

EARLY ENTRIES IN MISS MID-CITY QUEEN "Beauty and Popularity" CONTEST



MISS MARY HARRIS of "YWCA Administration"



ANN SMITHERMAN, "Miss Althouse Beauty School"



ROSALIE STEWART, "Miss Watson Beauty School"



MARGARET KING, "Miss Northside Beauty School"

The Mid-City Queen Contest glorifying the Charm, Personality and Popularity of Our Mid-City Womanhood, has now reached the voting stage. All Clubs, organizations and individuals are urged to make their nominations before the September 16th Deadline. At Press time, nine nominations have been made in the Mid-City Queen Contest. These are Jean Ruda, 2855 Ohio St., Nellie Taylor 2010 North 20th St., Doris Newland, 2908 Franklin St., Laura Smith, 2121 North 28th St., Camille Dunham, 2908 Franklin St., Mary Harry, 2908 North 29th St., Ann Smitherman, Althouse Beauty School, Margaret King, 2626 Decatur St., and Rosalie Stewart, 2431 Patrick St. There are many other nominations not yet confirmed. The Omaha Guide will print additional listings and photos in the order they are received. September 16th is Deadline for Nominating Candidates. The public at large will have the opportunity of selecting Omaha's most popular and beautiful lady who will be Crowned Queen, or Monday, September 30, 1946 at a Gala Event which will feature Royal Entertainment, including the awarding of six additional prizes. Watch Next Week's Issue for Complete List of Contestants.

New Urban League Sec'y. Expected to Be Minneapolis Man

Mr. Leo Bohannon, Minneapolis civic leader, is expected to receive the appointment as Executive Secretary of the Omaha Urban League. Mr. Bohannon is former Regional Manager of the Phyllis Wheatley Home of Minneapolis and more recently, a representative of the U.N.R.A. in Europe. Mrs. Bohannon is a native Omahian, being the daughter of Clarence Wiggington internationally known architect of Minneapolis who began his career in Omaha.

Mr. Deward R. Crooms, former secretary of the Urban League, resigned August 1st to accept the position of sales manager of the Omaha Guide Printing Dept.

AFL President Green To Address Porters Convent'n

It was announced at the Brotherhood headquarters in New York by A. Philip Randolph that at the opening of the 5th Biennial Convention and the 5th Anniversary of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, at the DuSable High school, Sunday afternoon, September 15, William Green president of the American Federation of Labor, will give the principal address. He will discuss the role of organized labor in the world today and the problem of minorities with special reference to the Negro. This promises to be one of the most important and vital statements presented by America's ranking labor leader William Green in connection with the organization of Negro workers in the history of the American labor movement. Other speakers will include Mrs. Helen Wilson, International President of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and C. L. Deltor, Pacific Coast Zone Supervisor and Fourth International Vice President. The chairman of the meeting will be Milton P. Webster, 1st Vice President and former member of the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practices.

The Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters which waged one of the most historic struggles for recognition from a great industrial corporation in America, the Pullman Company, has become one of the outstanding international trade unions in the United States of America, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, and is steadily expanding its membership in related fields such as the Pullman Car Cleaners and Yard Forces. The organization now has contracts with some thirty or more carriers throughout the United States and Canada and is in the process of planning the organization of the porters on the Pullman cars in Mexico, stated Mr. Randolph.

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Daughter of J. Harvey Kerns KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT



MISS JOHNNIE MCGOY

Miss Johnnie McGoy, new Omaha Guide office secretary, is a former resident of Oakland, Calif. where she was employed by the Tri-City Herald.

She was a student at the University of Denver before coming to Omaha.

Marian Kerns, age 19, attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Kerns, formerly of Omaha was killed in an auto accident in Cleveland, Ohio on Labor Day.

Marian, who will be remembered by most Omahans as a little girl, was a student at the West Virginia State College at the time of her tragic death.

Her father was the Omaha Urban League's first Executive Secretary, and is now affiliated with the New York office of the League.

James Kerns, World War II veteran and brother of Marian, was a recent visitor in Omaha, being a guest at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Lambert, long time friends and former neighbors of the Kerns.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. in Cleveland.

Senators Wallace, Pepper To Speak at N. Y. Rally

Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace and Senator Claude E. Pepper (D., Fla.) will open the current Congressional election campaign when they speak at a Madison Square Garden rally on Thursday evening, September 12 it was announced Tuesday. This will mark the first appearance on the same platform during this campaign of Mr. Wallace and Senator Pepper, who are recognized as the two leading exponents of the New Deal philosophy within the Democratic party today.

Organized to rally independent voters behind progressive candidates running for election to the 80th Congress, the meeting, which is entitled "The Fateful Eightieth" is sponsored by the newly-formed National Campaign Committee of the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, and the National Citizens Political Action Committee. Harold L. Ickes, former Secretary of the Interior and executive chairman of ICCASP, and Dr. Frank Kingdon, radio commentator and chairman of National Citizens PAC, are listed as co-chairmen of the National Campaign Committee.

In addition to Mr. Wallace and Senator, speakers scheduled to address the rally include Paul Robeson, noted singer and actor, Florence Eldridge March, actress and wife of Frederick March, and Dr. Kingdon. A specially-written dramatic presentation depicting the achievements and aspirations of the Roosevelt administrations will be presented, starring well-known radio, screen, and stage personalities, including Zero Mostel. The Pearl Primus dance group will appear, and the CIO Chorus will sing a special adaptation of the United Nations song, for which lyrics have been written by Harold Rome.

This ruling was vigorously contested by NAACP attorneys Z. A. Loozy, L. A. Ransom and Maurice Weaver, since it makes it impossible for the defense to determine fairly what the true feelings of prospective jurors may be on race prejudice and the legal rights of Negroes.

In addition to denying to the defense lawyers their legal right to examine thoroughly all prospective jurors on the question of race prejudice, Judge Ingram fined one man \$50 for contempt of court because of his statement that he would not be able to be on the jury because of his prejudice against Negroes.

Attorneys Loozy and Weaver immediately made motions for a

mistrial and for a change of venue, on the grounds that the Judge by ruling in this manner would prevent the defense from getting prospective jurors to admit their feelings of race prejudice and, therefore, they would not get honest answers from the jurors on this all-important question.

As it is, over two weeks of questioning have produced only five jurors even faintly acceptable, and the defense lawyers have used up 39 of the 200 pre-emptory challenges they are allowed in blocking the choice of biased veniremen. There are 120 left on the present venire to be questioned. Of the 190 questioned so far, 75 to eighty have expressed a bias against the Negroes.

Dr. Leon Ransom also charged Judge Ingram had committed a grievous error in ordering that Clarence Brown, a defendant, forfeit his \$5,000 bond for failure to appear in court on August 22nd, although the defendant was ill and a physician's certificate was shown as reason for his absence. Nevertheless, the Judge ordered that Brown be brought into court from his sickbed and raised his bond to \$10,000. Brown was kept in jail until a bond for that amount was raised. The Judge refused to permit acceptance of a bond from two other defendants, James Morton and Julius Blair. U S War Bonds were also refused as security. Five thousand dollars in cash was raised locally, however, and the NAACP contributed another \$5,000 for Brown's release.

Street... and thereabouts



LAWRENCE P. LEWIS

MID-CITY SEPIA QUEEN

The contest is now in full swing and I am as eager to cast my vote as the rest of you. I know I am not an authority on the choosing of the winner, and being married I had better talk very little about this contest with my better half. Not being so bad to look at herself, as far as she is concerned, I'd better keep telling her that she is the queen of them all, and if I vote (I'm going to vote) the lady that I vote for will be my 2nd choice.

So many people have asked me about the qualifications necessary to become the Mid-City Sepia Queen, and it is almost impossible for yours truly to answer that question. BEAUTY TO ME IS ON THE INSIDE OF A PERSON, NOT THE OUTSIDE. My choice would probably not ring true according to the majority. So being asked a question that I felt I can not answer, I'll just tell you a story of the most beautiful person I have ever known.

We'll call her Anne. Anne was the normal girl, and yet she wanted all the rest of the things young girls have, dancing, dates, and fun in general. Anne was lovely to look at, deep brown complexion with

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\$800 in Prizes Who will be Selected Miss Mid City QUEEN

- Your Club or Organization May Sponsor A Contestant.
- You May Nominate Someone Yourself.
- Any Girl Over 18 is Eligible.
- Please Furnish The Omaha Guide with a Glossy-print of Your Nominee for Publication.
- Entering Blank May Be Secured from Current Issues of The Omaha Guide.

- \$800.00 in Prizes.
- Seven Winners; Seven Prizes.
- First Prize, Expenses Paid Week-End Trip to Chicago with Reservations at Pershing Hotel.
- Queen to be Crowned September 30th.
- Winners to be Honored at Gala Ball on the Night of September 30th.
- No member of the "Mid-City Queen" Committee will be permitted to make any nomination.
- The 7 Contestants receiving the largest number of votes in order, will be adjudged winners. No person may vote more than ONE TIME.
- Ballots for voting purposes will be printed in subsequent issues of The Omaha Guide.

Mail or Bring Entries to The Omaha Guide Office, 2420 Grant Street.

NOMINATIONS MUST BE IN BY SEPTEMBER 16th.

THE NOMINATION ENTRY BLANK will be found directly below (to be filled out by parties sending in their Entry). Print plainly the name, address and age of nominee. Attach Entry Blank to a black and white, glossy print photograph and mail or bring the same to The Omaha Guide office, 2420 Grant Street.

Mid-City Queen - Beauty & Popularity Contest

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I or We Nominate _____ for Mid-City Queen
(Name of Beauty Contestant)

Whose Address is _____ Telephone No. _____

Nominated by _____
(Name of Lodge, Club or Individual)

Address _____ Telephone No. _____

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Vote for ONE!

My Choice for Mid-City Queen Is:—

(Name of Contestant)

(Name, Address of Voter)

Jesse Owens Racing for \$1,000

CLEVELAND, Ohio. (CNS)—The world's fastest human, Jesse Owens, will race George Case, the Cleveland Indian's outfielder 100 yards September 8th for a purse of \$1,000. Jesse and Case will do the sprint over a straightaway on the outfield grass in between the games of the Cleveland-St. Louis double header game. Jesse is co-holder of the world 100 yard dash record, 9.4 seconds.

Glamour Girls Entertain G. I.s



Frances Brock's famous femme trio, which recently was the rave of the G. I.s of the Far Pacific, is pictured above with Harryette Fleming of the famous dancing team of Carl and Harryette on the extreme left. The G. I. in the background is merely a bit of added atmosphere. Next to Harryette is Iris Vasques; Joyce Winston and Sue Purcell of whom the boys said there was no better trio heard on all the shows to hit the Islands of the Pacific. Frances Brock is fast rounding up her band for a tour of the States and will be soon heard in all the famous dance emporiums. Several large booking agencies have made offers to handle her aggregation.

MIDNITE SHOW-- One Performance Only-- Saturday, Sept. 7, Town Theatre