

## NEWS AND NOTES

### 1957 ANNUAL MEETING AND SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 1957-58

The 1957 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association will be held September 5-7, 1957, at the Henry Hudson Hotel in New York City. Professor Austin Ranney, of the University of Illinois, is Chairman of the Program Committee, and Professor Ruth Weintraub, of Hunter College, Chairman of the Committee on Local Arrangements.

At the Annual Business Meeting the Nominating Committee will propose the following officers for 1957-58: *President-Elect*, Taylor Cole (Duke University); *Vice-Presidents*, Francis O. Wilcox (Department of State), Earl Latham (Amherst College), Cortez A. M. Ewing (University of Oklahoma); *Secretary*, Ruth C. Silva (Pennsylvania State University); *Treasurer*, Max M. Kampelman (Washington, D. C.); *Members of the Council* for two years, Marian D. Irish (Florida State University), Arthur Dugan (University of the South), John Davis (City College of New York), John Masland (Dartmouth College), H. Arthur Steiner (University of California, Los Angeles), Milton R. Merrill (Utah Agricultural College), Ralph K. Huitt (University of Wisconsin), J. Austin Ranney (University of Illinois).

### PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

The third annual Southern California Conference of the American Society for Public Administration was held at the University of California (Los Angeles) on February 21, 1957, in cooperation with the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association. Features of the meeting included a symposium on political and administrative leadership in city government (including mayors, city managers and academic participants); addresses by Robert J. Matteson of the American Society for Public Administration and Lyle Belsley, assistant director, Office of Civil Defense Administration; and four panels on "Evaluation of the Governmental Career Service," "The Nature of Administrative Loyalty," "The Measurement of Administrative Accomplishment," and "Testing for Placement in Public Administration."

A Conference on Americans At Work Abroad, held at the Maxwell School, Syracuse University, March 6-8, marked the formal beginning of the two-year research project on the education and training of Americans for public service overseas. This project is being carried

on with financial support from the Carnegie Corporation and is under the direction of Harlan Cleveland, dean of the Maxwell School. The three-day conference assembled thirty-five distinguished leaders from many areas concerned with overseas activities, including business, education, medicine and government. William C. Foster, vice president of Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation, was the keynote speaker; and Eugene R. Black, president, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, delivered the closing remarks. Immediately after the conference, professor Gerard J. Mangone, associate project director, left for Mexico, where the pilot study to launch the overseas interviewing phase of the project was getting under way. This phase of the study will cover the training and education of approximately 300 Americans working under government and private auspices in other lands. The overseas interviewing has been sub-contracted to Louis Harris and Associates, New York City.

On March 20 and 21, the Borah Foundation for the Outlawry of War held its 10th annual

conference devoted to the general theme, "The Causes of War and the Conditions of Peace." The theme for 1957 was "Current Crises and the Price of Peace." The major speakers who were invited to address the University and public were: Thomas B. W. Allen who spoke on "Egypt—Key to Peace in the Near East," Claude A. Buss who spoke on "The Price of Peace: The Challenge to American Diplomacy," and Harrison Salisbury on "The New Soviet Challenge."

The Grinnell Institute of International Affairs held its annual three day conference on April 25–27 on the subject, "The Moral, Cultural, Economic and Political Resources of the United States for International Cooperation." Among the speakers were Theodore Andersson of the Modern Language Association of America, John Stoessinger of Hunter College, Paul Holmer of the University of Minnesota, Eric Kolman of Cornell College and Joseph Dunner who was the moderator of the conference which was co-sponsored by the U. S. Commission for UNESCO and the Iowa Association for the United Nations.

The Missouri Political Science Association was organized on April 5, 1957, in Columbia. Fifteen of Missouri's colleges and universities were represented at the initial meeting of the organization. Officers are David Horton, president; David C. Scott, vice president; and Robert F. Karsch, secretary-treasurer. The first program consisted of a description of the work of the Metropolitan St. Louis Survey by Thomas H. Eliot, Paul G. Steinbicker and John C. Bollens. Purposes of the association include discussion of common problems and encouragement of programs in the field of Missouri government. The association contemplates annual meetings in the fall and a semi-annual *Newsletter*.

The common intellectual and cultural concerns of the North Atlantic community will be studied by 100 leading Americans and Europeans meeting next September in Bruges, Belgium. The 217-year-old University of Pennsylvania and the eight-year-old College of Europe in Bruges will serve as joint sponsors of a conference designed to promote wider understanding of the common cause of the peoples of North America and Western Europe. The conferees will examine not only the forces which serve as potential means of bringing the Atlantic world closer together but

also the underlying tensions, both transatlantic and Intra-European, which stand in the way of a greater sense of community. Many of these basic problems were considered in the February report of the Committee of Three Foreign Ministers of NATO on non-military cooperation. The Bruges conference will seek to achieve, through private means, objectives basically similar to those examined in the NATO report. Approximately 25 representatives of the United States and Canada will meet with about 75 Europeans.

The annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Political Science and Public Administration Association was held April 12–13, 1957, with 125 persons in attendance. The principal address, "Recent Developments in Pennsylvania State Administration," was given by Governor George M. Leader. "Problems of Metropolitan Government in Pennsylvania" were discussed by Francis A. Pitkin, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Paul A. Pfretzschner, Lafayette College; Robert Pickup, Pennsylvania Economy League; Stephen B. Sweeney, University of Pennsylvania; and William G. Willis, University of Pittsburgh. Charles F. LeeDecker, Pennsylvania State University, was program committee chairman. At the business session, R. Wallace Brewster, Pennsylvania State University, reported for the Committee on State Internships, and Willard R. Hancock, superintendent of schools, Yeadon, for the Committee on Social Studies in the State Teachers' Colleges. Officers elected were Robert P. Wray, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, chairman; Harry P. Griffiths, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, secretary treasurer; George S. Blair, University of Pennsylvania, and John H. Vanderzell, Franklin and Marshall College, Executive Council. The other Council members are Harry K. Butcher, Committee of Seventy, Philadelphia; William G. Willis, Hugo V. Mailey, Wilkes College; and M. Nelson McGeary, Pennsylvania State University. Roger H. Wells, Bryn Mawr College, is president of the Association and John H. Ferguson, secretary of administration, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, is vice-president.

The Western Political Science Association held its 11th annual meeting on the campus of the University of California (Los Angeles), February 22–23, 1957. This meeting was held in cooperation with the Southern California Conference of the American Society for Public

Administration. Nine round tables were conducted on the following subjects: Political Theory, Metropolitan Areas, International Relations, The 1956 Campaign in the West, State Government, Communism, Natural Resources Policy, Comparative Government and Public Law.

Retiring president Russell H. Fitzgibbon delivered the presidential address at the dinner meeting of February 22, 1957. The address was entitled, "The Party Potpourri in Latin America."

The first Western Political Science Association Award of \$250.00 was awarded to Phillip O. Foss, University of Oregon, for his unpub-

lished dissertation, *Politics and Grass*.

The following officers were elected: Howard McMurray, New Mexico, president; George Shipman, Washington, vice-president; Robert Horn, Stanford; Donn Driggs, Nevada; Vincent Ostrom, Oregon, executive councillors. Continuing in office are R. A. Gomez, Arizona, secretary-treasurer; and Bernard Borning, Idaho; Frank Jonas, Utah; and Ross R. Rice, Arizona State, councillors. Retiring president Fitzgibbon now serves one year as councillor *ex officio*.

The next annual meeting will be held at Arizona State College at Tempe at a time to be determined by the Executive Council.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

Hurst R. Anderson, president of the American University has announced the establishment of the school of government and public administration, effective June 1, 1957. Dr. Catheryn Seckler-Hudson, chairman of the department of government and public administration, has been appointed dean of the school.

A new periodical, *Background of World Politics*, has begun publication at Wayne State University. It is a digest of military, scientific, economic and social developments bearing on world politics, intended for those who teach, write, or think about world politics. It will be published bimonthly. Its editor is Henry C. Bush. The following are editorial associates: William C. Ellet (the physical sciences), Edwin J. Forsythe (economics), Manuel R. Garcia-Mora (law), Edward J. Heubel (history), W. W. Kaempfer (public administration), Clifford P. Ketzler (geography), Samuel Krislov (public opinion and communications), Nicholas Masters (labor), William R. Monat (social psychology), Gay Obern (international administration), Palmer C. Pilcher (management and industrial technology), Forrest C. Pogue (military matters), and Fred A. Sondermann (sociology).

Benjamin Fletcher Wright, president of Smith College, gave the Gaspar G. Bacon Lectures on The Constitution of the United States at Boston University, April 10-12.

The British Association for American Studies is undertaking a survey of sources, both printed and manuscript, for American

studies in the United Kingdom. The project is made possible by a grant from the United States Information Service in the United Kingdom. The goal is a reference work which will be a definitive guide to the location and general nature of all possible source and research materials connected with the politics, history, economics and literature of the United States and British material that bears on them. It would help the completeness and accuracy of the survey if American scholars who have worked in British libraries and archives and know of previously uncatalogued or dormant material relevant to American government and politics would kindly write to the director, Mr. H. L. Beales, or to the assistant director, Mr. B. R. Crick, Survey of Sources for American Studies in the United Kingdom, c/o Institute for Historical Research, University of London, London W. C. 1.

The third Louis Kuhn Benjamin Foreign Service Seminar was held under the auspices of the political science department of the University of Cincinnati on March 22-23. The speakers at the three sessions were: Ernest K. Lindley, chief of the Washington Bureau of *Newsweek*; Harlan Cleveland, dean of the Maxwell School, Syracuse University; Henry W. Wiens, chief, Near East Division, I.C.A.; and Norman K. Pratt, Foreign Service Institute, Department of State. The substantive topic discussed was the Middle Eastern policy of the United States.

The journal, *The Federal Accountant*, will be published in cooperation with the Graduate