

Gurley Flynn Will Run for City Council

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, veteran labor and Communist leader who recently completed a three-year prison sentence under the Smith Act, will be a candidate for City Council in the 24th District in Manhattan. Announcement of Miss Flynn's candidacy was made yesterday by Miss Evelyn Weiner and Dr. Albert E. Blumberg, co-chairmen of the campaign committee.

Signatures for Miss Flynn are being collected by Communist and non-Communist supporters on the lower East Side to qualify her as an independent candidate under the designation of the People's Rights Party. The legal requirement is 3,000 signatures to be filed no later than Sept. 23.

Temporary campaign headquarters are at the National Palace, 111 East Houston St., As of next Monday, headquarters will be at the Alhambra Hall, 15 Second Ave.,

second floor. (Nearest subway is the Second Ave. Station of the Independent "D" line.)

In an open letter distributed to fellow-residents of her district, Miss Flynn, who recently celebrated her 67th birthday, reviews her 52 years in the labor movement and civil liberties. She writes:

"I shall campaign on the historic East Side, as I did in my youth, on the issues before the American people—for peace, jobs and equal-

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ity; for the Bill of Rights and for higher living standards.

"I shall raise my voice against discrimination of the foreign-born under the McCarran-Walter Act and against such anti-American laws as the McCarran and Smith (thought-control) Act.

"In the course of my campaign for election to the City Council, I shall discuss with the people a detailed program for our community. I know the many problems that face us: the need for housing for all and real slum clearance; the fight for political representation for the Puerto Rican people; the fight against anti-Semitism; a positive program for young people; for school integration; and for anti-bias legislation to end discrimination toward Negro and Puerto Rican people in houses and jobs."