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charter review out of coma

After more than a year of spinning its wheels on procedural matters, the Charter Review Committee is finally doing something. It is beginning to write a new Charter for the City of Berkeley. Looking back, I can see that the procedural hassles were a form of shadow-boxing, a way for Committee members to get acquainted with one another and feel out everyone's position. Perhaps it is an unavoidable process for any such group, especially one so large (56 members to begin with).

The Committee is now debating and deciding substantive issues. So far it has agreed (almost unanimously) to junk the City-Manager form of government in favor of the Strong Council form. This means that the City Council will have all the powers now held by the City Manager; directing Department Heads on any and all issues, hiring and firing Department Heads and the CAO (Chief Administrative Officer) by a simple majority, as well as setting City policy (which the Council now does). The Council will be assisted in administering the City by the CAO (Chief Administrative Officer) who will coordinate and direct Department Heads. His power and position will be very different from that of the present City Manager in that he must take direction from the Council and can be overruled by a simple majority of the Council. In addition, the Council can intervene with Department Heads if it wishes, and Department Heads in turn can appeal directly to the City Council.

Charter Review Committee has also discussed what size the City Council should be and whether or not it should be

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BATTLE OF THE BUDGET

The budget for Berkeley (FY 1973-'74) remains a mystery. Councilmembers Hancock and Kelley have come up with their proposals, which would fund a wide range of social programs and capital improvements out of existing revenue sources. But so far, no hint of the Berkeley Five recipe for the city, even though Mayor Widener called a special meeting of the Council on August 2nd, specifically to pass a budget.

THE AUGUST 2nd FIASCO

The all-day meeting on August 2, which was to be the culmination of nearly two months of specially scheduled budget hearings and discussions, was a fiasco. The Berkeley Five mostly avoided these budget meetings. And sure enough, they were unprepared to pass a budget at the time they had scheduled.

The Berkeley Five's disposition to stall surfaced early in the day. Widener had called the meeting for 10 a.m., but a quorum was not assembled until 11 A.M. Sweeney had the Council break for lunch at noon and the meeting didn't resume until after 2 P.M. Widener and Kallgren (who was busy at work in San Francisco since he was leaving for Lake Tahoe the next day) didn't attend all day. When Hone left at 3 the quorum was lost, and the meeting disbanded until 7:30. At the evening meeting, although the Berkeley

Love me, love me, I'm a liberal.

—Phil Ochs

"Sue who?" A common comment heard when Sue Hone was appointed to the Berkeley City Council in 1972. Sue's contributions to the political scene in Berkeley prior to her appointment were not exactly monumental. Her campaign literature lists among her manifold achievements, membership in the "Prytanean Alumni" and the "Young Audiences." It's like reading the list of accomplishments on a college application

WHY SUE HONE?

by some high school student from a backwash little town in southern Kansas. One expects "President of the French Club" to be listed somewhere.

Sue's statements on the problems facing Berkeley are an endless cacophony of canned phrases like "progressive, integrated, and compassionate community," "constructive change," and "sensitive, reasoned solutions." One is confronted here with the inability of the liberal mind to move beyond empty platitudes.

Sue's year on the Council since appointment has been an extension of the same vacuity. The quick teathy smile, the furrowed brow for looks of deep concern, the long "Ahhhhh's" between words as if some significant thought process were occurring in the interval, are by now familiar parts of Sue Hone's Council performances. Not exactly distinguished by her quick wit and piercing insight, Sue strikes one as some cross between banality and pathos.

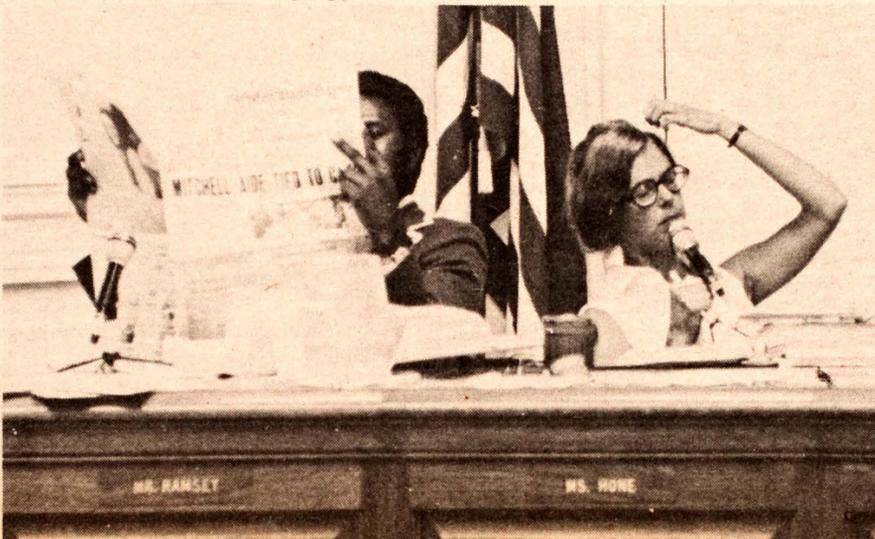
Why, then Sue Hone? Sue fashions herself to be something of a feminist, and one might take that as a cue to turn an old sexist American adage on its head, "Behind every woman there's a good man." For the key to Sue Hone is not what she is, but what she represents. Understanding the liberal mind requires looking beyond it at the interests that lurk quietly behind the scenes. In Sue's case those interests are mostly the product of her husband, Michael's, patient efforts over the years at building up the political and corporate contacts that make a career as a liberal politician possible.

LAW AND THE CORPORATE ORDER

When Michael Hone graduated from Boalt Law School in 1963 he went the way that most aspiring young lawyers go, to San Francisco for a job with a prestigious corporate law firm. He first latched onto a job with the firm of Kelso, Cotton and Ernst. Louis O. Kelso, a founder of the firm, used to be a partner in Brobeck, Phleger, and Harrison, the firm of our present city councilman Ed Kallgren. Kelso is also the founder of "Kelsonian economics," a theory of universal capitalism that is a favorite topic of Mike Culbert, editor of the Berkeley Gazette. A nice and clubby and influential little firm for Mike to start out with. And while with Kelso Mike could start to build up those ever important corporate contacts to supplement his political ones. Kelso, Cotton, and Ernst did legal work for corporate giants like Hewlett-Packard Co. (president David Packard, to become Asst. Secretary of Defense under Nixon), Perini Corp. (a key firm in the development of BART), the San Francisco Real Estate Board, and our own P.G.&E.

Mike's tenure at Kelso was, however, short-lived. By the latter half of the '60s Mike had still not risen above the lowly rank of associated partner in the firm, so he went looking for another job. This time he landed one with Steinhart, Goldberg, Feigenbaum, and Ladar (S,G,F, & L), another prestigious SF firm.

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The honeymoon is over. Gazette photo

DELLUMS AGAINST RECALL

I urge those persons who have demonstrated a keen interest in progressive politics to actively oppose the recall of Councilman D'Army Bailey.

As I have stated publicly, "There is not one single, defined legitimate basis for recalling Bailey . . . The recall is just a naked power play."

The important thing to see in the recall effort, in my opinion, is that it is a clear attack on progressive politics. This is revealed by the fact that the recall forces had originally sought to recall Loni Hancock and Ira Simmons as well, but

decided that Bailey was the easiest target because he could be more easily isolated. It is further revealed by the fact that the conservative forces behind the recall effort have resorted to the all too familiar tactic of scheduling the election when a significant number of Berkeley voters, especially students, will be out of town.

D'Army Bailey and the Coalition have had clear disagreements on questions of accountability, style, and some specific issues. But his voting record on the Council has been far closer to Loni Hancock's than any other Council member for the past two years.

Bailey's main fight has been for the Black community. His militance has galvanized broad sections of the Black community to oppose the recall. Many parts of that community who supported the Berkeley 4 or were neutral in the last election, as well as the Black Caucus which was a part of the Coalition, are opposing the recall. Our own efforts to build a broader, more effective Coalition will be seriously jeopardized unless we join in the anti-recall fight.

THIS IS WHAT YOU PAID \$75,000 for!

SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
CITY OF BERKELEY
CALIFORNIA
TUESDAY, August 21, 1973
Measure Submitted to Vote of Voters

Shall D'ARMY BAILEY be recalled from the office of Councilman of the City of Berkeley?	YES 3 → ○
	NO 4 → ○

For Councilman of the City Council of the City of Berkeley, term ending April 30, 1975, to succeed D'ARMY BAILEY if he is recalled from office by the recall election.	
VOTE FOR ONE	
WILLIAM B. RUMFORD, Jr. B.A.R.T. Administrator	10 → ○
ALLEN WILSON Berkeley Law Student	11 → ○

END OF BALLOT



UFU supporters at July 21 rally in Delano. Photo by Mona Ginsberg

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NO RECALL, NO RAILROAD

With the election just around the corner, it is clear that D'Army Bailey is in considerable danger of being recalled. Many Coalition members are talking about sitting out this fight, or even of voting for recall, because of differences with Bailey's politics, attitudes and/or personal style. That would be a serious mistake, because this election has significance far beyond the individual acts of D'Army Bailey. The reactionaries behind the recall aren't moving against Bailey alone, but against all of us. They see Bailey as the weakest point in the unity of the progressive community and are attacking us there.

The recall is just one more step in the Berkeley Five's crusade to destroy progressivism in this city. It is further proof that they aren't interested in democracy, but in total power for themselves and their wealthy backers. Their history is full of similar examples it would behoove us to remember.

- Last November, they tried, but failed, to push through Measure M, which would have effectively disenfranchised student voters and could have been used just as easily against blacks and other minorities.
- After the police review board was passed, no thanks to them, they tried to violate both the spirit and the letter of the law by claiming the power to appoint the entire board, not being content with a mere majority. It took the courts to prevent this greedy power grab.
- Although the voters made it clear that

some effective form of rent control was the desire of the majority, they have refused to take any steps in that direction, since to do that would be contrary to the wishes of the big-money interests who own them.

In the past, we've been able to stop them only when we were united. We have to unite again now. Stopping the recall is in the best interests of us all. The main issue of this election goes far beyond racism, accountability, Bailey's personality or differing approaches to solve the same problems.

The Berkeley Five are trying to keep this a town run by and for the moneyed interests. The past few years have been serious threats to their control over our lives. It is in their best interests to keep us divided. If they can eliminate Bailey now, next summer they can move against Simmons, Hancock, or Kelley, or even all three.

We should remember that the recall committee was able to collect thousands of dollars long before they had even decided whom to move against. The people behind the recall don't just hate Bailey, they hate all of us, and everything we represent.

Control of the city by the Berkeley Five forces would mean literally no say for radicals or even independently-minded non-radicals. The Berkeley Five are trying to build a machine in this city. Recently they've had things pretty much their own way. It's time they were stopped.

LETTERS, LETTERS, LETTERS, LETTERS, LETTERS, LETTERS

Dear Comrades,

How could you make this grave error?!!

This pop-based cartoon on the front page of GRASSROOTS, Vol. 2, No. 1, is revisionist and retrogressive. These double-edged symbols of oppression cannot be used for liberating purposes. Working class culture must be transcended. This is a criticism from the Left.

We suggest you have a discussion of revolutionary art and culture at your next collective meeting.

Venceremos!

YPCA

The Steering Committee

P.S.—Just because Ms. does it doesn't make it right!

Dear Hair-roots:

We received our "community newspaper" in the mail today. We are outraged by your portrayal of women as sado-masochistic, sexual, super-heroes.

Shape-up, or else.

Signed,

Shady Drop-out

Dora Darling

Dear GRASSROOTS,

As a Coalition member and friend of Gazette reporter Mark Trautwein, I read your recent article on him with great interest. It is, in my opinion (and I think Mark would agree), impossible not to make what could accurately be called political judgements in newswriting. Consequently, it is true that Mark's political biases (some of which may agree with Culbert's but none of which directly or consciously reflect Culbert's, to my knowledge) occasionally come through in his stories.

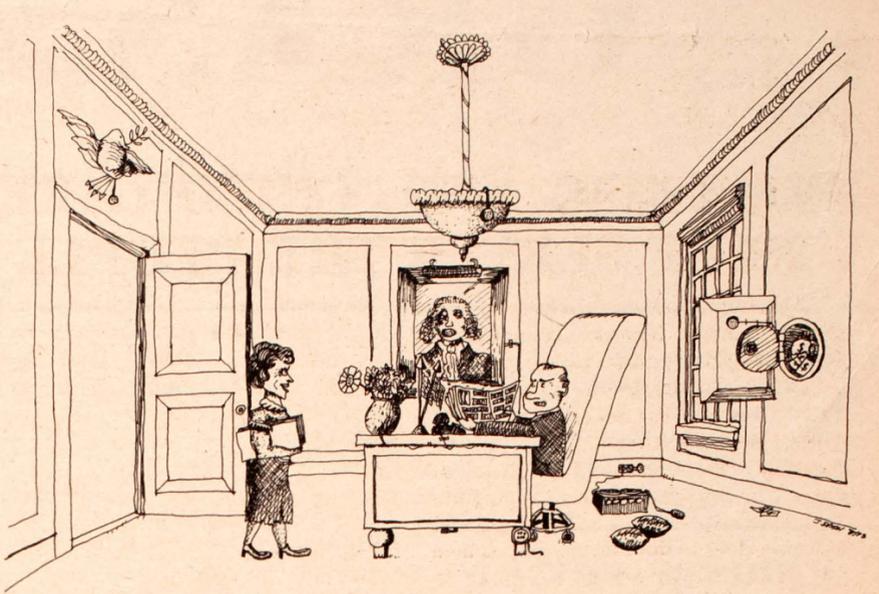
At the same time, one of the impressive things about Mark is that he

really is "bi-political." He does not adhere to any simple ideology, and the difficulty is "interpreting" him which your article purports to resolve is indicative of what to my mind is the entropic tendency on the left to demand absolute adherence to such an ideology, to criticize anyone who does not, and to offer absolute immunity from criticism to anyone who does.

I don't think Mark will mind my divulging the obscure "secret" of his political "hermaphroditism," and his ability to get along with Hancock as well as McLaren. A major portion of his "political judgement" is based on judgement of character, in which I have found him both sensitive and broad-minded, but somewhat unsparing of those who do not meet his standards.

While he may go too far in subordinating ideological to characterological judgements (though neither biases his writing unduly, as far as I can tell), I think his attitude raises an interesting point. Character and ethics, on one hand, and ideology, on the other, are independent phenomena. People on the left as well as on the right can be insensitive, dull and uncreative. Similarly, people of any political belief can be civil, creative and worth appreciating.

Amazingly, even now this is regarded as a revisionist attitude in some segments of the left, and supposedly leads to accommodationism. Obviously I do not subscribe to such beliefs. Furthermore, I think it is manifestly clear that the tendency to take the simple and reactionary path of absolutely subordinating character to politics has had the consequence for the left of stunting collective and individual imaginations, and of alienating potential constituencies and leaders who are too creative to conform absolutely. Moreover, it has



See how many bugs you can find in this not-so-oval room.

—charter review revives—

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full-time. Most Committee members seem to agree that the Council should be paid a living wage, so as not to exclude poor and working-class people from participation; and that they should have aides, so as to make them more available to their constituency. This would mean that the Council not be too large (probably not more than fifteen members). The CRC has made no decision on either of these questions because they are so closely tied to the method of electing City Council, which we have not yet resolved.

For the past month CRC has been debating and discussing the method of electing the City Council. Some members of the Committee favor election of all City Council people by Districts. They argue that this would make Councilmembers more directly responsive to their constituency, and would cut down on campaign spending and thus make it easier for poor people to get elected. Other members of the CRC favor election

of City Councilmembers At-Large. They argue that it would be impossible to draw District lines without gerrymandering, and that a system of Neighborhood Councils could provide responsiveness and direct access to City government without having to draw District lines. There has also been some talk of the combining the two methods of electing City Councilmembers and having, for example, three Councilmembers elected by District and the rest of them elected At-Large.

This is one of the major issues facing Charter Review Committee, and a resolution will not come easily. Radicals on the Committee are evenly divided on this question. A Subcommittee has been formed to look into the problem of drawing District lines and gerrymandering; everyone having agreed that if District lines cannot be drawn fairly then they are unworkable. CRC is committed to holding public hearings on various alternatives, and in the end it will be the public who decides the issue.

The whole concept of Neighborhood Government and decentralization is closely tied to the method of electing City Council. If Councilmembers are elected by Districts, this could provide a framework for Neighborhood Boards, to which the Councilmembers would be responsive. The Charter could even specify that City Councilmembers from each District sit on their Neighborhood Boards. If the At-Large method of electing City Council is retained, Neighborhood Councils could exist as a separate level of government. They could be given certain powers; zoning, parts of the police function, recreation, etc., and control over money.

Charter Review Committee is just beginning to discuss Neighborhood Government. We urge anyone who is interested to attend CRC meetings, Monday evenings at 8 p.m., second floor of the Health Department. For those with a more general interest, the next issue of GRASSROOTS will carry a debate between proponents of District elections and proponents of At-Large elections. We will also carry continuing discussion of Neighborhood Government and its relationship to the central government of Berkeley.

Sandra L. Martin

often led us to a ritualistic incapacity to adjust ideology where it is overly-simple or obsolete—a true fetishism of ideology. Can total entropy be far off?

Mark's "mystery" and the GRASSROOTS article's characteristic willingness to scratch the surface, and that only incompletely, both illustrate that our most important need is not *always* or *simply* to know who our *apparent* enemies are.

Sincerely,

Steve Brint

Grassroots cherishes letters from the readers. Letters should be typewritten and double-spaced. Address them to: P.O. Box 274, Berkeley 94701.

SISTER CITY

The East Bay Women for Peace have presented a resolution to the Berkeley City Council calling for the adoption of a SISTER CITY in South Vietnam. The proposed Vietnamese city, Loc Ninh, is about 200 miles northeast of Saigon, near the Cambodian border.

Finding ways to reduce military spending and to use money productively (to BETTER the lives of people) has become a major WFP project. In this connection, Women for Peace are calling for letters in support of Ron Dellums' Bill H.R. 6722, which calls for a reduction in military spending. Write to F. Edward Hebert, Chairman of the Armed Services Subcommittee, to demand that this bill be reported out favorably from committee so that it can go to the House floor for a vote. Women for Peace have also been working with the Community Action Council in Oakland.

Bay Warehouse
805 Gilman St.
Berkeley
Auto repairs
526-1253
Printing
Woodworking 525 3366
525 3631
A Collective Work Force

LEFT MOSAIC

PLUMBING AND CHILD CARE: ISCCF SERVES THE PEOPLE

The Intercommunal Survival Committee to Combat Fascism celebrated its fourth anniversary this August. It started at the Black Panther-sponsored United Front Against Fascism Conference in 1969, and was active in initiating and organizing the Community Control of Police campaign. The community organizing experience gained during that intensive door-to-door campaign was then put into a community center in northwest Berkeley.

ORGANIZING

The ISCCF Community Center is involved in organizing around neighborhood issues and in implementing survival programs in the community. Working



ISCCF photo of childcare in their own community center.

fix your bike

The Berkeley Bike Repsyche assistance program is a collective of greasy, energetic individuals willing to share their experiences and knowledge with the community.

The program provides free bike repair assistance, meaning, the owner provides the labor while our mechanics assist and explain. Tools, free parts from donated parts and bikes, and a library of bicycle manuals are available.

As another part of the program, donated parts are reconstructed into working bikes for young and old community people who are not able to meet the bike stores' financial demands. The program has just received a number of bikes from the City of Berkeley to aid in this part of the program.

We are struggling to demystify the bicycle, expand awareness of the bicycle as a recreational and transportational vehicle and to encompass more of the Berkeley Community.

Together with the Berkeley Park and Recreation Department, we are trying to develop a citywide bicycle program. We are partial to a free bicycle lending library like Bikes Unlimited in East Oakland.

We need help to expand. Mechanics, tools, spare parts, help in finding a new, larger and more centrally located facility to work out of, and, if you haven't got spare anything else, we could even use spare money.

For People interested in working with the collective, Mechanic's Training is Wednesday mornings starting at 10:00.

Repair Assistance is Saturdays from 10:30 to late afternoon, and Wednesdays following the mechanics class.

POWER TO THE PEDALERS!

For information: Call John, 525-4375 or Karen, 549-0233, or come by during bike hours, 1415 Stannage Ave., Berkeley.

with people from the neighborhood, the ISCCF obtained a mini-park at Berkeley Way and West 9th st., and fought attempts to build a condominium on the last available open space in the Westbrae neighborhood. They helped to get this neighborhood downzoned to R-1 and are currently looking for ways to further downzone the neighborhood around the North Berkeley BART station. ISCCF belongs to the Westbrae Neighborhood Association and works with neighbors in the area bordered by Sacramento, San Pablo, Hopkins and University.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

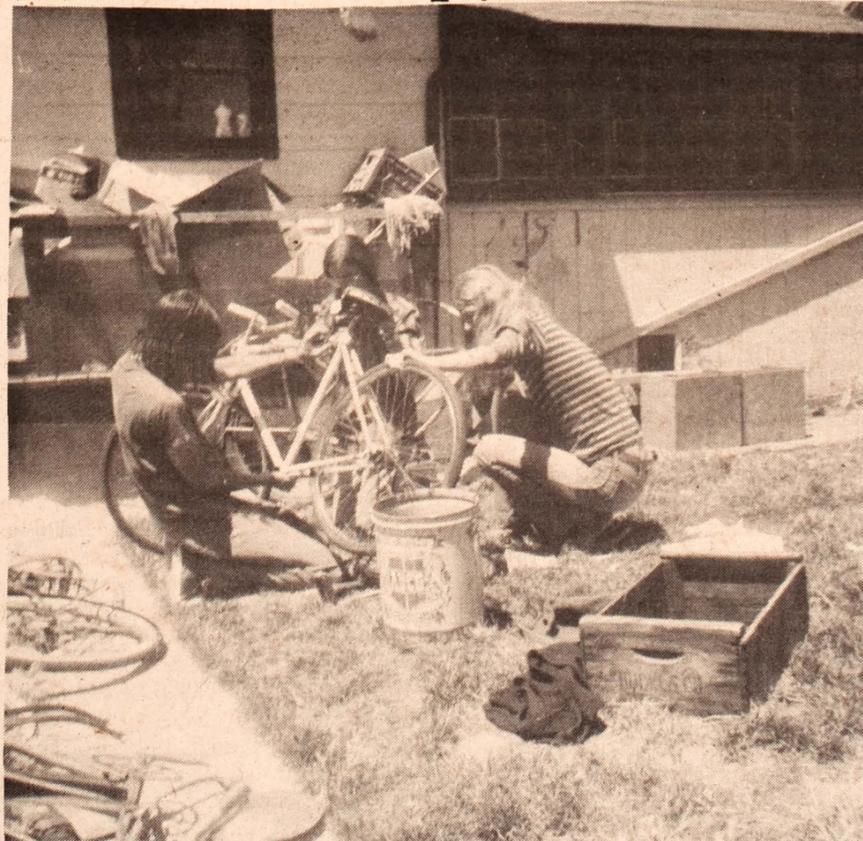
The center serves as an organizing arm of the Black Panther Party and sponsors survival programs to meet the needs of the community. Working mothers and students need childcare and ISCCF sponsors a daycare program for children aged 3 to 6, staffed by community volunteers. The center answers calls for home repairs and organizes community volunteers to do plumbing, window, and various other types of repairs. They maintain an emergency first aid station. One of the newer programs is the Free Bicycle Repair program. See box. People from ISCCF are currently participating in the boycott of the Safeway at 27th and West in support of the United Farmworkers Union.

PUBLICATIONS

ISCCF publishes a monthly newsletter called COME-UNITY which discusses neighborhood issues and the programs offered by the center and distributes it door-to-door. THE FLATLANDS EXCHANGE is a new newsletter which will introduce the new neighborhood association to the community. In addition, ISCCF delivers *The Black Panther Intercommunal News Service* weekly to subscribers in the community.

VOLUNTEERS

ISCCF is looking for volunteers to work with on many current projects. If you are interested in doing door-to-door community organizing on local issues or in contributing your skills to any of the community survival programs, please call 525-4375. Meetings for people interested in working at the community centers will be held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, September 4th and on Thursday, September 6th, at the ISCCF Community Center, 1415 Stannage St., Berkeley.



Do-it-yourself bike repair

cambodia—peace with bombers

● Since the Indochina "peace Agreement" the U.S. has dropped 50,000 tons of bombs per month on Cambodia—the equivalent of 3 Hiroshima size atomic bombs. Flying 200 sorties a day from Guam and Thailand, these B-52 missions cost the American people up to \$10 million a day. The technological genocide of the air war never ended, it merely shifted its fury from Vietnam to the people of Cambodia. The effects are the same: carpet bombing of villages, crops, hospitals, with the civilian population being forced to flee their homes for the squalor, corruption, and relative "safety" of the city.

REBEL CONTROL

● Yet the capital itself, Phnom Penh, is completely surrounded and 90% of the countryside is under rebel control. The people of Cambodia are ready to welcome the liberation of Phnom Penh by the Peoples' Liberation Armed Forces and Khmer Rouge rebels—the troops of the National United Front, under leadership by exiled Prince Sihanouk. The U.S. admits that North Vietnamese or NLF troops are not involved in the fighting, that 20,000 resistance troops have infiltrated and cut off the capital city despite bombing strikes within 5 miles of the U.S. embassy. Meanwhile Lon Nol's 200,000 man mercenary, American supported army is on the brink of collapse and mutiny. The wealthy elite and corrupt officials of Lon Nol's regime are gathering their riches and buying airline tickets out of the country.

U.S. TENTACLES

● Although Congress finally voted to halt the bombing of Cambodia—after realizing that bombing would not succeed and finding Nixon's power at a low ebb—the U.S. rulers surely intend to keep their tentacles in Cambodia. The Pentagon will spend \$167 million this coming year to build up Lon Nol's air force and army. Thai mercenaries, paid and commanded by the U.S., are already being used in Cambodia. And now puppet Thieu has reportedly offered troops to send to the air of the Phnom Penh regime. All this is in open violation of both the Cooper-Church Amendment forbidding U.S. military involvement in Cambodia, and the Paris Accords which state "foreign countries shall put an end to all military activities in Cambodia and Laos."

● The covert, "backdoor" methods of the Nixon Doctrine can be clearly seen in South Vietnam. Under cover of the "peace agreement," the U.S. has built up the Saigon air force to be the third largest in the world. Thousands of American "civilian advisors"—CIA and ex-military types—have been sent to Saigon to replace U.S. troops. The Pentagon and

AID will give \$24 million this coming year for Thieu's prisons and police apparatus. Torture, assassinations, and jailings without trial are routinely used to try to wipe out any opposition. An estimated 300,000 political prisoners are held in U.S. built tiger cages and concentration camp prisons. As for the free elections outlined in the peace agreement, Thieu has outlawed 26 opposition parties including the Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG) and wants an immediate, virtually unopposed election "to foil the communists." Contrary to the provisions of the peace agreement, Thieu refuses to recognize the PRG's right to exist at all and ignores the ceasefire in his effort to wipe them out. Thieu recently stated that the PRG is a "communist attempt to create a state within a state" and "should be foiled at any price, by any means." In South Vietnam the fighting continues at a high level.

OIL RIGHTS

● All this so that Saigon could give off-shore oil rights to Exxon, Mobil, and Shell, and Bank of America, IBM, GM and the rest of these worldwide U.S. gangsters can keep their business empires operating at a profit. The failure of the genocidal bombing of Cambodia to prop up Lon Nol's puppet regime shows the true strength of "underdeveloped" peoples united and fighting for self-determination. In spite of phony peace agreements, deals among the "superpowers," or "backdoor" imperialism, the struggle continues.

(This article was condensed from the INDOCHINA BULLETIN, with permission. Subs to this informative monthly bulletin are available—write c/o Box 4400, Berkeley, Ca, 94704, or phone 845-7220.)



If you can help political prisoners, contact:

Coalition to Free South Vietnamese Political Prisoners
2302 Ellsworth St.
Berkeley, Ca. 94704
(415) 849-3120



Workers in Bescancon, France have taken over the bankrupt Lip Watch Factory to save their jobs. The factory had been shut down in bankruptcy for two months when its 1,300 workers set up a workers' committee and started the machines rolling again.

Enthusiasm swept through the factory as the first workers' watches came off the assembly line and successfully passed their accuracy test.

"It's incredible but true," said a watchmaker, "The workers are in charge, and there is no boss."

The factory owners have warned that the workers' watches were not covered by a warranty and anyone buying them could be prosecuted for receiving stolen property. The police stationed outside the factory for two months have not moved.

The watches are offered to the public at a 40% discount from the price and orders poured in from workers committees at plants throughout France. And the idea of worker self help spread to the other side of France in Brittany. Laid off workers occupied a closed clothes factory and used the stocks to make goods to pay their own severance.

Foremen went to work on the benches, working hours were sharply reduced, and everyone volunteered to give up their summer vacation. Every worker from supervisor to unskilled laborer, gets a flat wage of \$270 per month. Those with large families get a bonus.

Photo by ISCCF

FREE CLINIC FRIDAY DRUG NEWS

brought to you by Berkeley Free Clinic and KSAN and Pharm Chem . . . for Friday 8/10

WARNING — WARNING — WARNING — WARNING — WARNING — WARNING

BERKELEY — BEIGE TABS — 3/16" diameter by 1/8" high being sold as LSD are STP . . . in a VERY high dose. STP is a miserable, ugly, demonic 2 to 3 day non-trip for most people who've tried it. Good idea to stay away from these if you spot 'em.

And now the news . . .

CITY	SOLD AS	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	REALLY IS
Berkeley	LSD	clear windowpane 3/32" x 1/16"	?	LSD
Berkeley	Colombian marijuana	brown-green plant	\$35/oz.	2.4% THC ¹
Berkeley	LSD	beige tab — 3/16" x 1/8"	?	STP

FEETNOTES

¹ This is the highest-THC-content marijuana reported in the Bay Area, but beware . . . people who've tried "Colombian" say there's a lotta variation in the quality.

² "Cylert" is Abbott Co. (a big drug mfr.)'s tradename for pemoline-magnesium-chelate. The drug has been under investigation off & on for 10 or 12 years as an aid to learning & memory. We have no information now about side effects, etc., except for the report of a person who tried it for a couple of days and had trouble sleeping. Cylert is the central nervous system stimulant, but it won't give you speed-type feelings. Since Abbott hasn't been marketing it, it may not do what it's supposed to for memory & learning.

San Francisco	amphetamine (Speed-Dees)	white crosscore tab	33¢ each	amphetamine
San Francisco	cocaine	white powder	\$60/gram	84% cocaine
San Francisco	psilocybin	freeze-dried mushrooms	\$25/10 hits	LSD
San Francisco	cocaine	white powder	\$1200/oz.	34% cocaine 24% xylocaine cylert ²
San Francisco	cylert	white powder (2 samples)	\$5/gram	
Marin	cocaine	white powder	\$1400/oz.	84% cocaine
Marin	"80% cocaine"	white powder	\$1100/oz.	43% cocaine
Hayward	cocaine	white powder	\$1200/oz.	36% cocaine
San Rafael	cocaine	white crystalline powder	\$90/gram	33% cocaine 52% procaine
Santa Cruz	morphine	beige tab — 1/4" x 3/32"	?	no drug

ODDBALL FACTS DEPT.

How come we don't see any samples of downs & narcotics? Could it possibly be that there are NO rip-offs in that end of the drug marketplace????

Notice how the prices and percents of the local-cocaine are fluctuating? Seems to be in keeping with the general state of the economy.

To get samples analyzed free, stop by the Free Clinic (2339 Durant) & pick up sample info sheets.

Community announcements

FARMWORKERS

Picketing of Safeway supermarket in support of United Farmworkers Union strike: Safeway (Rose & Shattuck) every Thurs. & Fri. 4-6 p.m. For other stores and times call Strike Support Committee, 444-6008.

Food caravans to Delano and other areas every other Saturday. Support caravans "when the call goes out": call 444-6008 or 452-4579 for info.

PRISONS

CONNECTIONS, a support organization for prisoners and their families, provides transportation for the families and friends of prisoners to the various prisons throughout the state. They also function as an information service on prisons, provide speakers, work with women in prison, participate in raps with families of prisoners, and relate to the needs of prisoners. They desperately need volunteer drivers and cars! and are also in need of financial help. Call 863-1604 or stop by at 3189 16th St., S.F.

The following prisoners would like to correspond with someone on the outside:

T.L. Smith
Box PMB-91791
Atlanta, Ga. 30315
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WOMEN

- Women's events: contact Women's Center, 2134 Allston Way, 548-4343 or "A Woman's Place" bookstore, 5251 Broadway, Oakland (College & Broadway).
- 53rd Anniversary Celebration of Women's Suffrage, Sat. Aug. 25th, 1 p.m., E. Pauley Ballroom, Student Union, U.C. Berkeley. Childcare provided, bring a sacklunch. Coffee hour, panels, speakers, displays. Call Female Liberation, 642-6673 or 524-7501 for more info.

RACISM

- International Genetics Conference will be held on the UC Berkeley campus Aug. 19-29. The Committee on Genetics in Society will sponsor symposiums presenting radical critique of current genetics studies—the "Green Revolution" Aug. 21, 8 p.m. at 2000 Physical Sci. Lecture Hall, and "Genetics, Race, and IQ," Aug. 23, 8 p.m., same place.

MILITARY

The Bay Area Military Law Panel has moved to a new office: 2588 Mission St., Room 220, San Francisco 94110.
B.A.M.L.P. provides legal services for GIs, reservists, and national guardsmen, in the Bay Area. Fees for cases are based on the person's ability to pay.
CALL 285-4484, 10-5, MONDAY THRU FRIDAY.

The county of Alameda has changed the visiting hours at the Courthouse Jail, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland. The new visiting schedule allows for visits in the evenings as well as afternoons. The new schedule is as follows:

Sundays and Wednesdays—1-3 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays—7-9 p.m.

"ISA 5"

- Trial of five Iranian Student Association members and supporters begins August 15, 9 a.m. in Judge Williams Federal District Court, Federal Building, S.F. All progressive peoples are urged to attend the trial and support the "ISA 5."

GRASSROOTS

- Grassroots meetings: every Thursdays, 8 p.m., 2022 Blake St.

CITY CHARTER

- Charter Review Committee meets Mon. eves. 8 p.m., 2nd floor of the Health Dept. Discussion is on Neighborhood Government.

AMNESTY

- Conference on Amnesty: Sept. 15, 11 a.m., Mission Presbyterian Church, 23rd & Capp Sts., S.F. Sponsored by VVAW/WSO, Campaign for Amnesty, Discharge Upgrading Project.

VETERANS

- Auto Tune-up Benefit for Vietnam Veterans Against the War / Winter Soldier Organization. (VVAW/WSO) Aug. 18 & 19, 9-5 at Bay Warehouse, 805 Gilman St., VVAW/WSO office, 4914 Telegraph, 658-7806.

RECALL

- August 21: Special Election! Vote on Re-call of Berkeley City Council member D'Army Bailey (Vote NO!)

GAYS

- East Bay Gay Center's "Gay Night" every Tues. evening. Speakers, Films, raps. 1437 Harrison St., Oakland, 893-1019.

RECYCLE

The recently expanded Merritt Recycling Center is seeking donations of items needed to accommodate increasing business.

Among needed items are push brooms, can flattening tools, first aid kits, strong twine, lumber for signs, plants, metal pipe, and protective goggles.

Donations may be brought to the center, which is located in the west parking lot of the Merritt College campus, 12500 Campus Drive, in East Oakland. The center is open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday and accepts cleaned and flattened cans, glass (lids and metal removed), bundled newspapers, corrugated cardboard and aluminum foil.

COMMUNITY

- Berkeley Tenants Organizing Committee (BTOC): meetings every Wed. 8 p.m., 2022 Blake St.
- City Council meetings: usually every Tues. 7:30 p.m., Berkeley City Hall. Next meeting Aug. 28 — agenda: city budget. Call City Clerk for info: 644-6000.

Also: "packet meetings" with councilmembers Kelley and Hancock preceding each council meeting, to review & research issues: Fridays, 4:30 p.m., alternating between Kelley's office (at 2054 University, Rm. 604; 549-0816) and Hancock's office (at 2490 Channing Way, Room 209). Aug. 24 packet meeting at Kelley's office.

- Alameda County Board of Supervisors meetings: every Tues. 9 a.m., Board of Supervisors chambers, 1221 Oak St. (5th floor), Oakland.

Also: Welfare Commission meetings concerning new "forced labor" welfare requirements and other issues. (inquire about time, place—874-5236)

- Council of Neighborhoods meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays each month, 8:15 p.m., 2022 Blake St.

- Housing Committee of the Berkeley Planning Commission meets 2nd and 4th Thursdays each month, 8 p.m., employee's lunchroom, City Hall (working on Housing Element of Master Plan)

SCHOOLS

Merritt College is accepting applications now through August 24 for the fall semester, which starts September 4.

New students are advised to file applications and transcripts immediately with the Merritt student personnel office, 12500 Campus Drive, in East Oakland.

Merritt's comprehensive day and evening program is open tuition-free to residents of the Peralta Community College District, who are high school graduates or 18 years of age. The Peralta district includes the cities of Alameda, Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Oakland and Piedmont.

- Grove Street College (North Peralta Community College) registration runs through Aug. 20-31. Classes are free to all persons of the Peralta Community College Dist. who are 18 years old. Contact Admissions at 5714 Grove St., Oakland, Ph. 655-6110. Classes begin Sept. 4-6.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS should be submitted to GRASSROOTS by Sept. 5 for next issue: PO Box 274, Berkeley, Ca. 94701 or 2022 Blake St. Ph. 524-1203



United Farmworkers and their supporters march at rally in Delano, July 21.

Photo by Mona Ginsberg

ECOLOGISTICS

by Selina Bendix

Whenever someone turns up with the perfect, simple solution to an environmental problem, think twice before you believe it. As Barry Commoner says: "There is no such thing as a free lunch." There are environmental consequences for every action, including doing nothing!

One of the panaceas that crops up from time to time is alternate fuels for automobiles for "pollution-free" driving. Let's look at the facts.

First of all, burning any fuel produces some pollution; some alternate fuels do produce less pollutants, they may also have lower mileage and no one figures the pollution involved in producing and transporting the fuels into the equation.

There are two routes to go: Compressed or Liquefied Natural Gas (CNG & LNG) vs. Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG). If you think there's a gasoline shortage, you should hear about the natural gas shortage. It's worse, and will stay worse, because known world reserves of natural gas are smaller, compared to present use rates, than those of crude petroleum.

Natural gas prices will probably rise sharply in the future. Deregulation of interstate natural gas prices has been called for by Nixon, Federal Power Commission (FPC) Chairperson Nassikas (10 April 1973 speech to National Press Club), the American Petroleum Institute (November 1972 policy statement), and others. In the face of such pressures, it is likely that either natural gas prices will soon be deregulated or that a substantial price increase will be permitted by the FPC.

OPG (propane and/or butane) is more readily available (but by no means at every gas station) and cheaper to install equipment for. BUT there isn't much LPG in crude petroleum (there is lots more gasoline) and the petrochemical industries like LPG for a raw material. Propane used to be cheaper than gasoline in the Bay Area, but the price is coming up fast and may easily pass that of gasoline.

As most people like to be free to drive anywhere, when they convert to propane they like to retain the ability to switch back to gasoline. BUT, an engine can be tuned to run well on propane OR gasoline. If it has to run on both, a compromise decreases efficiency and increases pollution from both.

Converting a car to propane isn't cheap, it costs maybe \$500—do you want to get rid of your pollution control devices that badly? And this cost does not include the cost of desirable modifications, such as hard valves and hard valve seats, to compensate for the fact that propane burns at a higher

temperature than gasoline.

All in all, it's simpler to switch to smaller, lighter weight cars that get better mileage on plain ordinary gasoline. This means ignoring the current panic advertising for bargains on the big Detroit cars. So far, the Japanese cars get the best mileage of the new cars. A free table of results of the Environmental Protection Agency mileage tests on 1973 cars is available from the Office of Consumer Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20506. Ask for the 15 May 1972 issue of CONSUMER NEWS.

In the long run, we're just going to have to learn to be less dependent upon our cars. We need to mount some opposition to the highway lobby which prevents gas tax money from being used for mass transit. Support the Foran Bill, ACA 16, which would permit the use of California gasoline and motor vehicle tax revenues to finance transit systems.

Last but not least, try walking!



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Ads are \$1.00 for three lines. Send to GRASSROOTS, Box 274, Berkeley 94704.



Do you suppose Councilor Ramsey had his tongue in his cheek when he told the Berkeley City Commons Club that the Berkeley Five is "getting it done"? Among other trivia, Ramsey boasted of the "Five's" reorganization of the Charter Review Commission and council agendas and of his suggestion of putting foot patrols in commercial districts.

The "Five's" sops to the business community are getting tiresome. Radicals have been talking about foot patrols for a long time, but had in mind patrols in residential neighborhoods experiencing high rates of street crime. Muggings tend to go on in the residential side streets, not outside the Elmwood Dime Store. This sort of crime will continue in neighborhoods while Ramsey's Officer Krupkes whistle around Hinks.

Reorganization of the Charter Review Commission consisted of Kallgren's motion that no new council appointments be made to that body and that the commission submit its final report to the council by December. Since the

commission had already decided to complete its job by that time, Kallgren's action was irrelevant as well as insignificant.

Council agenda reorganization was Widener's brainchild. Under his scheme, held-over Consent Calendar items are placed to the end of the agenda.

Although this is an attempt to curb the embarrassing flow of progressive programs from the radical minority, councilors can place items forward on the agenda under the Mayor and Council category, a procedure which makes the Mayor's reorganization plan meaningless.

Ramsey's use of these examples in his talk is mighty interesting. He just could be a bit of a cynic.

Speaking of progress by the Berkeley Five... Do you remember Joe Garrett of the Berkeley Four? Their "student" candidate? Well, he has just been appointed to the Berkeley Redevelopment Agency by guess who?

...keep
on
truckin'



Question from G.F., Oakland: we were given a '63 Dart with 80,000 miles on it. It runs okay but there is a lot of smoke from the exhaust pipe, especially when we pass another car. One friend said it needs a ring job, but another looked at the oil dip stick and thought the oil was just dirty. Can dirty oil cause a car to smoke?

Answer: I can't give you a worthwhile answer without seeing the car. A compression test at your local garage or gas station will probably answer your question. If the compression is low or if there is more than 25% difference between the individual cylinders, you probably have bad rings and/or valves. If the compression test is inconclusive, try changing the oil and filter. Run the new oil a few hundred miles and then change it again. Sometimes that process will clear out sludge and free up the rings. But if your car hasn't been well taken care of and has 80,000 miles, I tend to agree with your first friend.

Question from L.G., Berkeley: My old man wants to buy a Jaguar sports car. He can get it real cheap, but I heard they cost a fortune to keep up. I think we should get a car that is less expensive to

keep up even if we have to pay more for it. P.S. The Jaguar needs a valve job.

Answer: Generally, Jaguars cost about the same to maintain as other "luxury" cars, assuming you stay away from the BMC dealerships. However, you should know that Jaguar valve jobs are quite expensive. Because of the double overhead camshaft get-up which Jaguar uses, it takes three times the labor to do a Jag as it does to do an ordinary OHV six cylinder head. Parts and machine work are also slightly more expensive. At any rate if you want an economy car, don't get the Jag.

Question from D.S., Berkeley: I drive a 1968 Volvo station wagon. My problem is that I go through a set of tires every 15,000 miles. Can something be done?

Answer: Steel belted radial tires are the best answer, if you can afford them. Sears steel belted radials cost \$40.00 and are supposed to be made by Michelin. At any rate, they are very good. You should be able to get at least 40,000 miles with a set. I know of cases where Volvo wagons are still going on their tires after 60,000 miles. Remember to check the front end alignment every year or so and keep the tires filled with air at the recommended pressures.

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Again the prospects for developing political contacts were good. Senior partners at S,G,F,&L included James B. Frankel and Bruce Cowan, both lecturers in law at Boalt in Berkeley. Adrian Kragen, a former vice chancellor at UC, former Deputy Attorney General for Calif., and a full professor at Boalt also made his home at S,G,F,&L. Finally there was Marc Monheimer, another senior partner in the firm, who in 1969 was elected to the Berkeley School Board.

Corporate contacts were also plentiful. The firm has boasted as clients over the years, the Cal/Ink Division of *Tenneco Chemicals* (with a plant in West Berkeley), *Systron Donner Corp.* (a large Concord based Defense Dept. contractor), and *Hartford Fire Insurance* (absorbed by *I.T.&T.* and the key firm in an anti-trust settlement favorable to *I.T.&T.* that produced the Dita Beard memo and related scandal). Toss in *Ownes-Illinois* and *Procter & Gamble* (both investors in apartheid in South Africa and you've got a pretty

impressive roster of kingpins in the corporate world.

MIKE MISSES THE MARK

But unfortunately for Mike, he didn't seem to be able to make the grade at Steinhart either. Not possessed of an excess of legal talent, Mike was doomed to be, as the sociologists say, "downwardly mobile."

BEHIND EVERY GOOD LIBERAL THERE'S A DEFENSE CONTRACTOR

In 1970 Mike left the world of the corporate law firm to join an outfit called *Continental Capital Corporation*. Continental Capital is a medium-sized investment firm (\$8 million in assets) headquartered at the Bank of America Center in San Francisco. It invests money, floats loans, and provides management services to a variety of mainly Calif. based companies. As Frank Atkinson, treasurer at Continental, explained it to me, they try to invest in firms in "high technology," scientific, and other research and development fields. Their primary emphasis is on companies that are "spin-offs" from research done at the Universities

(Stanford and UC, for example), or that broke away from other larger technological firms (Atkinson gave Hewlett-Packard as an example of the latter).

Michael is a top executive with Continental Capital, and functions as vice president, secretary, and legal counsel for them. A step down from the big SF law firms, but still a position ripe for the cultivation of contacts with influential corporate and political leaders. These people, the men Mike rubs elbow with every day, provide an initial insight into what both Continental Capital Corp., and ultimately Mike and Sue Hone, are really all about.

A LEAGUE OF LIBERALS

The executives at Continental Capital include some very important figures in the Northern California business establishment. The board of directors includes 2 realtors, the head of a foundation, and the president of a bank. In addition there's Frank Chambers, president of Continental, and also on the board of directors of nine other Bay Area firms (four of which Continental has investments in, Data Products, American Micro-Systems, Capex, and Sea Life, Inc.—see below). Frank is also good buddies with Louis Kelso, head of Michael's old law firm. As Frank Atkinson agreed, it's a "pretty tight little social group" over in SF.

But the two key men on Continental's board are John Martin and Charles A. Anderson. Martin's a vice president with *Litton Industries*. It is perhaps impossible to find a better example of the wedding of corporate capitalism with the modern warfare state than Litton. The ninth largest Defense Dept. contractor, Litton currently has run up \$500 million in cost overruns on projects for the Navy. Litton executives gave over \$150,000 to the Republican Party in 1968, and were rewarded for their generosity when Nixon appointed Roy Ash, co-founder and president of Litton, as head of the U.S. Office of Management and Budget. Litton is also under contract by the Greek military junta to manage the Greek economy, and is a large investor in the racist regimes of Southern Africa. As a representative of Litton, John Martin has some rather special skills to bring to Michael's Continental Capital Corp.

Finally, there's Charles Anderson, another board member at Continental, and also current president of the *STANFORD RESEARCH INSTITUTE (SRI)*. A major military think-tank, SRI ranks as the 5th largest non-profit Defense Dept. contractor. Its' projects have included "Research studies on the dissemination of solid and liquid chemical and biological warfare agents," and the

coordination of some 55 Stanford researchers in a U.S. military project in Thailand. Besides SRI, Charlie Anderson does a little other moonlighting. He also sits on the boards of *CUTLER-HAMMER, Inc.* (\$37 million in DoD contracts, and operations in South Africa), *NATIONAL CASH REGISTER* (another investor in South Africa), and *CONTINENTAL OIL CO.* (with interests in Iran, Venezuela, and off the coast of Vietnam. "Conoco's" president once remarked "We have vast acreage in the South China Sea, and we believe we will hit it big there." Meanwhile the bombs fall in Cambodia). Charles Anderson, it seems, is a big man in the high circles of the war-profiteers. More useful skills to be brought to Continental Capital, and an important corporate contact for Michael Hone.

WAR—CONTINENTAL STYLE

These then are the men that along with Michael Hone oversee and manage the investments and operations of Continental Capital. And if they seem overloaded with expertise in the ways of the military-industrial complex, it's because that's what Continental Capital's all about. Behind euphemisms like "high technology" companies, lies the true nature of the kind of firms Michael's company invests in. They're Defense contractors, big Defense contractors. When you think of Vietnam, Cambodia, ICBM's, and "smart bomb," think of dumb old Michael's companies who made it all possible. What follows is a survey of the 13 publicly-traded companies listed in Continental Capital's investment portfolio over the last 2 years. 10 of the 13 are prime Defense Dept. Contractors. These are the companies Michael Hone likes to do business with.

MIGHTY MIKE AND THE MILITARY AMERICAN HOME INDUSTRIES CORP. (Bakersfield) — Engages in the manufacture of prefabricated homes and the "development of housing complexes."

*** AMERICAN MICRO-SYSTEMS, INC.** (Santa Clara) — Electronics outfit with military contracts for among other things, "integrated circuits," and "analog storage blocks" (a \$53,000 contract). "Products are used for electronic communication, computer, detection and control in military space, guidance systems and telemetry." American Micro-Systems does nearly a third of its business overseas with operations in Germany and South Korea.

*** DATA PRODUCTS CORP.** (Woodland Hills) — Produces electronic data processing equipment including "aerospace timing and control devices, sold to U.S. Government." Its DoD contracts included a \$39,000 arrangement with the

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MR. KALLGREN

photo by Jeff Rudolph

council starves rent control

In recent weeks the 5 vote majority of the City Council has indicated their lack of interest in establishing any meaningful form of rent control in Berkeley.

At the Council meeting of July 17th, a rent control ordinance proposed by Councilwoman Ilona Hancock was defeated on a 5-4 vote. Voting in favor of the rent control ordinance were Councilmembers Hancock, Kelley, Bailey, and Simmons. Voting against the ordinance were Councilmembers Hone, Kallgren, Ramsey, Sweeney, and Widener.

The defeated ordinance would have maintained the power of the present Rent Control Board to adjust rents from the base rent in effect on August 2, 1972. The Rent Control Board would have set the rents for new housing units based upon the prevailing rents for comparable units in Berkeley.

45-DAY FREEZE

Meanwhile, the Council gave final approval to a 45-day rent freeze which will last from August 16 through September 30, 1973. Rents are to be frozen at the level of August 2, 1973, the date at which rents were originally frozen under the Rent Control Charter Amendment.

The 45-day rent freeze was passed on a 5-0 vote at the July 10 meeting with Councilmembers Hancock, Kelley, Bailey, Ramsey, and Simmons voting for it. The other four members of the Council had all walked out prior to the vote. Such walkouts have typically occurred whenever the Council reached the subject of rent control late in a meeting.

The 45-day rent freeze was designed as an interim measure until passage of a new rent control ordinance. Not only are chances for a new rent control law now remote, the Council majority has blocked attempts to provide the Rent Control Board with funds to administer and enforce the 45-day freeze.

NO FUNDS

The Rent Control Board had requested

a budget of \$10,700 for implementation of the freeze. A motion to appropriate those funds was defeated on a 3-3 vote at the Council meeting of August 2. Voting for the appropriation were Councilmembers Bailey, Hancock, and Kelley. Voting against the appropriation were Councilmembers Ramsey, Kallgren, and Sweeney.

At the meeting of August 7, Councilwoman Kelley again attempted to gain Council approval for funds to implement the rent freeze. She moved that \$5,000 be appropriated to the Rent Control Board for the carrying out of their responsibilities under the rent freeze. No vote was taken on this motion because Councilmembers Ramsey, Hone, and Widener all walked out of the meeting, causing the meeting to end for loss of a quorum.

Although the rent freeze is now theoretically in effect, the Rent Control Board is inoperative due to lack of funds. People calling the Rent Control Board for assistance receive a recorded message that the office is closed because of the City Council's failure to provide financial support.



photo by Jeff Rudolph

council appointment system

One of the great unsolved problems of the city council is the difficulty they have in appointing people to the various Boards and Commissions. Most Boards have vacancies and in others, board members whose terms ran out as long as two years ago still serve because the council has not acted to reappoint or to find new people.

The present system calls for the appointments committee made up of four council members to interview all applicants and for the council to ratify the appointments. Ying Kelley, who is on the committee, has found it very difficult to see that all applicants are interviewed because the four committee members are so busy. Once a candidate has been interviewed by all of the committee members it is then difficult to get the committee to agree on an appointment. Lately the moderate dominated committee has taken to giving all of the appointments to their people.

ORDINANCE PROPOSED

Kelley is supporting a proposal for an ordinance which she feels would revitalize the commission system. She wants to have each council member appoint a

person (or persons equaling 1/9 of the board) to each board, with all board memberships being nine members or a multiple of nine. All appointments would run for two to four years and would not overrun the term of the council member who appointed them. This would ensure that new council members would be able to make all their appointments right away.

An additional advantage of this proposal would be that the boards would be more democratically chosen, since they would represent the make-up of the presently elected council. Now many commissions are made up largely of persons appointed over four years ago, and thus hardly represent the current voter attitudes of Berkeley.

Kelley has stated that if the council does not approve the proposal, she would like to see it on the ballot next year. The ordinance has not yet been written; and Ying Kelley said that she would like people with ideas or comments to let her office know. Her office is at 2054 University, Rm. 604. Telephone: 549-0816.

Jon Dixon

L GROUP' OF WAR PROFITEERS-

Navy for a "highspeed line printer." Also has overseas operations in Hungary and Hong Kong.

* DEI INDUSTRIES, INC. (Maryland) - Makers of communications, telemetry, "surveillance," and data processing equipment. Also into alarm systems and bio-medical supplies and services.

* ELDON INDUSTRIES, INC. (Hawthorne) - A toy-maker and sporting goods outfit with a subsidiary that makes "weathershields for 50 caliber rapid fire single gun mounts" for the Navy (a \$100,000 contract). And you wondered why those nice toy-makers made war toys.

* KDI CORP. (Ohio) - Quite an outfit, manufacturer of "small pyrotechnic ammunition components, precision tim-

ing mechanisms and fusing devices, armored cars, bayonets, electroexplosive devices, lightweight armor systems, and honeycomb structures." A kind of diversified death industry. One DoD contract it landed was for the "rocket fuse metal parts and safety and arming devices for ANTI-PERSONNEL WEAPONS." As a little Orwellian touch, KDI also makes "swimming pools and pleasure boats."

* MICROFILM DATA SYSTEMS, INC. (Mountain View) - Another firm under the wings of the Defense Dept., into the research and development, manufacture and sale of "microphotographic storage and retrieval systems." It's parent firm, Mark Systems, Inc. is into "aerial reconnaissance" and "surveillance" sys-

tems and also a DoD contractor.

PERTAC CORP. (L.A.) - Into data processing equipment and micro-film components. Plants in Santa Ana and Sunnyvale, and offices locally in Oakland.

MORE AND MORE MILITARY

* PLANTRONICS, INC. (Santa Cruz) - Data processing and telecommunications equipment. In 1970-71 its California operations included \$97,000 in contracts with NASA, primarily for headsets and other communications equipment for the space program. In 1972 it was awarded a \$780,000 contract for communications equipment for the Skylab military-space program. Also currently in the process of acquiring Zehntel, Inc., a Berkeley electronics and telecommunications firm (down on 6th St. in Berkeley).

* SYSTEMS ENGINEERING LABS (Florida) - Makers of digital computers, data systems, and printed circuits. Operations in South Korea, Formosa, Japan, and the Philippines. SEL makes monitoring and computer systems for nuclear power plants. In 1967 it had over \$970,000 in Government contracts with NASA, the Army, and the Air Force.

* CONTINENTAL TELEPHONE (Virginia) - The 32nd largest utility in the U.S., with operations in 5 Caribbean countries and 42 of the states including California. Provides services to a "number of military establishments." In addition a key manufacturing subsidiary of Continental Telephone, VIDAR Corp., has a number of DoD contracts, including over \$275,000 worth at its Mountain View, Calif. plant.

* SYSTRON DONNER CORP. (Concord) - A Bay Area heavy with plants in Concord, Dublin, Mountain View and Oakland. Maker of components for "radar and navigational equipment used in missile and industrial telemetry systems." Systron Donner's "accelerometers" are used in the Saturn rocket, the

F-4 Phantom jet fighter, and the Apollo spacecraft. Contracts on missile programs include the Phoenix, Maverick, Hawk, and Lance missiles. Also makes "aircraft gunnery fire control components." 1973 DoD contracts include \$1 million EACH with the Navy and the Air Force. The management at Systron Donner once described a subsidiary involved in the manufacture of aircraft and missile guidance systems as "beautifully profitable."

* TELEDYNE, INC. (L.A.) - During the 1960s Teledyne was the fastest growing Defense Dept. contractor of all, rising to the No. 22 spot in 1969. The top man at Teledyne is Henry Singleton, an old friend of Charles Thornton of Litton Industries, and also an old associate of Lyndon Johnson. With such connections it's little wonder Teledyne has grown so rapidly. Into virtually every facet of war production, Teledyne's operations include "Firebee target guided missile system," "controlled energy explosive systems," "sensing devices and electronic and aviation control systems" (part of the "electronic battlefield" system developed for use in Vietnam), "patrol boats," "unmanned aircraft used by the military," and so on. Another nice respectable liberal outfit for Mike Hone and Continental Capital to be investing in. (* Denotes Defense Dept. contractor)

HONE SWEET HONE

In effect, Mike Hone's company is right in the heart of what's referred to as the military-industrial complex. A real peace-loving group of associates Mike has over there at Continental. Anti personnel weapons, missile guidance systems, the electronic battlefield, Vietnam, Greece and South Africa, Teledyne, Continental Oil, and Litton Industries. Quite a way to make a living.

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CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW

The Committee For Fair Campaign Practices, a group which grew out of R.I.O.T. (Refusers of Illegal and Oppressive Taxes) has been meeting to draft an ordinance that would regulate all phases of campaign financing in Berkeley elections. RIOT has previously pushed for municipalization of electric power and in 1971 they successfully repealed the Utility Users Tax. Their campaign finance ordinance, (which hasn't been written yet) will be based on ordinances passed in San Francisco and San Diego.

In June, the Committee for Fair Campaign Practices distributed a questionnaire to get ideas for the ordinance, which they plan to write in August and September. Some of the ideas they are considering for the bill would:

1. Limit campaign expenditures to ten cents per registered voter.
2. Limit campaign contributions from a single source to \$500 and from a candidate or his family to \$2500.
3. Prohibit business corporations and labor unions from making any

contributions.

4. Require campaign contribution statements to list donors of \$50 or more.
5. Require that campaign funds be put into a special "campaign contribution trust account."
6. Require candidates who are convicted of violating the ordinance to vacate their office.

The Committee wants to work through an initiative ordinance because of the sad experience in other cities where ordinances were diluted to the point of being ineffective. Already, Sue Hone, in a quote from the Daily Cal, has said she is against an ordinance limiting contributions, presumably because the Berkeley Four operation which supported her spent over \$75,000, and under the provisions of this ordinance they would be limited to about \$30,000.

The Committee plans to meet again in August. Persons interested in working on this ordinance should contact Committee member Jeff Rudolph at 843-8665.

Jon Dixon

Two Country Projects for City Kids

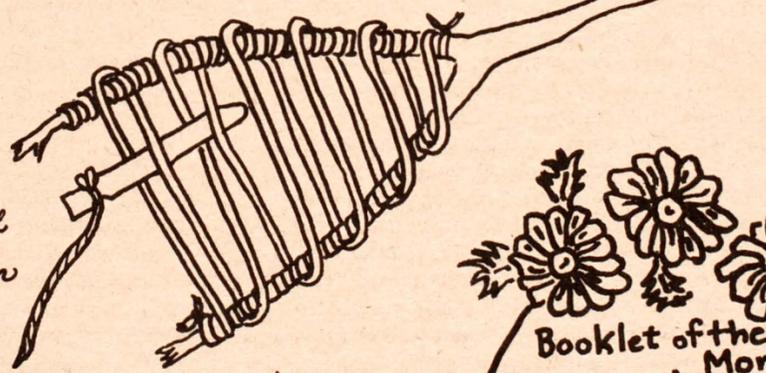
Urban Survival in a Nutshell - make your own cottage cheese and learn how to weave

Cottage Cheese

- 2 cups of sour milk (set out milk for 2 days to sour it)
- 1 tablespoon of vinegar
- a pan, a spoon, a strainer, a bowl

Put two cups of sour milk in a pan and cook over medium heat. Stir the milk until bubbles form on top. Take the pan off the heat and stir in one tablespoon of vinegar. Keep stirring and watch as the curds of the cottage cheese form.

Stir a few more times while mixture gets cool. Pour through a strainer. The cottage cheese will be left in the strainer. Add salt if you wish. Keep cottage cheese in the refrigerator.



1. Wrap branch with yarn to keep warp from slipping
2. To warp: wrap yarn in a circle around the branches
3. To weave: notch a pop-sickle stick and tie on a piece of yarn. Pass popsickle stick under one warp and over the next warp. Alternate in second row (over one and under one). As you finish each row push west (yarn woven through the warp) into place with a comb.

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WINNING FRIENDS AND INFLUENCING PEOPLE

This, then was the career of Councilwoman Sue Hone's husband, Michael. It ran in two phases, first an

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unsuccessful effort at making it in the world of the corporate law firm. Then the entry into the world of the war-makers, getting to know the war lords themselves. And all along the way Michael picked up those ever important political and corporate contacts. Contacts like Louis Kelso, and Adrian Krage, and Marc Monheimer, and P. G. & E., and Tenneco. Contacts that would make the Hones familiar to the political elite in Berkeley, and that would in the end lead to Sue's otherwise inexplicable appointment to the Berkeley City Council. A key figure in all this would have to be Ed Kallgren, the current political kingpin in Berkeley, an old friend of the Hones, and whose own San Francisco connections made him familiar enough with Michael's exploits. Indeed it becomes necessary to view Kallgren and Hone as in effect outsiders on the City Council, representing interests headquartered across the Bay in San Francisco.

THE APRIL ELECTION

But the story didn't end with Sue's appointment. For while political and corporate connections were sufficient to establish one's position in the eyes of Berkeley's elite, the problem of an election in April, 1973 still remained. The answer was obvious enough, however: money. Lots of money. Sue would have to in effect buy now what had been bestowed before.

While Ed Kallgren would be the key man in the bagging of funds for the Berkeley 4 campaign, Mike Hone's S.F. connections would also play an important if somewhat lesser role. Mike's friends and business associates would be there in December of 1972 for Sue's kick-off campaign party. They'd show up again at her fund-raising dinner in February. And they'd all along be mailing in the checks to pile up the \$6,000 Sue would personally spend to buy the votes needed for election. They were mainly corporate attorneys with connections in the Defense establishment, the contacts Michael had been building up over the years. What follows is only a sample of the people who contributed to Sue's campaign coffers in April.

THE GANG FROM SAN FRANCISCO

I'll start with Paul Webber and Thomas Shearer, Hone contributors and partners in the S.F. corporate law firm of Orrick, Herrington, Rowley, and Sutcliffe (O,H,R,&S). O,H,R,&S is local counsel

...the problem of an election

for CONTINENTAL TELEPHONE, one of the companies Mike's Continental Capital invests in and a big Defense Dept. contractor. In addition O,H,R,&S handles legal affairs for TRANSAMERICA CORP. (a \$42 million DoD contractor in addition to their tower), SAFEWAY, and CROWN ZELLERBACH (the latter two also being Berkeley 4 contributors).

Next there's James J. Brosnahan, senior partner in Cooper, White and Cooper, another big S.F. law firm. Cooper, White and Cooper lists as clients, the CHRONICLE, KRON-TV, ENGELHARD MINERALS (with investment in Southern Africa), and DYNALECTRON CORP. (a \$38 million DoD contractor).

Noel Nellis, David Nelson, and Roland E. Brandel all from the S.F. law firm of Morrison, Foerster & Associates were also Hone contributors. Morrison, Foerster handles legal affairs for PLANTRONICS, INC., another firm Michael Hone's company invests in. Morrison, Foerster is

also legal counsel for our own CUTTER LABS here in Berkeley.

Michael Traynor, another Hone contributor, is with the firm of Cooley, Godward & Associates in S.F. His firm represents MICROFILM DATA SYSTEMS, INC., and FOUR PHASE SYSTEMS, both of which Michael's company has investments in. Cooley, Godward also does legal work for other Defense establishment giants including G.E., the RAND CORP., and RAYTHEON CO. (all DoD contractors; G.E. in addition, has investments in Southern Africa).

HONE'S CRONIES

David M. Balabanian, senior partner in the law firm of McCutchen, Doyle & Associates, also gave to Sue Hone. McCutchen, Doyle is a story in itself. It handles legal affairs for the JAMES IRVINE FOUNDATION. The chairman of the board of the Irvine Foundation, is Norman L. (Blackie) McLaren, whose son is none other than our own TOM McLAREN, former City Council member and currently a trustee at Herrick Hospital. McCutchen, Doyle was there through the Irvine Foundation's huge land scandal with the University of California, and again when the Foundation gave huge grants of money to

both Alta Bates and Herrick hospitals locally. Morris M. Doyle, who along with David Balabanian is a senior partner, with McCutchen, Doyle, also sits on the boards of both the Irvine Foundation and Alta Bates. A nice tidy little group of friends the Hones have there.

FIVE members of the S.F. law firm of Howard, Prim, Rice & Associates were Sue Hone contributors. Howard, Prim gets around, it also boasts as members of the firm the former mayor of Tiburon, a former Asst. Secretary of HEW, and a former member of the IRS, in addition to current members of the S.F. Crime Commission and the Boalt Hall law faculty. Clients include FIRST WESTERN BANK, SUTRO REAL ESTATE CORP., TEXAS PETROLEUM EXPLORATION CO., and a half dozen smaller local "high technology" firms.

Wilbur Lenz, vice president, and Robert H. Fabian, senior vice president and general counsel for the BANK OF AMERICA were also Hone contributors. "The world's largest bank," B. of A. is in the habit of loaning money to the companies Michael invests in.

Stephen Bomse from the S.F. law firm of Heller, Ehrman, White and McAuliffe is another Hone contributor. Heller, Ehrman does legal work for WELLS FARGO BANK, BOISE CASCADE, LEVI STRAUSS, and CONSOLIDATED FOODS CORP.

Larry Sipes and James Fousekis, both of whom gave money to Sue, are partners in Michael's old law firm of Steinhart, Goldberg, Feigenbaum & Ladar (for a breakdown on S,G,F,&L see above). Steinhart, Goldberg, you will remember is legal counsel for SYSTRON DONNER CORP. of Concord, one of the companies Michael invests in, and another huge war profiteer.

Then there's J. Bradley Bunnin, currently with the legal department at (gulp) P. G. & E., and another donor to Sue's campaign.

Finally there are two individuals, Donald Zinn and William Edlund, Hone contributors, and members of Pillsbury,

Madison and Sutro, the No. 1 S.F. law firm. Pillsbury's clients are the cream of the S.F. corporate crop, including such notables as STANDARD OIL, BANK OF AMERICA, DEAN WITTER & CO., and DEL MONTE CORP. (the latter two also contributors to the Berkeley 4).

All together some 35 S.F. corporate attorneys dumped money into Sue Hone's April campaign, representing as shown above the major firms in both the development axis and the Defense establishment. The question of "Sue who?," it seems, has finally found an adequate answer.

SUSAN SPOTLESS

"I do not choose to see Berkeley used to demonstrate what's wrong nationally and internationally."

-Sue Hone in a recent interview with the Bay Guardian

What Michael's associates and Sue's contributors mean in terms of her role on the Berkeley City Council reduces, I believe, to two things. First there is the obvious, Sue's rather embarrassing (even for a liberal) voting record on anti-war resolutions brought before the Council. In fact Sue has been the main spoiler among the moderates on the Council of anti-war proposals. Since being appointed to the Council, Sue has:

1. Voted against the Program of Peace between the People of Berkeley and the People of Vietnam, and the allocation of \$1,000 for the rebuilding of a hospital in Vietnam leveled by American bombs;
2. Voted against a resolution protesting Nixon's escalation of the War and

...climate ideal for war-related industries

declaring a prohibition on troop or military supplies transport in Berkeley;

3. Abstained on a motion to have the Berkeley City Council endorse and participate in the October 14, 1972 march and rally against the War;

4. Attempted to amend a motion to support UNCONDITIONAL amnesty for draft resisters, to make the amnesty conditional and require forced alternative service;

5. Recently voted to table a motion to remove City of Berkeley pension funds from an organization that invests in corporations with Defense Dept. contracts and operations in Southern Africa.

A pretty outrageous record on the war for Susan Spotless. But after all what would Mike's business partners and Sue's contributors think if she had voted otherwise? One can almost picture late night heart-to-heart talks with Michael over another troublesome anti-war initiative those damn radicals placed on the Council agenda.

INVEST IN WAR, APARTHEID, AND WEST BERKELEY

But beyond the relatively symbolic gestures of Council votes on anti-war resolutions, there lies a more serious possibility. If you've been following the Berkeley Gazette lately, you've seen banner headlines about the new "Invest in Berkeley" corporation, which among other projects is embarked on an effort to attract businesses to the West Berkeley Industrial Park. Anyone familiar with the business climate in the East Bay will admit that the key to the success of any investment in Berkeley schemes lies in the big industrial firms headquartered in San Francisco locating branches here. The Invest in Berkeley Corp. reflects this representation on its board of both real estate interests and individuals with connections in San Francisco. With the coming of BART, and the big push for regional government in the Bay Area by the corporate establishment, it is the big Northern California firms that need to be attracted to West Berkeley if it is to yield large profits.

KALLGREN STRIKES AGAIN

The key person on the Berkeley City

Council in this regard would have to again be Ed Kallgren whose extensive connections with the Northern Calif. development axis have been explored in an earlier Grassroots article ("Fast Eddie: Kallgren the Hustler," Grassroots June 20-July 18, 1973). But it may be that another important role in this endeavor will be played by the other "outsider" on the Berkeley City Council, Sue Hone. Michael Hone's position in the S.F. development and defense establishment could prove to be of crucial importance for attracting business to Berkeley. This is true for several reasons.

First, the business climate in Berkeley is now ideal for the kind of war-related industries that Mike's Continental Capital Corp. is involved with. U.C. Berkeley hauled in \$3.2 million in DoD contracts in 1969, and the U.C. faculty and administration enjoy extensive connections with the Defense establishment. Mike's company it will be remembered specializes in investments in "spin-off" companies from research projects at Universities. Up until now Continental Capital has concentrated in the southern peninsula area around Stanford. But, as noted above, one of the firms Continental invests in, Plantronics, has recently embarked upon a plan to acquire Zehntel, Inc. a firm based in West Berkeley.

Beyond this, one needs only look at Continental Capital's board of directors to get an idea of the direction in which they are heading. The chairman of the board at Continental is the head of a property investment firm. Another director, Henry Z. Jones, is an East Bay realtor operating out of Oakland. If Continental Capital should decide to

move toward investing in and attracting new industries to Berkeley, they are in an ideal position to do so. With connections in the defense industries themselves, in addition to the real estate people to help with location problems, they've already got both flanks covered.

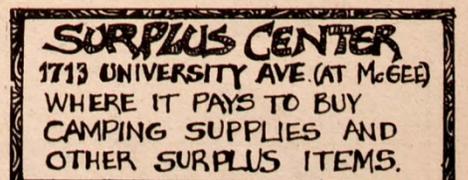
SUE STANDS FOR WAR AND DEVELOPMENT

Finally, they've got Sue Hone. A nice connection to have on the Berkeley City Council for Mike's company. Sue's voting record on the West Berkeley Industrial Park it will be remembered, is as consistently pro-development as her votes on Vietnam resolutions are pro-war. Sue's April campaign contributor's list also sports some big names in real estate. Two San Francisco architects, William Corlett and Robert Simpson, are listed. Sue's largest contributions came from Alfred and Francis Maffly (\$500). The Mafflys own some \$800,000 worth of property in West Berkeley. There's also John Miottel, whose company specializes in "commercial and retail investment and development." He also was a contributor and old friend of Sue's. Finally there were the Teppings, Morris and Sara, of Tepping Realty, also with West Berkeley landholdings.

It does not take much to see the implications of all this. The development of West Berkeley is going to require connections with the S.F. development axis to attract new industry based there. Ed Kallgren is half of the equation. Sue and Michael Hone may very well be the other half. If so, the war profiteers, the dealers in policies of imperialism and apartheid, the folks who brought us Vietnam, Mike's business colleagues and Sue's supporters will be setting up shop here in Berkeley.

And "good liberals" like Sue Hone will turn their heads and say it's not our concern.

Paul Grabowicz



revolutionary suicide: a review

Revolutionary Suicide. By Huey P. Newton. Harcourt Brace Jovanovic, 333 pp., \$8.95.

Charisma rarely carries over to the printed page. The words of a prophet are lost in the scratchings of a scribe: the rousing cry of an orator thuds dully into black and white.

Huey Newton realizes this when he mentions that "throughout my life all real learning has taken place outside school." Likewise, most of what we can learn from Newton has been through his political presence, not his prose. His words present only a shadow of the man: it has rather been through his actions, —his intrepid example in the face of death—that he has instructed and been of value to the people.

More than all else he has shown us that "you can only die once, so do not die a thousand times worrying about it." For Newton, all fears are subsumed to the fear of death. Its ramifications affect our entire lifestyle and must be dealt with effectively if we are to fully achieve freedom of action.

Together with many other Black Panthers, Newton reached this state of freedom during the first years of the Party. Both in the courtroom and on the street they confronted the possibility of death or imprisonment.

Of late, however, the Panthers have become less militant and more grassroots oriented in their approach to political problems. Death has therefore become much less immediate a threat; and Newton's philosophy of "revolutionary suicide" has become an abstraction.

REVOLUTIONARY SUICIDE

"Revolutionary suicide" results from striking out against society, taking action

in the face of oppression, and ultimately, if necessary, dying for the people. Newton conceives it as an answer to "reactionary suicide," which is a self-inflicted death caused by alienation from society. As Newton explains:

I do not think that life will change for the better without an assault on the Establishment. . . . This belief lies at the heart of the concept of revolutionary suicide. Thus it is better to opposed the forces that would drive me to self murder [reactionary suicide] that to endure them. Although I risk the likelihood of death, there is at least the possibility, if not the probability, of changing intolerable conditions.

This concept, had it been elaborated during the late sixties, would have perfectly described the Panther plight. Today, however, the Party has exchanged bullets for ballots, and Newton's idea has become partially invalid.

He fails in his new book to realize that although an autobiography plumbs the past for its substance and storyline, its philosophy must apply to present and future situations. While chronicling his own past, as well as that of the Black Panther Party, Newton neglects to provide such a viable philosophy for the future.

ELDRIDGE CLEAVER

His character analyses are equally unsatisfactory. After vaguely describing the influence which his family, friends and enemies had upon him, Newton launches into an account of Eldridge Cleaver. The description of Cleaver points up the basic contradiction in Newton's autobiographical technique. For after utilizing former attitudes of the Black Panther Party to establish his philosophy of "revolutionary suicide," he refers to their present attitudes in describing



Cleaver.

By handling Cleaver in such a fashion Newton fails to confront the crisis of interpretation which Malcolm X faced in his discussion of Elijah Muhammad. Malcolm was well into the *Autobiography* when his split with the Black Muslims occurred; but he decided not to change his account of the Black Muslim leader. Elijah Muhammad is therefore presented as Malcolm perceived him when they worked together. Newton, however, facing an analogous situation in his relationship with Cleaver, gives little indication of how Cleaver was thought of before his split with the Party.

This form of post facto analysis is truthful only when accompanied by the realization that it has been transformed by intervening circumstance. Newton, unfortunately, exchanges political polemic for such a realization.

SOCIETY

This polemic also leads him to elaborate a social philosophy which will explain the need for "suicidal" acts. His social analysis portrays an ossified Establishment which is incapable of adjusting to human needs, and must

therefore be totally transformed. Regrettably, most of his analysis is known and even taken for granted by the radical community. Its reiteration can be defended if one believes that social realities and radical doctrine must, through frequent repetition, become known to everyone; but as a statement of original thought it is lacking.

Notwithstanding his inability to create a new political philosophy or to truthfully portray Cleaver, Newton's greatest literary flaw lies in his failure to convey fully the vivacity of his own spirit and the ramifications of his experience. His prose is too flat and poorly thought out to do justice to himself. As Newton notes: "Events are dictated by a number of mitigating circumstances and a whole system of values and customs that can never be conveyed in print." This statement might well serve as a testament to Huey P. Newton. For it seems evident that the leadership and love he has provided for the people transcend the restrictive boundaries of his prose and can never be fully communicated in black and white.

Ray Riegert



Besides *State of Siege*, recommended last month, the two best new movies I have seen are *The Harder They Come* and *Let the Good Times Roll*.

The Harder They Come is a Jamaican film about an innocent young man from the country who comes to the capital hoping to make it as a pop singer. The reggae music is great and the film really captures the feel of life in the capital of a developing country. The themes of the film include the contrast of country innocence and city corruption; the plight of the unskilled unemployed; religion as the opiate of the masses; boss control over all avenues of advancement, even those in the criminal world. *The Harder They Come* lacks continuity at times and the ending is not totally satisfying, but the very strong, almost visceral effect of the film makes it well worth seeing.

If you like rock and roll or even if you don't but you do like to reminisce about the fifties, *Let the Good Times Roll* is pure pleasure. With the exception of Elvis, almost everyone's favorite is there: Chuck Berry; Little Richard; Fats Domino; Chubby Checker, Bo Diddley; The 5 Satins; The Shirelles; The Coasters; Danny and the Juniors; Bill Haley and the Comets. The movie is structured around a recent concert which brought together the stars mentioned above. To tell the truth, some of them aren't quite as good as they used to be. So if you just want to hear Chuck Berry or Bo Diddley, I'd advise sticking to records.

But *Let the Good Times Roll* is much more than an oldies but goodies concert. Interspersed with scenes from the concert are scenes of the same artists doing the same songs way back then as well as

home movies, photographs, commercials, newsreels and clips from fifties movies and television programs. Much of this is accomplished by very effective use of split screen techniques, so three or more things may be going on at once. The overall effect of these techniques is difficult to capture in words, but you really do feel the fifties. It's all there: Harry S., Dwight D., Tricky Dick before he got caught, 1957 Chevys, custom jobs, proms, hoola hoops, the jitterbug, the twist, the bulge of a rubber in a wallet, Groucho Marx, Dobie Gillis, Marilyn Monroe, Marlon Brando and a whole lot more. For those of you who don't go (you all should), my favorite moment came in a scene from *The Wild One* when Brando was asked, "What are you rebelling against?" His reply: "What d'ya got?"

RECOMMENDED REVIVALS

KLUTE: August 16-22: Studio-Guild; 2533 Telegraph; \$1 all night Thursday or before 6:30 Friday and Saturday, otherwise \$1.75. In case you missed it the first time around, this is a good chance to see Tom Hayden's wife in her Academy Award winning portrayal of a prostitute. *Klute* is principally a good suspense film, and, with the exception of a few details about life as a prostitute, it is nothing more than entertainment.

SHANGHAI EXPRESS: August 22; Pacific Film Archive; 7 and 10:20; \$1. Josef Von Sternberg is generally considered a great director, and the effects he achieves with lighting, gauze, costumes, feathers and Marlene Dietrich must be seen to be appreciated. This is the best of the four or five Von Sternberg-Dietrich movies I have seen. About their collaboration Von Sternberg

is supposed to have said, "Dietrich is nothing; I am everything." Go and see what you think.

SULLIVAN'S TRAVELS: August 26; Pacific Film Archive; 4:30 and 8:30; \$1. Director Preston Sturges made a wonderful series of comedy films during the forties. As a master of comedy, he has been compared with Chaplin and Keaton. *Sullivan's Travels* is his best known film; not all of you will agree with its moral—that laughter is more important than politics—but I guarantee you will be entertained.

Showing at the Archive along with *Sullivan's Travels* is *Bringing Up Baby*, a 1938 screwball comedy directed by Howard Hawks and starring Katherine Hepburn and Cary Grant. This is the kind of movie Peter Bogdanovich was trying to copy when he made *What's Up Doc?* with Barbara Streisand. If you want to make a night of it, you can see both films for \$1.50

THE LAST PICTURE SHOW: September 6; 155 Dwinelle Hall; 7:30 and 9:30; \$1.25. Peter Bogdanovich's brilliant film about fifties life in a small Texas town. For me this movie is very close to home and I haven't seen a better film of any kind in two years. Don't miss it! Box office opens at 6:00; go early to be sure of getting a seat.

Other potentially interesting Cal films to be shown in 155 Dwinelle include *The Jail* (a look at life in the San Francisco County Jail) and *Marjoe* on August 21; *Cries and Whispers* on August 28; and *The Spider's Stratagem* (same director as *The Conformist* and *Last Tango in Paris*) on August 30.

Mike Fullerton

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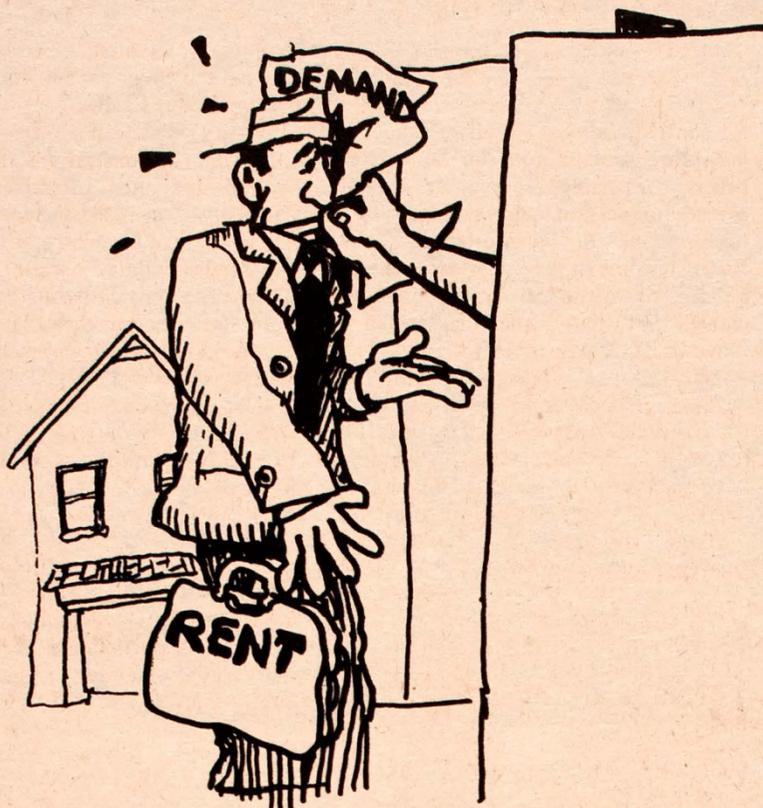
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TENANTS NEGOTIATE LOWER RENTS, TENANT CONTROL

The present contract between the B.T.U. and Premium Realty expires August 31, this year. Around June of this year we began to meet collectively to decide what approach to take toward negotiating a new contract. Everyone having become familiar with the 1970 contract, it was commonly felt that there were serious shortcomings in the old agreement.

What had appeared a victory amidst the pressure and tension surrounding the prolonged strike of 1970, now seemed only a small step towards tenant rights. By this contract we had secured the right to manage our own affairs (collect our own rent, fill vacancies collectively, etc.).

The monetary burden of the making of payments on, and the maintenance of properties still fell squarely on the shoulders of the tenants.

Essentially, the contract left the collective with the responsibility of paying off taxes and tax increases, of insurance premiums, clerical fees for Premium's administrative costs, refinancing of properties, and various other fees incurred by the owners. We found ourselves buying and maintaining properties which would never be our own.

Negotiations are now under way for a new improved 1973 contract giving us more tenant control and lower rents. A copy of proposals was delivered to Premium on August 8 in preparation for our first negotiating session. It includes, among other things, a demand that, if the collective deems it necessary, renovations which reflect changes in household size and lifestyle be made by the collective. Such include (1) conversion of apartments back into houses, (2) the removal of walls and floors to enlarge space, and other alterations and additions considered necessary by the B.T.U. #7 collective.

HISTORY

The Berkeley Tenants Union was conceived in 1969 by a group of people desiring lower rents and more control over their home. As a rent strike became imminent, the B.T.U. divided in various collectives centered around individual landlords, and thus the genesis of a union of collectives.

The B.T.U. went on strike; some collectives were sued and evicted. After six months only B.T.U. No. 7 of the eight collectives was left. Some had succeeded in negotiating contracts but folded later.

B.T.U. No. 7 was organized against Richard Bachenheimer, the landlord, who proudly proclaimed "We're all leftists!" during the negotiations.

Wanting to start a real estate business,

he convinced various liberal friends to give him money to invest in Berkeley rental units, all in particularly bad shape.

As the rent strike became imminent, Bachenheimer avoided negotiations with the collective, and attempted to co-opt his tenants by making repairs. Eventually, Bachenheimer was forced to negotiate with a rotating committee of tenants.

Two basic tendencies developed within the group of tenants. The "reasonable" faction which insisted that Bachenheimer should be talked and reasoned with and treated with as much trust as any other human being, and the more radical faction which considered Bachenheimer as inherently evil because he was exploiting our needs. Ultimately the "reasonables" agreed that B. was using friendliness as a tactic to fool us.

It was finally decided at a collective meeting that rent should be withheld. Within 4 months there were 40 Bachenheimer units on strike.

B.T.U. #7 operated on many fronts. People went door-to-door speaking to tenants in over 100 of Premium Realty's units. A list was made of 85 of Bachenheimer's partners who received letters explaining our position. One couple flew up from L.A. to check out the property they owned. They learned that B. was collecting \$400 a month on a house which he told them was collecting \$200. They withdrew the property from his management.

Originally, after the contract had been signed, it was decided that newcomers be interviewed by the whole collective before moving in. As many of the original participants in the strike moved out, laxity in implementing this decision allowed some people to move in with little or no interest in the political nature of the collective.

At meetings, the two political tendencies which had been present when the collective was conceived, reemerged.

One side felt we should reason with Bachenheimer about the morality and fairness of our position. The other objected that he was just acting in his own interest as a landlord by profiteering off our needs. And that his and our interest were, therefore, diametrically opposed to each other. It was not a matter of reason but a matter of power.

Such differing political inclinations did nevertheless not result in a weakening of the collective's determination to struggle for our interests. Although people did not agree on how we should view Bachenheimer, we had little trouble concluding that we all want to collectively struggle to get control over our own lives.

DISABLED DENIED AID

Two Berkeley residents were recently denied receipt of Aid to the Totally and Permanently Disabled (ATD) by special decisions handed down by David Swoap, the new Director of the Department of Social Welfare at Sacramento.

The remarkable fact which links these two incidents is that in both cases the applicants for public assistance had requested "Fair Hearings" on their original denials (as is the right of all applicants for Welfare) and had won their hearings. Swoap then chose to overturn the favorable decisions of the Hearing Examiners which had granted ATD to both individuals.

One, a 20-year-old man, suffers from sickle cell anemia. While he usually experiences two or three serious crises a year, the last year and a half were relatively calm as he was receiving ATD and did not have to work. Swoap's decision evidenced a complete lack of understanding of the sickle cell disease. For example, it emphasized that blood tests showed "little anemia." As a representative of SCARE (Sickle Cell

Anemia Research & Education) explained, "anemia" refers to the amount of hemoglobin in the blood and has nothing to do with the sickle cell disease which is related to the type of hemoglobin.

The second applicant for ATD who was denied by the Director is an older Black woman who suffers from a combination of illnesses which make it impossible for her to bend, reach, and often, to move about. She has a sixth grade education and worked, for the past 20 years, as a sorter in a cannery in Oakland. She was denied aid on the basis that there exists work "within her competence" which she can do.

Aid to the Disabled is a State program designed to aid adults who are physically or mentally unable to engage in gainful employment. The maximum grant is approximately \$172 per month (\$195 for individuals who live alone). The recipient must be totally disabled for purposes of employment, and his impairments must be relatively permanent.

Berkeley Neighborhood Legal Services

shah's visit stirs protest

Several hundred supporters and members of the Iranian Students Association turned out July 24 for a spirited rally and march to the Iranian Consulate in downtown San Francisco. The protest was against the visit to the U.S. by the Shah of Iran, to cinch deals with Nixon for arms such as 14 fighter bombers, laser bombs, helicopter gunships, and 300 more military "advisors" in addition to the 11,000 already stationed in Iran. The Shah received \$1.7 billion in 1971, \$3 billion in 1973, and expects to get another \$2 billion in the next few years from the U.S. Iran is now one of the most heavily armed countries in the Middle East. With about 2/3 of the world's oil supplied from this region, the U.S. hopes to control this flow for the profits of American oil monopolies. Even with Israel acting as their strongarm in the Mideast, U.S. bosses need another puppet regime to head off the struggle of the Arab, Palestinian, and Iranian peoples for freedom and control over their own resources.

Richard Helms, ex-CIA head, was recently made U.S. ambassador to Iran. The Shah's secret police "SAVAK," with American expertise and training, have jailed and tortured over 20,000 political prisoners. Recently Shah had 28 student demonstrators shot down in the streets. Starvation, illiteracy, and disease are the daily facts of life for the people under the Shah's regime.

The ISA is banned in Iran and faces much harassment here in the U.S. due to the two countries' close collaboration. Forty-one Iranian students here were recently denied renewal of their passports. Most of the Iranian people in this latest demonstration kept their faces hidden from the FBI agents present,

equipped with telephoto lenses.

WHO ARE THE "ISA 5"?

Last March, following a heated debate between ISA members and an Iranian Consulate official at a public Forum on Iran held in San Francisco, 5 Iranian students were arrested. Awakened the night by FBI agents, they were charged with "assault" on the Consulate official and now face 3 years imprisonment and \$5,000 fine. The charges are totally false and are clearly intended to harass and destroy the only open opposition to Shah's oppression. The political nature of this frame-up was made more evident when the Consulate official told newsmen that he recognized many of the Iranian students present at the Forum and would supply their names to the FBI for prosecution or deportation. If deported to Iran, anyone associated with ISA faces 3-10 years in prison and SAVAK torture.

The ISA's crime has been to publicly refute the Shah's public relations propaganda and tell the truth to the American people! Now your support is needed . . .

— funds are needed for the ISA 5 defense: contributions should be sent to the National Committee to Defend Iranian Students, P.O. Box 808, Berkeley, Ca. 94701

— letters or telegrams in support of the ISA 5: send to Iranian Embassy, 3005 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. and to Mr. Browning, U.S. Attorney, Federal Building, 450 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco, Ca. — show your support by attending the trial and support activities beginning on August 15, 9 a.m. in Judge Williams Federal District Court, Federal Building S.F.



Iranian students protest U.S. arms deal at July 24 rally in San Francisco

photo by Wakean MacLean

the sweeney connection

An interesting highlight of the August 2 city council meeting occurred after midnight when an item on the city manager's report agenda concerning the Hardeman Markey Corporation came up. The report, which listed outstanding debts of the corporation, had been delivered to council members only, the evening before. Ying Kelley began the discussion by requesting that the report discussion be postponed to the next meeting since she hadn't had enough time to study the report. This request is often made by council members and is usually allowed, but Councilman Sweeney, who was chairing the meeting in Widener's absence, immediately moved that the council pay the debts of the model cities-related (and now defunct) organization. Councilman Kallgren asked why the council should pay these bills but Sweeney pushed on.

At this point the President of the Board of Model Cities, who was in the audience for another matter, came up and addressed the Council. He told them that he had never even heard of these debts and that payment of them required Model Cities approval prior to Council approval. He was angry that the item could have come before the Council without his ever having heard of the bills.

"LET'S VOTE"

Councilwoman Kelley finally said that although she hated to do it, she had to ask if there was any sort of conflict of interest between any of the council members present and Scipio Porter, one of the people listed in the report as being owed money. After a very brief silence Sweeney said, "Well, I don't hear anyone, so I guess there's no conflict of interest . . . Let's vote." Kelley remarked that she had been informed (and she hadn't been able to check it out) that Porter was Sweeney's law partner. Sweeney denied this. He maintained that Porter shares a suite of offices with him, pays him rent, had signed a Bailey Recall petition circulated by Sweeney, and frequently had long conversations with Sweeney; but, according to Sweeney (who made the motion that would have benefited Porter by some \$700), this was not a conflict of interest.

At this point in the discussion, Councilman Bailey asked for a point of order but Sweeney refused to recognize him. Instead he asked the city clerk to call the role for the vote. Despite the fact that the motion was never seconded, Edith Campbell started the role call while Bailey continued to ask for a point of order, stating that according to the rules he should have been recognized.

COUNCIL CONFUSION

In the confusion, Ying Kelley said she couldn't vote since the matter was still under discussion. In the end, Sweeney's motion lost by a vote of 1-1 (five council people present). Later, after some checking, it turned out that Porter HAD been listed as being Sweeney's partner a few years ago; even now, when you call Sweeney's office and ask the receptionist for Mr. Porter, you are connected with Mr. Porter.

With the Council on vacation, Sweeney will have to wait until September to get the Council to pay off his friend.

Jon Dixon



THE COALITION AND THE RECALL

Many members of the April Coalition have decided to sit out the Bailey Recall election. Their position is based on a sense that we have been betrayed by D'Army Bailey, that we helped to elect him in the first place but he has not responded to us as a Council member and has even opposed positions taken by the April Coalition on several occasions.

I strongly believe that these are incorrect criteria to apply to the question of supporting Bailey. We are not the conservative, white business interests who put Henry Ramsey in office and will cut him loose if he fails to serve them well.

Rather, as white progressives and radicals, we should view support of Bailey in the context of what is happening in the black community as well as a sense of who D'Army Bailey is as a black man in

this racist country of ours.

BAILEY'S BACKGROUND

D'Army Bailey himself embodies all of the contradictions of a brilliant and gifted individual who could, if he wished, become a personal success despite the overall oppression and subjugation of black people in the United States. If Bailey wanted to, he could easily endear himself to all of us—he is intelligent enough and charming enough (when he wants to be) to pull this off.

But D'Army is too angry, and too devoted to fighting for what he sees as the interests of black people to play this role. His background is one of Memphis poverty and rigid segregation followed by years of liberal paternalism at enlightened northern universities. His grandfather, a chauffeur, was murdered by his white

employer for intervening in a fight between the employer and his wife.

After being thrown out of Southern University in Baton Rouge for leading civil rights demonstrations, he was first lionized and then ostracized at Clark University in Massachusetts. That experience has been typical of his adult life—condescending praise for his militance in behalf of blacks followed by scorn and criticism when that militance is turned against those whose friendship is less than skin deep.

How many of us understand what we would be like if we were black people in America? I am sure that I would be driven mad by the experience.

BAILEY AND THE COALITION

But this argument for an attempt by progressive white people to understand Bailey and to understand our own racism is not to say that support of Bailey in this campaign is a matter in which our own interests are not involved. Despite some well publicized differences between Bailey and Loni Hancock over a few key issues, it is a fact that on the 17 issues that we in the April Coalition publicized to demonstrate the differences between ourselves and the Berkeley Four, there were no differences between Hancock and Bailey except for Bailey's refusal to take a public position on the original rent control law. And a study by KQED's Trevor Thomas of 37 key City Council issues showed agreement between Hancock and Bailey on 35 of them.

It should be very clear to all of us that Bailey has been a progressive force on the Council. What this means is that if Bailey remains on the Council, it is possible that with the occasional support of Henry Ramsey we may be able to pass some legislation we support on the Council. Without Bailey—and with Bill Rumford—we may as well forget the Council until 1975.

BLACK SUPPORT

And finally, the campaign poses a crucial question to us in terms of future relationships between the April Coalition and the Black community. Without going into much detail at this time, I think that we can all agree that past relationships have left much to be desired. Now, the recall has brought Berkeley's black community together as never before. The Berkeley Black Caucus, the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, labor unions—such as Local 390—with heavy black membership, individuals as diverse as Ron Dellums, John J. Miller, Mary Jane Johnson, and Angela Davis, and many other Black organizations and individuals are actively working against the recall. A few weeks ago, 2,000 people turned out to hear Jesse Jackson speak against the recall and to give D'Army a ten-minute standing ovation.

At a time when such a united Black community is requesting our support on an important issue of such great concern to them, our response will have important implications for years to come.

For all these reasons many members of the April Coalition are heavily involved in working against the recall. However, many groups and individuals within the Coalition are still not represented. Those of us working within the campaign hope that you will join us in the last few days. People are needed to get out the vote, and, as usual, money is in short supply.

A Member of the Coalition
working with CARE



photo by Nora Scarlett

BTOC OPPOSES RECALL

The Berkeley Tenants Organizing Committee opposes the effort to recall City Councilperson D'Army Bailey in the August 21 election. We urge progressive residents of Berkeley to join us in working against the recall.

We have come to this position after extensive discussions with D'Army Bailey and among ourselves about issues we believe are important to Berkeley citizens. And, we take this position despite our differences with Bailey on some of the positions he has taken during his two years as a city councilperson. In reaching our decision, we considered Bailey's actions on the council, and the constituency he represents; as well as the forces who oppose him on the council, and the forces behind the recall movement.

RENT CONTROL

Although Bailey did not support the rent control initiative on the June 1972 ballot, ever since the initiative was passed he has consistently voted in favor of implementation of the plan. In May of this year he was one of a few council people who remained at a council hearing to discuss and vote in favor of a declaration of a housing emergency. He has tried several times to have an interim rent control ordinance passed while the decision of Judge Bostick declaring rent control unconstitutional is being appealed.

OTHER STANDS

As a council candidate in 1971 Bailey campaigned for the community control of police initiative. This year, he supported all four police initiatives.

D'Army Bailey brought to the city council a far-reaching affirmative action program to establish priorities for non-whites and head of household women in city employment. If it had been put into effect it would have been a major step in the direction of ending

white male domination of city employment.

What is the political significance of the Bailey recall? Bailey was elected as a progressive candidate and he has served as a progressive councilperson. The recall is an effort by white and black conservatives representing Berkeley business interests to regain complete control of the Berkeley city government. It is a racist effort to cut off the growth of a coalition among progressive blacks and whites. Manipulating the recall for an August election is a clear attempt to prevent students, among others, from taking part in the election.

The forces backing the recall are the same people who oppose the initiative process when that process results in people's programs: rent control, decriminalization of marijuana, neighborhood preservation, police review, and council approval of mutual aid pacts. These people represent business interests which ignore the city's formal commitment to some affirmative action in hiring.

The candidates seeking to replace Bailey are backed by these people. They are opportunistic politicians who will provide a clear council majority to crush programs such as rent control.

When the recall was first announced, the targets were D'Army Bailey, Ira Simmons, and Loni Hancock—the three councilmembers with nearly identical progressive voting records. The Bailey recall is a racist test balloon to rid the city of progressive council members, and to counterattack against a biracial coalition. If Bailey is recalled we can expect Simmons and Hancock to be targets of other recall elections.

BTOC joins with SUDS, Council of Neighborhood Organizations, and the Oceanview Committee in urging Berkeleyans to work "to help to keep Bailey in his place."

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- BATTLE OF THE BUDGET -



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HOWARD AGAINST RECALL

The fight against the Bailey Recall has made for some strange alliances, uniting people who have never before worked together on any issue. One surprise boost to Bailey's chances has come from long-time South Berkeley activist Mable Howard. Ms. Howard (who insists on being called "Mama Howard") has held no public office, but her standing in some sectors of the black community is at least as high as that of many who have. She describes herself as a volunteer, "dedicated to the people of this city."

no on recall

As elected officials, we feel an obligation to publicly state our opposition to the Bailey Recall attempt.

It is neither legal nor moral to recall a person because of political disagreements. The appropriate time to decide whether or not to retain elected officials is at regularly scheduled elections.

The Bailey Recall attempt is blatantly political. Persons active on the Recall Committee initially made no secret of their intention to recall Ilona Hancock, Ira Simmons, and Warren Widener as well as Bailey. The Recall Committee chose Bailey alone because of the political impossibility of recalling all the people with whom they disagree, not because of the reasons stated in the published charges against Bailey.

Even taken on its own terms, however, the recall is improper. The official charges against Mr. Bailey refer entirely to his "style." Recall is designed as a last recourse to deal with corruption or gross malfeasance in office, not quarrels over style. The time to evaluate disagreements concerning style in deciding whether or not to retain an elected official is also at scheduled elections.

Spending \$75,000 of the taxpayers' money to hold the recall election when both the city and school district lack resources to meet urgent community needs, and deliberately scheduling that election for a time when a large portion of the voters will be out of town, is a cynical tactic which should alone warrant a rejection of the recall.

Berkeleyans need to be brought together. This recall election will emphasize divisions, heighten vindictiveness, and increase polarization at a time when these things should be minimized.

We, as elected persons, have areas of disagreement with Councilman Bailey, as well as areas of agreement. We unite in opposing his recall. It sets a dangerous precedent in the misuse of an electoral process, and is an attempt to further rend and divide a community that needs to be reconciled.

- Mary Jane Johnson, President, School Board
- Louise Stoll, School Board
- Ying Lee Kelley, City Council
- Marc Monheimer, School Board
- Ilona Hancock, City Council

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In this budget memo, Hancock and Kelley summarize the approach they took to modifying the City Manager Budget:

"We urge the adoption of a budget that favors the provision of direct services to people in need, with absolutely minimal administrative overhead costs. This can be achieved by two means: first, we would like to give as much support as we can to diverse groups in the community that have organized to provide an impressive range of quality services, and have demonstrated their ability to do so at low cost. Berkeley is well endowed with people who can create new and imaginative solutions to troublesome problems.

Secondly, we are interested in

"I want to help the people; I'm not just for myself," she says. She has already been recognized many times for her volunteer work in the community. In the past, she has worked long and hard for, and is a personal friend of, both Widener and Sweeney. On this issue, however, she has broken with them.

She calls the recall "a racist thing with a bunch of blacks behind it," which she says "disgusts" her. She has let Widener and Sweeney know that "this is something I disapprove of, as much as I've supported them," and has even gone so far as to publicly take them to task at a city council meeting.

"I didn't support Bailey when he ran," she says, "and I haven't always agreed with him, but I can't see any reason for the recall.

"Bailey is a man for all the people, not just blacks. He can see the needs of minority people and he fights for what he believes in."

She adds that her friends on the council haven't been able to give her a good reason for the recall, either. "When I talk to one, he asks me if I've talked to another," she says.

PHONY CHARGES, PHONY CHARACTERS

She calls the charges of disruption "phony." "Others have been on the council who never did anything to help the poor in this city, but they stayed on until their time was up. The people voted Bailey in, and if they don't like him, they can vote him out when his time is up. What are they (the people behind the recall) afraid of? He's only one councilman."

She volunteered what she thought might be the real reasons for the recall being aimed solely at Bailey; his outspokenness and his blackness.

"They told me, 'we can handle Simmons, and if we move against Loni Hancock, we'll lose the white votes we need,'" she said.

She also criticized Allen Wilson (seen by many as the savior to troubled liberal consciences) for his candidacy.

"He's hurting the city when he runs against Bailey," she said. "If they can recall Bailey, they can recall him." She called Wilson "a young man, just out of school," who would be "easily influenced by senior councilmen."

Ms. Howard made it clear that she didn't hate the blacks behind the recall. To her, it's more a matter of being hurt and disappointed that people she likes and has worked for are doing something she considers so totally wrong.

"Things like this should be outlawed," she said. "The principle is wrong. We've worked hard to integrate this city—as people, not as blacks or whites. As people we've worked together on all issues. And now this.

"This is the beginning of what they're going to do to all the minority groups in Berkeley," she said. When asked who "they" were, she didn't want to name individuals, but was quite firm about how to describe them.

"The racists," she said.

Andy Rodriguez

allocating funds within city departments to favor minimum services at diminished administrative cost. Wherever possible, our modifications of the City Manager's budget attempt to divert money from the disproportionately large number of highly paid administrators the city can ill afford to the people and projects that actually provide direct services to meet people's needs and also for much needed capital improvements."

They detail a list of cuts that could raise about one million dollars, including:

1. eliminating the large increase in level of funding requested by the Police Department;
2. reducing administrative positions and hardware in the Finance and Health Departments;
3. eliminating an expensive bronze plaque requested for La Loma Park;
4. reducing the number of new cars to be purchased by the city;
5. eliminating dues and travel costs to organizations such as the anti-union League of California Cities; and the Police Officers' Association, which is currently suing the city.

Out of these cuts they propose to fund the Free Clinic, Women's Health Collective, West Berkeley Health Clinic, George Jackson Health Clinic, eleven Neighborhood Health Workers (in addition to the four requested by the Health Department), Bay Area Women Against Rape, Brass Tacks, the Center for Independent Living, Berkeley Youth Hostel, Berkeley Emergency Food Project, BCCDC, Jobs for Youth, Berkeley Women's Center, Recycling Program, a low-charge Spay Clinic, a city-owned telephone system, fringe benefits and slight pay increase for School Crossing Guards, additional street cleaning in South Berkeley, equipment to encourage additional public use of the Lawn Bowling Greens, a new gym floor for the Grove Street Park, additional money to implement the Neighborhood Traffic Study, Walker Street Park development, and additional funds for an alternative Solid Waste Management Facility.

The Hancock-Kelley budget modification funds all these programs out of existing revenue sources. In addition, they are considering a proposal that would begin to modify the city's tax structure; to replace the highly regressive property tax with more equitable

taxation plans. Immediately under consideration is an increase in berthing fees in the Yacht Harbor, which would allow a 2½-cent reduction in the property tax rate.

CITY MANAGER'S TENTATIVE BUDGET

The City Manager's budget proposes a sizeable tax rate reduction (20 cents) that is essentially a sham. It is expected that this reduction will evaporate once the City Manager sets aside money to cover cost-of-living increases for city employees. Furthermore, the City Manager's budget has mixed in revenue sharing funds with other city money so as to cloud some important issues. In their memo, Hancock and Kelley comment:

"The most serious problem we find with the City Manager's budget design is his treatment of Revenue Sharing funds. Instead of treating this new and temporary revenue source as a discrete fund which would allow the Council to distribute the money among competing priorities by explicit decisions, the City Manager mixed the Revenue Sharing funds in the General and Capital Improvement funds, so that they are indistinguishable. Although his budget designates Recreation and Parks, the Fire Department, the Library, and Capital Improvements as the places where the \$2.3 million is to be spent. This is clearly an accounting fiction. They are not the main beneficiaries of this new money; their combined budgets have decreased since last year.

The consequences of this accounting fiction are very serious. The budget document does not let us know directly what the City Manager's recommendations are for allocation of the new revenue. The money is surely used up somewhere between the first and last page, but we can only infer where."

AUGUST 28th: END OF THE MYSTERY

To what extent the budget of the Berkeley Five will resemble the City Manager's Budget remains to be seen. They have not yet expressed their reactions or the direction they want to travel. What does their refusal to act at the scheduled time indicate? Or their lack of response to the Hancock-Kelley memo? Tune in again on August 28th to see. They need to be ready then because the city is required to set the tax rate by the end of August.

Eve Bach

CITY COUNCILMEMBERS' POSITIONS ON THE RECALL OF D'ARMY BAILEY

Councilmember	Recall Position	Candidate Endorsement
D'Army Bailey	Against the Recall	No Endorsement
Loni Hancock	Against the Recall	No Endorsement
Susan Hone	No Position	No Endorsement
Ed Kallgren	In Favor of the Recall	No Endorsement
Ying Kelley	Against the Recall	No Endorsement
Henry Ramsey	No Position	Endorses Allen Wilson
Ira Simmons	Against the Recall	No Endorsement
Wilmont Sweeney	In Favor of the Recall	Endorses William Rumford
Warren Widener	No Position	No Endorsement

CANDIDATES' POSITIONS ON THE RECALL

Candidate	Recall Position
William Rumford, Jr.	In Favor of the Recall
Allen Wilson	No Position

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