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(h) to be sure that service responsibilities are spread equally around faculty, rather than burdening women with a disproportionately high share of assignments (if for no other reason than to show her off and prove "that you have one").

## Notes

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1. The questionnaire used for the earlier survey of doctoral degree granting political science departments (Stetson, *et al.* 1990) was adapted for this survey. A cover letter signed by Bradley Canon, 1991 President of SPSA, and Mary Guy, CSW Chair, accompanied the questionnaire. Mailing labels were secured from the American Political Science Association office. The mailings to departments were made by SPSA Executive Director Michael Maggiotto. All bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree-granting political science programs in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas, District of Columbia, and Delaware were surveyed. There were 92 returned surveys out of 412 that had been mailed, yielding a response rate of 22%. Of the returned surveys, 89 had been completed and were included in the tally of results. The response rate may have been depressed by the fact that the survey was conducted during the summer months and no attempt was made to contact departments that did not respond.

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## New England Political Science Association

The New England Political Science Association held its 1992 annual meeting in Providence, Rhode Island on April 3 and 4. The meeting, attended by almost two hundred scholars from around the nation, was organized by Association President Garrison Nelson, University of Vermont, and Program Chair Eileen McDonagh, Northeastern University. Current officers of the Association include President Deborah Miner, Simmons College, and President-Elect Harvey Mansfield, Jr., Harvard University. Highlights of the 1992 meeting included luncheon talks by Rep. Bernard Sanders (D-VT) and Alan Ehrenhalt, editor of *Governing*, and a plenary session marked by a debate between Madeline Kunin, former governor of Vermont, and former APSA President Theodore Lowi. The Donovan Prize for the best paper presented at the 1991 meeting was awarded to Mark E. Warren, of Georgetown University, for "Max Weber's Nietzschean Conception of Power," while the prize for the best paper offered by a graduate student at the 1991 meeting went to Robert J. Weiner, Cornell University, for "Making History in Vermont: The Election of Bernard Sanders to the U.S. Congress."

The association's 1993 annual meeting will be held on Friday, April 2 and Saturday, April 3, in Northampton, Massachusetts. Proposals should be submitted by December 1, 1992, and can be directed to the 1993 Program Chair, Christopher J. Bosso, Department of Political Science, 315 Meserve Hall, Northeastern University, Boston, MA 02115. Phone: (617) 437-4398.

## A Brief Look at 50+ Years of Scholarly Development in the Midwest Political Science Association

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On May 5, 1939 a Conference of Midwest Political Scientists was held at Turkey Run State Park in Indiana. Organized by Clarence Berdahl, Gale Lowrie, James Pollock, Jr., and Harold Zink, the participants spent a day and a half discussing the problems of teaching political science, U.S. foreign policy, the Republican revival in the Midwest, public administration and colleges, and the "possibilities of a Mid-West Association of Political Scientists." The group collected \$29.50 in contributions and spent \$21.45 on the conference. That first program had just 21 people on the official panels (no unaffiliated groups had formed as yet) and filled only two small pages. So began what would later be called the Midwest Political Science Association.

The second conference, "Turkey Run II," organized by Charles Kneier (Illinois), was held at the same state park and began on May 3, 1940 at 2:30 P.M. (C.S.T.) (apparently Indiana was on "God's time" even back then) and included only 19 participants on four panels. The assembled again dealt with the "Problems of Teaching Political Science," confronted the "emerging issues of American Politics in the International Field," obtained their first exhibitor, and held their first business meeting. Estimated attendance at the meeting was 125 (35 individuals "snuck-in" to avoid paying the 50-cent registration fee (a practice that continues today!). Secretary-Treasurer Harold Zink noted that 110 attended one panel (could we ever expect 88 percent to attend a single panel today?).

The decision to leave Turkey Run after two years was not an easy one for the fledgling association. The Managerial Committee met in Chicago in December, 1940 and the minutes report that:

After considerable discussion it was decided to hold the 1941 conference at Pokagon State Park, Indiana if suitable arrangements can be made. Carl Smith was appointed to ascertain whether such arrangements can be made at Pokagon Park. Spring Mill State Park was agreed upon as second choice in case Pokagon did not work out.

Inasmuch as the place of holding the 1941 conference is located some-