

## NEWS AND NOTES

### PERSONAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

*Compiled by the Managing Editor*

The thirty-fourth annual meeting of the American Political Science Association will be held at the Deschler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, December 28-30 inclusive. Round tables will, as usual, constitute the principal feature of the program, and have been arranged with topics and leaders as follows: (1) "American Foreign Policy," Harold S. Quigley, University of Minnesota; (2) "Political Parties: Tendencies and Possibilities of Realignment," Harold F. Gosnell, University of Chicago; (3) "Contemporary Political Leaders and Leadership," John T. Salter, University of Wisconsin; (4) "Current Problems of Public Administration," Joseph P. Harris, Social Science Research Council; (5) "Comparative Government," Robert K. Gooch, University of Virginia; (6) "Current Problems of State and Local Government," Lane W. Lancaster, University of Nebraska; (7) "The International Labor Organization," Francis G. Wilson, University of Washington; (8) "Public Opinion," Harwood L. Childs, Princeton University; (9) "Training for Public Service," Donald Stone, Public Administration Service. Round tables may be arranged on other topics, definite announcement to be made later. There will also be several general sessions, three luncheon sessions, and some special breakfast and dinner conferences. The presidential address will be given on Wednesday evening. The Program Committee consists of Clarence A. Berdahl, University of Illinois, chairman; F. W. Coker, Yale University; Herbert W. Briggs, Cornell University; D. F. Fleming, Vanderbilt University; and Leonard D. White, University of Chicago. Harvey Walker, Ohio State University, is chairman of the Committee on Local Arrangements.

Professor S. H. Bailey, of the London School of Economics and Political Science, will be visiting lecturer in international relations in the department of government at Yale University during the first semester of 1938-39 in place of Professor N. J. Spykman, who will be on leave.

Professor Phillips Bradley, of Amherst College, has accepted a professorship at Queen's College in New York City.

Dr. William P. Maddox, of Princeton University, has accepted an associate professorship of international relations at the University of Pennsylvania.

Professor James K. Pollock, of the University of Michigan, is teaching at Stanford University during the current summer quarter.

Professor Francis W. Coker, of Yale University, was on leave during the second semester of 1937-38 and spent part of the time traveling in Europe with his family.

Mr. A. Whitney Griswold has been appointed assistant professor of government and international relations at Yale University, and Messrs. Donald N. Wheeler and George L. Millikan have been appointed instructors in government.

Professor Charles C. Rohlfing, of the University of Pennsylvania, has been designated by Governor George H. Earle to serve on a committee to investigate the alleged disfranchisement of voters under the recently enacted permanent registration law for Philadelphia.

Professor Denna F. Fleming, of Vanderbilt University, has been awarded a Penfield traveling fellowship for research in Washington and London during 1938-39. He has also been advanced to a full professorship at Vanderbilt. During the coming year, his classes will be in charge of Mr. Roland K. Beyer, of the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

At George Washington University, Dean William C. Johnstone has been advanced to a full professorship. He will be on leave during the second semester of the coming academic year and will visit the Near East, India, and the Far East.

While on leave from the University of Wisconsin during the second semester of the coming academic year, Professor Grayson L. Kirk will teach at Columbia University.

Dr. Charles G. Maphis, founder and director of the Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia, died in May, and has been succeeded by Professor Robert K. Gooch, professor of political science, as acting director.

At the University of Chicago, the status of Dr. Walter H. C. Laves has been changed from that of lecturer to that of associate professor. Dr. Laves has now resigned his position with the League of Nations Association.

At the University of Missouri, the research council has made a grant to Professor J. G. Heinberg for a continuation of his study of the personnel of French cabinets under the Third Republic, and another to Professor W. L. Bradshaw for a study of state fiscal control over local government in Virginia and North Carolina.

Miss Dorothy Schaffter will be on leave from Vassar College in 1938-39, and, under a grant from the Carnegie Corporation, will carry on a

field study of housing boards in the sixteen states now having such agencies. Miss Schaffter has been made a member of the committee on education and research of the National Association of Housing Officials.

Professor R. D. McIntyre, who has been on leave from the University of Kentucky, will resume his duties in September, and Professor Rodman Sullivan will go on leave for a year of research.

In connection with the commencement exercises of last June at Indiana University, a room in the university library was dedicated as a memorial to Professor Amos S. Hershey, who taught political science at Indiana from 1895 until shortly before his death in 1933.

Dr. S. Shepard Jones, formerly a Rhodes scholar at Oxford and an instructor in government at Harvard, has been appointed director of the World Peace Foundation.

Professor Graham H. Stuart, of Stanford University, gave courses on American diplomacy in the summer session of Western Reserve University. After a year's leave of absence on account of impaired health, Professor Earl L. Shoup will resume his work at Western Reserve this fall.

Dr. Milton E. Loomis, who resigned as dean of Washington Square College, New York University, last October, will return to the University this autumn as professor of municipal government.

At the Citadel (the Military College of South Carolina), Dr. James K. Coleman has been promoted to a professorship of political science.

Dr. Vernon O. Key, Jr., for some time associated with the Committee on Public Administration, Social Science Research Council, will teach during the coming year at the Johns Hopkins University.

Professor Richard C. Spencer, of Western Reserve University, has been granted leave of absence for next year and will spend a portion of the period abroad.

While on leave from the College of the City of New York during the academic year 1937-38, Dr. John D. Larkin served as associate professor of political science at the Armour Institute of Technology, Chicago; and he has now accepted a permanent post at the latter institution.

Professor William O. Farber has resigned his position at the North Dakota State College to accept a full professorship and the headship of the department at the University of South Dakota, where he formerly taught.

While continuing at his present post in the department of public law and government at Columbia University, Dr. Robert H. Connery will lecture on American government and public administration at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., during the academic year 1938-39.

Dr. Herman H. Trachsel, of the University of South Dakota, has been appointed to an associate professorship at the University of Iowa.

At the University of Oklahoma, Professor Royden J. Dangerfield has been appointed to the newly established position of assistant dean of the graduate school.

At the University of Kansas, Mr. Rowland W. Maddox has been advanced to an assistant professorship and Mr. Hilden Gibson, of Stanford University, has been appointed to an instructorship.

Dr. John Brown Mason, recently of Santa Ana Junior College, Santa Ana, California, has accepted an assistant professorship of social science at the Fresno State College.

At the University of Akron, Professor Roy Sherman has been promoted to the headship of the department of political science, and Dr. Paul M. Zeis, of the University of Nebraska during the past two years, has been appointed to a junior position.

Professor Chesney Hill, of the University of Missouri, is spending the summer in Geneva, Switzerland, as a member of the American Committee of the Institute of International Studies.

Dr. Stephen B. Sweeney has been appointed director of the Institute of Local and State Government at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Bradford W. West, assistant professor of comparative government at the University of Pennsylvania, studied in Germany during the summer on a grant from the Penfield Fellowship.

Dr. John H. Marion, of Yale University, has accepted a position in the department of history and political science at Rutgers University.

Dr. J. F. Isakoff has resigned his instructorship at the University of Illinois to accept a position on the research staff of the Illinois Legislative Council. His successor at Illinois is Dr. Mulford Q. Sibley, who recently completed his graduate work at the University of Minnesota.

Mr. Paul C. Bartholomew, who was awarded a doctor's degree at the University of Kentucky in June, has been advanced to an associate professorship of politics at the University of Notre Dame.

During the past academic year, the bureau of business research of the University of Kentucky has collaborated with the research staffs of the state department of revenue, the state unemployment compensation commission, and the Kentucky legislative council in the study of several problems, among them property assessments, property tax collection, county finance, and unemployment compensation legislation and administration.

Dr. Lent D. Upson, director of the Detroit Bureau of Governmental Research and of the School of Public Affairs and Social Work of Wayne University, has recently been appointed chairman and director of survey for the Michigan Tax Study Commission. Dr. Upson will be assisted by Professor S. A. Larsen, of the department of business administration, and Mr. Laurence Michelmore and Dr. Egbert S. Wengert, of the department of government. Mr. L. D. Woodworth, recently of the senate committee on relief and unemployment, is acting as chief of staff and Dr. Laszlo Ecker-R, of the research division of the U. S. Treasury, as consultant.

The National Institute of Public Affairs, Washington, D. C., announces that during the past academic year thirty-five internes were placed in more than thirty different federal agencies in Washington for a nine-month period of service. Eight of the number have now received fellowships for further graduate study and more than thirty took and passed the junior social science analyst examinations with a high average. It is expected that the majority of the group will find positions with and remain in the federal service.

The Institute of Local and State Government at the University of Pennsylvania has prepared a program of public service education in Pennsylvania for the state department of public instruction. The plan has been approved by the federal authority in accordance with the George Deen Act, and Messrs. Rollin B. Posey and George Townsend, technical associates of the Institute, have been appointed principal and assistant principal for the supervision of this public service vocational education.

The Philadelphia Advisory Finance Commission has issued its final report, *Financial Analysis of the City of Philadelphia*. President Thomas S. Gates, of the University of Pennsylvania, was chairman of the commission, and the project was assisted by a number of faculty members of the University, chiefly Dr. Stephen B. Sweeney, Dr. Edward B. Logan, Mr. Bernard F. Cataldo, Dr. W. M. Hench, Dr. John P. Horlacher, Dr. William M. Loucks, Dr. J. C. Phillips, Dr. W. C. Plummer, and Dr. Karl Scholz. Others who assisted in the study were Professor W. Brooke

Graves, of Temple University, and Mr. Edward B. Shils, a graduate student at the University of Pennsylvania.

Training for a new profession—that of appraiser of the efficiency of city and county governments—will be instituted in September at the University of Denver under a grant for the first year of \$29,000 from the Albert P. Sloan Foundation of New York. The course will be of eighteen months' duration, and graduates (with the degree of master of science in government management) are expected to qualify as research assistants to citizen groups interested in checking waste in local government and improving public welfare services. A large part of the students' work will be in city and county offices in Colorado and adjoining states. Ten fellowships, ranging in value from nine to eighteen hundred dollars, have been provided.

Fifteen men, ten of them in the federal service, have been selected from two hundred applicants to receive Lucius N. Littauer fellowships for study at Harvard's new graduate school of public administration during the school's first regular session, beginning in September. The appointees will devote their time to the research seminars of the school and to collateral courses in other graduate schools of the University. Enrollment during the coming year will be restricted to the holders of fellowships and a few others with similar qualifications. Under a plan financed by the Rockefeller Foundation, the practice will be continued of associating with the school both resident and non-resident consultants drawn from the public service. The corner-stone of the four-story building to be used later by the school was laid on May 6.

The American Council of Learned Societies expects to continue in 1938-39 assistance to the publication of a limited number of meritorious works in the field of the humanities written by American scholars. It invites its constituent societies to propose books that they deem suitable for assistance, but reserves the right to consider works submitted by others. Works proposed for publication should ordinarily be complete in themselves, preferably the results of constructive research presented in the form of volumes of conventional size. Important books of reference and critical editions of valuable texts may also be submitted. Applications for aid in the publication of doctoral dissertations will not be considered save in exceptional cases. Applications for the next awards of grants in aid of publication, on forms provided for the purpose, must be received in the executive offices of the Council, 907 Fifteenth Street, N W., Washington, D. C., on or before November 1, 1938. They must include descriptions and critical appraisals of the works proposed, together with full manufacturing specifications and estimates of cost. No work can be

considered of which the manuscript is not available for examination in completed form.

On May 7 and 8, the Committee on Public Administration of the Social Science Research Council sponsored a meeting at Philadelphia to discuss research in the problems of the public corporation. Mr. Herbert Emmerich, associate director of the Public Administration Clearing House, Chicago, acted as chairman. The other participants were: Professor Marshall E. Dimock, University of Chicago; Professor Rowland Egger, University of Virginia; Hon. Peyton R. Evans, general counsel, Farm Credit Administration; Dr. Herman Finer, London School of Economics and Political Science; Dr. Patterson French, Yale University; Professor Alexander H. Frey, University of Pennsylvania Law School; Philip Glick, U. S. Department of Agriculture; Dr. Lincoln Gordon, Harvard University; Herbert Marks, Tennessee Valley Authority; Professor John A. McIntire, George Washington University Law School; Professor Arthur W. Macmahon, Columbia University; Dr. Harvey Pinney, New York University; Dr. C. Herman Pritchett, Social Science Research Council; Mr. Joseph Swidler, Tennessee Valley Authority; and Dr. John Thurston, Northwestern University.

At a luncheon held at Philadelphia at the time of the American Political Science Association's meeting in December, a group of about twenty-five university men and public officials agreed that the study of public administration would be greatly facilitated if there could be made available, as material for research, case studies illustrating the administrative process in action, and the bases and modes of the exercise of administrative discretion. At the suggestion of the participants, the Committee on Public Administration of the Social Science Research Council has appointed a subcommittee, under the chairmanship of Professor George C. S. Benson, of the University of Michigan, to explore the possibilities of developing such material, to suggest methods, and to enlist the interest of administrators and scholars in undertaking such projects. Those who have accepted invitations to membership on the subcommittee are: Dr. John J. Corson, Jr., Social Security Board, Washington; Professor George A. Graham, Princeton University; Dr. Luther H. Gulick, Institute of Public Administration; Hon. W. A. Jump, U. S. Department of Agriculture; Professor Morris B. Lambie, Harvard University; Dean William E. Mosher, Syracuse University; Dean Emery E. Olson, University of Southern California; Dr. Henry Reining, Jr., National Institute of Public Affairs; Dr. Clarence E. Ridley, International City Managers' Association; Mr. Donald C. Stone, Public Administration Service; Professor Arthur Fleming, American University, and Professor Leonard D. White,

University of Chicago. A first meeting of the committee was held in New York on May 21 and 22.

From the Council of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (Professor Gardner Murphy, of Columbia University, chairman) comes the following appeal: "A vigorous effort has been made for two years to integrate research work in social psychology and several other social sciences, with a view to achieving true scientific status for the study of the psychological problems most vitally related to modern social, economic, and political policies. There is, of course, a long way to go, but to nearly four hundred members and associates of the American Psychological Association who have already joined the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, immediate steps towards group planning, coöperation in research, and a method of guaranteeing the execution and publication of work of wide social importance have appeared to be worth while. The SPSSI has indeed other interests than those just mentioned; notably the educational task of combating misleading propaganda which is uttered in the name of scientific psychology, and helping the public to understand and to use in the formation of social policies contributions from the scientific investigation of human behavior. In the long run, however, the main purpose of the SPSSI is *research investigation* of psychological problems which are of social importance. The chief business carried forward by the Society up to the present time is the preparation of yearbooks. Two yearbook committees (under the editorial supervision of Goodwin Watson of Columbia University, G. W. Hartmann of Columbia University, and Ross Stagner of Akron University) were set up last summer, one to deal with the psychology of industrial conflict and the other with the psychology of war and peace. Both yearbook committees have been hard at work and have obtained effective collaboration from a large number of psychologists and other social scientists. These volumes, in the form of symposia of research materials and interpretations by experts, will be available early in 1939. Two other yearbooks (for 1940 and 1941) are now being planned. The intention is to issue a yearbook each spring. To help in fulfilling its function as a research organization, the Society publishes a *Bulletin* which carries abstracts of current research work and aims to become in time a genuine central clearing house for research information in social psychology. *Almost every phase of our work calls for collaboration with social scientists who share our interests.* Thus the yearbook committees have obtained fine coöperation from historians, economists, political scientists, sociologists, and anthropologists in preparing material, writing interpretations, and giving expert advice regarding many phases of the yearbook undertaking. While the purpose of the yearbooks is not to preëempt for

psychology a task which is truly inter-disciplinary, the psychologist regards his work of analysis as effective only when the most competent historical, economic, and sociological work has been carried through. Every phase of social psychology, and in particular those reported by the yearbooks, requires mutual understanding between those who approach the problem from different angles and demands that the psychologist pay close attention to the research techniques and the systematic interpretations which arise in related fields. This will make plain why we urgently invite members of related learned societies to join us by becoming members of our society or by offering their services to the yearbook committees. If you are interested in these objectives and willing to cooperate with us in the execution of the tasks for which we exist, we earnestly invite you to send your name to the secretary of the Society, Dr. I. Krechevsky, Swarthmore College. The annual dues of the Society are \$2.00, which includes a subscription to the Society *Bulletin*."