

## NEWS AND NOTES

### PERSONAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

*Compiled by the Managing Editor*

By vote of the Executive Council, the next annual meeting of the American Political Science Association will be held at Philadelphia on December 27-29, 1933. The Association's headquarters will be at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. Members may be reminded that the chairman of the committee on program is Miss Louise Overacker, of Wellesley College, who will be glad to receive suggestions. The chairman of the committee on local arrangements is Professor James T. Young, of the University of Pennsylvania.

Professor E. C. Branson, of the University of North Carolina, died on March 13. Few persons have had a larger share in bringing about the increased attention which county government is now belatedly receiving in various parts of the country.

Professor Manley O. Hudson, Bemis professor of international law in the Harvard Law School since 1923, has been designated by President Roosevelt as a United States member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague. He fills the vacancy created by the recent death of Mr. Robert E. Olds.

Professor Harold W. Dodds, chairman of the administrative board of the School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton, was elected president of the University on June 2.

During the coming year, the department of political science at the Johns Hopkins University will be in charge of a committee consisting of Professor James Hart and Drs. Frederic S. Dunn and Johannes Mattern. Professor W. W. Willoughby has retired, but nevertheless will give a course of lectures on the jurisprudence of the League of Nations.

Professor Marshall E. Dimock, formerly of the University of California at Los Angeles, has returned from a year's work in London as a Social Science Research Council fellow and has assumed his new post as associate professor of public administration in the University of Chicago.

Professor William A. Robson, of the London School of Economics and Political Science, offered a course on contemporary aspects of British public administration at the University of Chicago during the spring quarter.

During recent months, Professor Charles E. Merriam gave a special series of lectures at the University of Chicago on "The Composition and Incidence of Political Power." Professor Quincy Wright also gave a series on "Causes of War," presenting the results of five years of intensive investigation of the subject.

Under a plan whereby the American University Union in London sends out American professors when spending their sabbatical years in the British Isles to deliver week-end lectures at various provincial universities, Professors Jerome D. Greene and Harvey Walker have recently lectured at the University of Sheffield and the University of Hull, respectively.

Dr. Donald C. Blaisdell, assistant professor of political science at Williams College, will offer a course in American government and one in international government in the coming summer session of the University of Rochester.

Professor Frederick L. Schuman, of the University of Chicago, will be abroad until the second quarter of the next academic year.

On the basis of a Social Science Research Council fellowship, Dr. Lawrence Preuss, of the University of Michigan, will devote the coming year to a study, in Germany, Austria, France, and Switzerland, of international limitations on penal competence of states, especially with reference to political crime.

A conference of police experts and representatives of leagues of municipalities and of governmental research bureaus met at the University of Chicago on April 21 and 22 for the purpose of discussing future developments in the field of police training.

At a meeting held at the Catholic University of America on April 30 in commemoration of the contribution of Francisco Suarez to international law and politics, Professor Peter V. Masterson, of Georgetown University, spoke on "Suarez and his Times;" Professor Herbert Wright, of the Catholic University, on "Suarez and the State;" and Dr. James Brown Scott, of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, on "Suarez and International Law."

Professor David P. Barrows, of the University of California, will spend the academic year 1933-34 as Roosevelt professor at the University of Berlin. His lectures will have as their general title "The New World Called America," and will undertake to interpret the political and social life, the

economic resources, and the future political ties and relationships of the countries of the western hemisphere. Professor Barrows will also conduct a seminar on "Types of Modern Colonial Administration."

Considerable interest attached to the meeting of the North Carolina Institute of Government on the campus of the University of North Carolina on June 1-3, for the reason that it represented an attempt—probably the first of the kind ever made—to bring together in joint conference city aldermen, county commissioners, state legislators, and representatives in Congress for the consideration of national and state legislation and its bearings on the interests of the people. An attendance of more than a thousand was expected, and it was planned to make the Institute the first of a series of annual meetings of the kind.

The second summer session on the teaching of international law will be held at the University of Michigan from July 17 to August 18. An extensive schedule of courses, group conferences, and public lectures will be carried out by Dr. James Brown Scott, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; Mr. George A. Finch, managing editor of the American Journal of International Law; and Professors George Grafton Wilson of Harvard University, Charles Cheyney Hyde of Columbia University, and Jesse S. Reeves of the University of Michigan. Further information may be had by applying to Mr. Lawrence E. Hartwig, Angell Hall, University of Michigan.

The eleventh annual session of the Academy of International Law at The Hague will be held from July 3 to August 25. As usual, the session will be divided into two terms of equal length, with the same number of courses and lectures, but on different subjects. Students may attend either or both terms. The only American names which one notes in the ample list of lecturers are those of Professor Charles E. Hill, of George Washington University, who in the first term will lecture on "The International Régime of Maritime Straits," and Professor Helen Dwight Reid, of the University of Buffalo, who in the second semester will lecture on "International Servitudes." Information concerning the session may be obtained by applying to Room 50, Peace Palace, The Hague.

The coöperative service to public officials, research agencies, and others interested in government organized in 1926 under the auspices of the National Municipal League, the American Municipal Association, the Governmental Research Association, and the International City Managers' Association, and heretofore conducted under the name of Municipal Administration Service, has been reorganized under the name of Public Administration Service, and will hereafter be conducted from

850 East 58th Street, Chicago, with Mr. Charles S. Ascher as director. The publication program of the Service will continue with the least possible interruption. The next monograph will be one of the series devoted particularly to problems of the small city: *Planning for the Small City*, by Russell V. Black, planning consultant of Princeton, N. J.

The Social Science Research Council has announced the award of 42 grants-in-aid of research, 15 new fellowship appointments, two fellowship appointments for periods of one year, and two fellowship extensions for less than one year. The grants-in-aid totalled \$19,290; the fellowships, \$49,000. Among recipients of grants-in-aid are Professors Albert R. Ellingwood, of Northwestern University, for completion of a bibliography of federal constitutional law in the United States; Luther H. Evans, of Princeton University, for completion of a study of the Virgin Islands under American rule; Martin L. Faust, of the University of Missouri, for completion of a study of the security of public deposits; Nathan P. Feinsinger, of the University of Wisconsin, for completion of a study of divorce law administration in England; Frederic H. Guild, of the University of Kansas, for completion of a study of legislative roll calls; Alpheus T. Mason, of Princeton University, for completion of a study of Mr. Justice Brandeis as a student of social and economic science; Miss Louise Overacker, of Wellesley College, for completion of an analysis of the 1932 campaign funds of the national party committees; and Amry Vandembosch, of the University of Kentucky, for aid in the publication of *The Government and Problems of the Dutch East Indies*. Fellowships were awarded to Drs. Albert Lepawsky, of the University of Chicago, for a study of the government of European metropolitan regions, and Lawrence Preuss, of the University of Michigan, for a study of international limitations upon the penal competence of states.

There has been organized in the department of government of the Washington Square College, New York University, a Division of Research in Public Administration. Dr. Russell Forbes, who has been promoted from an associate professorship to a professorship in the department of government, has resigned as secretary of the National Municipal League to become the director of the new Division. The objects of the Division will be to coordinate the research activities of the members of the department of government of Washington Square College who are working in the field of public administration, to train undergraduate and graduate students for public service, and, with the cooperation of other interested divisions of the University, to offer courses through the Graduate School leading to the degrees of master of arts and doctor of philosophy in public administration. The plans of the Division include provisions for research

fellowships in public administration and for the publication of the results of the research projects undertaken under its direction. In an extra-curricular way, the Division plans to undertake, at the request of public officials or organized citizens' groups, surveys of specific problems affecting the organization and administration of New York City and other governmental units in the metropolitan region; and to conduct annual one-week intensive courses in municipal administration for the benefit of the thirty thousand public officials of the New York metropolitan region. The establishment of the Division comes at an opportune time, when governments are seeking impartial and unbiased assistance in the solution of their financial and administrative problems, and when the public is specially concerned with ways and means of reducing governmental costs.

**Meeting of the Northeastern Group of the American Political Science Association.** Political scientists from twenty colleges and universities in the Middle Atlantic and New England states met at New York University on April 13-14 to discuss recent political developments throughout the world. The conference constituted the first regional meeting of the Northeastern Group of the American Political Science Association. The program was under the direction of Professor Charles Hodges, of New York University, who was named as chairman of an organization committee at a meeting on December 28, 1931, in Washington during the annual Association meeting. The other members of the committee included Professors Blaisdell, of Williams; Bradley, of Amherst; Graves, of Temple; Kalijarvi, of New Hampshire; Mattern, of Johns Hopkins; Myers, of Princeton; Mosher, of Syracuse; Notz, of Georgetown; Rogers, of Columbia; Steever, of Lafayette; and Weber, of Hunter.

The first meeting was held as a result of an extensive questionnaire last fall, which covered the possibilities of a spring program which would bring together political scientists and authorities outside the academic field. Newspaper and magazine editors and executives of social organizations, as well as professors of government and political science at leading universities, were on the two-day program. Informal discussions of the topics, rather than prepared addresses and papers, were planned for each of the six divisions of the Conference.

Three conference sections were held simultaneously on the morning of April 13. "The Government's Economic Leadership" was discussed in the first group by four speakers: Professors William E. Mosher, Syracuse University; Arthur W. Macmahon, Columbia University; Walter E. Spahr, New York University; and Bernhard Ostrolenk, College of the City of New York. Arthur S. Draper, assistant editor of the *New York Herald-Tribune* and a member of the Council of New York University, led the discussion of the second section on "The United States and League