

What Women Are Doing

WOMEN DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES WHO WILL ATTEND SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION

Liberal Representation Given Proves Significant In That It Shows Spirit in Which Women Are Welcomed Into the Party—More Than Three Hundred Accredited Delegates and Alternates

The representation given women by the Democratic party in its National Convention is significant. On June 1 there were seven States in which conventions had not been held. Despite many hopes justified by what appeared to be the logic of events, the ratification of the Federal suffrage amendment by a thirty-sixth State had not been achieved. Nevertheless, the list of women elected to serve as delegates and alternates in the National Convention at San Francisco exceeds the expectation of the most sanguine of the women.

The most coveted honor of delegate-at-large has been conferred on twenty-five women. Twenty-three are alternates-at-large and more than three hundred will go to the convention as district delegates and alternates. Each State is sending women who have demonstrated their ability in public service. Beginning in their local clubs, most of them have developed extraordinary political acumen through the long campaign for suffrage. Many have been prominent in welfare work, and through the knowledge of what the vote means as a power for bringing about needed reforms, have allied themselves with the Democratic party, which stands for progress that will make liberty and equality more than mere words.

A brief survey of the delegations from the various States is of interest. Necessarily incomplete, a typical biography here and there proves what fine material for citizenship the women bring to the party.

ARIZONA.

Arizona sends as delegates-at-large Mrs. Bettie White, of Douglas. Mrs. G. H. Hirst, also of Douglas, is alternate-at-large. There are four district alternates; Mrs. Theodora Marsh, Nogales; Mrs. George Foote, Safford; Miss Alice Birdsall, Phoenix, and Miss Helen Price, Tucson. Mrs. White, associate national committee woman, is identified with the State's best interests. Mrs. Hirst is prominent as a club woman and has done much public work in Douglas. Miss Birdsall is an attorney who has made a reputation in the practice of law.

CALIFORNIA.

Miss Mary E. Foy, of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Charles L. Donohoe, of Oakland, are delegates-at-large. Miss Foy is associate national committee woman and it is said that her persuasive speech before the national committee did much to bring about the selection of San Francisco as the convention place. Miss Foy belongs to a pioneer family of Southern California and long has been identified with public work. Six women have been elected district delegates; Miss N. Carpenter, San Francisco; Miss Georgia C. Ormsby, Oakland; Mrs. W. A. Fitzgerald, Fresno; Mrs. Foye Parker, Los Angeles, and Miss Violet Campbell, El Centro.

COLORADO.

Mrs. Helen L. Grenfell, delegate-at-large from Colorado, is a member of the executive committee of the Democratic National Committee and has been a leader in her State ever since it gave women the ballot. She served several terms as Superintendent of Public Instruction.

CONNECTICUT.

Two alternates-at-large will represent Connecticut women in the convention. Mrs. M. Whitney, of New Haven, and Mrs. J. Hudson Maxim, of Hartford, both prominent in suffrage work, received what was a significant vote in a State where women do not vote. Mrs. F. Welch, of Columbia, is alternate.

ILLINOIS.

Four alternates-at-large will go to San Francisco from Illinois. They are: Mrs. Howard T. Willson, Virden; Mrs. A. L. Smith, Chicago; Mrs. William H. Hart, Benton; and Mrs. N. W. Backus, Freeport. Mrs. Willson is a leader in State work, an organizer of great ability, an eloquent speaker, and a tireless worker. Mrs. Smith has been active in party work in Chicago for many years.

IOWA.

Four district delegates and their alternates will go to the convention from Iowa. Miss Anna Lawther, Dubuque, associate national committee woman and long foremost as a suffragist, is from the Third district. The

other women delegates are: Mrs. C. J. Cash, Anamosa; Mrs. L. E. Courlette, Oskaloosa; Mrs. Harry C. Evans, Des Moines, and Miss Ruth W. Sumner, Adel. The alternates are: Mrs. Jennie Courlette, Oskaloosa; Mrs. Edith Clarke, Sioux City; Mrs. T. H. O'Neil, Columbus Junction; Mrs. E. A. Nabers, Fort Madison; Mrs. E. A. Swisher, Iowa City; Mrs. Marie Moore Fredrickson, Cedar Falls; Mrs. G. C. Stockman; Mason City; Mrs. H. H. Schulte, Elkader; Mrs. E. T. Koch, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. E. T. Rice, Shellsburg; Mrs. Victoria Dewey, Chariton; Mrs. Eva Rhea, Leon; Mrs. Ethel Plummer Wacholz, Forest City.

INDIANA.

Indiana sends as delegates-at-large Mrs. Alice F. McCulloch, a young woman who has proved to be a brilliant leader. There are three women alternates-at-large; Mrs. M. K. McNutt, Indianapolis; Mrs. H. T. Moore, Rockville, and Mrs. B. Lauenstein, Evansville. Mrs. C. G. Mitchell, Bedford, is delegate from the Third district, and the following are alternates: Mrs. Webb Moffett, Bloomfield; Miss M. Paddock, Greenwood; Miss H. Renfro, Madison; Mrs. S. A. Smith, Winchester, and Miss E. Stempel, Oxford.

KANSAS.

Mrs. Caroline Drennan, Arkansas City, is delegate-at-large, and Mrs. Anna B. Morish, Aberlin, alternate-at-large. There are two district delegates and four alternates. The delegates are: Mrs. John Keith, Coffeyville, and Mrs. W. A. Cachel, Manhattan. The alternates are: Mrs. J. C. Ward, Horton; Mrs. Blanche E. Smith, Strong City; Mrs. Phebe Van Vliet, Frankfort; Miss Florence Parley, Wichita.

KENTUCKY.

Three women delegates-at-large, headed by Miss Laura Clay, the famous suffragist, go to San Francisco from Kentucky. Besides Miss Clay, of Lexington, Mrs. Nora Layne, Fort Thomas, and Mrs. C. W. Stewart, Frankfort, are delegates-at-large. Miss June Gayle, Owensboro, represents the Seventh district. The alternates are: Mrs. Edmund M. Post, Paducah; Miss Lula T. Cox, Cahoon; Mrs. Nat D. Terry, Glasgow; Mrs. J. A. Mitchell, Bowling Green; Miss L. M. Stiles, Frankfort, and Mrs. A. T. L. Richardson, Elizabethtown.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Massachusetts sends four women as delegates-at-large and fifteen district alternates to San Francisco. The alternates-at-large are headed by Mrs. Susan W. Fitzgerald, Jamaica Plain, chairman of the committee of women, Democratic State Committee. Mrs. Fitzgerald is widely known as a suffragist and publicist. She has devoted much time to educational work. She is the wife of Richard Y. Fitzgerald, lawyer and author, of Boston. Other alternates-at-large are: Mary A. Carr, Pittsfield; Mary Keegan Shuman, Boston, and Helen G. Thayer, Boston. The alternates are: Catherine M. Walsh, Pittsfield; Anna McMahon, Pittsfield; Anna O'Keefe, Northampton; Katherine F. McCarthy, Lowell; Anna Loretto McGowan, Woburn; Theresa W. Creedon, Danvers; Margaret M. O'Brien, Gloucester; Genevieve E. McGule, Lynn; Margaret G. Kennedy, Lawrence; Gladys U. Bragdon, Melrose; Gertrude P. Daly, Medford; Agnes E. Blood, Somerville; Gertrude Frances Hayes, Abington; Martha E. D. White, Boston, and Nellie L. Sullivan, Fall River.

MICHIGAN.

Dr. Emma E. Bowers, Port Huron, associate national committee woman, is a delegate-at-large from Michigan, and Cora L. Batts, Grand Rapids, alternate-at-large. Julia L. Haller, Mt. Clemens, will represent the Seventh district as delegate. Alternates are: Geraldine Sackson, Detroit; Marie Hilldale, Josephine Lender, Grand Rapids; Ida M. Perion, Lansing; Cora L. Dains, Mt. Pleasant; Katherine Doran, Detroit; Anna McClellan, Detroit.

MINNESOTA.

Mrs. Peter Olesen, of Cloquet, associate national committee woman, had the honor to be elected delegate-at-large by acclamation in the Minnesota State Convention. Mrs. Olesen

THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION.

By Mrs. George Bass.

When the Democratic National Convention is called to order June 28, in San Francisco, there will be a political assemblage more representative of the whole people than any that has hitherto come together to select a candidate for the highest office in the United States Government. In view of the cordiality of the Democratic party in welcoming the new voters and in sharing party honors with them, it has been long predicted that the vast majority of the State banners women delegates and women alternates would have seats. Lists compiled by the Woman's Bureau, Democratic National Committee, prove that this forecast is substantially correct.

Compared with the personnel of the Republican National Convention, the Democratic National Convention bears out the claim that the party of Jefferson and Jackson is the one through which the women of the country will find it possible to work toward the highest ideals of citizenship, the party that will admit them to fullest cooperation. Up to June 1, with seven conventions still to meet, thirty women have been elected to serve as delegates-at-large in San Francisco. Sixteen States have accorded this highest privilege to the new voters. Twenty-three alternates-at-large have been sent from nine States. Half the States have been prompt to give women a voice in making the nominations, and in this important respect the party has been generous. For instance, Massachusetts, where women will not have the Presidential vote until the thirty-sixth State ratifies, selected four women as alternates-at-large and fifteen as alternates. New York, which has ninety delegates, has given women substantial recognition and sends two women as delegates-at-large, two as alternates-at-large, and twenty-four district alternates. This State has elected four women delegates-at-large, five district delegates and twenty alternates.

The record of the present administration has proved that Democrats live up to the lofty principles on which their political organization is built. Through the last seven years of world crisis, new opportunities for the advancement of women have been opened wherever possible, and many have attained high place in the Government service. For the first time in history women have been appointed to high offices that require confirmation by the United States Senate; for the first time they have places on the U. S. Civil Service Commission, the District of Columbia Rent Commission and as executives in the land offices under the Department of the Interior. It is no longer a matter of surprise that women are qualified for salaries of \$5,000 or more, and to one questions their ability to earn a man's pay for doing a man's work.

With the facts that mark the achievements of the administration in mind, women who have taken in the Democratic National Convention of 1920 will feel their peculiar responsibility. To them has been given the task of helping to choose the candidate who, if elected, will carry on what has been so splendidly achieved, and after the nomination it is the duty of every woman with a conception of the real meaning of Democracy to do all in her power to assure the election of the man who is the choice of the convention of 1920.

has made a national reputation as an orator, and was a speaker at the Jackson Day dinner in Washington in January. There are three women delegates; Mrs. Evelyn E. Dame, of Albert Lea; Mrs. John R. Serrin, Glenwood; Mrs. Marie C. MacGregor, Detroit. The nine alternates are headed by Mrs. Stella Rose, St. Paul, a member of the Democratic National Executive Committee, and include Miss Jessie E. Scott, St. Paul; Mrs. William E. Duffy, Shakopee; Mrs. Wallace Tift, Glencoe; Miss Cornelia Lusk, St. Paul; Mrs. Charles H. Chalmers, Minneapolis; Mrs. Anna Connelly, Roseau; Miss Jenny Lind, Minneapolis, and Mrs. C. R. Sanborn, Bemidji.

MISSOURI.

Missouri is one of the States that has most emphatically announced its intention to take Democratic women voters into full partnership. Four women are delegates-at-large. They are all widely known and have demonstrated their ability to accomplish much in party organization. They are: Mrs. J. W. McKnight, King City; Mrs. Martha Taaffe, Carthage; Mrs. James F. Shepard, Kansas City, and Mrs. Kate S. Morrow, Jefferson City. Five women are delegates, representing the First, Second, Eighth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth districts, as follows: Mrs. Charles F. Carter, Kirksville; Mrs. L. M. May, Barry, Trenton; Mrs. S. C. Hunt, Columbia; Miss Gertrude Williams, Shawnee; Mrs. W. R. Peck, Salem. The twenty alternates are: Mrs. Bertha Crumpacker Unionville; Mrs. B. C. Spitz, Brunswick; Mrs. H. L. Faulkner, Jasperport; Mrs. J. J. Jenkins, Savannah; Mrs. J. F. Robinson, Maryville; Mrs. E. M. White, Warsaw; Mrs. W. E. Ewing, Higginsville; Mrs. W. R. Flint, California; Mrs. Cora Peters, St. Clair; Mrs. M. R. Wise, Mexico; Mrs. R. E. Oldfather, St. Louis; Mrs. L. Vogel, St. Louis; Mrs. John O. Rutledge, St. Louis; Dr. Edna Stone, St. Louis; Mrs. J. B. Daniels, Piedmont; Mrs. Mrs. P. C. Higginbotham, Fertile; Mrs. W. W. Martin, Cape Girardeau; Mrs. J. P. Klotz, Galena; Mrs. Deck Frost, Cassville; Mrs. Joseph J. Campbell, Rolla.

MONTANA.

Montana sends one delegate-at-large to the convention, Mrs. Maggie Smith, of Hathaway.

NEVADA.

Two women of Nevada have been elected delegates-at-large. They are both from Reno, where they have been prominent in public activities and club work. They are: Mrs. William Woodburn and Mrs. J. D. Finch.

NEW YORK.

Because of the extreme competition for the great privilege of representing the Empire State as delegates-at-large in the convention, the

fact that two of the four places were given to women proves most convincingly just how the party in that State accepts the new voters of the country. The two delegates-at-large are Miss Elizabeth Marbury, of New York City, and Miss Harriet May Mills, of Syracuse, both distinguished in their attainments. The two women alternates-at-large are Mrs. Maurice Connolly, Corona, Long Island, and Mrs. Nellie Hewitt, Carthage. There are ten delegates and forty alternates. The delegates are: Julia A. McLoughlin, Queens; Catherine Carroll, Brooklyn; Minnie Wichman, Brooklyn; Rebecca Hoffman, New York City; Lillian R. Sire, New York City; Bertie M. Crosby, New York City; Helen McRedmond, New York City; Mrs. Mary J. Smith, Buffalo.

It is noteworthy that the Bertie M. Crosby, who is accredited from the Twenty-first district, is Mrs. John Sherwin Crosby, associate national committee woman and State chairman of women. It was Mrs. Crosby who organized the "Committee of One Thousand" which chartered a train for the trip to California.

The alternates are: Anna M. Sinclair, Flushing; Elizabeth Skeehan, Brooklyn; Elizabeth Parke, Brooklyn; Sarah McDonough, Brooklyn; Ethel M. Jones, Brooklyn; Mary A. Parker, Brooklyn; Mary F. O'Malley, Brooklyn; Martha Goufoyle, Brooklyn; Dorothea Cullen, Brooklyn; Gertrude F. Vaughan, Brooklyn; Laura M. Mulcare, Brooklyn; Matilda Luzzatto New York City; Birdie Jaurer, New York City; Barbara Portage, New York City; Henrietta Di Salvo, New York City; Frances Bauman, New York City; Hannah Sullivan, New York City; Ellen Downey, New York City; Annie Montgomery, New York City; Mary Haggerty, New York City; Ida Blair, New York City; Anna Naughton, New York City; Mary R. Lilly, New York City; Amelia Hubbard, New York City; Emily H. O'Sullivan, New York City; Mary G. Hickey, New York City; Rosina M. Ryan, New York City; Margaret Rehan, Bronx; Caroline O'Day, Rye; Anna Spencer Watkins, North Castle; Elizabeth V. Collins, Albany; Grace Finchout, Canajoharie; Theresa Glatt, Utica; Cary C. Connelly, Syracuse; Susannah Thompson, Erwin; Mrs. Margaret Carter, Rochester; Margaret Wall; Buffalo; Nellie F. Glenn, Buffalo.

OHIO.

Ohio made its tribute to the women by the election of one delegate, Mrs. A. B. Pyke, of Lakewood, a suburb of Cleveland, is the woman to be honored. At the time she was chosen her election was widely exploited as the first in which a woman was accredited to the Democratic National Convention, but South Dakota disputes this claim. However, the ex-

KENTUCKY DELEGATE IS NATIONAL FIGURE

Miss Laura Clay Has Been Active In Suffrage Work Many Years

Miss Laura Clay, delegate-at-large from Kentucky, is not only one of the famous women of the South, but has long been a conspicuous national figure. The third daughter of Cassius Marcellus Clay and Mary Jane Warfield Clay, she was born at Whitehall, the historical home in Madison county built by her grandfather, General Green Clay, who migrated from Virginia. After attending school at Lexington, she was graduated from Sayre Institute, later going to a finishing school in New York City. After a lapse of several years, she pursued her studies at the University of Michigan and the State College at Lexington.

Returning to the family home, Miss Clay took charge of the 275 acres of land in the farm and devoted herself to agriculture for a number of years. Although she has since accomplished much in public work, her chief pride is that she is a "practical" farmer. To the country, however, she is best known as a leader in suffrage campaigns. She began by helping to organize the Kentucky Equal Rights Association in 1888. She was first president of the organization, an office she held continuously until 1912, when, at her request, the constitution was amended to require a rotation of officers. Under her leadership the Equal Rights Association concentrated on the work of securing better laws for women and children, the legal position of Kentucky women being exposed to serious injustices.

ample of Ohio is believed to have encouraged other States to show just consideration to the women of the party.

OKLAHOMA.

Mrs. D. A. McDougal, Sapulpa, associate national committee woman, is delegate-at-large from Oklahoma. This State sends eight women delegates and lets the men have the lesser honor of serving as alternates. The women are: Mrs. Usher Carson, Miami; Mrs. E. L. Rhodes, El Reno; Mrs. Frank B. Lucas, Ponca City; Mrs. Fred Fleming, Muskogee; Mrs. J. C. Fuqua, Chandler; Mrs. W. H. England, Ponca City; Mrs. Eugene Lawson, Nowata, and Mrs. Richard L. Fite, Tahlequah. Mrs. Lawson and Mrs. Fite are descendants of Indian ancestors who settled over the civilized tribes of what was Indian Territory.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Two women will come from the Philippines to serve as alternates. They are Miss Bessie Dwyer, lawyer, newspaper writer and lecturer, who has been instrumental in developing the public library of Manila, and Mrs. Grace Westchester, who is also a resident of Manila.

RHODE ISLAND.

Rhode Island will be represented by one woman delegate-at-large, Mrs. R. E. Newton, of Providence. There are two alternates-at-large, Geraldine A. Kilkenny, Providence, and Eva M. Fitzgerald, Providence. Two districts send women delegates; Mrs. Fred Fenner, Providence, and Mrs. Delia A. Johnson, Providence. Helen I. Binning, Providence, is an alternate.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

South Dakota has elected three women delegates: Anna C. Struble, Centerville; Mrs. May P. Christ, of Miller, and Enola Snodgrass, Interior. Mrs. John P. Cogan, Sioux Falls, and Mrs. A. H. Oleson, Deadwood, are alternates.

WASHINGTON.

Washington sends three delegates-at-large from the women voters, one of whom is Mrs. J. M. Simpson, of Spokane, until recently associate national committee woman. Mrs. Ernest Lister, Tacoma, and Mrs. Emma Housman, Seattle, share with Mrs. Simpson the honor of representing their State as delegates-at-large, while Miss Edna Cragie is a delegate.

WISCONSIN.

Two alternates-at-large from Wisconsin will sit in the convention. They are Mrs. E. R. Bowler, Sheboygan, associate national committee woman, and Mrs. C. P. Crosby, Rhinelander. There are five women alternates: Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, Stevens Point; Mrs. C. M. Barr, Milwaukee; Mrs. H. J. Bullock, La Crosse; Mrs. D. D. Conway, Grand Rapids, and Mrs. Will Reilly, Fond du Lac.

(The total number of delegates is 1,092. The States that hold conventions in June are: Arkansas, Florida, Idaho, Louisiana, Tennessee, Utah, and Vermont.)