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BERKELEY, Calif., Sept. 29.—E. Harold Mason, well known lecturer, has returned to the West Coast after several months spent in sociological observances in several sections of the country. Mr. Mason's reputation for activity in religious and interracial affairs in these parts made his participation much sought in similar activity in the East. His wide social acquaintance made him the recipient of many social courtesies by members of both racial groups. Aside from study of trends among Afro-Americans, he spent some time in observing the program of other groups, including a youth conference of the Mormons in Salt Lake City, studying their plans of the church for the youth; Father Flannigan's Boys Town in Nebraska; Philadelphia and New York where he participated in the interracial activity of the Society of Friends and the Baha'i groups. Mr. Mason plans to devote the next several months to writing and lecturing. Prior to his extended trip, he was a teacher in the Social studies division of the Oakland Adult Education program. The many clubs and civic groups for whom he has spoken, may look forward to further notice of the proposed series of lectures during which will be included observations on his extensive tour.

Distinguished artists in Metropolitan Oakland include Maudelle, an African dance interpreter, whose father, a native African, desired that she be expert in the interpretation of African dances. She is highly praised as not only having accomplished her father's desires, but also for the power of creation and expression. Maudelle was presented as guest artist on the program Sunday, the 10th, at International House, University of California, by Mr. and Mrs. Allen C. Blaisdel, directors.

At the conclusion of the repast, Mr. Blaisdel introduced Abaline Lockhart, student who delivered the address of the hour based on Langston Hughes' "The Negro Speaks of Rivers," during which she emphasized the implications of the poem. On Thursday, at the International House, John Harvey Furbay gave an illustrated lecture to the students, and like Maudelle, showed how the girls at a certain age are instructed in the duties of a housewife "in the bush," at the completion of which the girls are brought back to the village and presented in ceremonial dance. Dr. Furbay, author, scientist, explorer, gave pertinent observations on the customs and possibilities of the peoples of Liberia.

Mrs. Ada Jackson, Oaklander, state president of California Association of Colored Women's clubs, was hostess to Fanny Jackson Coppin club Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Mattie McCorkle, president, directed the program which included a treatise on Present Day Grandmothers, by past president, Mrs. Theodora Lee Purnell.

Special guests for the session were Mesdames Chlora Hayes Sledge, past president of the state association of clubs, recently returned from several months' residence in Arizona; Frances Albrier, member of the Central Democratic committee, and president of the Eastbay Welfare League; Justine Ross, secretary of the state association; Carrie Smith and Pearl Witt, both of Cheyenne, Wyo., house guests of Mrs. Ivah Gray in Carlton street, all of whom brought greetings of goodwill, commending the club for its 30 years of achievements, establishing a record as California's oldest Negro organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Benton James of Phoenix, Ariz., were the houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. L. U. Branch, 1312 Russell street, last week. Mrs. Julia Ross and Mrs. W. Woods of 3502 Grove street, entertained with a family dinner honoring the Jameses and Branches and Mrs. Lucy Parker which was the occasion of many childhood reminiscences.

Members of the Les Modernes, a popular deb group, honored their mothers, Sunday afternoon at a well appointed reception at the home of Mrs. Minnie Young in Thirty-fourth street, Oakland. Miss Rosalyn Beckford is president of the club.

Mrs. Della Holman, 1437 Ashbury avenue, takes this opportunity to express her sincere gratitude to her many loyal friends for their kind thoughts and lovely expressions during her long illness. Mrs. Holman was seriously injured in an automobile accident near her home several months ago.

After a short visit in Los Angeles, Mrs. Lucy Tingle Dixon of New Orleans, was the house guest of her cousin, Mrs. Sarah Stanley, in Ashby avenue, for a brief visit last week. Mrs. Dixon was piled high with social courtesies during her week's sojourn, during which she was greeted by a large number of former Crescent City residents.

She was shown the sights at the fair and feted by Mrs. Lenora Duhaney in Twelfth street and Mrs. Richard McGuire in Thirty-fourth street, both of Oakland.

Mrs. Dixon left Tuesday en route home via Salt Lake City, Denver, and Kansas City.

Milton Raleigh, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Raleigh in Julia street, entrained for Washington, D. C., last Thursday, where he will enter the law school of Howard university. Mr. Raleigh received his B.A. from Lincoln univer-

sity at Missouri and worked on his M.A. in Kansas U.

Miss Delores Hudson of South Haven, Mich., is the house guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Berry in Ward street, where she is being shown a gay round of social attention.