000 people, mostly workers, opposed US imperialism/colonialization in the Philippines and Puerto Rico and fought to expose US brutality in the Philippine-American War.

**FRI 16** An Evening with Woody Guthrie, Lenny Anderson singing, Bruce Greene reading, Ed Robbin telling stories, all about the life of Woody, 8:30 pm, \$2, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

**Lilith**, a women's theater collective, performs "Sacrifices" at the St Mark's Parish Hall, 2300 Bancroft, Berk, 8 pm, Fri, Sat & Sun through June 25, \$3 or PAS Voucher, free childcare on Fri, 843-3781.

**East Bay Dance Perspectives** will appear in concert on the "Open Theater Series," at the Live Oak Theater, 1301 Shattuck, 8:15, admission by donation, seats not reserved.

1960: Mueda Massacre, Portuguese troops use automatic weapons and grenades to kill more than 500 Mozambicans at a peaceful demonstration.

1976: Mass demonstrations against apartheid begin in Soweto, South Africa.

**SAT 17** The August 21st Coalition is sponsoring a benefit dance and program for imprisoned black liberation leader Geronimo Pratt, 7:30 pm, dance to the driving rhythms of *City Street Dance*, \$3, childcare, at the People's Cultural Center, 721 Valencia, SF.

**Peña Benefit: For Colored Girls Who have Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuf**, a play about life when you're black and a woman, by Ntozake Shange, performed by eight women from the American Conservatory Theater/Black Actors Workshop 9 pm, \$3.50 adv, door \$4, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

**International Children's Day**, a children's fair sponsored by the Gay Teachers & Schoolworkers at Douglas Playground Park, Douglas & Clipper, SF, from 10 am to 4 pm, activities include Bay City Reds, Clowns, make a circus, food, for more info 285-2780 or 821-7606. ♪

**The Tree Frog Jazz Band** will perform at Virginia Street Coffeehouse, 1940 Virginia St, Berk, 8-11:30 pm, \$2.50, childcare available, senior citizens 50% off.

**Lilith**, see June 16 listing.

**East Bay Dance Perspectives**, see June 16.

1838: Start of the "Trail of Tears," in which 13,000 Cherokees were forcibly marched 1200 miles from their homeland in the south to Oklahoma.

**SUN 18** Gay Freedom Week Kick-off, picnic and festival, Ho Chi Minh Park, Berk, also open house, 12-5 pm, at Gay Community Center of the East Bay, 2714 Telegraph, Berk, and dance 8 pm to 2 am, call 848-9220 for information.

**Singing Union Part Two**, Songs of the Farmworkers, with Faith Petric and Songs from Two Brothers, Songs of the Public Sector: from strikes and organizing drives of teachers, bus drivers and federal workers, KPFA fm 94.1, 4 pm.

**Lilith**, see June 16 listing.

1954: US CIA-sponsored overthrow of newly elected, progressive Arbenz government of Guatemala.

**MON 19**

**TUE 20** 1900, Pena Benefit Film Showing at the UC Theater, 2036 University, Berk, 7:30, \$2.50 donation.

**WED 21** Benefit for AIM Report from the Longest Walk, film, music, and speakers, including Dennis Banks, Sid Welsh, and Bill Wapapa. Support the Native American struggles & learn the extent of their/our fight, 8 pm, \$2, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

1877: Molly Maguire, a group of militant rank-and-file miners are framed by Pennsylvania coal fields.

**THU 22** Benefit for Najda, women's organization providing education about the "Arab World," film showing on the Palestinians, speakers and discussion, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 8 & 10 pm, \$2.

**Non-Profit Incorporation**, workshop by the ProPer Collective, 1606 Bonita, upstairs, Berk, 7:30-9 pm.

**FRI 23** Benefit for the Zimbabwe Medical Drive and the FSLN of Nicaragua, sponsored by the Ad Hoc Committee for June 23rd, including two speakers, a slide show, two singing groups and a dance, dj'd by Ciao, Peoples Cultural Center, 721 Valencia, SF, 8 pm to 2 am, childcare. ♪

**Festival de la Nueva Cancion Latino-Americana**, song of our times from and about the political & social movements arising from the peoples struggles in Latin America & the US, produced by cultural workers from La Peña, Peter Adler & Rafael Manriquez, 9 pm, \$2, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk.

"Rape" a script by the Mother Tongue Reader's Theater, presented by South County Women's Center, 8 pm, 25036 Carlos Bee Blvd, Hayward, \$1.50, childcare with 48-hour notice. ♪

**Lilith**, see June 16 listing.

1947: Sioux Indian tribes unite to wipe out Custer's 7th Cavalry at the Battle of the Little Big Horn, stopping plans of genocide against the Sioux.

1975: Mozambican Independence Day: Armed Liberation of Mozambique by FRELIMO, ending 500 years of Portuguese colonialism.

**SAT 24** A women's celebration of Gay Pride, benefit dance for Lesbian Schoolworkers featuring Linda Tillery and the Band, Dance, Oakland Auditorium Ballroom, 10 Tenth Street, Oak, 9 pm to 10 am, \$3-5, childcare provided by reservation.

**Brazil Export**, samba and bossa nova from the cities of Brazil, 9:30 pm, \$3, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

**Lilith**, see June 16 listing.

1947: Taft-Hartley Anti-Labor Act Passed by US Congress.

**SUN 25** Gay Freedom Day Parade, 11 am, foot of Market (meet at 9:30 am), march to Civic Center, SF, contact Gay Freedom Day Committee, 863-9893.

**Fund Run** (footrace), sponsored by the Bishops' Community Inc Senior Meal program, travel meals to shut-ins, Joaquin Miller Park, 8:30 am registration—10 am race starts, \$5 per entry. ♪

**El Cuadro Flamenco**, Spanish dance troupe, a performance of Andalusian music and dance, 8:30 pm, \$2.50, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

**Lilith**, see June 16 listing.

**MON 26**

**TUE 27** Blood on the Balcony, 1963, 92 min, by Pasquale Primavera, the first documentary on the life of Mussolini, with footage of the birth of the fascist movement, 1919, presentation by the Committee for a Democratic Policy toward Italy, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 8:30 pm, \$2. ♪

1905: Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) founded to organize workers into "one big union" and end craft divisions among workers.

**WED 28** Benefit for ALSC, African Liberation Support Committee, film: *Malcolm X*, speaker from ALSC, cultural presentation by Family Nitoto, 8:30, \$2, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk. ♪

**The Music of Buddy Jones**, a little known country singer of the '30s, KPFA fm 94.1, 8 pm.

1969: Stonewall Rebellion at the Stonewall Inn, New York City. Gay women and men protest a police raid and the continuing harassment of gay people. Demonstrations went on for several nights. Since then the rebellion and the growth of the Gay Liberation Movement have been celebrated in Gay Pride Week.

**THU 29** Latin American update, about the US State Department in Latin America, with participation of the 3rd World News Bureau, Resistance Publications and others, La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 8:30, \$1. ♪

**Film and Slide Show** by East Bay Anti-Nuclear Group, *The Last Resort*, + slide show on Bay Area nuclear threats, talk on Diablo Canyon, 8 pm at the Friends Meeting House, Walnut and Vine, Berk, donation, 465-0743.

1894: Pullman Strike: 20 railroads grind to a halt as 125,000 railway workers walk off their jobs in support of Pullman Coach Car workers. Carmy called out to break the strike, 30 people murdered in Chicago.

**FRI 30** Gay Pride Week, Benefit reading for radical women, 7 pm, Mission Neighborhood Center, 362 Capp (near 18th), SF, \$2, readers will be Susan Dambroff, Nellie Wong, Karen Brodine, Carole Biegler, childcare, call by 6/28, 665-2912.

**Lilith**, a women's theater collective, performs "Sacrifices" at the Bethany Church, 1268 Sanchez, SF, 8 pm. \$3 or PAS Voucher. Free childcare, for info call 843-3781.

**Good Old Persons**, bluesgrass music at La Peña, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 9 pm, \$2. ♪

1960: Patrice Lumumba proclaims independence of the Congo from Belgian colonialism.

**THIS MONTH**

**VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION 13**, the *Jarvis-Gann Initiative!* June 6 is the decisive day. This initiative, by putting a ceiling on property taxes, would bankrupt our schools and greatly reduce all locally-funded services—like fire stations, health services, parks, libraries. Many people would lose their jobs. And who would benefit? Two-thirds of the tax decrease would go to commercial and industrial property owners! Landlords would benefit and renters would lose services and have their taxes increased as a result of this initiative. See the back page for a fuller explanation of this right-wing attack.

June 11 is the second anniversary of the police killing of Barlow Benavidez. Police Officer Michael Cogley stopped Barlow in the Fruitvale area and ordered him into search position against his car with a shotgun in his hand. The gun went off and Barlow died. Even though Cogley violated police procedures and the community has protested again and again, the local bureaucracy and the federal Attorney General's office have failed to indict Cogley for this racist murder. Because this is not an isolated incident, because this murder is part of a nationwide pattern of police repression in our communities, we all have a stake in continuing to denounce Barlow's murder. Join the memorial procession and rally on June 11.

**ETCETERA**

**George Jackson Clinic** offers podiatry, GYN, pediatric clinics; pre-marital blood test and VD screening, at 3236 Adeline, Berk, free, 653-2534. ♪

**Bay Area Gay Liberation** is sponsoring an anti-imperialist/socialist gay men's group, meeting the first and third Monday of every month, at the People's Cultural Center, 721 Valencia, SF, 7:30-10:30 pm. ♪

**The Oakland Feminist Women's Center** offers self-help groups, abortion clinic, pregnancy screening (a new blood test with accurate results ten days after conception), GYN clinic and vasectomy clinic, at 2930 McCune, Oak, reasonable cost, for more info 444-5676.

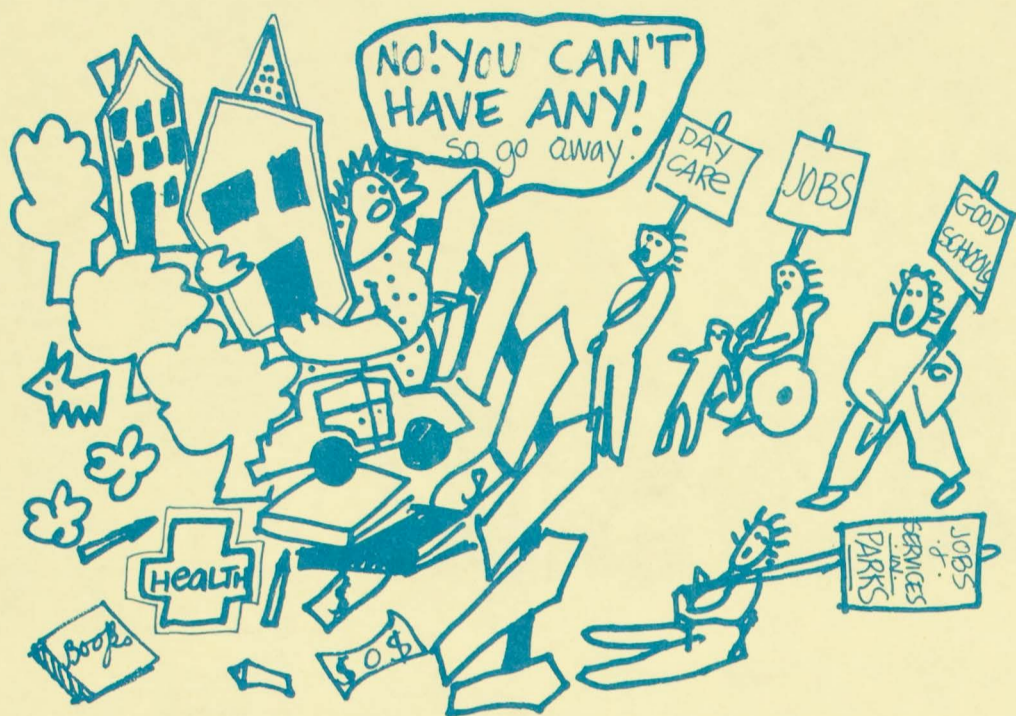
**Berkeley Women's Health Collective**, offers health information and referrals, counseling, Monday through Saturday, at 2908 Ellsworth, Berk, 10 am to 5 pm, childcare available, for more info 843-6194. ♪

**Oakland Community Learning Center** provides programs for young people, disabled people, seniors, as well as other educational & community programs and legal & health services, free films on Tuesdays at 7 pm, 6118 E 14th Street, Oak, for more info 862-5261.

**La Clinica de la Raza** provides health and other social services to senior citizens who reside in East Oakland, through their Geriatric Home Care Program, 1501 Fruitvale, Oak, 24-hour answering service: 261-4773.

**The Deaf Services Project** of the Oakland Public Library, in observance of May as "Deaf Awareness Month" has started evening study hours in sign language on Tuesdays by Sally Albert, from 6:30-7 pm. They will be for 3rd-5th graders, and from 7-7:30 pm for kindergarten—2nd graders, open to all children, in the Youth Room of the Main Library, 125 4th St, Oakland, by Lake Merritt, 273-3511.

## Proposition 13: Tax Relief or Rip-Off?



Proposition 13, or the Jarvis-Gann Initiative, will be rejected or passed into law on June 6 by voters in the primary ballot. The Proposition would limit property taxes to 1% of assessed value, cutting property-tax revenues by almost 60%, or \$7 billion statewide. It also requires a 2/3 vote of the state legislature to enact any change in state taxes, prohibits new taxes on real-estate sales or transactions, and requires 2/3 of registered voters to approve any new taxes by local governments. What does all this really mean?

- *poor and working-class people will pay more taxes, the rich will pay less:*
  - higher sales taxes, higher income taxes, and increased costs of public services (transportation, medical, education, etc.), paid by rich and poor alike, hit poor and working people hardest.
  - renters, who make up 45% of the population, will get no new tax credits or rent controls, while landlords will get a 60% tax cut (Jarvis is the paid director of the LA Apartment Owners Ass'n).
- *a rip-off of public tax money by landlords and big property owners:*
  - \$4.5 billion (65% of the total tax reduction) goes to business and landlords.
  - tax reduction windfalls, for example, of:
    - \$ 90,900,000 to PG&E
    - \$130,000,000 to Pacific Telephone
    - \$ 13,100,000 to Standard Oil
    - \$ 9,500,000 to Lockheed
    - \$ 6,100,000 to IBM
- *taxes on the average residential homeowner will increase, not decrease:*
  - sales tax will double and state income tax will jump to make up for the loss of property-tax revenues.
  - tax assessments will increase whenever property is sold, which is much more often for residential homes than for business property, thus shifting the tax increases to homeowners.
  - home insurance rates will increase due to a probable decrease in fire protection services resulting from Prop. 13.

### • *vital social services would be crippled by a \$7 billion loss in funding:*

- public health, social welfare programs for the poor, elderly, disabled, and youth, affirmative action programs, public transit, police, fire protection, flood control and conservation, parks and recreation, libraries and museums would all suffer drastic cuts.
- schools, which rely on property taxes for over 50% of their funding, would have to cut back on special education, recreation & sports, counseling, adult education, maintenance & staff, teachers, and facilities.
- as an example, the City of Oakland plans to either cut 35% across the board in all departments, or to exempt police and fire but cut 85% in all other city departments.

### • *massive layoffs and deteriorating economic conditions:*

- conservative estimates predict 100,000 workers will be laid off statewide in the public sector alone.
- 2200 Oakland city workers laid off, 4200 Alameda County workers laid off.
- the economic effect on private industry and employees is immeasurable.

Proposition 13 is an attack on the standard of living of the whole working class. Under the guise of cutting taxes and limiting spending by government bureaucracy, the Jarvis-Gann initiative would actually increase working people's taxes, cut jobs, and slash social services.

These cutbacks and layoffs would hit hardest at Blacks, Chicanos, Native Americans, other minorities, and at women—all of whom are last-hired and first-fired—and who depend most on essential social services for survival. The racist nature of Prop. 13 is clear in some of its backers' arguments against affirmative action programs as "make work" jobs at the taxpayers' expense, against welfare programs, implying the myth that most persons on welfare are minorities, and against "forced busing" as a needless expense.

The repressive nature—and fascist tendencies—of Prop. 13 is evident in its underlying philosophies. It puts the interests of individuals (property owners) above the broader public interests. It opposes the existence of the "public sector," or any public responsibility for jobs & services. One of Prop. 13's chief supporters is economist Milton Friedman, architect of the Chilean junta's repressive economic policies and proponent of a "free" private enterprise economy without government interference. Prop. 13 is basically undemocratic. It takes taxation decisions away from local governments and puts them under State and Federal control and makes it virtually impossible to raise new forms of taxes. Any new increase must be approved by 2/3 of the Legislature, putting ultimate veto powers into the hands of 14 State Senators, no matter how critical or popular new funding for public services may be.

Prop. 13 uses a "populist" cover to pose as a "taxpayers' revolt." It plays on peoples' real fear of being taxed out of their homes by unchecked real estate speculation and inflation, and people's real anger at tax loopholes for the rich and government/business corruption. It is a clever scheme to make fast-buck profits for large property owners while shifting the current capitalist economic "recession" onto the backs of workers/taxpayers. The scheme is so reactionary, however, that even more moderate, "mainstream" capitalists who stand to gain from its passage are opposing the initiative. Banks and investment

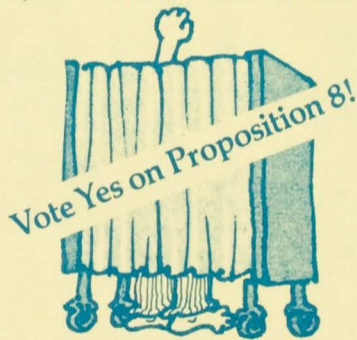
companies, such as Bank of America (which would gain a \$2 million tax break) are afraid of losing interest profits on tax-free municipal bonds which are paid by taxpayers, or of defaults on mortgages that would likely result from Prop. 13. They also fear the social and economic chaos and discontent Prop. 13 would create that might lead to a revolt by workers/taxpayers. Most banks and corporations prefer to make their profits and reap their "modest" tax breaks under the relative peace of the status quo.

## Vote No on Proposition 13!

While the Jarvis-Gann initiative is considered dangerous and irresponsible by the dominant business interests, it is nevertheless a threat to be taken seriously. Similar "tax limitations" legislation with similar disastrous effects is being pushed in 13 other states. This pattern is an attempt to make the working class, the majority of people, pay for the current economic crisis—the decline in world power of US imperialist interests.

To turn this situation around, working people will have to organize and develop a plan—beyond electoral tax reforms. Meanwhile, we must defend the hard-won democratic rights of the poor, elderly, disabled, youth and other people to essential social services. It is in the interests of all working people to support the gains and initiative or public workers in unionizing, fighting for affirmative action, and providing quality services. Vote No on Proposition 13.

The alternative to Prop. 13 is the Behr Bill, Prop. 8. It will provide a 30% tax reduction on *owner-occupied* homes, at a rate *lower* than business property. It gives renters some relief in the form of a \$75 tax credit, and gives additional tax assistance to the elderly. Prop. 8 will not require any other new revenue sources, but is funded by unused revenue surplus. Most important, there are no losses of jobs, education, or social services.



## KID STUFF

These places are offering summer programs for kids and teenagers. Activities are free or low-cost. In the event that Jarvis-Gann passes most of these programs will be cut. Call first for more information.

La Pena is sponsoring free Sat afternoon programs, 3105 Shattuck, Berk, 849-2568

InterTribal Friendship House Summer Youth Program, 523 E 14th Street, 835-4324

Live Oak Park, 1301 Shattuck, Berk, 845-1718

Oakland Parks and Recreation sponsors activities in its 23 community rec centers. Stop by one near you or call 273-3791 for more info.

Camp Kidd, Quincy, Calif, weekly sessions, Oakland Parks and Rec, 273-3091

Berkeley Parks and Recreation, 644-6530, Day Camps 644-6520

Oakland YWCA Day Camp, Joaquin Miller Park, 451-7900

Country Experience for Young Wimmin, Willits, Calif, 7-14 yr olds, call Marcia at 647-5067

Lake Merritt Sailing School, Oakland 444-3807



Oakland Summer School 465-7636, Berkeley Summer School 644-6446

Oakland Public Schools Children's Centers 836-2622

Outdoor Education Center, 9777 Golf Links Road, 635-9068

Albany Rec. Dept. Day Camp, 644-8514

El Cerrito Parks and Rec, Community Center, 7007 Moeser Lane, 234-7445

Richmond Art Center, Civic Center Plaza 234-2397

AC Transit Summer Specials and Funtours, Buses to the eight East Bay regional parks and day trips out of the city, 635-3535

Oakland Youth Employment, 451-1551

Berkeley Youth Employment 644-6050

Thanks to Bananas Day Care Info and Referral for their assistance (548-4344).

## Gay Rights vs Repression

### The Briggs Initiative:

June 18-25 is Gay Pride Week, culminating in a Gay Freedom Day march on Sunday June 25 in San Francisco. Last year 100,000 people marched in support of gay rights. This year June will also tell whether the Briggs Initiative—proposed legislation to outlaw gay teachers and workers from public schools—will qualify to be on the November ballot. Sponsored by State Senator John Briggs, the campaign spent several hundred thousand dollars to gain some 500,000 signatures supporting the measure. These signatures must now be verified. The Briggs Initiative would prohibit "advocating, soliciting, imposing, encouraging or promoting private or public homosexual activity directed at or likely to come to the attention of schoolchildren or school employees." Teachers and other schoolworkers could also be fired for defending or advocating the civil rights of gays. The Briggs Initiative follows a national pattern of reactionary repression toward gays, from the repeal of gay anti-discrimination laws in Miami, St Paul, and Wichita, to increased violence and open harassment and persecution campaigns such as Anita Bryant's Save Our Children crusade. These attacks on the rights of one group of working people—gay teachers—set a precedent for the erosion of democratic rights of all workers. Support the struggle for Gay Rights!

For information, contact:

Bay Area Committee Against the Briggs Initiative—922-2837

Gay Teachers & Schoolworkers Coalition—771-9700 ext 60

This calendar is a project of Inkworcs Press, a printing and publishing collective. The production and editorial work group is composed of some people from Inkworcs and others active in East Bay community and political work. The calendar began in March, 1976. Our goal is to publicize the political and cultural struggles for radical social change in our area.

### We need your help!

- First, we want your reactions to and suggestions about the calendar. We can also use help with production and **distribution**. If you can distribute the calendar at your workplace or in your neighborhood, drop by **early** in the month.
- Secondly, please send us info about events you would like to see listed, **by the 21st of each month!** Be sure to include the name of the event, sponsor, program, date, time, place, price, childcare arrangements and accessibility to wheelchairs. We urge you to submit listings by mail since we are busy operating a printshop weekdays. Our address is **Community Calendar, care of Inkworcs, 4220 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, CA 94609**. If you need to contact us by phone for other information, call 652-7111.

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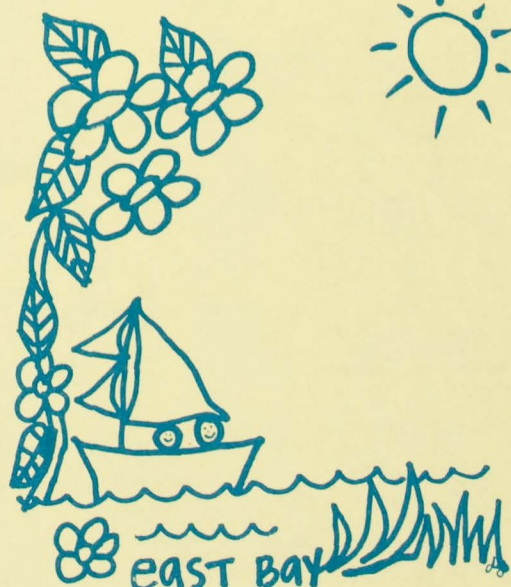
- Enclosed is my \$5 subscription (\$10 groups) for one year.
- Enclosed is an additional contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to support the Calendar work.

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