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al Camp, a student-run summer camp for underprivileged East Bay children. Mu Chapter of the sorority is selling the bibboms for 75-cents a dozen all through this week. —I-G Photo by James Pesse

## School executive staff cuts slated

An extensive program of reducing administrative staff throughout Berkeley Unified School District is planned, with staff consolidation of early childhood education, follow-through and compensatory education as the first step.

Endorsed in principle by district teachers and state educators, the program is opposed by parents whose children are affected.

School board members learned this fact last night, when Superintendent Laval Wilson outlined his proposal for placing one director in charge of early childhood education, compensatory education and follow-through, and eliminating the present coordinators and supervisors.

This re-organization, the first of many revisions of the staff structure to reduce non-teaching positions, would save about \$72,000 in salaries, it was indicated.

More than 20 parents and program supporters spoke

for nearly one hour last night, listing the qualifications and efforts of the staff people who would be dropped from supervising positions. They include George Perry of "comp ed," Geraldine Gilliam of follow-through and Mildred Messinger, Lamitsoi William-

son and Betty Rubardt of early childhood education.

Board members discussed and then tabled the matter until their April 15 meeting. Marc Monheimer made a motion to approve the re-organization, and received supporting comments from Louise Stoll and Gene Roh-

while Mary Jane Johnson said she is opposed now, and "probably will vote, no."

Wilson's plan would create a director of early childhood and elementary education over the three programs, also an assistant director, both of them serving under Lawrence Wells, assistant superintendent of curriculum and instructional services.

He told the I-G that many (Turn to page 2, col. 6)

## New staff policies on enriched instruction

Gifted Berkeley students no longer will be "pulled out" of their regular classrooms to attend enriched instruction classes, beginning next Fall.

The "High Potential Program" will have regular teachers relying on the assistance of resource teachers. Schools Supt. Laval Wilson told board members and parents last night.

Wilson outlined the changes decided upon by administrators, emphasizing

that the "Berkeley Plan" will continue to include minority youngsters who don't qualify by testing but are considered bright.

The controversial "pull-out" procedure will be eliminated in both the elementary and secondary levels, he said.

Resource teachers were assigned to provide curriculum materials and assistance to the regular teachers. In the secondary (Turn to page 2, col. 7)

## Teacher strike still looming

The Berkeley school board and representatives of the teachers union met from midnight last night to 5:30 a.m. in an effort to settle the strike set for tomorrow.

No settlement was reached and talks resumed at 10 a.m. today. Sources reported that agreement has been reached on every thing but salaries.

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## STAFF REDUCTIONS

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Other re-organization proposals will be based upon the retirement or voluntary departure of staff administrators.

He insisted that the disputed proposal for consolidating early childhood education, follow-through and compensatory education would continue to conform to state guidelines, and at the same time articulation from the pre-school level through the elementary grades will be improved.

He assured the worried parents that they will continue to be involved and will be encouraged to participate in the programs and promised that money allocated to each program will not be "commingled."

The early growth center is not part of this re-organization, he said, and it will be re-positioned on the organizational charts.

Some parents objected that there would be no local savings in eliminating an administrator who is paid under a government grant. They were told that the local savings comes from the fact that moving the staff person into the classroom eliminates the need for obtaining a new teacher, plus the elimination of ratio pay.

Monheimer recalled that there have been appeals to eliminate the excessive number of administrators for years. But he predicted that angry parent opposition can be expected everywhere there is a specific proposal affecting their children.

The parents' reaction, he said, makes it appear that all the administrators, coordinators and supervisors really are needed.

The only certain way to eliminate an administrator is to eliminate the entire program or to find a program which is not directly related to the youngsters, he said.

Monheimer hinted that it can be expected that threatened administrators will persuade parents to speak on their behalf, opposing future consolidations, turning the hearings into personnel discussions rather than program evaluations.

Director Gene Roh predicted that the district's tight money situation will compel future re-organizations, and as far as the individual administrators are concerned, "no program, if it is a good program, will fall due to the removal of any individual."

He said teacher pressure has created a situation where state educators are looking more carefully at the district's excess administrators, and they may even expand the definition of administrator, requiring even further cuts.

Director Johnson noted that the programs under consideration involve children at their most impor-

tant moments, and parents should take this into consideration. She predicted she will vote against Wilson's plan.

Stoll said, "after years of living the let cats, wild federal state and private outside money come in, we must face up to the fact that we must get the non-classroom-certificated people into the classrooms."

"We may feel anguish about it, but this is survival," she said.

## Avalanche buries five climbers

**KATMANDU** — Nepal (AP) — Five members of a Japanese expedition trying to climb Mt. Dhaulagiri in the Himalayas were buried alive last week by an avalanche, the Foreign Ministry announced today.

The ministry said it received a message that the victims — two Japanese and three native Sherpa guides — were asleep in a camp at 16,400 feet when the avalanche hit around midnight Tuesday.

## INSTRUCTION POLICY

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schools, there will be special tutoring, counseling and "stimulation" for the gifted students, said Wilson.

There was no comment from the audience, which contained mostly parents concerned about a proposed unrelated staff reduction affecting their children.

Wilson also told board members that the district's personnel commission had rejected a proposed affirmative-action hiring plan for classified employees which would have allowed selection from less-

staff was instructed to find some other means of pursuing affirmative action for classified employees, Wilson said.

Board members also considered applications for rehabilitation studies for earthquake-unsafe Jefferson and Willard schools, deciding against Jefferson "rehab" and postponing a Willard decision until the April 15 meeting.

In other business, the board members: — Were told the new users evaluation system is not working well, and needs

## Berkeley rider out of hospital

## Coming

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1900 University Ave., Berkeley

**WEDNESDAY**  
Live In It  
Meeting at 7 p.m. — Live In It  
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Discussion groups for men  
9:30 p.m. — Youth and Children  
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held from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Allston Way.

Berkeley Women's  
Meeting from 9:30 to 11:  
Church, 1632 Hopkins St.

University Avenue  
Square and folk dancing  
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Society of Real Estate  
A workshop on "Investment  
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Drop In Women's  
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