Beauty on the Spot

Beauty on the Spot, a weekly Emerald feature, nominates one of the campus beauties each Monday and gives her a week to write 300 words on any topic of her own choosing, proving that beauty, when on the spot, can disprove the old "beautiful but dumb" adage. Miss Carolyn Hinson, sophomore in art, was named as the January 15 beauty, and herewith is published her article.

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By CAROLYN HINSON

Judging from the amount of furor and wise cracking being made, the biggest joke of the current season is the so-called portal-to-portal pay system. But it is far from a laughing matter. Think of the consequences if all of these suits, which now total over \$4,000,000, should be won by the wage-earners. Think of the heights and depths to which such pay demands might go, and the extent to which the words "portal-to-portal" might be made to cover.

With wages being paid on every moment spent in one's place of business, regardless of type, you can imagine how easy it would be to become enamored of one's job, and how quickly clock-watching and tardiness would be eliminated!

Picture a modern business office under the portal-to-portal system, if it should extend so far: the office, for the past 45 years, has begun its business day at 9 a.m. and ended it is 8 a.m. and the workers are hastily entering the room-suspiciously glancing at each other to note who will walk away with the highest pay check come Saturday evening. The winner in the early risers marathon can easily be recognized by his look of smug self satisfaction coupled with the superior air of one whose alarm clock is infallible. The day passes with each doing his vital task in slow motion, happy at overtime. The office makes its official close at its former time, but

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the workers stay on. At last, around 8 p.m. the last man straggles out the same who was first in, for he is adept at wasting time. Every morning it is earlier, and every evening later until at last it is a dawn to midnight proposition.

And if the system were extended to cover traveling time as it does with the coal miners' descent via elevators, the picture could be carpromptly at 5:30 p.m., but now it ried to more ridiculous lengths-to neighborhood feuds springing up because one neighbor lives farther from his work than another. Soon the residential districts would disappear, and every man would commute, as far as possible. Eventually it could get to the point where New York businessmen would live in Los Angeles and vice versa.

Such absurdities are not impossible under complete portal-to-portal pay, and the outcome of the suits the thought of being forced to work may determine the future of national business practice. Sit back and wait-perhaps you, too, can be a \$30,000 a year typist!

> Next week's Beauty on the Spot will be Aileen Slattery, of Hilyard house. Her 300-word article will be due in the journalism building by noon Monday.

Outing Club Sponsors Overnight Bicycle Hike

An overnight bicycle hike, sponsored by the Outing club, will be held Saturday and Sunday, January 18 and 19, Lou Ann Morrison, president of the club, announced.

Goal Set at 1000 YWCA Members

The YWCA membership drive, which began Monday, has as its goal a total membership of 1000 girls this term, according to Bobbie Fulmer, director of the drive.

The program is being conducted through living organizations, with a delegate in each house to contact the girls who are not yet members.

"Y" activities in which members may participate are the annual Heart Hop and the International Festival, both of which will be held in February, and other varied activities throughout the year.

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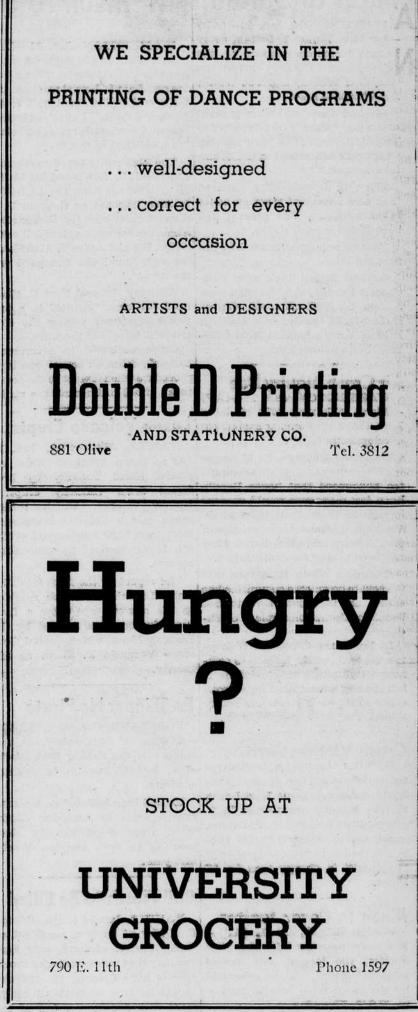
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The group, accompanied by Miss Jeannette Masilionis, adviser of the Outing club, plans to leave at 1 p.m. Saturday from Gerlinger hall.

According to Miss Morrison, the party will return to the campus early Sunday morning. Any girls interested in the trip can find out further details at Gerlinger, or from Jean or Janice Neeley, Rebec house who are co-chairmen in charge of the hike.

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