Professional Notes

WASHINGTON CENTER FOR LEARNING ALTERNATIVES Graduate Program

The newly established Graduate Program of the Washington Center for Learning Alternatives provides students with opportunities for sustained examination of the Washington-based activities and influence that affect major issues nationally. Under its first topical focus, business/government relations, approximately 30 fellows, selected in nationwide competition, will undertake full-time, six month, stipended internships in Washington, D.C. Assisted by substantial foundation support, development of this program marks another advance in WCLA's efforts to serve educational needs nationally.

Dr. Roger Paget, Director of the Graduate Program, reports enthusiastic response from academic, business and government quarters. He notes that development of the initial program in Business/ Government Relations will establish the model upon which additional programs with other topical foci will be based. While the deadline for the June-December, 1981, program has passed, the next session of the Business/Government Relations Program will be February-August, 1982. The application deadline for that session is October 12, 1981.

WCLA Fellows for the Business/Government Relations Program are being drawn largely from among students in business, law, public administration, political science and economics. The program will include challenging professional placement, interdisciplinary seminar work and exposure to appropriate experts available in the nation's capital. All of these activities are designed to enhance the Washington experience and to supplement degree programs in fellows' home univer-

sities. Placements will be divided fairly evenly between federal, mainly executive and legislative, and non-governmental, mainly corporate, offices.

Dr. Paget expects that participating students will mostly be near the midpoint in their graduate programs. This arrangement will ensure (1) that students will have acquired the knowledge and skills necessary for satisfactory performance in a challenging position, and (2) that on return to campus they will contribute a significantly augmented understanding of the complex relations between business and government. Returning students will have the advantage of professional, firsthand perspective, which will lend greater relevance, direction and cogency to their graduate program.

Joining the Center as Director of the Graduate Programs, Dr. Roger Paget, a political scientist, brings a diverse background from education and from the public and private sectors. For 25 years Dr. Paget has been a student of Southeast Asian politics. Graduated from Wesleyan and Cornell he has taught at high school, college and graduate school levels. He has conducted research in the United States and abroad and his publications range from specialized analyses of Indonesian politics to broad scale evaluations of the state of language teaching and international studies in the United States. His service in teaching, research and administration has included posts in several universities, including the University of Colorado, Cornell University and the Western Australian Institute of Technology.

STEIN ROKKAN Prize

The International Social Science Council, in conjunction with the Conjunto Universitario Candido Mendes (Rio de Janeiro) is setting up a bi-annual prize named after

Stein Rokkan to be awarded every two years, starting in 1981, and amounting to \$2,000.

The prize is intended to crown a seminal contribution in comparative social science research written in English, French or German, by a scholar under 40 years of age. It can be a manuscript or a printed book or collected works published after 1979.

Four copies of manuscripts typed doublespaced or of printed works must be submitted together with a formal application for the prize to the International Social Science Council.

Manuscripts and publications received will not be returned.

Workks submitted will be evaluated by the International Social Science Council with the assistance of appropriate referees, under the supervision of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR). The award will be made by the ISSC General Assembly meeting in November 1981 on the recommendation of the ISSC Executive Committee.

Apply to: The Secretary-General, International Social Science Council, Unesco, 1 rue Miollis, F-75015 Paris, France.

Southern Association V. O. KEY Book Award

The Southern Political Science Association has established a V. O. Key Book Award and invites contributions to the endowment fund to support the annual award. The Committee to raise funds for the award recognizing the distinguished political scientist and former President of the American Political Science Association is headed by Alexander Heard, Chancellor of Vanderbilt University, with William Havard, the Chairman of the Department of Political Science, Vanderbilt University, as Secretary. Contributions, which are tax deductible, should be made out to the V. O. Key Endowment Fund of the SPSA and sent to Professor Havard at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee 37235, or Manning Dauer, Treasurer of the Southern Political Science Association, c/o the University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32611. The first V. O. Key Book Award will be made at the 1981 Annual Meeting of the Southern

Political Science Association to a book published in 1980.

SSRC CENTER for Coordination of Research on Social Indicators

The Social Science Research Council. through its Center for Coordination of Research on Social Indicators, has undertaken a program of planning for U.S. research on the measurement of social change in the next decade. This project, supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation, is intended to anticipate and help prepare for new and continuing needs for research on indicators of changes occurring in society; to provide forums for the discussion and evaluation of research issues; and to make it possible for statistical and research funding decisions to reflect the needs of research on social indicators. The Center will publish a planning report in 1982. following review by a wide community of scholars, staff in statistical agencies and research institutes, and others who have an intellectual investment in the future of quantitative research on social change. This project is briefly described in the December, 1980, issue of the Center's Social Indicators Newsletter, which is available on request from: Social Science Research Council, Center for Social Indicators, 1755 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

ASIAN AFFAIRS Journal

The Dacca University, Bangladesh, Study Group, has announced the publication of a semi-annual journal entitled Asian Affairs. The Board of Editors will welcome submissions for possible publication as well as subscriptions at \$24 annually. For further information write to the General Secretary, The Study Group, Arts Building, Room 1052, University of Dacca, Dacca, Bangladesh.

GEORGE MASON University Public Administration Lectures

The Department of Public Affairs of George Mason University is sponsoring a lecture series in connection with the inauguration of its Doctor of Public Administration Program. Entitled "Public Ad-

ministration: Review and Redirection 1980-2000 with Perspective of the Humanities." The series is being directed by Brack Brown, Harold Gortner and Michael Kelly. The speakers include Walter Murphy, Princeton University; Dwight Waldo; Woodrow Wilson International Center:

Elliot L. Richardson, Milband, Tweed, Hadley and McCloy; Barry Karl, University of Chicago; Harlan Cleveland, Director of the Hubert Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota; and Ferrel Heady, University of New Mexico.

Karl Deutsch Festschrift



A Festschrift in honor of the formal retirement of Karl Deutsch from Harvard University, From National Development to Global Community: Essays in Honor of Karl W. Deutsch, edited by Richard L. Merritt and Bruce M. Russett and published by George Allen and Unwin, Publishers, London, has recently been published. Dr. Deutsch, a former President of the American Political Science Association and the International Political Science Association, is continuing to teach part time at Harvard as well as co-directing the International Institute for Comparative Social Research, Science Center Berlin, Federal Republic of Germany.

Contributors to the Festschrift are: Hayward R. Alker, Jr., Thomas Cusack, Jorgi I. Dominguez, Raymond Duvall, William J. Foltz,, Bruno Fritsch, Michael C. Hudson, Steven Jackson, Peter J. Katzenstein, Manfred Kochen, Arend Lijphart, Andrei S. Markovits, Frieder Naschold, Warren W. Oliver III., Donald J. Puchala, Stein Rokkan, Dieter Senghaas, J. David Singer, Duncan Snidal, David Sylvan, Charles Lewis Taylor, and Bruce Russett and Richard Merritt.

The photograph shows from left to right: Bruno Fritsch, Eidgenossische Technische Hochschule Zurich; Karl Deutsch; Hayward R. Alker, Jr., Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Richard Merritt; and Dieter Senghaas, University of Bremen.

CATTANEO AWARD

The Istituto Carlo Cattaneo is offering five awards of one million lire each for the best unpublished Ph.D. dissertations filed in 1979, 1980, or 1981 dealing with the Italian political system and Italian society. Empirical studies based on primary data will be preferred. The best of the five dissertations will be published in Italian as a monograph in the publication series of the Istituto. Deadline for application is December 31, 1981. For further information write to: The Chairman, Istituto Carlo Cattaneo, Via Santo Stefano 11, 40125 Bologna, Italy.

COMPARATIVE EUROPEAN POLITICS Course

The European University Institute is organizing a Summer School on Comparative European Politics to be held in Florence from June 22 to July 17, 1981. The Summer School will admit up to 30 scholars, who should be university teachers or advanced doctoral students currently engaged in research work within the subject areas of the Summer School.

This is the third Summer School on Comparative European Politics to be organized by the European University Institute. As before, its intention is to increase knowledge and understanding of political development in Western Europe, and to promote advanced research of a comparative nature.

Applications and all requests for further information should be addressed as soon as possible to: Mr. Stefano Bartolini, Organizing Secretary, Summer School on Comparative European Politics, European University Institute, Badia Fiesolana, Via dei Roceettini, 50016 San Domenico di Fiesole, Italy.

1980 ICPSR CENSUS DATA

The Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) plans to acquire most of the data files produced by the 1980 U.S. Census. Among the files to be obtained will be the Summary Tape Files (STFs) containing aggregated information, as well as the Public Use Microdata Samples (PUMS) of individual-level data drawn from Census question-

naires. These files will be made available to scholars at colleges and universities affiliated with ICPSR for a cost considerably below the purchase price charged by the Census Bureau or alternate sources of the basic data files. The charges to non-ICPSR members, while higher than for members, will nonetheless result in considerable cost saving.

ICPSR is a membership-based academic organization comprised of over 250 colleges and universities in the United States and abroad. It maintains the largest social science data archive in the world and also provides training in quantitative social analysis and resources for utilizing advanced computer software technology.

As part of its 1980 Census data activities, ICPSR will conduct a one-week intensive workshop on Utilization of Data Resources From the 1980 Census as part of its 1981 Summer Training Program in the Theory and Technology of Social Research. The workshop will include opportunities for "hands-on" computing experiences with both Census data files and software packages. Dates of the workshop are July 20 to 24, 1981.

For further information on either Census data files or the training workshop, contact Erik W. Austin, ICPSR, P.O. Box 1248, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106.

ICPSR SUMMER WORKSHOPS

A series of special workshops and seminars will be offered as part of the Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Training Program in the Theory and Technology of Social Research. The Program is held annually during July and August in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The special courses offered this summer include:

Introduction to Current Microcomputer Applications (July 11-12, Repeated July 20-24).

Utilization of Data Resources from the 1980 Census (July 20-24).

Data Management, Library Control, and Use of Computer-Readable Information (July 27-July 31).

A special two-week Linear Models Seminar (August 3-14).

Asian American Research Methods (July 27-August 7; stipend support is available).

Empirical Research Issues in Aging (June 29-July 24; stipend support is available).

Quantitative Analysis of Crime and Criminal Justice (July 27-August 21; stipend support is available).

For further information on these courses and other program activities contact: ICPSR Summer Training Program, Box 1248, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106; (313) 764-8392.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY of Chicago Lecture Series

Proposals are now being accepted for consideration for the ninth presentation of the Loyola University of Chicago Lecture Series in Political Analysis, to be held in 1982. Since its founding in 1968, the lecture series has provided a forum in which distinguished political philosophers have presented their work to a public audience over a period of two weeks. The lectures, in revised form, are then published as books in the continuing series.

The scholars who have thus far participated in the lecture series include: Henry S. Kariel, Martin Diamond, Eugene Miller, Mulford Q. Sibley, Christian Bay, Glen Tinder, and Fred R. Dallmayr (March 30-April 10, 1981).

Participants are expected to present six separate lectures on a general theme of contemporary political philosophy. Proposals should include a brief vita, an outline of the theme, tentative titles of the lectures, and an approximate date schedule. Please send materials and inquiries for further details to: Professor Richard S. Hartigan, Department of Political Science, Loyola University of Chicago, 6525 N. Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois 60626.

NORTH AMERICAN STUDIES Program

A new program in North American Studies has been established at the Monterey Institute of International Studies. In recent years the United States, Canada and Mexico have been drawn into increasingly complex sets of interrelationships. The purpose of the North American Studies program at the Monterey Institute is to focus on these interrelationships, stressing the various modes of economic, political and cultural contact. Students will be able to pursue a B.A. or a three-year B.A./M.A. in North American Studies or a joint two-year M.A. in North American Studies and International Management. Within these degree programs, specializations may be selected in U.S.-Canadian relations, U.S.-Mexican relations or American Studies.

For further information, contact Dr. Glynn Wood, Academic Dean and Vice President, Monterey Institute of International Studies, 425 Van Buren Street, Monterey, California 93940; (408) 649-3113.

THE LAWMAKERS

The Lawmakers, a weekly half-hour public television series on Congress, is an unprecedented collaboration between political science and television journalism. Political scientist Norman J. Ornstein of Catholic University and the American Enterprise Institute acts as political editor for the show, which is produced for Washington's WETA-TV by Gregg Ramshaw, with Linda Winslow as executive producer. The show features Paul Duke as senior correspondent, along with Linda Wertheimer and Cokie Roberts of National Public Radio's All Things Considered.

The Lawmakers focuses weekly on what is happening inside Congress, using a magazine format to examine important issues, profile key actors or committees, and interview involved individuals. Political editor Ornstein works closely with the production team to shape the content of the show, and also acts as a frequent onair analyst or interviewer.

Winslow, Ramshaw and Ornstein conceived the show in 1979-80. A number of "pilots" were produced in early 1980. Supported by grants form the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the LTV Corporation and the American Council of Life Insurance, the show had a full-scale national debut in January. The show is aired live on Thursday evenings at 9:00 p.m. EST (changed to 8:30 p.m. in late April),

but airs at different times on different PBS stations around the country; check your local listings or call your local station.

The Lawmakers is designed to be a fastpaced, lively and interesting look at what Congress does, how and why it does it, who is involved, and with what effect. The show uses as much real footage of hearings, meetings and floor debate as possible. While the show is designed to appeal to a general audience, it is also a useful aid to political scientists who follow Congress and to courses on American government and on the legislative process.

PRESIDENTIAL SELECTION Study

A long-term study of the system by which Presidents of the United States are

chosen will be undertaken over the next several years by the distinguished political scientist, Alexander Heard, Chancellor of Vanderbilt University. Financial support for the study in an amount of at least \$2 million, will be provided by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. Until his retirement as Chancellor in approximately two years, Dr. Heard will devote a portion of his time to the study. It will then become his principal activity at Vanderbilt University.

The purpose of the study will be to contribute in tangible ways to an improved political system. The plan for the study calls for a core group of 15 members to pursue the study through to completion. Members are to include individuals active in government, including representatives of both major parties.



Political scientist Norman J. Ornstein of Catholic University, upper right, is the political editor of *The Lawmakers*, a weekly public television series featuring Washington correspondents (I. to r.) Linda Wertheimer, Paul Duke and Cokie Roberts in a half-hour roundup of Congressional activities. The program is made possible by grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, The LTV Corporation and the American Council of Life Insurance. It originates at WETA, Washington, D.C.

Photo by Jim Wesley

HUMAN RIGHTS Directory

The Human Rights Internet, 1502 Ogden Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20010, has published a new Human Rights Directory on Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa, the Middle East, Asia and the Pacific.

Also included is a listing of some 70 international organizations (based in Europe and North America) working for the promotion and protection of international human rights.

The directory has been compiled by the staff of the Human Rights Internet and edited by its Executive Director, Laurie Wiseberg. Information is provided on the objectives and purposes of the organizations, their human rights activities, their publications, library holdings, etc., as well as addresses, telephone numbers, and staff. Four indexes are included: English Names, Non-English Names, Acronyms, and a Subject Index. This book will be periodically revised. The cost is \$22.50 (50% discount for Internet subscribers).

Also available from the Human Rights Internet:

North American Human Rights Directory, 1980. 182 pp. ISBN 0-912048-20-4; ISSN 0270-2282. Lists over 500 U.S.and Canadian-based organizations working on international human rights. \$12.00.

European Human Rights Directory, forthcoming 1981. This will be the third volume in the series and should be available in the spring or summer of 1981.

Human Rights Internet Reporter, bimonthly (except during July/August). The only publication which systematically reports on the activities of human rights organizations worldwide and provides information on research in progress, bibliography, teaching materials, news of conferences and meetings, etc. Institutional subscriptions: \$35/year; individual subscriptions: \$25/year; contributorship: \$20/year, for organizations working in the field of human rights who agree to a regular exchange of information.

PEASANT STUDIES Journal

The University of Utah announces the resumption of publication of the quarterly journal, *Peasant Studies*, beginning with Volume IX, Number 1, in Fall 1981. The previous eight volumes were produced under the sponsorship of the University of Pittsburgh.

The journal will continue to feature articles, extended review essays, and news and announcements of current research and conferences, focusing on contemporary and historical peasants and peasant societies. Contributions are invited from such diverse fields as anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, and sociology, as well as those drawing on interdisciplinary perspectives.

Please submit all manuscripts (in duplicate) and inquiries to: Professor Anand A. Yang, Editor, *Peasant Studies*, Department of History, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112. Subscription rates are \$20 for institutions, \$15 for individuals, and \$10 for students. Single issues of back numbers are available for \$5 for individuals and \$7.50 for institutions. For further information regarding subscriptions, write to Professor James R. Lehning, Managing Editor, at the above address.

Association for the Advancement of Policy and Research and Development in AFRICA

The Association for the Advancement of Policy and Research and Development in Africa seeks to promote the interchange and exchange of scientific and technological information, methodologies, instruments and policy findings among development scholars, practitioners, and administrators of the scientific, technological, and development institutions and governments both outside and inside Africa.

For conference and membership information, please contact: Mekki Mtewa, Department of Political Science, Howard University, Washington, D.C. 20059; (202) 636-6720.

BRITISH POLITICS GROUP Research Register

The British Politics Group Research Register for 1981 now is available. This fourth edition is the largest ever with nearly 70 8½ x 11 pages and over 200 scholars listed. Listings include, among other things, information about current and past research, scholarly training, research visits to Britain, and funding.

Copies are \$3 each, postage included. Orders should be sent to Executive Secretary, British Politics Group, 503 Ross Hall, Department of Political Science, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa 50011.

EDGAR FURNISS, JR. Award

The Mershon Center of The Ohio State University has announced its annual competition for the best original booklength, previously unpublished monograph dealing with significant contributions of the policy sciences to national security and civilian military education.

The Award of \$1,000 and publication by the Ohio State University Press is intended to commemorate the intellectual leadership of Edgar S. Furniss, Jr. and his unique role in establishing the Mershon Center.

Since publication by the Ohio State University Press is a part of the Award, submission of the manuscript to, or acceptance by, another publisher constitutes disqualification.

Manuscripts will be judged by the Mershon Center Editorial Board on the basis of relevance to the Award subject, scholarship, and clarity of exposition.

Manuscripts (nonreturnable) must be received by October 1, 1981.

If an award is granted in 1981, notification will be sent to the winning competitor on or about December 15, 1981.

Manuscripts should be sent to: Director, The Mershon Center, The Ohio State University, 199 W. 10th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43201.

BI-Weekly Report on BALLOT INITIATIVES NATIONWIDE

A new bi-weekly report on ballot initiatives and referendums nationwide, covering state and local campaigns to place proposed laws on ballots through citizen petition has been established. Entitled *Initiative News Report*, it provides detailed information on the petition and election phases of the campaign as well as news and research on election laws and court decisions affecting the placement of initiatives on state and local ballots. For further information write John Forster, Publisher, 606 Third Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001.

POLICY PERSPECTIVES Journal

Policy Perspectives is a new interdisciplinary journal concerned with the nature and content of public policy. The forces which shape it and its impact are matters of great interest to many disciplines, including public administration, sociology, psychology, anthropology, political science, economics, humanities and the law. Articles will explore (1) broad theoretical and methodological issues in the analysis of public policy and/or (2) the substantive implications of specific policies.

The journal will primarily publish articles based on original research. It will also publish discussions and analyses of current significant policy issues, new applications of methodologies for the study of public policy, and review essays on significant new books, research reports and legislation. It will list upcoming conferences, calls for papers and relevant events.

The journal will welcome submissions for consideration. Send three copies to: Craig Wanner, Editor, Policy Perspectives, Rutgers University, Conklin Hall #155, Newark, New Jersey 07102. Normally, publication decisions will be made within four to six weeks. Authors will be informed of any delays beyond that period. Publication will begin the third quarter of 1981.

Subscriptions are \$10 a year for individuals residing in North America, \$15 for individuals residing elsewhere, \$7.50

for students, and \$20 for libraries and institutions.

lic Affairs, Room 5831, Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20520; (202) 632-3340.

Department of State SCHOLAR-DIPLOMAT Seminar Program

The Scholar-Diplomat Seminar Program will begin its twelfth year this fall. University faculty members spend a week in the State Department observing the foreign policy process at first-hand and discussing current policy issues. The seminars bring together scholars, particularly younger Ph.D.s and government officers involved in making and executing foreign policy. More than 1,800 scholars have participated in the program since its inception in 1969. One indication of the program's effectiveness is the fact that most new applications are received from scholars who have heard about the program from previous attendees.

To facilitate informal give-and-take discussion, the seminars are kept small (20 is the usual maximum). A key element of the program is the assigning of each scholar to a host officer whose interest most nearly matches that of the scholar. During the week the scholar views the host officer's work, discusses policy papers and contributes knowledge and ideas. Participating scholars receive a security clearance prior to the seminar and are therefore able to read classified materials and discuss fully their host's work.

As part of the seminar, workshops are occasionally scheduled "for scholars only" during which candid, unbiased observations are drawn together by participants for a paper that is usually presented to the host bureau's assistant secretary and/or country directors. In some cases the paper is forwarded to the Secretary of State.

In-depth sessions are arranged with the major organizational units of the Department, both geographic and functional. Similar sessions are also arranged with other government agencies involved in the foreign policy process.

Requests for application forms or for further information concerning the program should be addressed to: Scholar-Diplomat Seminars, National Capital Division, Office of Public Programs, Bureau of Pub-

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION School Rating

Syracuse University has been named as the top school of public administration in the U.S. today, based on an unofficial poll of public administration faculty across the nation.

The poll, conducted by David R. Morgan of the Bureau of Government Research at the University of Oklahoma at Norman, was sent to all principal representatives of the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Public Administration (NASPAA) and the results were published in the March 15, 1981 issue of Public Administration Times.

Respondents were asked to select the top ten from among 216 American institutions granting a graduate degree in public administration/public affairs on the basis of "the quality of the faculty, the curriculum, the instructional and research facilities, and any other factor that may contribute to the effectiveness of the program."

The following is a list of the top 20 schools selected by the questionnaire respondents:

- Syracuse
- Harvard
- 3. Southern California
- 4. Indiana
- California, Berkeley
- 6. Texas
- 7. Princeton
- 8. Pittsburgh
- 9. Michigan
- 10. Georgia
- 11. Carnegie Mellon
- 12. Minnesota
- Ohio State
- 14. American (Washington, D.C.)
- 15. North Carolina
- 16. Florida State
- 17. Kansas
- George Washington (Washington, D.C.)
- 19. Virginia Polytech
- 20. SUNY-Albany

Responsible Government in AUSTRALIA

The Australasian Political Studies Association is jointly sponsoring with Drummong Publications a special issue of *Politics* edited by Pat Weller and Dean Jaensch on the topic of *Responsible Government in Australia*.

Twenty-four essays on responsible government by leading scholars, including R. S. Parker, Colin Hughes, J. R. Mallory, and by political practitioners including Sir Billy Snedden and G. W. Cole.

Major sections cover: Responsible Government in Australia, Parliament, Statutory Authorities, The Public Service, Local Government, The Community, and Overseas Comparisons.

It is available from Drummong Publishing, 2 The Crofts, Richmond 3121, Victoria, Australia.

THE POLITICAL NOVEL

"The Political Novel," a course offered at Mount Vernon College from June 1 through July 15, 1981, is a reading of works by Joseph Conrad, Fyodor Dostoevsky, Arthur Koestler, Ignazio Silone, Albert Camus, Aldous Huxley, and Irving Howe.

A series of lectures by H. Philip Bolton (Ph.D., English, University of Chicago) will explore affinities of these and other novelists for political processes, as well as their detachment from politics. The students and professor will conduct an inquiry into relations between the man or woman of letters on the one hand, and the politician, political processes, and political ideology on the other hand. Of special interest will be some secrets of the craft of novel-writing that might prove useful to the practical politician. The specific situations investigated are to be colonial central America, pre- and post-revolutionary Russia, pre-revolutionary Italy, an hypothetical fascism, and a mythical anti-utopian world.

For further information, call or write Phil Bolton, (202) 331-3574, or Nicole Long, Director, Continuing Education, (202) 331-3539, at Mount Vernon College, 2100 Foxhall Road, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20007.

WILLIAM ROBSON Memorial Fund

A fund has been established in memory of Professor William Robson who served on the staff of the London School of Economics and Political Science from 1926 until his death in May 1980. He was a scholar, teacher, writer and editor with interests and influence in many important fields, especially public administration, planning, public law, nationlized industries, and city and local government including the work of the Greater London Group. His reputation was national and international. In his work comparative method predominated, as illustrated by his many contacts with France, Japan, the United States and other countries. He was, moreover, always concerned to link theory and practice.

William Robson had a life-long interest in students and concern for their research and its publication. Therefore, it was thought to be fitting if the fund was specially used to make grants available to help prepare for publication, either as articles or as books, work by present or recent students of the London School of Economics in the areas of his interest. The publication of good work often depends on the availability of quite small sums flexibly administered, and the fund would provide, for example, aid with additional time needed or facilities for preparing a manuscript. Awards would be given only to work of proven quality. The published work would acknowledge the assistance of the William Robson Memorial Fund and would perpetuate the memory both of his scholarship and of his helpfulness to students. A memorial brochure is being prepared that will be given to all donors and to all recipients of grants.

The Committee aims at raising at least \$\Lambda 10,000\$ for this purpose. The Thomson Organisation has already made a donation of \$L1,000\$ to commemorate William Robson's founding and long editorship of \$The Political Quarterly\$. The Committee hopes that all those who remember and value his work will contribute to this fund and will ask other friends and former students to do so. Gifts, made out to The London School of Economics (Robson Fund) Office, and sent to Appeal Office, London School of Economics, Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AE England.

Gordon Brunton
Gerald Caiden
Sydney Caine
Bernard Crick
Ralf Dahrendorf
Lord McGregor of Durris
John Griffith
Lord Marshall of Leeds
William Plowden
Juliette Robson
Harold Seidman
Peter Self
Kiyoaki Tsujy
Geoffrey Vickers
Alan Watkins

POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY Journal

A new journal, Political Geography Quarterly, has been launched in political geography, a result of a general increase in geographers' appreciation of the importance of the political factor in their researches. The new journal is designed to provide a central focus for developments in this rapidly expanding sub-discipline. The aim is to bring together contributions from the three major strands of current political geography research: (1) continuing research on 'traditional' topics such as geostrategic regions and the spatial structure of the state; (2) quantitative, positivist studies such as in electoral geography and policy impact studies; and (3) political economy approaches dealing with issues such as those arising from alternative theories of the state or the world-economy perspective. The journal also provides a forum for non-geographers with an interest in the spatial dimension in politics. The editors would especially like to receive submissions from members of the political science profession working in the areas listed above. Butterworths of London are publishing the journal and the first issue is scheduled for January, 1982. The editor is Peter J. Taylor, University of Newcastle upon Tyne; John O'Loughlin, University of Illinois, Urbana, is Associate Editor; and Andrew Kirby, University of Reading, is Book Review Editor. For further information on the journal and the submission of manuscripts for review, contact John O'Loughlin, Department of Geography, 607 South Mathews Street. University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois 61801.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM Symposium Paper Call

The Review of Public Personnel Administration will publish a symposium on civil service reform and will welcome papers for consideration. The issue will consider: (1) examinations of the pre-reform past; (2) changes in the role of the personnel department; (3) evaluations of civil service reform on specific areas of personnel management (e.g., recruitment, testing, compensation, training, performance appraisal, discipline, retirement); and (4) explorations on the future of merit system reform. Analyses of topics such as these may use any; approach and methodology in presentation of an argument.

Proposals for 15-20 page articles are welcomed from administrators, academicians, students, consultants and others interested in the subject. Individuals are invited to send a one-page proposal with a tentative outline of their papers and a biographical sketch to: James S. Bowman, Symposium Editor, Review of Public Personnel Administration, Department of Political Science, University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming 82071.

Suggestions for shorter articles and book reviews are also welcome. Proposals must be received no later than July 15, 1981. Complete manuscripts will be due December 1, 1981. They will then be refereed. Selected contributions will be published in the *Review* in the Spring of 1982.

SYLLABI Checklist Update Available

Since 1974 the Wisconsin Political Science Association has operated a course syllabi clearinghouse, making copies of political science syllabi from over 100 colleges and universities available at cost (presently 7¢/page). This archive includes materials for the standard offerings (including many samples from introductory courses in each of the subfields of the discipline) as well as examples of exotic and cutting-edge classes. (Among the latter group the clearinghouse has recently acquired syllabi for courses on Political Leadership, Politics of Mexican-American Community, Political Finance, The Limits of the Law, Feminist Political Theory, The Politics of Productivity: Germany and Japan, Human Rights in the International Community, Issues in the Law of the Sea, International Political Economy: North-South Confrontation, Comparative Public Policy, State Administrative Systems, Political Economy of the Arts, the Government and Natural Resources.) A copy of the latest course syllabi checklist may be obtained by writing Dr. Martin Gruberg, Political Science Department, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54901. Please include 18¢ postage.

NEW APQ EDITOR

American Politics Quarterly, currently edited by Samuel A. Kirkpatrick of Texas A&M University and published by Sage Publications, is pleased to announce a new editor to assume responsibilities for the January, 1982 issue: Professor Lee Sigelman of the University of Kentucky. The current editor will continue to function with regard to current manuscripts under review and in revision through the end of June, but any new manuscripts which are submitted for publication consideration to the Quarterly after June 1, 1981 should be addressed to Professor Sigelman as Editor-Designate at the Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky 40506.