

## Arlene Dahl's 1962 Miss America Pageant Souvenir Program (Philadelphia: Miss America Foundation 1962)

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First edition. Stapled wrappers. Black and white illustrations. Slight tidemark and soiling else very good. Signed on the front wrapper by judge and actress, Arlene Dahl. Dahl's judge's copy of the Souvenir program from the 1962 Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City, New Jersey with notes on the contestants throughout including, "Terribly, terribly unclever-not good at all," about Miss Delaware and "folk singer, what a horrible voice, wretched" about Miss District of Columbia.

An MGM actress, Arlene Dahl, was noted for her 1950s films, *Reign of Terror*, *Three Little Words*, and *Journey to the Center of the Earth*. After the birth of her son, Lorenzo Lamas, she retired from acting to become a beauty columnist and eventually an astrologer. She was also cooperative during the un-American Activities hearings listing names, and it is rumored the fashion sense, of her colleagues for the government. Famous for being one of the highest rated pageant's in the organization's history it is also one of the top 100 televised events of all time according to the Nielson ratings. [BTC#368701]