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Travel: 69.13379 per cent

ONE of the important phases of the Rally committee's budget which needs the attention of the rally reform group when they meet Friday afternoon is the large percentage of the total which is spent on travel. Far too much is spent in sending the committee or the yell leaders to games which only a few of the Oregon students will attend.

A glance at the expense account turned in this year by the rally committee reveals that \$183.17 out of \$264.95 was spent on travel either by the yell leaders or by the rally squad. That figures out to be 69.13379 per cent of the total budget.

There can be little doubt in the minds of most students that 69 per cent of the total budget is far too great to be spent on travel. It leaves only 31 per cent to be spent on such highly important items as halftime stunts, equipment, etc. These things the whole student body, or at least those who attend the games, see and benefit by.

THERE is some justification for sending the rally squad or the yell leaders to various California games. If they function as they should it undoubtedly makes a favorable impression. The question, however, is whether it is worth the price—the price of sacrifice in things which will make favorable impressions locally such as a well worked out stunt.

For years there has been a tendency on the part of the committee to earn as much over the budget as possible so that they might be able to send themselves to some California game. It seemed reasonable to let them take the excess, if there was any, and spend it in that manner. After all they had earned it.

Those who propose that argument, however, overlook one very important detail. That kind of a setup places so much emphasis on raising money that almost the entire time of the committee is devoted to ways and means of making more than the budget-so much so that they frequently forsake more important and worthwhile functions.

The student body is looking to the rally reform committee for an answer to the problem.

Those Who Think

ONE of the main functions of education, our professors tell us, is to teach the student to think for himself. Certainly the function is a highly important one. It represents a goal well worth striving for.

If the creed of a democratic nation is freedom, freedom of speech, press, and assembly, then surely its foundation is an enlightened citizenry which thinks for itself-a citizenry that reasons independently. University students are citizens in the making. They are the voters of today and tomorrow. If the educational process teaches a student to think for himself, to reason, it is making good citizens.

EVIDENCE that the University is succeeding in this most important of educational functions has not been lacking. The most recent point in issue is the discussion by three student speakers over radio station KORE of the "aid to Britain" problem. Three members of a speech department class went on the air for a half hour broadcast on a highly important and complex national issue. The problem, in its many phases, was argued pro and con.

We believe that this is one of the ways that a student can learn most thoroughly to think for himself. The interchange of ideas is undoubtedly valuable. The research which a student must do to prepare for such a discussion cannot help being thought provocative.

Yes, the broadcasts are a good idea. Good for the students who participate, good for the school, and, beyond a doubt, interesting to the listeners.

'No Swimming Here'

AT some time during his studies, usually around the fifth or sixth grade, every student runs across the story of the farmer who posted a "no swimming" sign by the old swimming hole and then preceded to enforce his dictum by hiding nearby with a shotgun.

That early villain, however, was a piker as compared with the present administration of the University men's swimming pool. It is almost impossible for a student to do any recreational swimming in the men's pool. In fact it is impossible on Monday, Wednesday and Friday when classes and the swimming team occupy the pool all day.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays the pool is open for recreational swimming for a few hours. On Saturday morning it is taken over by town kids. Saturday afternoon students may again swim. That makes only three days a week-and only a few hours each of those days-that the average student who doesn't take a swimming class may refresh himself by a dip in the pool.

THE men who are in charge of the pool are not to blame. They are doing a job which has been assigned to them, and they are doing it well. If the pool is filled that's all there

Perhaps the only real solution in the long run is to build

another, or a larger pool, as was once planned. That, however, seems impossible at present with so great a demand upon building funds that are already limited.

Until a new pool is built some arrangement should be made to give students at least an hour for recreational swimming each day. That might involve a little more work on the part of those in charge and it might involve cutting the time of a few of the people who now occupy the pool all day Monday, Wednesday and Friday, but it would be worthwhile.

Biography in Crisis

By J. PARKE

"THERE is no man in the country with whom I cannot talk as an equal," so remarked Boris III, king of Bulgaria. The slim, swarthy-faced, 46 year-old ruler, who speaks eight languages, has, in fact, taken more interest in locomotives, machines, butterflies, borzois and travel than in his role as king.

As is customary for male royal offspring, Boris attended the military academy at Sofia and was graduated at 18. The Balkan wars and world war I gave him his first practical experience as soldier.

The military defeat of Bulgaria in world war I brought the immediate abdication and flight to Germany of King Ferdinand, who had been largely responsible for the country's joining the Central powers, and the elevation to the throne of his son Boris III. Boris, only 24, proved to be as democratic as his father before him had been autocratic.

BULGARIA experienced several changes of government from an agrarian socialism to a parliamentary democracy and to an authoritarian regime in 1934, when parliament was dissolved and all parties suspended.

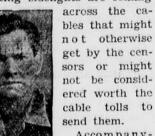
Through all this Boris kept his throne. It seems that only the present crisis may jeopardise his rule. For Boris, who belongs to the house of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha-Bourbon, is faced with the most difficult choice of his career. In his own words: "MY ministers are pro-German, my wife is pro-Italian, my people are pro-Russian-I am the only neutral in the country.'

How long he will remain a neutral, even Boris, perhaps, doesn't know.

International Side

By RIDGELY CUMMINGS

With Wendell Willkie buzzing around London accompanied by crack correspondents, some interesting sidelights are coming



send them. Accompanying Willkie for

Associated Press is Eddy Gilmore, whose several good feature stories from Washington last year. The other day Gilmore described Willkie's visit to the House of Commons, where an argument over freedom of the press was going on.

It seems two communist papers, the Daily Worker and The Week, have been suppressed and a laborite member was assailing the government's action because he thought it was driving the opposition "underground" and would necessitate the creation of a British gestapo to keep an eye on things.

Another Story Yesterday there was another well-written story, this time by Ned Russell of United Press, telling about a demonstration against the government's food policy. Willkie was going through the lobby of the Savoy hotel on his way to lunch when he ran into the demonstration, which was apparently staged

for his benefit. The demonstrators, chanting and waving banners, were protesting against the policy of not requiring patrons of restaurants to give up food coupons while the poor, unable to dine in restaurants, can buy only rationed foods.

Ration the Rich

The banners read "Ration the rich," and "The government says to eat less but the rich get their fill."

Of the debate in Commons Willkie had said, "This is democracy in action," but he is reported to passed the demonstrators with scarcely a glance. When pressed later for comment he is quoted as protesting:

"I really don't think I want to say anything about that.' Expects to Return

Incidentally, Willkie announced yesterday that he expects to return to the United States by plane late next week. That looks bad for a certain prophecy I made the other day about how I thought Willkie might be the next U.S. ambassador to Britain.

My line of reasoning was that once over there, if he made a good impression, which he apparently has, Willkie would get a message from Roosevelt asking him to stay on the job. Anyway the position is still unfilled and I'm keeping my fingers crossed. Not that I particularly want Willkie to be an ambassador, but it would improve my average considerably to have one prediction come true.

Witnessed One Speaking of demonstrations, I witnessed a good one for democracy in the Anchorage yesterday afternoon.

I had gone there looking for a quiet spot to try and find out what this guy Racine really had in mind when he wrote "Esther." but was unable to concentrate because the disputatious Bill Merrill of the art school was holding forth on some abstract topic.

I glanced at his listener with pity, for I ,too, have been cornered by Bill and it always takes an hour to escape. But the tables were turned on him shortly after I arrived.

Knight of Road His companion was apparently a "knight of the road," a red-faced, middle-aged gentleman who was fortified by a paper parcel containing some bev-

"I'm a veteran," he announced. "I fought for democracy in the last war and I'd fight for it again. I believe in capitalism too, comrade."

When Bill asked where he had picked up the "comrade" the other said it was a common term in the expeditionary force and that the communists had stolen it from the veterans.

Where Else?

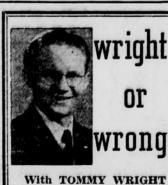
It didn't appear as if capitalism had been particularly kind to him, but he spoke with intense conviction and there was something heartening in the way he swung his arm around in an expansive gesture and said. "This is the most democratic country in the world. Where else could we sit and argue like this?"

Soon he left. I watched him as he walked down the highway, the pockets of his shapeless coat bulging over his hips. After he had gone out of sight

I felt a pang of remorse because I hadn't thought to give him the address of the American Legion. A man like that shouldn't be compelled to wander homeless along the highways. Suppose he loses his convictions . . . he wouldn't have much else to live for.

University of Cincinnati's 10.800 students include 4.022 from 44 states and the District of Columbia, 11 foreign countries, Puerto Rico, Canal Zone,

Fairmont State college, Fairmont, W. Va., has been broadcasting over the Fairment radio station for nearly 12 years.



"Go little midterm,

Scamper, scamper-," seems to be the general tune renditioned around these parts lately, with studes hoping that midterm grades don't put them on the study table. As you struggle through that psych test just stop and think how much you could have studied during the time you set through that double feature. How do we know you were at the theater? Well, ws were there, too.

CAMPUS WHISPERS . . . Infirmary inmates ELEANOR BECK and DONALD TURNER hold an exchange dessert, so they won't miss any of the fun of being healthy and hospital free . . . local WPAer to fellow WPAer (also leaning on shovel handle) "I think I have spring fever." . . . HARRY PRON-GAS, one of the barnyard boys, (phidelts) has three house disillusions with a gammafi, a pifi, and chiomega-ex-Oh, what a kid is HARRY! . . . they say he left a whole bathtub full of broken hearts at San Mateo JC . . . Alpha Os JONELLE MELVIN and POLLY EWAN have weekend guest from Seattle and Tacoma-And the one has a ring on third finger, left hand of MISS MELVIN The Alpha Os get ready for a

house dance invasion of eleven Phi Psis—and Oregon still needs a monopoly and trust buster . . . EMERSON PAGE, Theta Chi all-business, no play unglamour kid still sings "The Lady Who Couldn't Be Kissed" . . . the world at its best-When someone is brave enough

to bring a carton of nicotine sticks inside the Journalism shack . . . DON SEELEY of the Sigma Nu boys on the race, with MARGE TURNER again and again . . . MILODENE GOSS and LORRAINE LEWIS of the Alpha Chis 'tis said have had a monopoly on the Fiji house . . . LAWRENCE LE-SAGE of the French department plans to take the vows and the "I Do" some time in February . . . Has the ARNIE MILLS - BETTY WYCOFF affair reached an equal ground

CONCLUSION . . . JOHN BROWN, notoriety kid of pre-civil war days once said "so be it . . ." and he was nuts.

From All Sides

By MILDRED WILSON

What is a kiss? A kiss is a noun used as a conjunction.

It is more common than prop-

It is never declined. It is not singular because it

is always plural. It is a preposition because it has an objective.

It can be active or passive. It agrees with me .- The University of Washington Daily.

"Low grades cannot be remedied by taking thyroid gland tablets," declared Dr. Alfred Talor, research biologist, in an address at the University of Texas. Although a survey of part of the student body several years ago showed most of the members of Phi Beta Kappa were syper-thyroid in comparison to the rest of the student body, Dr. Taylor said that this condition is caused by the extra-mental activity rather than increased activity of the

thyroid gland. Under-function of the gland Dr. Taylor added, results in the slowing up of the mental processes while over-activity results in a highly nervous condi-

-The Daily Texan.

Student blood donors from the University of California are being accepted at the Cowell Memorial hospital laboratory in Berkeley. Fifty men students recently were tested, classified as to blood types, and placed on the donor list of the University hospital. They will be on call for use in five other hospitals in Berkeley and are paid \$25 for all blood contributed.

-The Californian



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Nu Epsilon Tau Tau, honorary intersorority group at the University of Texas, is promoting a national campus knitting campaign to help the Red Cross.

Amphibians will not meet tonight due to midterms A discussion test on the Aquaticade Guide for officials for swimming meets will be given next Thursday, February 4 at 5 o'clock, in the WAA social room. All amphibians are asked to be present.

....There will be a meeting of the China Cupboard and Chest committee of the YMCA at the home of Mrs. F. L. Chambers, 1059 Hilyard from 2:30 to 5 p. m. Thursday and Friday. Come either day that is convenient.

4:30 to 5:30 p. m. Friday.

meet at Westminster house at

Ski club members will meet to-

night at 7:30 in 207 Chapman. Plans will be made for a trip to Hoodoo this Sunday.

will be taken. Please bring radio cards

There are ten miles of electrical wiring in the main barracks of The Citadel, the military college of South Carolina.

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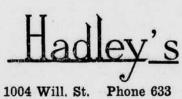
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Canterbury dramatics group, under the direction of Lorraine Long, will meet at the home of Helen Sutley, 1841 Emerald street from

Westminster Drama group will

Phi Beta meets tonight, at 7:15 in Gerlinger. Oregana pictures