Guide to the Frances Albrier Papers

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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract: The Frances Albrier papers include correspondence, legal and financial records, awards, photographs, records of
civic organizations and women’s clubs, and assorted printed material documenting Albrier life and participation in various
civic organizations and women’s clubs in the San Francisco Bay Area.
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Biography / Administrative History

Social activist Frances Albrier (1898-1987) was born on September 21, 1898 in Mt. Vernon, New York to Lewis L. and Laura
Redgray. Following the death of her mother at the age of three, she was raised by her grandparents in Tuskegee, Alabama,
attending primary and secondary school at the nearby Tuskegee Institute. She attended Howard University graduating with
a B.A. in 1920. After graduation she moved to Berkeley, California where she met and married William Albert Jackson, and
the couple had three children: Albert Jackson, Betty Kimble, and Anita Black. In 1921, she attended a meeting of Marcus
Garvey’s Universal Negro Improvement Association at the Oakland Auditorium and joined Black Cross Nurse Corps. After
she was unable to find a nursing job in the Bay Area’s segregated hospitals, she took a position as a maid with the Pullman
Company in 1926. As a Pullman car maid, she met her second husband, Willie Antoine Albrier, and the two were married in
1934.

During the late 1930s, Albrier became active in a number of different political and civil rights issues. In 1938, she became
the first woman elected to the Alameda County Democratic Central Committee. The following year she became the first
woman to run for the Berkeley City Council, led the Citizen’s Employment Council’s “Don’t Buy Where You Can’t Work” campaign, and organized the East Bay Women’s Welfare Club, a women’s group which advocated for the hiring of black teachers in the Berkeley Unified School District. During the 1940s, she continued to be active in a number of women’s, civil rights, and union organizations while serving as a first aid instructor in the American Red Cross. After her application to become a welder was denied because blacks did not have an auxiliary union in Richmond, she garnered political pressure in the black community forcing Kaiser Shipyards to hire her making her the first black woman welder during the war.

Following the war, Albrier continued to be active in politics, women’s organizations, and civil rights issues, serving as president of many Bay Area organizations and co-chairing local political campaigns. She also became active in promoting black history and history, giving presentations to students in the Oakland Public School system on black history and culture and serving as president of both the San Francisco Negro Historical and Cultural Society and the East Bay Negro Historical Society. She also became an advocate of senior citizens throughout the 1960s-1970, serving on local, state, and federal committees on aging and the establishment of the Berkeley Senior Center. For her community service and many contributions in civil rights to the Bay Area, the City of Berkeley re-named the San Pablo Park Community Center in her honor in 1984.

Scope and Content of Collection
The Frances Albrier papers include correspondence, legal and financial records, awards, photographs, records of civic organizations and women’s clubs, and assorted printed material documenting Albrier life and participation in various civic organizations and women’s clubs in the San Francisco Bay Area. The papers are organized into six series: biographical material, civic organizations, political activities, educational activities, photographs, and assorted printed material.

Biographical material includes a biographical timeline of Albrier’s professional activities, personal correspondence, her last will and testament, funeral programs of Willie and Frances Albrier, assorted newspaper clippings documenting her participation in various organizations, business and membership cards, and awards and honorary certificates presented to Albrier for her advocacy for civil rights, senior citizens, and participation in various organizations and women’s groups.

The civic organizations series includes organizational records of the many civic organizations, governmental committees, and women’s clubs Albrier was either a member, president, or served on the organization’s board of directors. The records are organized alphabetically by organization and include the constitution and bylaws, yearbooks, programs, deeds, and financial records of women’s clubs, such as the Northern Federation of Colored Women’s Clubs, Inc., Fanny Hall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc., and the Women’s Arts & Industrial, Inc. The records also include correspondence, memoranda, and reports of senior citizen committees including the Berkeley Committee on Aging, California Committee on Aging, Northern California Caucus on the Black Aged, and records related to Albrier’s advocacy for the Berkeley Senior Center. There are also assorted publications and records of civic and civil rights organizations in which Albrier was an active member including the Berkeley Chapter of the NAACP, East Bay Negro Historical Society, and the San Francisco Historical and Cultural Society.

The political activities series includes mostly correspondence from politicians thanking Albrier for her political support, campaign flyers of politicians running for Berkeley city council and the California assembly in the 1960s-1970s, Albrier’s membership cards to various political organizations, and assorted correspondence related to her participation on the Democratic Central Committee of Alameda County. The educational activities series mostly consists of black history study kits, pamphlets, posters, and visual aids Albrier used to teach black history to students in the Oakland Public School system in the 1960s. The series also includes Albrier’s teaching notes, Oakland Public School volunteer forms, and thank you letters written by students to Albrier thanking her for her class presentations on black history.

Photographs include 189 photographs and negatives mostly documenting Albrier’s activities in various civic and women’s clubs. Photographs are arranged by photograph identification number and include portraits of Albrier as a Red Cross volunteer during the 1940s, group photographs at annual meetings of the National Negro Council of Women, a Negro history Boy Scout-O-Rama exhibit at the Cow Palace in San Francisco, an awards ceremony at the South Berkeley Senior Center, and a dedication ceremony of the Frances Albrier Community Center in Berkeley and a historical marker honoring civil rights pioneer Mary Ellen Pleasant in San Francisco erected by the San Francisco Historical and Cultural Society. Assorted printed material includes city of Berkeley and Men of Tomorrow, Inc. directories, East Bay church and women’s clubs programs, and books, brochures, ephemera, essays, pamphlets, periodicals mostly related to black history, California politics, and civil rights. There is also an assortment of Tuskegee Institute alumni brochures and programs, a collection of letters from Marcus Garvey to W.A. Deane, and flyers and an almanac of the Universal Negro Improvement Association (U.N.I.A).

Arrangement
Series I. Biographical material Series II. Civic organizations Series III. Political activities Series IV. Educational activities Series V. Photographs Series VI. Assorted printed material
Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.
California State Association of Colored Women's Clubs.
Fannie Wall Children's Home and Day Nursery, Inc.
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Berkeley Branch.
National Council of Negro Women.
Northern Federation of Colored Women's Clubs.
Women's Art & Industrial Club, Inc. (Oakland, Calif.)
African American women--California--History.
African American women--Societies and clubs.
African Americans--California--East Bay--History.

Related Material
Determined advocate for racial equality: oral history transcript / Mary Frances Albrier, Berkeley, Calif: Bancroft Library. Regional Oral History Office.

Biographical material
Physical Description: 35 folders
Series Scope and Content Summary
Includes financial records, personal correspondence, wills, biographical timeline, vaccination and membership cards, awards and certificates, and funeral programs.
Arrangement
Arranged alphabetically by format.

Box 1:1 Biographical timeline circa 1978
Box 1:2 Business and membership cards 1936-1987
Employment
Box 1:3 Desk nameplate undated
Box 1:4 United States post office San Francisco, California 1946
Box 1:4 U.S.S. Quincy equipment receipt 1945
Box 1:4 United States of America Railroad Retirement Board certificate of service months and wages circa 1945
Box 1:5 Financial records 1946-1986
Box 1:6 Funeral program [7 copies] 1987
Box 1:7-8 General correspondence 1942-1986
Box 1:9 Invitations and thank you cards 1962-1986
Box 1:10 Last will and testament of Frances Mary Albrier 1959, 1975
Box 1:11-12 Newspaper clippings 1957-1987
Box 1:13 Oral history projects 1977-1978
Box 1:14 Postcards 1941, 1972-1973 and undated
Box 1:15 “Thought of the day ...,” circa 1940s
Box 1:16 Vaccination card 1960
Box 1:17 War ration books circa 1940s
Box 1:18 Willie Albrier funeral service 1958
Awards
Box OM 16 Assembly Rules Committee California Legislature resolution by the Honorable John J. Miller relative to commending Frances M. Albrier for public service 1971-03-03
Box OM 16 California Senate Rules Committee resolution by Senator Nicholas C. Petris relative to commending Frances Albrier 1983-06-14
Box OM 16 County of Alameda board of supervisors commendation of Francis [sic] Albrier undated
Box 1:19 Advocates for Women certificate of appreciation 1979
Box 5          Alpha Chi Pi Omega 1963
Box 5          Association of Africans and African-Americans pre-Kwanzaa award 1978
Box 5          Bay Area Democratic Women achievement award 1967
Box 5          Bay Area Tuskegee Club 1960
Box 1:21       Berkeley Commission on Employment & Training valuable service award 1981
Box 1:19       Certificate of merit in celebration of Women’s History Month 1987
Box 1:21       City of Berkeley certificate of appreciation for civil rights 1983
Box 1:19       City of Berkeley certificate of recognition 1976
Box 1:21       City of Berkeley Commission on Employment and Training certificate of appreciation 1979
Box 7          Berkeley Committee on Aging appreciation award undated
Box 1:21       City of Berkeley proclamation Frances M. Albrier Community Center Day undated
Box 1:20       East Bay Skills Center Honorary G.E.D. 1979
Box 1:20       East Bay Negro Historical Society 1975
Box 5          Ethnic Minority Association of California 1974
Box OM17       Equal Rights Advocates award 1987
Box 5          The Nebraskans undated
Box 5          New Light Seniors 1976
Box 5          Sacramento-Ashby-Adeline-Alcatraz Task Force 1984
Box 5          Sacramento-Ashby Improvement Association undated
Box 5          San Pablo Neighborhood Council 1976
Box 5          Sun Reporter Women of the Year award 1966
Box 5          YAP merit award 1978
Box 5          YMCA service award undated

Civic organizations

Physical Description: 80 folders
Series Scope and Content Summary
Includes records documenting Albrier's participation on various committees, civic and civil rights groups, and women's clubs in the San Francisco Bay Area.
Arrangement
Arranged alphabetically by organization or committee.

Box 1:22       Berkeley Committee on Aging 1965-1979

Berkeley Neighborhood Legal Services

Box 1:23       “Proposal regarding continuous funding for Berkeley Neighborhood Legal Services a non-profit corporation to provide services to the poor” [2 copies] circa 1979
Box 1:24       Brief re: funding of Berkeley Neighborhood Legal Services Program circa 1979
Box 1:23       Letter to Joaquin Celaya 1980

Berkeley Senior Center

Box 1:25       Assorted 1966-1979
Box 1:26       Awards 1972-1979
Box 1:27       Board of directors
Box 1:27       Roster 1962
Box 1:27       Meeting minutes 1962
Box 1:28       Correspondence 1969-1978
Box 1:29       Frances Albrier appreciation day program 1983
Box 1:30       History of the Berkeley Senior Center circa 1970s
Box 1:31       Job descriptions 1976 and undated
Box 1:32       Petition for establishment of a community center in South Berkeley to the city council of Berkeley, California 1940
Civic organizations

Berkeley Senior Center

Box 1:33
Program of dedication 1966
South Berkeley Senior Citizens Center dedication program 1977
*The Nugget* newsletters 1968-1978

Box 1:35
California Committee on Aging 1969-1977

California State Association of Women, Inc.

Box 1:36
By-laws circa 1940s-1950s
*Woman's Journal* 1954
57th annual state convention program 1963

Box 1:37
East Bay Negro Historical Society 1967-1987

Fanny Hall Children's Home and Day Nursery, Inc.

Box 1:38
Membership brochure circa 1940s
Correspondence 1960-1961
“The true story of Fannie Wall home,” circa 1958

Box 1:39
Herrick Memorial Hospital 1970-1980

Box 2:1
International Black Community Automobile Dealers' Association, Inc. articles of incorporation 1967

Box 1:2
Title 1965

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

Awards

Box 2:2
25 years of service diploma 1984
Northern Area Conference NAACP foot-soldier award 1981
Correspondence 1967-1976
Berkeley Branch

Box 2:4
Executive board meeting notes 1968
Memoranda re: school integration 1967
Membership lists and notes 1967-1970
Officer election ballot 1968
Position statement on federal contract compliance 1967
Publications

Box 2:7
Freedom fund banquet program 1981
*BEAM* newsletter 1967
Statement on Berkeley police brutality circa 1960s
Treasurer's reports 1967-1969
Membership card 1969
Publications

Box 2:8
*NAACP: meeting your needs* April, 1965
*The NAACP guards your right* [3 copies] circa 1960s
*The story of the NAACP its program and objectives* [3 copies] 1967

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Constitutions

Box 2:8  
Constitution for youth councils, junior youth councils, and young adult youth councils of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People 1964

Box 2:8  
Constitution and by-laws for branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People [2 copies] 1960

Box 2:8  
Constitution of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People [2 copies] 1964

Box 2:8  
Constitution and by-laws for branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People [2 copies] 1967

Flyers

Box 2:8  
NAACP membership station join here! circa 1960s

Box 2:8  
Riot prevention 1967

Pamphlets

Box 2:8  
Hints for better branch administration 1962

Box 2:8  
Implementing the report of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders circa 1960s

Box 2:8  
NAACP 57th annual convention resolutions July, 5-9 1966 Los Angeles, California [2 copies] 1966

Box 2:8  
Understanding NAACP policy [2 copies] 1962

Box 2:2  
Raymond Ross affidavit 1964

West Coast Region

Box 2:9  
Bay Area life membership club annual banquet program 1976

Box 2:9  
Constitution and by-laws 1965

Box 2:9  
First bi-ennial conference program Asilomar, California 1954

Box 2:9  
Memoranda 1967-1969

National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

San Francisco Chapter

Box 2:10  
Authority to organize a chapter form undated

Box 2:11  
Correspondence 1957-1969

Box 2:12  
Committee and membership rosters 1956-1957

Box 2:13  
Debutante ball 1967

Box 2:10  
Frances Albrier membership card 1949

Box 2:14  
Mayor’s proclamation honoring Mary Bethune Cookman 1957

Box 2:14  
Meeting notes circa 1957

Box 2:15  
Memo president’s desk 1957

Box 2:16  
Programs 1954-1973

Box 2:14  
Skit script undated

Box 5  
Life member’s guild award undated

Assorted printed material

Box OM17  
41st national convention poster 1983

Box 2:15  
Programs 1954-1987

Reports

Box 2:16  
Delta Sigma Theta sorority, Inc. report to the 22nd annual convention of the National Council of Negro Women 1967

Box 2:17  
Local councils financial report 1957

Box 2:17  

Box 2:18  
Women United souvenir year book sixteenth anniversary 1951

Box 2:19  
Northern California Caucus on the Black Aged 1971-1979

Northern Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc.

Box 2:20  
Articles of incorporation 1914, 1965
| Box 2:21 | Clubs, presidents, and queens undated |
| Box 2:24 | Correspondence 1963-1975 |
| Box 2:25 | Deeds 1918-1946 |
| Box 2:26 | Financial records |
| Box 2:27 | Receipts 1922-1969 |
| Box 2:28 | Balance sheets/ledgers 1937-1941; 1958-1959 |
| Box 2:29 | Meeting minutes / sign-in sheets 1964-1965 |
| Box 2:21 | Membership card 1966 |
| Box 2:21 | Report to members 1957 |
| Box 2:29 | Resolutions to purchase property at 13th St. and Peralta St. 1918 |
| Box 2:30 | Title and fire insurance policies 1914-1942 |
| Box 2:21 | Tribute to Frances Mary Albrier program 1987 |

| Box 3:1 | San Francisco Negro Historical and Cultural Society 1957-1968 |

**South Berkeley Model Cities Program**

| Box 3:2 | A model cities guide 1962 |
| Box 3:3 | Berkeley city manager memoranda 1970 |
| Box 3:4 | By-laws of the South Berkeley Model Cities Neighborhood Council 1969 |
| Box 3:5 | Committee meetings 1970-1971 |
| Box 3:6 | Community development: Where have we been? Where are we now? Where are we going? 1974 |
| Box 3:7 | Correspondence 1968-1977 |
| Box 3:8 | Flyers 1970 and undated |
| Box 3:9 | Newspaper clippings 1971 |
| Box 3:10 | Objectives and strategies undated |
| Box 3:2 | Planning grant application summary 1968 |
| Box 3:11 | Priority checklist of projects circa 1971 |
| Box 3:12 | South Berkeley model cities program submission 2: problem analysis 1970 |
| Box 3:12 | South Berkeley model cities? Start here [2 copies] undated |
| Box 3:13 | U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development transmittals 1970 |
| Box 3:14 | U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development model cities program questions and answers brochures 1968-1970 |

**Women’s Art & Industrial Club, Inc.**

| Box 3:15 | Articles of incorporation 1926 |
| Box 5 | Appreciation award given to Frances Albrier for outstanding service and dedicated leadership for new club house 1962 |
| Box 3:16 | Correspondence 1926-1973 |
| Box 3:17 | Deeds 1926-1931 |
| Box 3:18 | Fashion show |
| Box 3:18 | Flyer 1966 |
| Box 3:18 | Planning notes 1966 |
| Box 3:18 | Tickets 1970, 1975 |
| Box 3:19 | Fire insurance policy 1950 |
| Box 3:20 | Financial records |
| Box 3:21 | Builders contracts 1935, 1948 |
| Box 3:21 | City of Oakland and Alameda County tax statements 1926-1956 |
| Box 3:22 | Financial statements / ledgers 1950-1956 |
| Box 3:23 | Invoices 1954-1956 |
| Box 3:24 | Money receipt books 1953-1956 |
| Box 3:25 | Rent receipts 1953-1966 |
| Box 3:26 | Club house subscriber contracts 1926 |
Civic organizations
Women's Art & Industrial Club, Inc.

Box 3:27
Lease 1942-1948

Box 3:28
Membership dues books 1956-1976

Box OM17
Scrapbook circa 1950s

Box 3:29
Yearbooks 1939-1967

Political activities
Physical Description: 9 folders
Series Scope and Content Summary
Includes campaign flyers, correspondence, charter agreements, membership cards, and
inaugural programs related to Frances Albrier's political activities.
Arrangement
Arranged alphabetically by format.

Box 3:30
Berkeley Black Council 1981-1985
Campaign flyers
Box 3:31
Assorted circa 1960s-1970s
Box 3:32
Berkeley City Council 1957-1977
Box 3:33
City of Berkeley consent calendar to rename San Pablo Recreation Center 1983
Box 3:34
Correspondence 1946-1982
Box 3:35
Democratic Central Committee of Alameda County 1957 and undated
Box 3:36
Golden Gate Democratic Club application for charter and agreement 1959
Box 3:37
Membership cards / passes 1942-1977
Box 3:38
Programs 1948-1978

Educational activities
Physical Description: 20 folders
Series Scope and Content Summary
Includes posters, study kits, pamphlets, visual aids, and calendars used by Frances Albrier
for teaching black history to students. Also included are her teaching notes, Oakland Public
Schools volunteer program forms, and students' thank you letters.
Arrangement
Arranged by format.

Black history teaching materials

Calendars
Box 3:39
Calendar: twelve American women 1942
Box OM17
Negro women of the post civil war period who were noted for their
achievement and charm,” Supreme Life Insurance Company of America [3
copies] 1965
Box 3:39
Negro heritage library calendar 1966
Box OM17
The Negro speaks of Rivers, Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Company 1968
Box 3:39
The fifteenth amendment and Black America in the century 1870-1970 1970
Box OM17
Seagram’s Negro historical calendar 1970
Box OM17
The quest for success: black entrepreneurs in America, Miller Brewing
Company 1985

Pamphlets
Box 3:40
Afro-Americans in the far West: a handbook for educators / Jack D.Forbes circa
1960s
Box 3:40
The American Negro: a history in biography & pictures / Norman McRae and
Jerry Blocker 1965
Box 3:40
American traveler’s guide to Negro history / American Oil Company 1963
Box 3:40
Digane: a reappraisal of the Zulu king / Felix Chukwuemeka Okaye circa 1960s
Box 3:40
Distaff to history / Joseph V. Baker Associates circa 1960s
Box 3:40
Negro Americans / Time Magazine [2 copies] 1964
Box 3:41
Negroes heroes of emancipation / National Association for the Advancement of
Colored People 1964
### Educational activities

#### Black history teaching materials

| Box 3:41 | *Negro History Week* / Association for the Study of Negro Life and History 1969 |
| Box 3:41 | The Negro in America / Youth Adult Division of the Oakland Public Library 1967 |
| Box 3:41 | The Negro in education timeline circa 1957 |
| Box 3:41 | Nigeria circa 1960s |
| Box 3:41 | *Suggestions for the teaching of Negro history* / Association for the Study of Negro Life and History 1970 |
| Box 3:41 | *West Africa before Columbus* / Lillian Duffy 1969 |

#### Posters

| Box OM17 | African history, art, music, literature: evidences of black culture [3 copies] 1972 |
| Box OM17 | The fifteenth amendment and black America in the century, 1870-1970 [4 copies] 1970 |
| Box OM17 | Freedom and responsibility: Negro history and a new birth of freedom circa 1960s |
| Box OM17 | Freedom trails of Negro history in Boston undated |
| Box OM17 | Hop scotch / Margaret Burroughs undated |
| Box OM17 | Marcus Garvey week 1967 |
| Box OM17 | *Negro History Week: freedom from racial myths and stereotypes through Negro history* 1965 |
| Box OM17 | Negro history: a basis for the new freedom [2 copies] 1964 |
| Box OM17 | Negro history and the fourteenth amendment 1968 |
| Box OM17 | The races of mankind undated |
| Box OM17 | Twentieth century Americans of Negro lineage [2 copies] 1965 |

#### Study kits and visual aids

| Box 4:2 | *Negro history study kit* / Association for the Study of Negro Life and History 1968 |
| Box 4:3 | Profiles of black Americans / Dexter & Westbrook 1969 |
| Box OM16 | Portraits: twentieth century Americans of Negro lineage / Friendship Press 1965 |
| Box OM16 | Negroes in our history, no. 1 / Afro-AM Publishing Company, Inc. [2 copies] circa 1960s |
| Box 4:5 | Assorted portraits of famous black Americans undated |
| Box 4:6 | Assorted visual aids undated |
| Box OM16 | Assorted visual aids undated |

| Box 4:7 | *Negro History Week 1961-1973 and undated* |

| Box 4:8 | *Oakland Public Schools volunteer program forms 1967* |

#### Student thank you letters

| Box 4:9 | Crocker Highlands School 1967 |
| Box 4:9 | Duran pre-school 1968 |
| Box 4:9 | Grass Valley School 1967 |
| Box 4:9 | J. Miller School, Oakland, California 1967 |
Photographs

Physical Description: 189 photographs

Series Scope and Content Summary

Includes 189 photographs of Frances Albrier's family, friends, and related to her participation in various civic and women's groups.

Arrangement

Arranged by photograph identification number.

Box 4:11

Elderly men and women seated at banquet tables [001] 1978

Box 4:11

Negro History exhibit at Boy Scout-O-Rama held at Cow Palace, San Francisco, California [002] 1965

Box 4:11

Frances Albrier and woman holding microphone in banquet hall [003] 1978

Box 4:11

Frances Albrier and Mr. Tupper holding microphone in banquet hall [004] 1978

Box 4:11

Elderly women seated at banquet tables, reverse: 'Whalen, LaDueux, Mrs. Tompkins' [005] 1978

Box 4:11

Elderly men and women seated at banquet tables [006] 1978

Box 4:11

Elderly women seated at banquet tables, reverse: 'Mrs. Turner Mrs.LaDoux' [007] 1978

Box 4:11

Frances Albrier and Janie Oliver holding microphone in banquet hall [008] 1978

Box 4:11

Group photograph of members of the National Council of Negro Women San Francisco Chapter attending dinner after regional meeting [009] 1954

Box 4:11

Frances Albrier and two women standing next to woman holding a trophy [010] circa 1970s

Box 4:11

Frances Albrier and two women standing next to woman holding a trophy [011] circa 1970s

Box 4:11

Crowd attending Berkeley Senior Center open house event [012] 1979

Box 4:11

Ray Bell publicity still, caption: 'To Frances best wishes Ray Bell' [013] undated

Box 4:11

Negro History exhibit at Boy Scout-O-Rama held at Cow Palace, San Francisco, California [014] 1965

Box 4:11

Elderly men and women seated at banquet tables, reverse: 'Mr. Tupper, Mrs. Johnson, Mr Johnson 100' [015] 1978

Box 4:11

Negro History exhibit at Boy Scout-O-Rama held at Cow Palace, San Francisco, California [016] 1965

Box 4:11

Members of the National Council of Negro Women San Francisco Chapter attending dinner after regional meeting [017] 1954

Box 4:11

Negro History exhibit at Boy Scout-O-Rama held at Cow Palace, San Francisco, California [018] 1965

Box 4:11

Frances Albrier and seven men and women dressed in mason regalia, caption: 'civil liberties' [019] circa 1950s

Box 4:11

Four women standing in commercial kitchen, reverse: 'Rosemary, Effie, Mabel Jackson, Kay Harwig' [020] circa 1980s

Box 4:11

Group photograph of Frances Albrier with Mary McLeod Bethune and men and women dressed in mason regalia, caption: 'civil liberties' [021] circa 1950s

Box 4:11

Frances Albrier delivering speech at podium, reverse: 'Albrier podium, Suzanne Director, Chinese minister, Joan Kasten, Howard Campbell' [022] circa 1980s

Box 4:12

Frances Albrier sitting in wicker chair [023] circa 1980s

Box 4:12

King of Uganda and nephew holding America Needs An Ideology book attending the Moral Re-Armament Assembly of Nations, Mackinac Island [024] circa 1950s

Box 4:11

Group of men shaking hands at the Moral Re-Armament Assembly of Nations, Mackinac Island [025 A/B] circa 1950s

Box 4:12

Three women wearing kimonos [026] circa 1950s

Box 4:12

Crowd sitting in assembly hall [027] circa 1950s
Box 4:12  Group of men in African dress seated on stage [028] circa 1950s
Box 4:12  Three women in kimonos speaking to audience [029] circa 1950s
Box 4:12  Four men talking on veranda [030] circa 1950s
Box 4:12  Boy and girl in kimono talking to man [031] circa 1950s
Box 4:12  Portrait of Frances Albrier [032] circa 1950s
Box 4:12  Portrait of a baby boy, caption: 'Merry Xmas James Lee' [033] circa 1950s
Box 4:12  Portrait of a woman, inscribed: 'To Frances & Bill from Mel Baldivest [?] March 6 1946' [034] 1946
Box 4:12  Members of the San Francisco Negro Historical and Cultural Society dedicating Mary Ellen Pleasant historical marker [035] 1965
Box 4:12  Frances Albrier and three members of the San Francisco Negro Historical and Cultural Society attending Mary Ellen Pleasant historical marker dedication [036] 1965
Box 4:12  Members of the San Francisco Negro Historical and Cultural Society attending Mary Ellen Pleasant historical marker dedication [037] 1965
Box 4:12  Mary Ellen Pleasant historical marker [038] 1965
Box 4:12  Mary Ellen Pleasant historical marker [039] 1965
Box 4:12  Frances Albrier sitting at table with group of women [040] circa 1960s
Box 4:12  Frances Albrier and Kivie Kaplan presenting N.A.A.C.P. life membership to Euna Tucker [041] 1956
Box 4:12  Frances Albrier sitting at table with group of women with Paul Robeson [?] [042] circa 1960s
Box 4:12  Martha Johnson, Mr. Irwin and members of the Historical Quilting Club of Sausalito sitting beneath Frederick Douglass and Harriet Tubman quilts [043] circa 1960s
Box 4:12  Martha Johnson, Mr. Irwin and members of the Historical Quilting Club of Sausalito sitting beneath Frederick Douglass and Harriet Tubman quilts [044] circa 1960s
Box 4:12  Frances Albrier with members of the Alameda County Democratic Central Committee [045] 1952
Box 4:13  Two women holding index cards [046] circa 1960s
Box 4:13  Frances Albrier standing beside 'East Bay Negro Historical Society honors The Builders of Bridges' banner [047] circa 1960s
Box 4:13  Mary McLeod Bethune sitting in chair changing radio station, caption: 'In my Washington bedroom' [048] 1948
Box 4:13  Council of Negro Women's National Negro History Week exhibit [049] 1957
Box 4:13  Pianist Hazel Scott and Mary McLeod Bethune on stage, Daytona Beach, Florida [050] 1950
Box 4:11  Two women standing in front of house with two men in military uniform [051] 1942
Box 4:11  Two women standing in front of house with five men in military uniform [052] 1942
Box 4:11  Frances Albrier and army nurse Mrs. K. Randle [053] circa 1940s
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Full partnership of women in our democracy, President’s Commission on the Status of Women 1962

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