

Between THE Lines



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**REBUILD THE
SHANTYTOWN !**

Time, Place & Manner

- 12:00 p.m. Rally on Biko (Sproul) Plaza
- 1:00 p.m. March to: Ford and IBM recruitment at Faculty Club, Moffitt Library to close IBM store, then to California Hall to Rebuild the Shantytown
- Evening Bring dinner, music, sleeping bags, homework. Join in defending the Shantytown through the night.

UC Bureaucrats Attempt to Squash Protest in Court: Heyman Wants Temporary Restraining Order

Student and community activists were served notice yesterday afternoon of the Regents' petition for a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) in the California Superior Court. The TRO would outlaw nearly every means of protest employed by activists on the Berkeley campus, including the blockade of any university building. Political protests like last Spring's sit-in or Monday's Shantytown would be prohibited if the TRO is granted by the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Alameda County.

In applying for the TRO, the UC administration has gone further than anytime since the Free Speech Movement in the mid-1960's. In 1964, the university did not allow students to set up even a card-table on Sproul Plaza for distributing political information. Since the 60's, when students won the right to protest on campus by means of mass demonstrations and direct action, the university has relentlessly pursued a policy of restriction and regulation of the nature of political expression on the campus through manipulation of the so-called "Time, Place and Manner" rules.

HELP THE POLICE



Late last week, student activists received copies of a memo from Assistant Chancellor John Cummins which attempted to define which sorts of protests would be 'tolerated' by the administration, and which would be answered with forcible repression. Cummins' memo specifically banned sit-ins, blockades, "overnight lodging," and other traditional forms of student protest. Witnesses to Monday night's melee, in which campus police brutally attacked peaceful protesters at the Shantytown, view with bitter irony the paragraph of Cummins' memo which warns against "physical violence against a police officer."

The Regents' petition for a TRO is an attempt to enforce by court order the regulations that administrators hope will cripple student activism at Berkeley. However, if Monday's Shantytown protest, and plans to rebuild the Shantytown today are any indicators, the campus community will not be stopped from protesting UC's complicity with South African apartheid - not even by the police-state tactics of repression that the Regents and the Chancellor are using to try to avoid public exposure and criticism of their right-wing position in support of apartheid.

Do You Know The Difference Between:

Construction of the Shantytown at California Hall went on from 2 in the afternoon well into the evening. By 7 p.m., when UPC began its educational workshops on racism, at least fifteen well-fortified shanties were completed and in place in front of the Chancellor's office.

Protesters enjoyed music, food, conversation and strategizing, but the dominant question in everyone's mind was: will the administration send the police in tonight?

Unfortunately, the answer was: yes. At 1:15 a.m., a force of about 100 UC cops, many in riot-gear, descended on California Hall intent on routing protesters and destroying the Shantytown. About sixty people decided to physically defend the shanties, and hastily erected barriers to protect themselves, then linked arms to guard the protest site.

Police displayed a brutal disregard for the peaceful nature of the protest: they clubbed, kicked, punched, pulled hair, applied pressure and pain-compliance holds and more in the course of tearing protesters away from the shanties and each other. Police videotape cameras, equipped with intensely bright spotlights, were used primarily to blind those who witnessed the melee, rather than to record uncountable incidents of excessive and brutal use of force by the police.

Some sixty protesters were taken to Santa Rita Jail, two of whom are still there as of this morning -- the arraignments of Larry and Steve (Biko) are at 1:30 this afternoon, in Department 1 on MLK Blvd.

Protesters used Tuesday to regroup and rest, limiting action to participation in a noon rally on Biko Plaza and a march to Moffitt library with the intent of closing the IBM store there (police had already locked down the building and closed the store by the time protesters arrived.)

Today, the Shantytown will be rebuilt, perhaps this time to stay: The administration's clear and consistent refusal to meet protest demands and to the Chancellor's use of his bully squad to attempt to silence dissent on the campus should give us an ever greater determination to challenge Heyman's autocratic rule, and to win our demands.



A Terrorist,

and...

A Freedom-Fighter?



Hostages,

and...

Political Prisoners?



Bombing An Embassy,

and...

Mining A Foreign Harbor?



Nationalist Fanatics,

and...

Patriotic Citizens?



In Detention

He fell from the ninth floor
He hanged himself
He slipped on a piece of soap while washing
He hanged himself
He slipped on a piece of soap while washing
He fell from the ninth floor
He hanged himself while washing
He slipped from the ninth floor
He hung from the ninth floor
He slipped from the ninth floor while washing
He fell from a piece of soap while slipping
He hung from the ninth floor
He washed from the ninth floor while slipping
He hung from a piece of soap while washing.

- Christopher Van Wyk

MARCH TO



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CALIFORNIA HALL

JOIN US

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 2

AGAINST APARTHEID