

# INDIANS END BIG CELEBRATION

## Utah Girl Chosen Miss Indian America

SHERIDAN, Wyo., Aug. 6.—(AP)—Five thousand Indians from 47 tribes in the United States and Canada scattered toward their homes Monday after picking Sandra May Gover, 20, Brigham City, Utah, as Miss Indian America IV.

The Pawnee maiden was chosen from among 91 contestants to represent all American Indians as a typical Indian girl. She will be a guest at Miss America pageant at Atlantic City, N. J., next month. She was chosen on the basis of poise, personality and knowledge of tribal customs and legends. Her Indian name is Yellow Star.

### THREE-DAY MEET

Miss Gover's selection closed the All American Indian Days which brought the Indians to

Sheridan for three days of pageantry, contests, games and exhibits of handcraft.

The first alternate as Miss Indian America IV is Barbara Jo Pappio, a Kiowa, of Oklahoma City; second alternate, Susie Budd, a Creek, of Tulsa, Okla., and third alternate, Caroline Rosemary Montanic, a Umatilla, of Pilot Rock, Ore.

The contestants picked Janice

Jean Murphy, a Nez Perce, of Lapewai, Idaho, as the most popular. The runnerup was Mary Faith White, a Winnebago, of Omaha, Neb.

### HONORABLE MENTION

Honorable mention was voted to Marie Ann Moss, an Arapahoe, of St. Stephens Mission, Wyo.; Annie Grace Strange Owl, a Cheyenne, of Birney, Mont.; Ruth Dee Larsen, a Gros Ventre, of Butte,

Mont.; Mary Geneva Whiteman, a Crow, of Edgar, Mont.; Dolores Marie Racine, a Blackfoot, of Browning, Mont.

Among gifts presented to Miss Gover was a turquoise necklace valued at \$1,500 from the Inter Tribal India Ceremonial Assn. of Gallup, N. M. The presentation was by Gov. Milward Simpson of Wyoming.

The new Miss Indian America

is a senior commercial student at Haskell Institute, Lawrence, Kan., and is studying to be a secretary. She is a graduate of Bacone High school at Muskogee, Okla. Her father, Philip Gover, is a chief of the Skidi clan of the Pawnee tribe and her grandfather, Crooked Hand, was a famous Pawnee chief of the India Wars era. Gover is a teacher in an Indian school at Brigham City.