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## Negro Women Active at Democratic Convention

CHICAGO — (ANP) — Democratic women delegates, including a few Negro women, attending the National convention this year outnumbered the Democratic women's representation at the 1948 convention. They also outnumbered the number of Republican women attending their recent convention in Chicago.

Among Democratic Negro women delegates and alternates elected to the convention are Almena Lomax of Los Angeles, Georgia Jones Ellis of Chicago, Lillian Hatcher of Detroit, Mrs. Anna Brown of Kansas City, Mo., Mrs. Arдания Morgan and Jean Blythe of St. Louis, Mrs. Mayme Elliott Bowling of Emporia, Kan., and Mrs. Susia Monroe of Philadelphia.

In addition to the women delegates, a number of nationally known women served as speakers on the important issues of the 1952 campaign. Among these outstanding women was Mrs. Edith S. Sampson, who served as alternate to the fifth United Nations General Assembly.

A report of the two-day session

of Democratic women, held in the Grand Ballroom of the Conrad Hilton Hotel on July 22 and 23, will be presented as "The Animated Democratic Digest," a living issue of the "Democratic Digest," official publication of the Women's Division of the Democratic National Committee.

The special convention issue of the "Democratic Digest" will be edited by Dorothy Girton, assisted by Mrs. Venice Spraggs, chief of the Washington Bureau of the Chicago Defender; along with Miss Elsie Jensen and Mrs. Jane Schmidt, Democratic couriers on the staff of the Women's Division.

Mrs. India Edwards, vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee and Director of its Women's Division declared: "This increased representation of Democratic women at the Convention this year clearly demonstrates the important contributions that women are making to our party organization and it emphasizes the fact that Democratic leadership tangibly expressed recognition of women's contributions to our political life."

## Powell Sounds Off on Negro Vote

NEW YORK (ANP) — Congressman Adam Clayton Powell sounded off last week that the Democratic party "makes a serious mistake when it thinks that they can win without the Negro vote" and the Negro "will have to vote Democratic."

The Representative said nothing less than the civil rights plank in the 1948 Democratic platform would be acceptable to "his people."

"I will personally lead a movement to keep Negroes away from the polls in November" Powell said. "The Democratic party cannot win without the Negro vote. We do not have to vote Republican. We just won't vote at all."

The congressman's statement was made in reference to comment from Chicago by Sen. John J. Sparkman of Alabama, in which he said he was working out a "compromise civil rights plank, which would be acceptable to the south as well as the north."

Meanwhile, Congressman Powell, who is a delegate at large to the Democratic convention, faces a fight within his own party in Harlem for his own reelection.

Hubert Bruce, former Tammany Hall leader, in fact the first Negro Democratic leader in New York, has been known to be anxiously eyeing Powell's seat and is merely waiting an opportunity to unseat the Baptist minister.

## Cite Police

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it climbed last year and should be back to or above normal this year, Kelly added.

In 1948, Louisville experienced an incident which threatened to throw the city into an uproar. At that time, McCandless was director of safety for the city.

The incident occurred one morning when residents awoke to find they were invited to a mixed picnic in a white park, one of seven segregated for white, McCandless said. Five parks were reserved for Negroes.

At that time, the park board held fast to segregation and the rule had been upheld by a lower court.

Added to the unfavorable reaction of local residents was news McCandless received from the FBI that professional agitators were filtering into Louisville to pro-

voke incidents that might end in a riot.

Realizing that he was faced with an incendiary situation and that police were untrained to meet it, McCandless, on the advice of Lohman, called in civic leaders and radio and newspapermen.

He told them he would take a group of whites to a colored park, technically arrest them, and parole them immediately for a test court case. He also would take Negroes to a white park and follow the same course of action.

The newspaper editorials and radio comments which followed helped dispel the tensions and sent the agitators scurrying away.

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### Nebraska's Counties

The name of Daniel Boone appears in many places on the map of the West. In Nebraska, Boone County commemorates the noted frontiersman. Likewise, Albion, the county seat, bears a name that is familiar on the map of America and which emphasizes the English origins of the United States. Boone County's Albion was named after Albion, Michigan, which in turn took its name from Albion, Maine. The Maine town, though, traces its name directly to the poetical name for England.

Settlement in Boone County dates from April, 1871, when a company of men organized in Columbus camped on the site of the present town of Albion. The legislature already had defined the boundaries of Boone County, and these early settlers wasted little time in transforming the paper county into a functioning political subdivision of the state.

On July 28, 1871, John Hammond, Harvey Maric and S. P. Bollman were sworn in as county commissioners by Judge I. N. Taylor of Platte County. At an early meeting, the commissioners designated the first Tuesday in January, 1872, as the date of the county's first election.

The election came off as scheduled and county government got going under a regularly-elected set of officers. The location of the county seat, however, remained unsettled. Both Boone and Albion—the only two post offices in the county—coveted the honor, and the year 1872 saw considerable maneuvering and in-fighting.

Loran Clark, who owned the Albion townsite, was hesitant to go to the expense of having the town platted unless he could be sure of the county seat. Albion was the choice of the voters at a special election held October 8, 1872, but it required some fast work on the part of Mr. Clark to prevent the people of Boone from re-naming their town "Albion" and taking over as the county seat. Boone County's formative years were marked by drouth, depression and grasshopper infestations. Consequently, the early development of the county was slow. In the middle seventies, though, roads were graded and a few bridges were built.

One of the great days in the county's early history was June 29, 1880, when the first engine of the newly-built Omaha, Niobrara and Black Hills Railroad—constructed in part with bonds voted by the county—puffed into Albion. In 1887 the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Railroad was built through the county.

The census of 1880 showed 4,170 persons living within the 683 square miles of Boone County. By 1890 the population had jumped to 8,683, by 1900 to 11,689. The highest return in the county's history came in 1930, with 14,738. The figures for 1950 show 10,703 persons living in the county, less than the number residents there in 1900.

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## Cattlemen Are Enthused About State Fair Angus Show

(SPECIAL) — Enthusiasm is mounting among cattlemen in anticipation of the National Aberdeen-Angus show, which will be held in conjunction with the 1952 Nebraska State Fair in Lincoln, August 31 through September 5.

The State Fair schedule reveals that the Angus show will begin Wednesday, September 3, during Fair Week, and will end with the big sale Thursday. The animals will be on exhibit throughout Fair Week.

Breeders from all parts of the country are preparing their finest Angus cattle for exhibition at this great event. The show will feature some of the most outstanding registered Angus ever shown in Nebraska.

Angus interests in the Cornhusker state have increased many fold in recent years. In fact, the Sandhills section of the state has become one of the most important livestock producing areas in the nation.

The area is ideal for the hardy Angus breed. There is an abundant water supply, lush fields of grass, and breeders in the territory know how to produce cattle efficiently.

The show at Lincoln will accommodate a large Angus entry, with much of the huge cattle barn expected to be set aside for the Black Beauties.

\$10,000 in prize money will be offered to the exhibitors, and several trophies will be presented. The Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, several Lincoln firms and the State Fair Board will supplement the prize list with trophies, according to Edwin Schultz, secretary of the Fair Board.

Presence of the National Aberdeen-Angus show in Nebraska will no doubt add greatly to the breed's popularity in this region. It will also add luster to the Nebraska State Fair and should lure many extra visitors to Lincoln.

### Mrs. Rosa Adair Dies

Mrs. Rosa Adair, the wife of Ream Adair, 729 Greeley, died Saturday morning at 3:15 a.m., in the Kansas University Medical Center in Kansas City.

She was a member of the Pleasant Green Baptist church where she served in all of the auxiliaries of that church. She was on the staff of teachers in the Kaw Valley District Association. Mrs. Adair

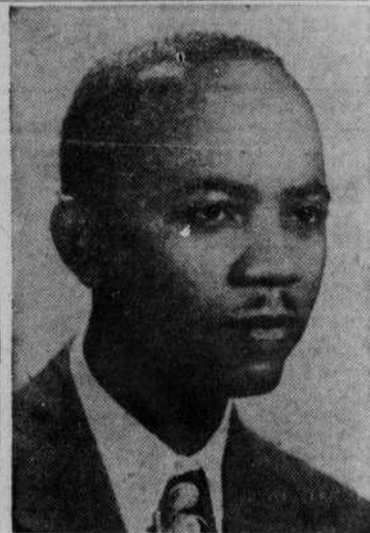
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### Tuskegee Prof Gets Ph.D.

William A. Hunter, youthful assistant professor of education at Tuskegee institute, recently earned his Ph.D. from Iowa State College. Dr. Hunter, a veteran of World War II, has been teaching at Tuskegee since 1950.

was a member of the Hallie Q. Brown Art and Study club and a member of the Association of Kansas Women's clubs.

She leaves her husband, Ream Adair; a brother, Watt Vann of Lenapah, Oklahoma; five nieces, Ruth Prather of Tulsa, Okla., Isitta Mayes and Martha Vann of Richmond, Calif., Mrs. Mary Ward and Mrs. Alberta Hines of K.C.K.; a nephew, Wilbur Brown, K.C.K.; five great nephews, three great nieces and many other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Adair formerly lived in Lincoln.

### Contraltos Share Spotlight on Radio

CHICAGO, Ill.—Two outstanding contraltos, Lois Ray, former Marian Anderson award winner, and Shelby Davis, were recently co-starred on "America's Music" on the NBC radio network.

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