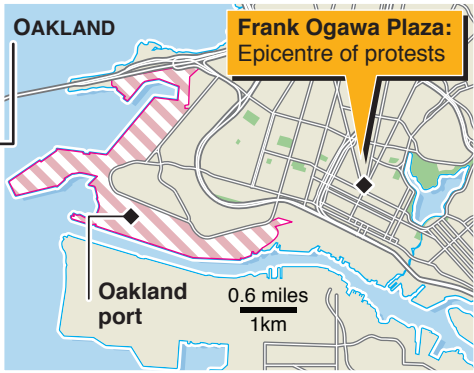


Oakland becomes centre of “Occupy” protests

Riot police have clashed with protesters after thousands of demonstrators shut down the Port of Oakland – one of America’s busiest ports. Oakland has shot to the forefront of nationwide anti-Wall Street protests since a former Marine was badly wounded during a march and rally last week



RECENT PROTESTS

Oakland: Nation’s fifth busiest port handling about \$39bn a year in imports and exports, shut down by 5,000 people following call for “general strike”

Seattle: Six people arrested for trespassing branch of **Chase bank** – one of biggest U.S. banks

Boston: College students and union workers march on **Bank of America** offices and statehouse to protest over student debt crisis



London: Authorities offer to let protesters camping outside **St Paul’s Cathedral** stay until New Year, as Anglican world leader backs **Robin Hood** tax on financial transactions



Protests began in Madrid in May and then gathered pace in New York as the “Occupy Wall Street” movement spread around the world

Philadelphia: Police arrest nine protesters staging sit-in inside lobby of **Comcast**, U.S.’s largest cable firm