

Student Affairs Survey Shows

# Student Costs Average \$1448 a Year

(This is first in a series on a Student Affairs Survey conducted this fall, to determine some of the problems of University students. This article is concerned with educational expenses. Others will discuss car ownership, jobs and study loads.)

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One of the most urgent problems now being faced in higher education in Oregon is that of meeting the problem of higher enrollment and higher costs without lowering the "quality of education"—a vague value that can mean a great deal to students.

More often than not, this problem of rising costs has meant that students find they must pay more each year while receiving less in terms of instructional quality and opportunities.

IT HAS BEEN estimated that while living costs in Oregon increased by 5 per cent in a recent period, student costs increased by almost 35 per cent and state-support decreased by nearly 3 per cent.

To University students this has meant higher tuition, higher dormitory fees, more expensive textbooks and heavier competition for scholarships.

To help determine the extent of student problems, a survey was conducted by the Student Affairs Office to assess what University life means in the practical terms of money, jobs, cars and housing.

AN IPM CARD distributed with registration material fall term, polled 99.9 per cent of the student enrollment, according to Bob Bowlin, assistant dean of men, who conducted the study.

Student expenses ranged as follows for a year:

- 32.7 per cent spent less than \$1200.
- 14.6 per cent spent more than \$2000.
- The remainder spent between \$1200 and \$2000.

With expenses averaging \$1448 for 1961-62, it was found that self-supporting students spend far less than students supported entirely by their parents.

MEN WHO are self-supporting, for instance, have expenses of \$1,277, while men whose parents pay their expenses average \$1,706. The difference is similar for women, since the self-supporting pay \$1,140 compared to \$1,650 for those supported entirely by their parents.

Out-of-state students face the greatest expense, with men paying \$1,695 and women \$1,769. Oregon men and women pay \$1,366 and \$1,272 respectively.

California women and Alaska men are the biggest spenders, with \$1,875 and \$1,809 respectively.

THESE figures will be sharply increased in the future, particularly for non-residents. By 1965, non-residents will pay \$120 more in tuition each year and residents may pay \$30 more. Dormitory fees for all students will increase by \$40 a year and the cost of textbooks should increase almost \$15 a year for each student.

Car ownership is not as great a financial problem as would be expected, according to the survey. The difference averaged only \$50 a year more for car owners.

There was, however, a large difference in expenses for dormitory residents.

Women in dormitories spent nearly \$175 more a year with cars while men spent nearly \$75 more. Sorority expenses tended in the other direction, those without cars spending \$30 more. Fraternities and co-operatives followed the all-campus average.

LIVING off-campus in apartments is apparently more expensive for men than living in dormitories by about \$40. For women it is slightly cheaper to live in private housing off-campus.

Expenses according to age were the most surprising, with women less each year and men paying more. Between the ages of 19 and 25, costs for women decrease by about \$390 and increase for men by \$180.

As to classes, men also have greater expenses with each year but women pay less up to their junior year when expenses start to increase.

## Amendments Proposed To Federation Constitution

By CATHY NEVILLE  
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The Oregon Federation of Collegiate Leaders is an organization of 12 Oregon colleges and universities which meets annually to discuss issues of interest to students and to exchange ideas on leadership.

Two amendments to the Federation's constitution have been proposed and attempts are being made to rejuvenate the organization.

Phil Sherburne, current president of the OFCL, explained that two years ago the University had considered withdrawing from the group after many felt that its discussion were not worthwhile. Instead, it was decided to re-evaluate the functions of the group and to utilize more of its assets.

THE NEWLY defined functions of the OFCL are to improve communication between Oregon schools through an exchange of ideas, to discuss issues of common interest, and to provide a training ground for student leaders.

The proposed amendments were drawn up at the student body president's conference held this term at George Fox College in Newberg. The amendments must be approved by a majority vote at the next conference. One amendment calls for the addition of two vice-presidents to the organization.

The two vice-presidents would be freshmen or sophomores. One would be in charge of setting up the conference and in sending out a bulletin to all members before the meeting. The other would follow up the issues discussed and accumulate files on actions taken by the individual schools as well as keeping in touch with other organizations such as USNSA (United State National Student Association).

The second proposed amendment would determine the method OFCL could use to take an official stand on any issue. The amendment calls for a majority vote and gives each school participating a veto power.

SHERBURNE explained, "The OFCL shouldn't take a stand

which will hurt any one of its members."

During the reorganization of the group, the structure was also considered. Past criticism was that some of the issues were not universally applicable to the members. Future plans call for conference discussions of interest to the whole assembly and then division of the assembly into smaller groups with more closely related interests.

Some of the topics of discussion suggested for the next conference include: Whether state schools should become involved in taking stands on matters of national or international interest, whether mandatory fees should be included in tuition, and considerations of the powers of student body presidents, student wages, academic requirements and scholarships.

THOSE INTERESTED in any of these areas will write brief reports on the issues and these reports will be compiled into a booklet which will be mailed to OFCL members before the general meeting.

The federation meets once a

year at a general conference. A retreat for student body presidents and two additional meetings of officers are usually planned during the year.

At present, the federation includes representatives from all the state schools and from several private schools. The membership fee has recently been increased from \$10 to \$15.

OFFICERS are elected at the annual business meeting by a majority vote. Each school has one vote on all matters. Sherburne said he felt that the organization was not controlled by the large schools and said that the rest of the officers were from small schools.

The Federation is currently trying to bring more schools into membership. Student body presidents of community colleges will be invited to the next conference and OFCL speakers are contacting representatives of other schools.

"Including more schools would force us to change our structure somewhat," said Sherburne. He explained that the major change would be in the type of discussion groups held at the Conferences.

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be achieved." The legislative fiscal officer has suggested increased use of both open channel and closed circuit TV.

THE COMMITTEE will continue its intensive examination of the proposed budget for educational television. Ralph Steele, director of the educational media for the extension department, said a combination of microwave relay and community cable coverage is expected to extend KOAC and KOAP broadcasts to Pendleton, La Grande and Baker in eastern Oregon and to Grants Pass, Medford and Ashland in southwest Oregon.

He said the open circuit educational television channels of the state now reach 70 per cent of the state. The long-range plan is to extend it to 98 per cent of the population.

### SU Calendar

Tuesday, February 26, 1963  
7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

9:15—Catholic-Lutheran Discussion	108 SU
11:00—SU Directorate	315 SU
11:45—Theatre Staff	109 SU
Noon—Italian Table	1 SU
Academic Requirements Com	
Biology Staff	108 SU
Pol. Sci. Staff	110 SU
Baha'i	111 SU
Advisory Council	112 SU
1:00—Jr. Week-Traditions Com.	213 SU
3:00—Canoe Fete Steering Com	337 SU
4:00—SU People to People Com	313 SU
Jr. Weekend Chrm.	315 SU
5:30—YMCA Advisory Board, Palmerlee Home	
Inter Co-op Council	110 SU
6:00—IFC	101 SU
Phi Beta Initiation Gerl. 2nd flr	
6:45—Panhellenic Council Interviews	108, 109
7:00—Peace Corps Projects Com	111 SU
College Activity Smmr	113 SU
7:30—Womens' Faculty Club Bridge	
Model United Nations	101 SU
Silk Screen Lesson	315 SU
Aerojet General Corp. Film	334 SU
8:00—Univ. of Portland Basketball	

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## Folksinger Odetta To Appear Tomorrow

Odetta, one of the top folk singers in America, will appear in concert in the Student Union Ballroom Wednesday at 8 p.m.

With an individualistic style that is termed "purist" by her admirers Odetta has had a successful career.

She has made movie and television appearances, concert tours and has had popular night club engagement, and recorded albums for the Tradition label. She is also well known for her appearances with other folk singers, such as Pete Seeger and Harry Belafonte.

RAISED IN Southern California, Odetta taught herself to play the guitar. Her first public appearance as a folk singer came

when she was a customer at the "hungry i" in San Francisco.

She was introduced and urged to sing. She sang one song and was hired. Later, because of protests from the billed performer, the offer was withdrawn.

LATER SHE opened in San Francisco's Tin Angel, where she played for a year. From the Tin Angel she has gone on to become one of the most respected figures on the folk singing scene.

Odetta is an attraction of the SU Little Concert series. Tickets are \$2.00 for students and \$2.50 for adults and may be purchased at the SU main desk. At present there are 500 tickets left.

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