

Beauty on the Spot

Harriett Vannatta, last term named Miss Vogue in a Theta Sigma Phi fashion show, was chosen as the first Beauty on the Spot for spring term. Harriett, whose picture was run in the winter term Emerald, is a freshman in liberal arts. Her home is in Kohala, Hawaii.

Hawaii, the crossroads of the Pacific, is regarded by many as a remote and enchanting paradise of exotic flowers, coconut palms, white, sandy beaches, and a warm climate the year round. However, in actuality, one of the most fascinating and perhaps the most significant aspect of Hawaii is its recognition as the melting pot of the Pacific.

Among Hawaii's 430,000 people, nearly every racial extraction is represented. There are British, Spanish, Puerto Ricans, Portuguese, Negroes, Chinese, Koreans, Japanese, Filipinos, Polynesians,

and an endless variety of combinations.

It is from these unique mixtures that some of Hawaii's loveliest beauties may be found. Girls taking first place in beauty contests often represent as many as twelve different strains of blood. Such examples as Spanish, French, Hawaiian, and Portuguese; of Japanese, Chinese, Norwegian, and Hawaiian emerge with highest acclaims to beauty. They are always proud to boast of their unusual combinations. It is not an oddity to see a girl with the proud features of an Hawaiian and the blue eyes of a Caucasian, or to see a girl with the features of a Caucasian and the deep bronze coloring of an Hawaiian. The once distinctive features of the Orientals have now in many cases been so assimilated that to hit upon one's exact racial extraction is nearly impossible. It has been predicted that someday every inhabitant of the islands will be of mixed blood.

Such a phenomena provides interesting subject matter, especially for tourists, but ordinarily there is little regard for a precise analysis of racial extractions. They are all Americans and are as loyal as those to be found anywhere.

Former Officers Offered Active Duty

Former weather officers of the Officers Reserve corps on inactive status can apply for active duty if they are graduates from an Army Weather school or the equivalent civilian schooling, and have had previous active service as weather officers.

Members of the Officers Reserve corps can apply for return to active duty for the purpose of attending pre-meteorology and meteorology schools, it was also announced by the ROTC department.

The latter applicants must have an educational background of mathematics through calculus and at least one year of physics. Former officers who are not members of the Officers Reserve corps, may apply directly to the adjutant general and request that such appointment be granted if the above mentioned qualifications are met.

The application blanks and further information can be obtained from the ROTC department, air section.

There now are four times as many churches in the United States, in proportion to its population, as there were 50 years ago.

After being buried under peat for 1000 years, a keg of butter dug up in the Isle of Skye was found to be still fresh.

Oil wells sometimes are as much as three miles deep.

Vets Forum

According to one of the latest Vet-Letters, which are issued weekly by the Army Times, we should not discount as partisan criticism the reports that the 80th Congress is out to kill all veteran legislation.

Republican leaders frankly admit that it is their intention and their hope to by-pass all proposed vet legislation. They will use every parliamentary dodge possible to avoid putting themselves on record as being "for" or "against" important legislation proposed on veterans affairs.

Republican leaders have two good reasons for such a frank attitude. First, they are attempting to cut the budget and will oppose most every item of vet legislation that requires an expenditure of government funds. Secondly, congressional mail from home reveals only a "mild" interest in the general run of vet legislation.

If for no other reason than that veterans in general are not vitally interested in some legislation supposedly for their benefit it is reasonable to suppose that the members of the Republican party are justified in opposing most of the new legislation.

Terminal Leave

Two items on which there is quite a bit of veteran interest are the proposals to lift the on-the-job ceilings and to make the terminal leave pay bonds immediately payable in cash. There is a good chance of these two bills getting a favorable reception from the Congress.

A big worry on Capitol Hill in the

minds of the real friends of the veteran is the tendency of many members of congress to introduce bills, purporting to be in behalf of veterans, but which are in reality designed chiefly to influence the so-called "veteran vote." This is a cheap political trick that may harm the cause of all veterans. It may create the false impression that the veterans as a group are out to raid and bankrupt the federal treasury. Actually this is not true. There is no organized pressure from veterans or the organizations representing them to put across any legislation which constitutes a "raid" on the treasury.

Dick Williams to Study Student Union Functions

Dick Williams, educational activities manager, will leave April 7 on a trip to study the functions and management of student unions in four midwestern schools. Williams will attend a student union convention from April 10 to 12 at the University of Illinois at Urbana.

Later he will visit the University of Indiana for a day, the University of Wisconsin at Madison for two days, and the University of Minnesota for a day. He is scheduled to return April 19.

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