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Project 87

The Inaugural Conference of Project 87, the joint American Political Science Association/American Historical Association project to study the Constitution, was held in Philadelphia on September 22-23 with a distinguished group of speakers. The sessions were held in the historic First and Second Bank of the United States Buildings in Independence National Historical Park. The Conference was organized by the Joint Committee of Project 87, which is headed by James MacGregor Burns of Williams College, Richard B. Morris of Columbia University, Francis C. Rosenberger, Director of the Project, and Philip R. Argentsinger, Assistant Director. The program included:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1978

2:00 p.m. Opening Session

Introduction: Mack Thompson, Executive Director, American Historical Association.

Moderator: Paul L. Murphy, University of Minnesota.

Greetings: Patricia M. Wald, Assistant Attorney General of the United States.

Address: Bernard Bailyn, Harvard University.

Response: Theodore Lowi, Cornell University.

Response: Gerald Gunther, Stanford Law School.

Discussion.

6:30 p.m. Reception and Cocktails

Host: The Friends of Independence National Historical Park.

8:00 p.m. Dinner

First Bank of the United States, South Third Street below Chestnut

Moderator: A. Leon Higginbotham, Judge, Third Circuit.

Welcome: Mary C. Carroll, Chairman, The Friends of Independence National Historical Park.

Welcome: Hobart C. Cawood, Superintendent,

Independence National Historical Park.

Remarks: Richard B. Morris, Columbia University; Co-Chairman of Project '87.

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Address: Senator Edward M. Kennedy.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1978

9:30 a.m. Second Session

Introduction: Evron Kirkpatrick, Executive Director, American Political Science Association.

Moderator: Kenneth Prewitt, University of Chicago.

Address: C. Herman Pritchett, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Response: Herman Belz, University of Maryland.

Response: Frank Sorauf, University of Minnesota.

12:30 p.m. Luncheon Session

Moderator: Richard B. Morris, Columbia University; Co-Chairman of Project '87.

Address: A. E. Dick Howard, University of Virginia Law School.

3:00 p.m. Final Session

Roundtable Discussion: All conferees invited to participate.

Moderators: Patricia Bonomi, New York University; Austin Ranney, American Enterprise Institute.

Project 87 has also announced its initial grants to five scholars to assist in research project designed to contribute substantially to the understanding of the American Constitutional system. The awardees are:

Paul Brest of Stanford Law School, to examine "Alternatives to the Received Legal Model of Constitutional Decision Making."

Richard C. Cortner, the University of Arizona, to study "The Second Bill of Rights: The Supreme Court and the Nationalization of the Bill of Rights."

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Samuel Haber, of the University of California at Berkeley, to examine "The Progressive Constitutionalism of Conservative Lawyers: 1880-1900."

Morton Keller, of Brandeis University, to study the development of the American polity and public life from 1900 to 1933.

Ithiel de Sola Pool, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, to examine the implications of new communications technology for the First Amendment.

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APSA Council Minutes

The Council of the APSA met at the New York Hilton Hotel, August 30, 1978.

Present: Peter Bachrach, Marguerite R. Barnett, Richard A. Brody, Doris A. Graber, Erwin C. Hargrove, Leon D. Epstein, Robert Holt, Charles O. Jones, Joyce K. Kallgren, Evron M. Kirkpatrick, Sanford A. Lakoff, Martin Landau, David R. Mayhew, Sarah M. Morehouse, Elinor Ostrom, Robert D. Putnam, Alan Rosenthal, Ellis Sandoz, Donald E. Stokes, Clement E. Vose, James Q. Wilson, Dina A. Zinnes, and Betty H. Zisk.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May meeting of the Council were approved without objection.

Resolution Concerning Site of 1979 Annual Meeting

The Council first considered the following resolution submitted by Professor Philippa Strum:

WHEREAS the Annual Business Meeting of the APSA voted in 1976 that future annual meetings would be held "only in states that have ratified the Equal Rights Amendment to the U.S. Constitution."

WHEREAS the same meeting also voted that "this policy will remain in effect until the Amendment becomes part of the Constitution or the time period for ratification expires."

WHEREAS Article VII of the APSA Constitution declares that "the membership of the Association duly assembled in the Annual Business Meeting or in a special meeting called resolves policy questions brought to it, and may confirm, revise, or repeal the action of the council."

WHEREAS the Rules of Procedure of the Annual Business Meeting interpret Article VII and IX of the Constitution to require that all resolutions voted on by the Council

be submitted to the Annual Business Meeting regardless of the recommendation on said resolution by the Council.

WHEREAS the Council meeting of May 20-21, 1977 modified the resolution of the 1976 Annual Business Meeting by declaring that Annual Meetings could be held in nonratifying states which "have an equivalent and explicit provision in their state constitution" for an Equal Rights Amendment.

WHEREAS this new policy proposal was not brought before the 1977 Annual Business Meeting for debate and decision, and was not publicly available to the APSA membership until November 1977, two months after the Annual Business Meeting, thus precluding members who are not on the Council from requiring a vote on the proposed policy change.

WHEREAS this modification of the policy of the 1976 Annual Business Meeting is therefore null and void and any attempt to abide by it would be a violation of the APSA Constitution.

WHEREAS there is good reason to believe that an extension of the deadline for ratification of the ERA will be made by Congress prior to March 22, 1979.

WHEREAS the Illinois Legislature has not given any indication that it will ratify the ERA prior to the 1979 Annual Business Meeting.

WHEREAS those professional associations and other organizations which have moved their annual conventions from nonratifying states to ratifying states have not been subject to legal actions by the hotels whose contracts were cancelled, and in fact have received cooperation in their move when they negotiated new contracts with hotels in a ratifying state that were part of the same corporation.

WHEREAS waiting until Congress extends the deadline for ratification of the ERA risks the possibility of a hasty and poorly planned meeting in inadequate facilities, or even the cancellation of the 1979 meeting.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in order to comply with the policy of the APSA that it shall not meet in unratified states, without inconveniencing the membership, the APSA shall not hold its 1979 meeting in Chicago, and shall negotiate a new contract with an appropriate hotel in a ratified state.

The President and Executive Director reviewed the previous actions taken by the Council and Business Meeting regarding ERA.

Ostrom moved that a representative of the Women's Caucus be invited to speak to the Council on this resolution. Sandoz moved an amendment that a time limit of ten minutes be set for the Women's Caucus representative to speak. The Sandoz amendment failed by a show