

California BERKELEY

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Hundreds and hundreds of guests from San Francisco, Oakland and Berkeley attended the Cosmos Ball, Saturday, at the Scottish Rite Auditorium in San Francisco. The formal, an annual affair, was in celebration of the thirtieth anniversary of the Cosmos Social club of San Francisco. . . . Anthony Queen Seto, chairman of the Baha'i National Spiritual Assembly of San Francisco, was the guest speaker. Supplementing the program were several very distinguished artists. Frances Weiner, violinist; Elmer Dickey, baritone; Beula Forbes, pianist; and Patricia Bortfield, dramatic soprano. . . . The Cosmos, the oldest of its kind, is staffed by William Henry Lashley, president; Mrs. Hazel McPherson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Cornelius Atkinson, financial secretary; Mrs. Frank McAdoo, assistant secretary; Roxber Chambers, treasurer; and A. P. Lee, chairman of the board of directors.

Mr. Lashley has the distinction of being the only president of the organization since it was begun. Joseph Foreman was master of ceremonies for the occasion. Mrs. Vivian Osborne Marsh and LeRoy Wilson were on the reception committee. . . . In the absence of Mrs. Marsh, her sister, Miss Bessie Osborne, presented the debutantes into society. There were six white, five Negro, one Chinese and one Japanese.

The public spirited Miss Bessie Osborne, a senior USO hostess, of Berkeley, was the principal speaker at the Pittsburg USO on Third st., Sunday, Feb. 23. The topic of her discussion was "Observing Little Things." The boys provided a fine selection of hymns which was the basis of a unique song fest. . . . On Wednesday, Feb. 19, Miss Bessie Osborne spoke before the juvenile group at the seaport project in Richmond, Calif.

Mrs. E. Jefferson is leader of the group and Edmund Burke is the adviser.

The Berkeley Civic Study Club held forth in regular session, on Thursday, Feb. 20, at its club home, the club rooms in the South Berkeley branch library. . . . Mrs. Ruth LaSartemay, president, officiated during the business routine. Under the direction of Mrs. Jessie Kennon, program chairman, a study in Negro history was held in observance of National Negro History Week. Mrs. Frances Allen, well known Berkeleyn, was the main speaker for the occasion. Roll call response and current events on Negro life, further emphasized the celebration. . . . After a long seige of illness, some of the time during which he was confined in the Kerrick Memorial hospital, Frank McAdoo, Berkeleyn, died on Friday. Mr. McAdoo was well known in church, civic and lodge circles. He was employed for one firm, Morgan and Allen Jewelers, for 23 years. He was a member of the East Gate Lodge F. and A.M. . . . The deceased was born in North Carolina. He is survived by his beloved widow, Mrs. Mary McAdoo, also well known in church, civic, and lodge circles. Last rites were held for him on Tuesday, February 25.

Plans were completed for the Jabbwock which will be held on March 8, in the home of Mrs. Emma Strickland when she hosted the Omega Sigma Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta sorority, on Sunday. . . . The past Patrons and Matrons of the order of the Eastern Star assembled in the home of the Leon F. Marshes, 2828 Grant st., Sunday afternoon, Feb. 23, during which time the annual election of officers was held. . . . The newly staffed personnel is as follows: Sophronia Thompson, president; Minnie Parker, vice president; Ruby Brown, second vice president; Wonuva Simpson, third vice president; Minnie McCoy, secretary; Maggie Marshall, treasurer and Nora Cavel, program chairman. Hostesses for the occasion were Mesdames Gladys Mathews, Minnie McCoy and Vivian Osborne Marsh and Messrs. Clarence Banks and Henry Godefrey.

Mrs. Ione Tilghman was hostess to the Jolly Matrons bridge club, Sunday, Feb. 23, in her lovely home in Acton st. A jolly group of special guests made the affair quite gala. Calla lilies and fruit blossoms were included in the decorative scheme. . . . Prizes at bridge were won by Mesdames Rose Gilbert, Claudia Royal and Bessie Mack. Mrs. Ida Terry won the consolation prize. The club personnel includes Julla Carter, Sarah Hodge, Cassie Thomas, Ruth Daniels, Bernice Simpson and Ione Tilghman.