DEMOS MAY GIVE VICE PRESIDENCY TO COAST WOMAN

Boom Already Under Way to Give Second Place On Ticket to Annette Adams of Frisco.

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San Francisco, July 16.—Will the democratic vice presidential nomination go to a woman?

This query was agitating not alone the feminine advance guard to the national convention here today, but was also being seriously discussed by the male contingent.

One well defined vice presidential boom for a woman is well under way and two other names of women prominent in the party are being mentioned in connection with the proposal to place a woman close to if not actually in the White House.

Boom Under Way.

The boom is for Mrs. Annette A. Adams of San Francisco, recently named assistant attorney general of the United States and until recently United States district attorney for northern California. She now holds the highest governmental appointment ever given a woman. Her availability as a candidate is being enthusiastically boosted by several Pacific coast women's clubs and endorsement to the boom has been given by several of the women leaders who have arrived here to attend the convention. Mrs. Adams today had not decided to become an active candidate for the nomination.

The two other women most mentioned in connection with the vice presidential nomination are Mrs. George Bass of Chicago, head of the woman's bureau of the party, and Miss Elizabeth Marbury, daughter of an old Tammany chieftain and holder of many decorations for war work. Both Mrs. Bass and Miss Marbury are already in San Francisco.

Women Are Busy.

In fact the busiest spot in the whole pre-convention activities is the headquarters of the woman's bureau. Scores of women workers have arrived and are in constant conference with Mrs. Bass. Several women delegates and members of the national committee are included among the early arrivals.

Women will have a better representation in the democratic convention than was the case at the republican convention in Chicago, it was declared today. Of the 105 members of the democratic national committee, 53 are women—one from each state and territory.

Practically all of the states have a sprinkling of women in their delegations and from some the entire list of alternates is made up of women.

Supreme Court Will Decide Whether Cloth Is Clothing

New York, June 16.—The supreme court of the United States has been called upon to decide whether cloth is clothing under the Lever act. Federal Judge Hand today granted a writ of error asked by the government in the case of the American Woolen companies of New York and Massachusetts, and William M. Wood, president of these corporations, who were charged with profiteering in the sale of bolts of cloth. The writ was allowed after filing of an order by Federal Judge Mack quashing the indictment on the ground that cloth was not wearing apparel.

Columbus Loses Rank as Third Largest City in Ohio

Washington, June 16.—Columbus has lost to Toledo its place as third largest city in Ohio, but it has outstripped Louisville and St. Paul in rank among the large cities of the country.

The population of Columbus was announced today by the census bureau as 237,031, an increase of 55,520, or 30.6 per cent. Toledo showed an increase of 74,612, or 44.3 per cent, during the last decade, and now has a population of 243,109.

Columbus ranked as 29th most populous of the country in 1910.

Newspaper Man Who Brought Hughes In Limelight Dies

New York, June 16.—David Ferguson, former New York newspaper man, who was instrumental in starting the state investigation of the insurance scandal which brought Charles E. Hughes prominently before the public, died in his home in Milledgeville, Ga., today, according to messages received here.

Mayor Gaynor appointed him supervisor of The City Record, a municipal publication, in 1910. He resigned in 1917 because of failing health and returned to his home in Milledgeville.