

ASIAN STUDENTS UNITE!

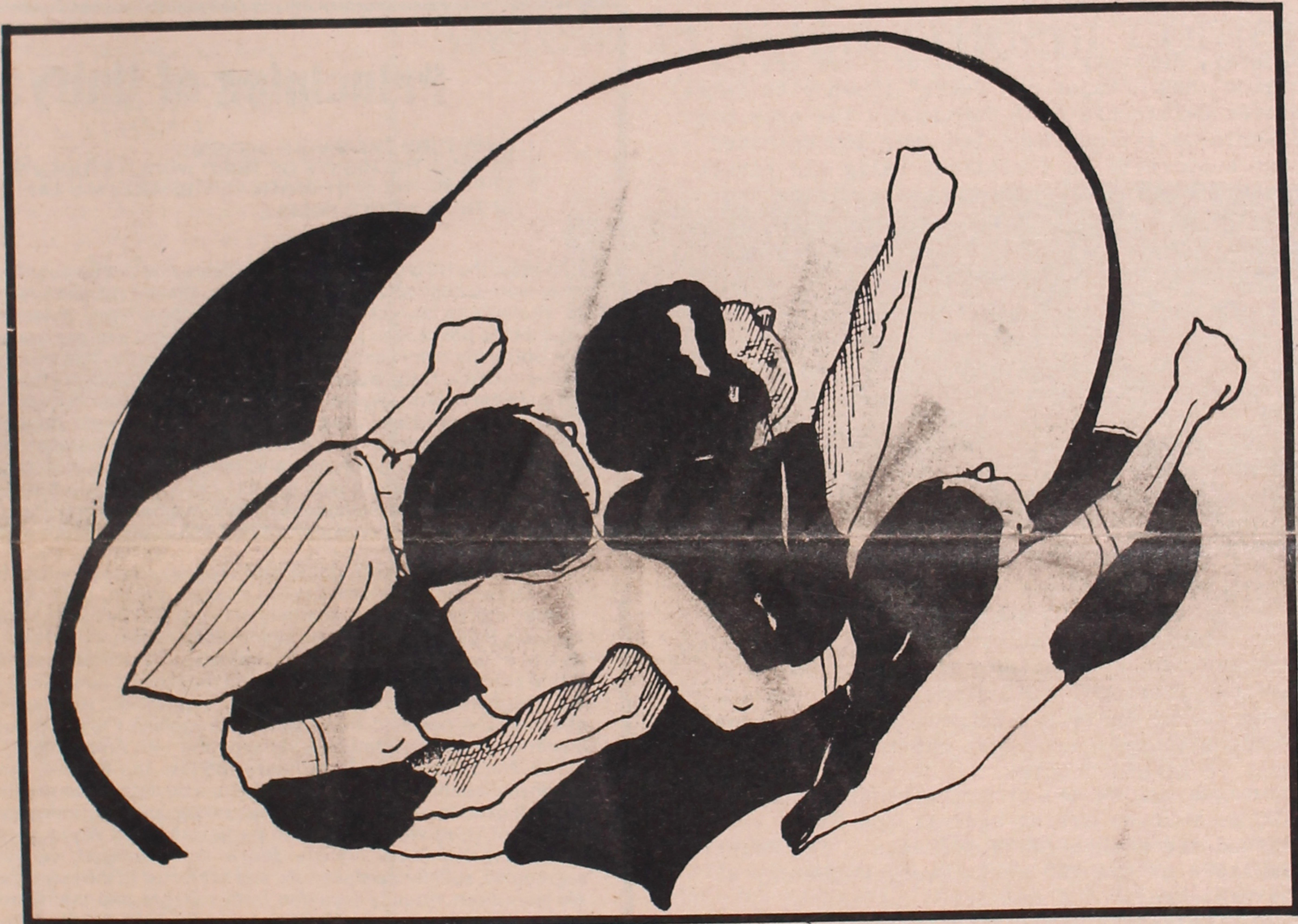
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international women's day:

WOMEN HOLD UP HALF THE SKY!



In commemoration of the past and present struggles of women, the Asian Student Union joins with progressive people everywhere to celebrate March 8, International Women's Day. This year ASU has initiated a committee to celebrate IWD in an effort to build broader unity on campus around the struggle against women's oppression. The Committee, comprised of ASU, Native American Student Association, Asian Law Student Association, and different individuals, is building for an event on March 11, which will examine the role of women, the nature of our oppression and the revolutionary struggle for women's emancipation.

Within the Committee, we are working to deepen our understanding of women's oppression, to analyze its roots, and most importantly, to offer a perspective towards change. Seeing the importance of women's oppression to the capitalist system, we see that it is only joining in the struggles of laboring people and national minorities of this country that things will change fundamentally. We need to strike at the age old root of women's inferior position under class society, with working and Third World (TW) women taking the lead. For ourselves as women and as students, we

must take up the responsibility of exposing the contradictions within society, and to assess the role of our educational system in maintaining and perpetuating the oppression women face.

Under imperialism, we see that women's oppression manifests itself in many different ways. Through the media, the educational tracking system, the health care system and even in our personal relationships, sexism has held women in a subordinate position. At the workplace, we find ourselves in typing pools, assembly lines or at sewing machines, our jobs often dull, unstable and dead end. TW women are among the largest groups of the unemployed, and as low-skilled wor-

kers, we are clearly more vulnerable to "last hired, first fired" practices. In addition, we are relegated the key task of maintaining the family, reproducing and raising children as the new labor force for capital, always confined to domestic life and made to see our role in isolation from the mainstream of production.

As reserved labor, we are manipulated as a production force according to the needs of capital. During WWII for example, women were needed to fill the great numbers of jobs created by expanding war industries as well as the vacuum left by men going to war. Government and media promoted and encouraged single and married women

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OVERTURN THE BAKKE DECISION



On Wednesday, February 23, chants of "Overturn the Bakke Decision" and "Abajos con Bakke" (Down with Bakke) echoed outside California Hall throughout the noon hour. The Third World Coalition (TWC) led over 100 spirited students and supporters in a militant rally and picket line to protest the Bakke Decision. Recognizing that this decision threatens all Third World programs, the TWC posted demands on California Hall (the administration building) that the University administration:

- ★ State their firm opposition to the Bakke Decision.
- ★ Expand special admissions and increase the recruitment and enrollment of TW students.
- ★ Expand services for Third World (TW) students, i.e. EOP, financial aids, etc.
- ★ Stop all attacks on Ethnic Studies (ES) and support the needs of the ES Department.
- ★ Take immediate steps in support of the establishment of the TW College.
- ★ Increase the hiring of TW people on campus.

This picket line was a spirited beginning to building other activities to oppose attacks on the rights of TW people, in particular at Berkeley, the decreasing numbers of Raza and Native American students on campus, the elimination of special admissions for Chinese and Japanese students at Boalt Law School, and the current attacks on the language assistants and the Asian Women's class in Ethnic Studies.

ASU encourages all TW and progressive students to join the TWC to take up action against the Bakke Decision and defend the rights of TW students. The Joint Support Committee of the TWC meets every Wednesday at 4:00 in 505 Eshleman.

We are reprinting the organizing leaflet for the picket line to further inform students about the Bakke issue and its implications.



**DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF
THIRD WORLD STUDENTS**

TWC LEAFLET

Principles of Unity:

1. OVERTURN THE BAKKE DECISION
2. DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF THIRD WORLD STUDENTS
3. OPPOSE THE SYSTEMATIC OPPRESSION and EXPLOITATION of THIRD WORLD PEOPLE

In 1969, the UCB campus erupted. Classes were shut down. Massive picket lines were stretched across Sather Gate. Militant rallies mobilized thousands of students in Sproul Plaza. And students actively defended themselves against the police who, with their riot sticks and tear gas, were brought in by the University administration to smash or struggle. This was the Third World Strike — Black, Raza, Native American and Asian students raised the demands for political control over our education, and for our full educational rights. Unity and support was built among progressive white students, faculty and staff, campus workers, and our surrounding communities. Despite violent University opposition, our struggles resulted in victory, and the formation of Ethnic Studies, financial aids and EOP programs, and Special Admissions. This was part of the tremendous mass movement taking place on campuses and communities nation-wide to bring about progressive and revolutionary changes in society.

Today, however, these gains and programs are seriously threatened, as represented by the recent Bakke Decision. Bakke, a 33 year old engineer, claimed that he was refused admittance into UC Davis Med School solely on the basis that he was white. He later filed suit against UC Davis, charging that he was a "victim" of "reverse discrimination," as other "less qualified" Third World students were admitted through the Special Admissions program. The Cal. Supreme Court upheld Bakke's reactionary "reverse discrimination" charges, and declared that Special Admissions Programs for Third World students are unconstitutional, violating the 14th Amendment.

The Third World Coalition firmly opposes the divisive, racist charge of "reverse discrimination." This charge is a blatant attack on Third World students. It glosses over the historic inequalities and discrimination faced by the masses of Third World people. In particular, Third World people have been historically denied our full educational rights. Instead, we were forced into segregated, substandard schools, and subjected to the racist tracking system. We have been virtually excluded from colleges and the higher educational system. Even fewer Third World people have been admitted to grad schools. These inequalities in the educational system are just part of the systematic oppression of Third World people which is deeply rooted in this capitalist society. In every aspect of our lives — housing, health, language and culture, employment — we have face national oppression and are denied our basic and full rights.

It is from this basis that we launched and established special Third World programs like Special Admissions. They are concrete programs that address the historic and current inequalities that we have faced. They are our basic rights that every student and progressive person should support. And although these programs cannot fundamentally change the educational system or society, they are important gains that must be defended and maintained.

We oppose all attempts, such as the Bakke Decision, to attack Third World programs and reverse the gains we have won. Today, the Bakke Decision has far reaching implications, statewide as well as nationally. It is a "legal cover" that the government, courts and school administrations can use to eliminate not only Special Admissions programs, but all Third World programs that have been established in past years. It could also lay the basis for attacks on other rights that Third World people have won, such as affirmative action on the job, special programs for our communities. Essentially, the University administration, together with the government and the courts, seek to intensify the inequalities and national oppression of Third World people by eliminating all special Third World people from undergrad and grad school systems.

But we will not allow the University administration or the courts to undermine and attack our programs. We, too have a tradition, one of fighting for, defending, and maintaining our educational rights and programs. We have fought against attempts to cut our Ethnic Studies funds; against the firings of progressive faculty and staff; against threats to eliminate our community oriented courses. In 1974, the Ethnic Studies Defense Committee (ESDC) rallied thousands of students to successfully block the University's attempt to force Ethnic Studies under their control in Letters and Science. Last year's Chicano mobilization for increased admissions and supportive services also highlighted our struggles to win educational rights.

This history must continue with our campaign to OVERTURN THE BAKKE DECISION. We can say without a doubt that we cannot depend on the courts or the University to "protect" our interests. Rather, it will be through relying on and mobilizing the broadest sections of people that attacks like the Bakke Decision will be defeated. In the Third World Coalition, we strive to build the leadership of Third World students to fight for our interests, and seek to unite with white students, all progressive organizations and individuals dedicated to our principles. It is through this type of unity that we will win our demands.

THIRD WORLD COALITION MOVES FORWARD

Ever since the initiation of the Third World Coalition (during the winter break), the participating organizations and individuals have engaged in vigorous discussions over the political perspective of the coalition. Through our discussions, we have united around a common perspective based on four principles of unity:

- 1) Fight for the educational rights of Third World students.
- 2) Build Third World Studies to meet the needs of Third World students.
- 3) Promote the leading role of Third World students.
- 4) Build the Third World Student Movement!

Now we've begun to take up concrete action. The main thrust of our work centers around the struggle for maintaining and building a relevant Ethnic Studies. The Native American Student Association has recently joined the Third World Coalition, and is playing an active role in initiating student caucuses. We see the caucuses as groups of students interested in leading and developing the Ethnic Studies classes. The various caucuses in the Ethnic Studies Department are being coordinated by our Coalition's Ethnic Studies committee. By providing systematic student input, the TWC Ethnic Studies committee can improve not only the class, but Ethnic Studies as a whole. Our sub-committee is trying to develop steps against the systematic attacks the University administration launches against Ethnic Studies.

Particularly in Asian American Studies, our right to choose our own staff has been restricted by Provost Park. The Asian Women's course, normally offered twice a year, is being reduced to only once, on the bureaucratic recommendation of the University budget committee. (see Ethnic Studies article).

These recommendations and changing criteria are one of many direct forms of attacks from the University administration, and just another part of the systematic oppression we face in society. The university has never served the interests of Third World students, and has continually harassed and even attempted to eliminate Ethnic Studies all together.

These attacks have created many pressures on the staff, faculty and students. Within Asian American Studies 20B, much struggle has taken place around meeting the needs of students and resisting an "academic" classroom orientation.

Through the caucuses, students have just begun to bring these issues out.

Our joint support committee has been building support around issues, outside of Ethnic Studies, that affect Third World students on the campus and community. We will be continuing our support of just struggles such as the I-Hotel, and the recent eviction attempts in J-town. Members of the coalition have also gone up to Sacramento to oppose the desecration of Native American burial grounds. And on campus, we will be building more support against the Bakke issue

in the near future. (see Bakke article.)

Our outreach committee is developing ways to effectively promote the perspective of the Third World Coalition to other students and to involve as many people in the coalition. Working together on articles that can be printed in the respective newspapers of the participating organizations, developing and distributing leaflets, putting on a party to kick-back, get down and discuss our future plans are ways in which we hope to

bring out our views and encourage people to take them up.

The Coalition is really moving along, but there is still much work to be done. We hope all who can unite with us will join in building the Third World Coalition. Check out our general meetings which happen every other week, the next one being Friday, March 11, 3:00 up at 505 Eshleman, and keep informed on what Third World students are doing

to build a strong and united progressive student movement.

statewide asian student conference



Over the three-day weekend (Feb. 18-20), eighty spirited Asian students representing eleven campuses from all over the state gathered together at UC Santa Barbara to attend a statewide conference of Asian student organizations. The conference, initiated by UCSB's Asian Student Union, was aimed towards strengthening the links within the Asian student movement and was a positive step forward in drawing together forces within the statewide Asian student movement.

Through workshops, presentations, and informal discussions, students organizing in LA, Long Beach, Santa Cruz, Davis, Sacramento, Santa Barbara, and the Bay Area were able to share experiences, exchange lessons and ideas, and gain a better perspective of the overall Asian student movement and its development. Three speeches were given -- a prof from UCSB presented an overview of the status of the Asian Studies department/program at SB, and emphasized the importance of student involvement and continued support. A representative from I Wor Kuen (IWK), a revolutionary Marxist-Leninist organization, spoke on the background and future direction of the Asian student movement based on the theme of "LEARN FROM PAST STRUGGLES, UNITE FOR FUTURE VICTORIES". Lastly, a representative from the Asian Student Union of SF State presented a talk and slide show on the Bakke Decision, and

the ongoing organizing work being done on the campuses to overturn the Bakke Decision and defend the rights of Third World students.

Workshops revolved around unifying students around the importance and need for Asian student organizations, and spoke of various concrete problems and issues that the organizations are facing establishing or building the Asian student groups. Key to the workshop was establishing the perspective of participating in the process of building the Asian student movement, and connecting the struggles on campus to the overall progressive and revolutionary movement.

Through the Conference, we gained a deeper understanding of our common goals. It helped to strengthen our commitment to building our organizations. This was also a significant first step in building unity among Asian students from various campuses and organizations -- to break down isolation and regionalism. Many advances were made in sharing experiences, learning lessons from each other, and establishing more systematic communications and interaction between campuses. We left with a greater sense of unity, and a strong enthusiasm for going back to our campuses and advancing our work in the Asian student movement. It also laid the basis for ongoing and stronger ties and relationships between student and organizations throughout California.

SUPPORT THE I-HOTEL

The tenants of the International Hotel have been threatened with a series of evictions for over eight years now. Each new eviction notice and each hearing and trial renews the danger of losing a home and the community. What has occurred since the last ASU newsletter in January are new threats to be dealt with. Active supporters need to be just as vigilant as ever and more and more new supporters must get involved.

DEMONSTRATIONS TURN BACK EVICTIONS

Since the last newsletter, several important events have occurred. On January 6, Sheriff Hongisto attempted to post eviction notices on the Hotel but was turned back by a human barricade of demonstrators. When Hongisto did manage to post the notices at a later date, January 12 became the deadline for the tenants in the storefronts to vacate. In support of the tenants, 2500 demonstrators showed up to prevent the evictions and turn back the police. Again, on January 16 when the tenants of the upstairs hotel were required to leave, 5000 supporters marched in two picket lines that encircled the entire block. Faced with the Hotel's tremendous and growing public support, Judge Ira Brown was forced to announce a stay of eviction until March 4.

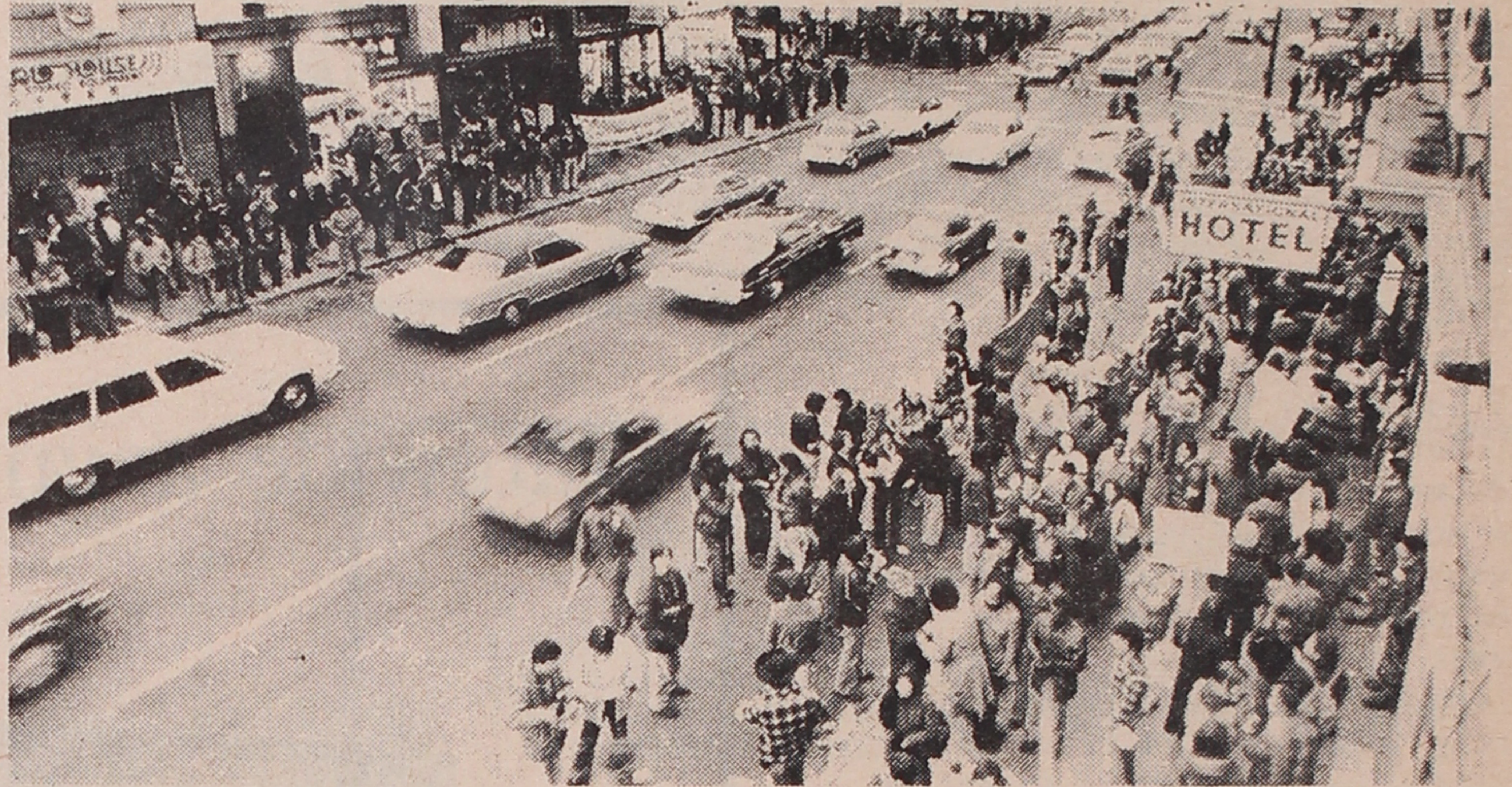
CONTINUING STRUGGLE

However, the attacks continue now from the direction of the courts. A hearing will be held in which Four Seas is challenging the legitimacy of the city to enact Eminent Domain. If the courts rule in favor of Four Seas eviction can happen immediately. On February 1, the original date for the hearing to start, 300 demonstrators marched in front of city hall throughout the duration of the preliminary procedures. A picket will again form on other dates as long as the hearings continue. These hearings are just as much an attack on the tenants rights as the police evictions.

WE CANNOT RELY ON THE SYSTEM

With the system the way it is, it doesn't matter what the public officials say or think as they perform their duties. Their very job is to enforce the laws that will evict the tenants. As an example, even though Sheriff Hongisto had publicly expressed some support for the tenants, his office did post the eviction notices and will attempt to evict the tenants if and when the time comes. Clearly, we cannot rely on this legal system and therefore, the people must demand justice.

There is a definite contradiction between the masses of people who demand the right to maintain their community and the legal system that upholds the private interests of the corporations. The needs of the people can only be answered if the unified support is strong. The ability of the people to force the courts to



announce a stay of eviction showed that when the masses are organized, they are stronger than the police, the courts, and the corporations.

The reason given by Judge Brown for granting the International Hotel a stay of eviction after the January 16 demonstration was that automatic weapons and gasoline were sighted inside the building. He tried to hide the fact that the mobilized masses that militantly demonstrated against and resisted the eviction attempt was the principle cause which forced the courts to immediately stop all evictions.

SYSTEMATIC OPPRESSION

The government has always been an instrument to maximize capitalist gain and consequently exploit working and Third World people. In this respect, Asians historically and to this day have been used as a source of cheap labor, and have been denied their rights. They were forced into the urban ghettos, and these communities today are homes for many of the most severely oppressed people. These communities reflect the oppression our parents have had to encounter and the struggles we experience today. Now they are being forced to disperse. These are part of redevelopment projects sponsored by the government and benefited by the corporations. The destruction of these communities are the denial of the right to have our own communities, the denial of our social and national roots, and a personal attack on each of us. We demand the government to now take responsibility for assuring the people that the community will not be destroyed and low-cost housing will be maintained.

BUY BACK PLAN

The demand of the Support Committee for the I-Hotel which is the legitimate support group with concrete ties and relationship to the tenants is clear. The city must enact "Eminent Domain" by buying the International Hotel from Four Seas. The city must see that the hotel is brought up to all

standards and then maintain it as low-cost housing under democratic control of the tenants.

Lately, a contingent of liberals are attempting to supplant the direct defense of the hotel away from the tenants. Pretending to speak for the tenants, they have proposed that they go through the system and that the tenants themselves buy back the hotel at a cost of 1.3 million dollars. According to this plan, all small businesses and community organizations that are on the bottom floor would consequently be destroyed and the space would be converted into profit-making enterprises--possibly a parking lot and/or commercial offices. These community organizations, the Chinese Progressive Association, Getting Together Newspaper, Kearny St. Workshop, Victory Building, and the Asian Community Center have played significant roles in defending and developing the Chinatown and Manilatown communities. They have again and again upheld the interests of the people in building the progressive movement in Chinatown. For this reason, they are now under deliberate attack. These organizations must not be evicted.

As this issue become more complicated, all supporters must keep as well informed as possible and the mass support for the tenants' demands must be as solid as ever. We must be wary of the liberals, the organizations, and the media who have or will distort the demands of the tenants.

BUILD THE MOVEMENT

The International Hotel struggle is not just a spontaneous housing struggle. The movement to defend the I-Hotel tenants is part of the growing movement to fight the oppression of Third World people. As TW students, this struggle affects our lives directly and indirectly. We must all unite to demand our rights in the current I-Hotel court hearings and organize to fight every attack on our rights.

SUPPORT THE I-HOTEL! ENFORCE EMINENT DOMAIN, NO STRINGS ATTACHED! STOP THE EVICTIONS, WE WON'T MOVE!



On Saturday, February 26, 250 people from Chinatown, the Mission, the campuses and elsewhere came to a program to support the demand for the normalization of US-China relations. The program, organized by the Coalition to Demand the Normalization of US-China Relations, was a step forward in the mounting normalization campaign. Speeches, slideshows, and films clearly brought out the role of China and the US in the world, the significance of normalizing relations, and the developing pro-

China movement in the U.S.

Continuing the normalization campaign, the coalition held a rally and picket in front of the San Francisco Federal building. Over 100 supporters militantly marched and chanted "One China, U.S. Out of Taiwan!", making their demands clear. We're reprinting the Coalition's leaflet here to promote the perspective of the alition, and to show our continuing support for normalization of U.S.-China relations.

This February 28 is the 5th anniversary of the signing of the Joint US-China Shanghai Communique. As part of the broad pro-China movement in this country, the Coalition to Demand Normalization of US-China Relations is calling a demonstration and an evening program based on our principles:

- 1) DEMAND NORMALIZATION OF US-CHINA RELATIONS IMMEDIATELY.
- 2) THE US GOVERNMENT MUST IMPLEMENT THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE.
- 3) NORMALIZATION IS IN THE INTEREST OF THE MASSES.

We encourage everyone to join us at these events, which will broaden and strengthen the whole pro-China movement.

In 1972, mass sentiment around the world forced the US government to sign the Shanghai Communique. This first step toward normalization of relations was a result of demands by the masses in the US for recognition of the Peoples Republic of China (PRC). The Communique clearly

stated that the PRC is China's sole legitimate government; that Taiwan province is a part of China; and that the US must withdraw all military presence from Taiwan. But despite this agreement, the US still intervenes in China's internal affairs and upholds a bankrupt two-China policy by supporting the reactionary Chiang regime.

With increased contact and a better understanding of socialist China, more people have vigorously taken up the demand for normalization. But we can see that the US government has no interest in normalizing relations.

We in the Coalition, along with many other people, have supported China and normalization since China's victorious revolution in 1949. Normalization of relations will be an advance for all of us who oppose superpower aggression and intervention in the affairs of other countries. It will be a blow to attempts by the US government to isolate

China and to prevent the world's people from learning the truth about the tremendous advances made by the Chinese people. In China, the working masses, guided by the Chinese Communist Party, hold political power and the interests of the laboring people are primary. We have an interest in building ties with the Chinese people; in learning more about socialist China; and in drawing lessons and inspiration from the PRC in our own struggles here in the US.

It is clear that the US government will not normalize relations unless we all unite together to build the growing mass movement to demand normalization. In this spirit, the Coalition urges everyone to demonstrate our continuing interest and active support for these issues by joining us at our events.

Only through the united actions of the masses will normalization of relations become a reality!

UNIVERSITY ATTACKS ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES:

UNITE TO DEFEND OUR PROGRAM!

The Ethnic Studies department at Berkeley was won eight years ago by Third World students through a militant strike on campus. Demands were made for an autonomous Third World College, one where students could develop a relevant curricula that would meet our educational needs and focus on serving Third World students and our communities. At this time, Ethnic Studies is only an "experimental" program, with Provost Park presiding on top as 'overseer'.

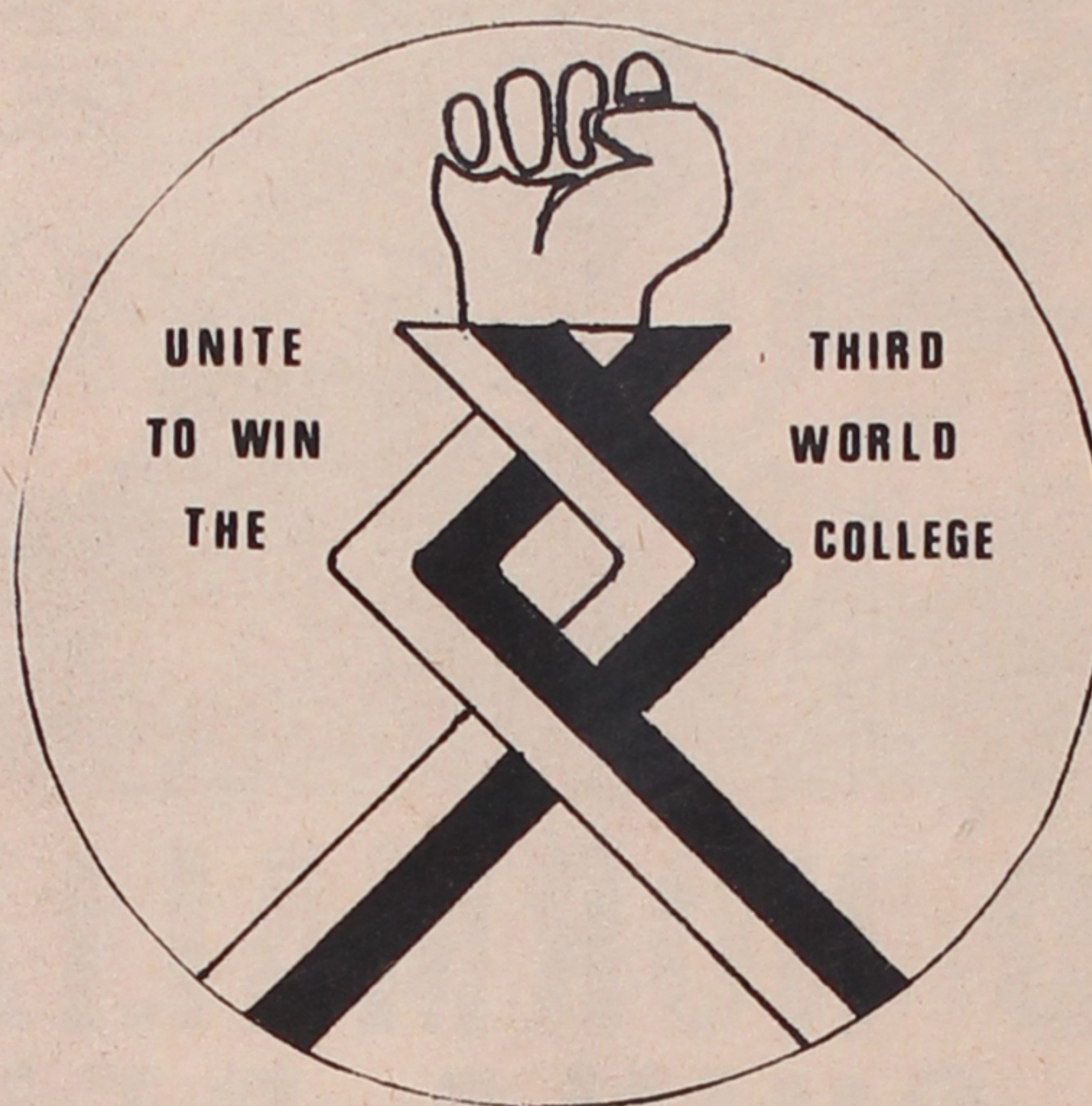
The Ethnic Studies department itself has constantly been under attack: Park and the University have been chipping away bit by bit at classes and curricula, disguising these blatant political attacks as routine bureaucratic procedure.

Right now the language classes and the Asian Women's class are under fire. Community Japanese and Community Cantonese (AsAmSt 14 and 12) are two classes which focus on using our native languages to do work in our Third World communities. Currently the language assistants have received a memo from Park stating that all language assistants must be graduate students; in effect, this means that they will not be rehired in the same position next quarter. We feel that our language staff qualifies far beyond any arbitrary guidelines that Park might set. The main issue is that once again the University is attempting to dictate to our department who we can and can't hire, through imposing such arbitrary limitations.

The state of the Asian Women's course (151) is another example of this. Under the flimsy pretext of "low enrollment", Park is attacking the department by refusing to budget the women's course for a second quarter. As in the case of the language classes, the University is trying to dictate what classes we can teach. High enrollment didn't save the School of Criminology or merit as a factor for Harry Edwards' tenure, and low enrollment in other departments has not been cause to attack other courses. Again, through these arbitrarily imposed guidelines, the University is moving to tighten its control over our department and its direction.

It was through mass student pressure that we won gains such as Ethnic Studies; it is only with continued pressure that we can retain them. If we are organized, we can block these blatant attacks upon Ethnic Studies and demand our full rights on campus. Through the Third World Coalition's Ethnic Studies Committee and General Caucus, we are continuously working to mobilize such support, and call for your active participation in this urgent struggle.

UNITE TO WIN THE
THIRD WORLD COLLEGE !!



International Women's Day

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to join the work force to "aid the war effort", and women worked in almost all areas of production. Yet, when the war ended, government and media backed by big business and industry launched a new campaign to persuade women to leave their jobs and return to the home!

For Third World women, our lives carry an additional burden. Not only are we discriminated against as women in job hiring practices, education, and health care, but we must also contend with a system that profits from national oppression in all aspects of our lives. Third World women and men have always consistently been denied our full rights to maintain our language, communities, and to promote and develop our culture. At present, Third World women still take on the most exploited, unprotected and low-paying jobs, the majority laboring in sweatshops, canneries, typing pools and service industries. Racist ideas are institutionalized in the media, in our schools, in our legal system and everywhere else, holding us down and preventing us from realizing our full potential in society.

To some students these forms of oppression may seem remote. But in reality, they are actually closer than we might realize. Here at U.C. Berkeley, the university itself perpetuates the systematic oppression of both women students and women workers. Students have had to demand and strike for Women's Studies and Ethnic Studies so that we can learn our true history and situation in society. Other programs such as childcare, women's centers, special admissions and affirmative action were similarly fought for and are constantly under attack. And it is no accident that most women workers in the university can be found in offices like Sproul Hall, relegated to clerical or secretarial position.

From this overall perspective, the Committee to Celebrate International

Women's Day has drawn up and united around five principles of unity which reflect our general outlook:

- 1) Build the struggle against women's oppression as an integral part of the progressive movement.
- 2) Learn from the leading role of working and Third World women in the struggle against women's oppression.
- 3) Support the struggles of Third World women in the U.S. and abroad.
- 4) Take up the struggle against the triple oppression of Third World women under imperialism.
- 5) Promote the political participation and leadership of women in the progressive student movement.

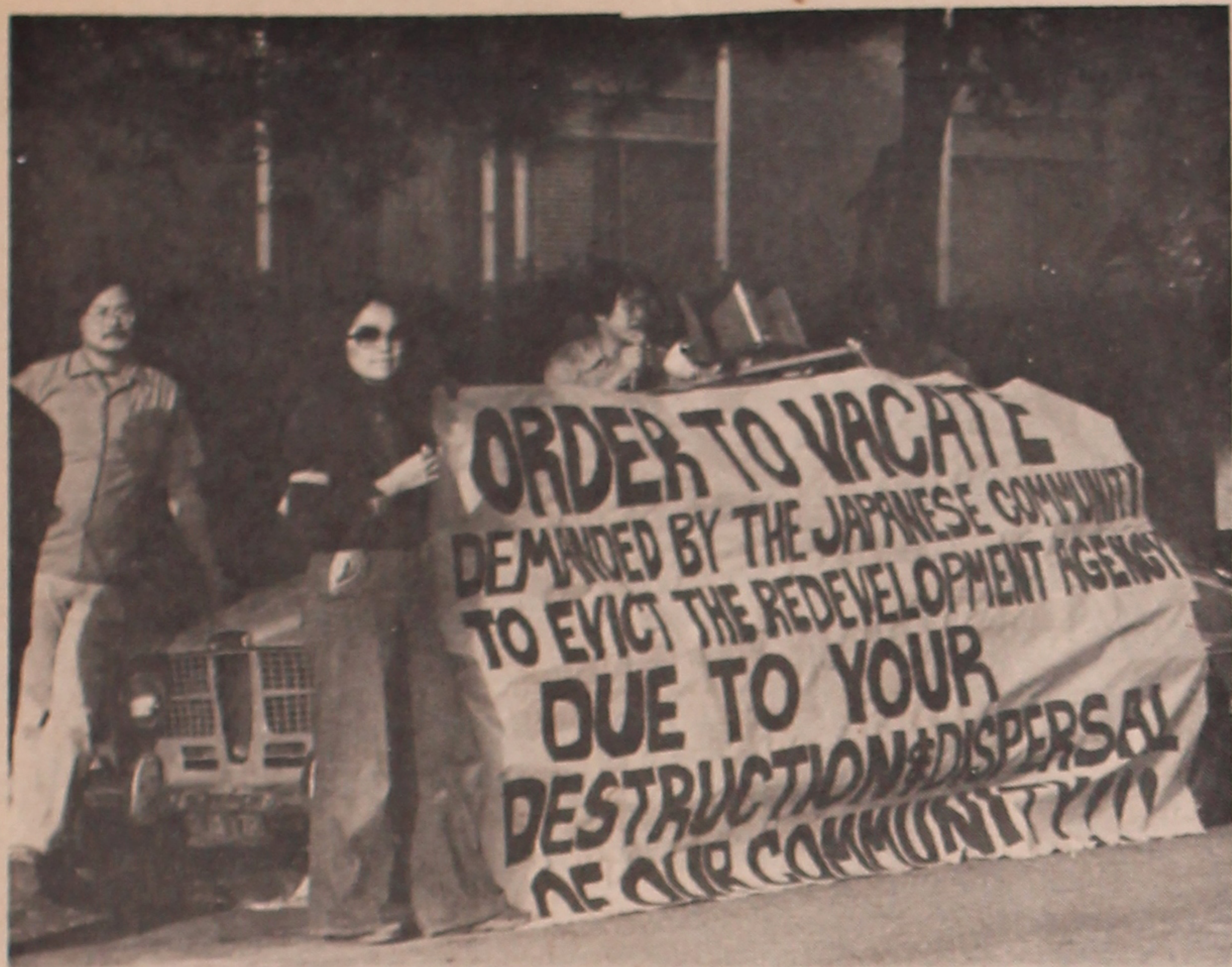
These principles of the program are reflected in our overall work in the committee. Even in planning this event many questions were raised and active struggle took place. We see this as important for our political understanding of the questions of women's rights and women's liberation, and hope that ongoing discussion will continue around these issues. We learn through active participation and involvement with each other!

This year's program will include a solidarity statement, speeches from working women and women in the community, a slide show depicting the colorful history of women in the labor movement, poetry reading, a skit, group singing, and some cultural performances.

Chairman Mao said "Women hold up half the sky." He recognized that both men and women must join together to advance the struggles of women. He also recognized that the women's movement was an integral part of the struggle against imperialism and for fundamental change.

ASU sees that the celebration of IWD goes beyond March 8, for it is only one part of the continuing struggles of women, a question we must take up and deal with everyday and in all aspects of our lives. Having initiated this event, ASU looks forward to deepening our ties with the other organizations and individuals that form this Committee. It has been an exciting process, and we continue to encourage all who might be interested to join us in building for the event. Contact Minette (428-2697) or Livia (843-2116) to find out more, or just drop on by the ASU office.

CANE rally at the Redevelopment Agency to turn back two pending evictions in J-town. Feb 16



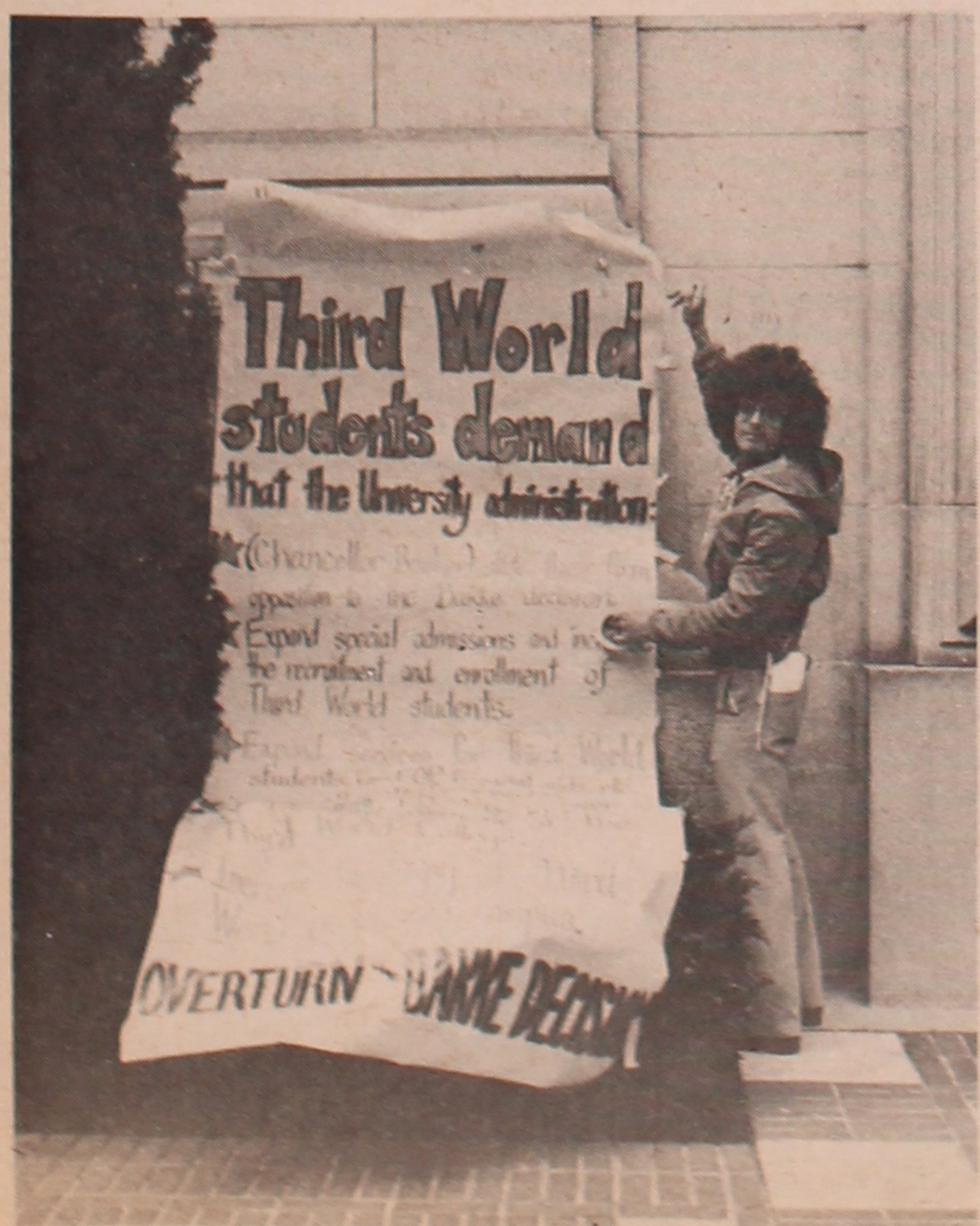
Literature and photo displays of the joint ASU's at the Oshugatsu New Year's Fair in J-town. Jan 29



Celebrating the New Year in the traditional Japanese mochi pounding ceremony.



I-Hotel supporters rally to pressure court hearings. Feb 1



The demands posted by the Third World Coalition in the demonstrations to overturn Bakke. Feb 23

What's Happening

WED, MARCH 2 2:00 p.m.
THE GENERAL CAUCUS MEETING

will be discussing how students can get involved in organizing against the recent attacks on Asian Am. Studies.

505 ESHLEMAN

FRI, MARCH 4 3:00 p.m.
ASU GENERAL MTG.

We'll be summing up the winter quarter work in our Outreach, External Relations, and Asian American Studies committees, plus our participation in the Third World Coalition. We'll also be discussing plans for the spring quarter. We hope everyone can come.

505 ESHLEMAN

FRI, MARCH 4 8:00 p.m.
FILM: BLOW FOR BLOW

A dramatized reconstruction of the successful strike and occupation by women workers of a French textile factory. The film is based on several real factory take-overs that have occurred in France in recent years. A benefit for the Committee to Celebrate International Women's Day.

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FRI, MARCH 11 11:00 a.m.
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY PROGRAM

ASU, together with other student organizations and individuals, joins in commemorating the past and present struggles of women. In the process of building for the event, we are working to deepen our understanding of women's oppression, to analyze its roots, and most importantly, to offer a perspective towards change.

TAN OAK ROOM

FRI, MARCH 11 3:00 p.m.
THIRD WORLD COALITION GEN'L MTG

Come join us in planning out further mobilization against the Bakke Decision and the recent developments in Ethnic Studies.

505 ESHLEMAN

FRI, MARCH 11 9:00 p.m.
THIRD WORLD COALITION PARTY

Get down with the Third World Coalition! Come together, kick back and meet other members.

PLACE TO BE ARRANGED

SAT, MARCH 12
BERRINGER BROS. WINERY

The general caucus has planned a field trip to find out how Chinese labor was used to build the storage caves in the wine country. We'll be winetasting, hanging out, and pulling together the loose ends of this quarter.

BUS LEAVING 11:00 am
FROM 505 ESHLEMAN

➔ JOIN THE ASU!

READER SURVEY

We would appreciate it if you would fill out and return this survey to our lounge or our table on Sproul Plaza, or mail it to ASU, at

505 Eshleman Hall
Berkeley, CA 94720

The ASU exists through the input and interest of Asian students, so we encourage everyone to suggest ways to improve Asian Students Unite and the work of the ASU.

Which articles were most interesting?

Do you want the newsletter to be mailed to you?

How could the newsletter be improved?

Do you want to be contacted for events?

Do you have any suggestions concerning the work of the ASU?

Are you interested in working on a committee?
asian american studies
external relations
outreach
Are you interested in joining the ASU?

Name

Address

Phone #

We encourage all of you to comment on and participate in the ASU's work. If you have other questions or ideas contact us at our table or in our lounge, or phone 642-6728. JOIN THE ASU!