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Marching to Georgia: The Atlanta Annual Meeting

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Almost 3,500 political scientists descended upon Atlanta for the 85th Annual Meeting. This attendance figure virtually matched that of the 1987 Chicago meeting, one of the largest "out of town" meetings in recent years (see Table 1).

Nelson W. Polsby of the University of California, Berkeley chaired the 1989 Program Committee which was responsible for organizing 403 of the 497 panels at the meeting. This year, for the first time, the Organized Sections were incorporated into the Program Committee, as were five special topical sections. Unaffiliated groups organized 94 panels.

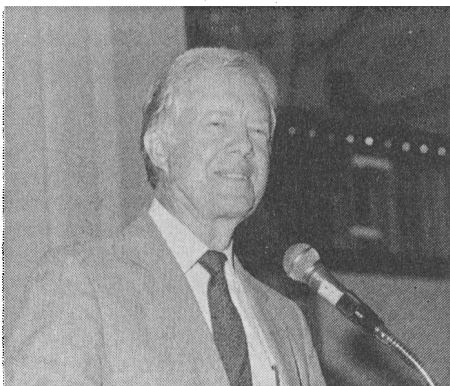
Panel attendance decreased at the 1989 meeting as a result of lower overall attendance and the increased number of panels. In 1988 average attendance of the Pro-



Cynthia Tucker, Associate Editor, *Atlanta Constitution*, delivered the Women's Caucus for Political Science's Mary Lepper Lecture.

Table 1. Annual Meeting Registration

Year	Registration	Location
1967	2,473	Chicago
1968	3,723	Washington
1969	4,142	New York
1970	2,397	Los Angeles
1971	2,732	Chicago
1972	3,380	Washington
1973	2,312	New Orleans
1974	2,773	Chicago
1975	2,478	San Francisco
1976	2,295	Chicago
1977	2,624	Washington
1978	2,373	New York
1979	2,687	Washington
1980	2,745	Washington
1981	2,887	New York
1982	2,205	Denver
1983	2,859	Chicago
1984	3,391	Washington
1985	2,842	New Orleans
1986	3,602	Washington
1987	3,524	Chicago
1988	4,161	Washington
1989	3,496	Atlanta



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gram Committee panels ranged from a low of 7 to a high of 32, while Organized Section panels recorded a low of 16 to a high of 37. The average attendance of panels organized by the Program Committee in 1989 (which included the Organized Sections) was 19, and ranged from a low of 10 to a high of 36. The sections with the highest average attendance were "Thomas Hobbes: 1588-1988" (36), organized by Richard Ashcraft, University of California, Los Angeles, and "The Civil Rights Act of 1964" (34), organized by Raymond E. Wolfinger, University of California, Berkeley. The next best attended panels, with an average attendance of 28, were those organized by Alan Abramowitz, Emory University, under the heading "Legislative Studies." These were followed by Leon V. Sigal's section "National Security and Foreign Policy Studies" (26).

Individual Panel Attendance

The best attended session at the 1989 meeting was the APSA Plenary featuring President Jimmy Carter. Over 1300 political scientists attended the speech which focused on the activities of the Carter Center at Emory University.

Other APSA plenary sessions also attracted significant numbers of attendees. Over 300 attended the Harold Lasswell Symposium entitled "The End of Realignment: Atrophy of a Concept and Death of a Phenomenon." Chaired by Harold F. Bass, Jr., the panel included Joel H. Silby, Everett Carl Ladd, Byron E. Shafer, Walter Dean Burnham and Samuel T. McSeveney. "Political Science: A Trivial Pursuit?" (360), the Saturday night plenary session, provided some lively entertainment. Chairs Nelson W. Polsby and Joel Grossman challenged panelists Marjorie Randon Hershey, Robert Keohane, Norman Ornstein, Robert Salisbury and Judith Hicks Stiehm with political trivia questions from all fields of political science.

The next best attended panel (175) focused on recent changes in the Communist world and was organized by *The New York Times*.

"Eric Voegelin and Leo Strauss on Religion and Its Place in Political Philoso-



Participants in the Harold Lasswell Symposium (l. to r.), Harold F. Bass, Jr., Joel H. Sibley, Byron E. Shafer, Walter Dean Burnham and Samuel T. McSeveney.

phy: A Roundtable" (108) was the best attended program panel. The panel included Barry Cooper, University of Calgary; Thomas L. Pangle, University of Toronto; James M. Rhodes, Marquette University; and Paul G. Kuntz, Emory University.

The next best attended program panels were "Comparative Method: Old and New Perspectives" (75) with David Collier, University of California, Berkeley; Charles Ragin, Northwestern University; Barbara Geddes, University of California, Los Angeles; and Christopher H. Achen, University of Chicago and "Humanistic Psychology and Public Affairs: Theory and Applications" (75) with Carol Barner-Barry, University of Maryland, Baltimore County; William Caspary, Washington University; Jeff Fishel, American University; Richard Schott, University of Texas, Austin; Paul von Ward, The Delphi International Group; and Stephen Woolpert, St. Mary's College.

Other program panels of high attendance were "Roundtable on Determinants of Grand Strategy—Part I" (72), "Margaret Thatcher's First 10 Years" (63), "Intentions and Consequences of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965" (60), and "Antecedents of the Civil Rights Act of 1964" (55).

The 1989 program also included the fourth annual John Gaus Lecture delivered by Aaron Wildavsky, University of California, Berkeley. Wildavsky's address is

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featured in this issue of *PS*. On Thursday evening Lucian W. Pye gave his Presidential address on Political Science and the Crisis of Authoritarianism.

Highlights from Education Activities at the 1989 Annual Meeting

The Association received a grant from the Ford Foundation to support a faculty development project to enhance research and teaching on the Bill of Rights and civil rights. The project provided support for four short seminars prior to the 1989 APSA Annual Meeting, whose participants were then able to attend Annual Meeting panels in the special sections devoted to the Bill of Rights and to the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The titles, directors and participants in each seminar were:

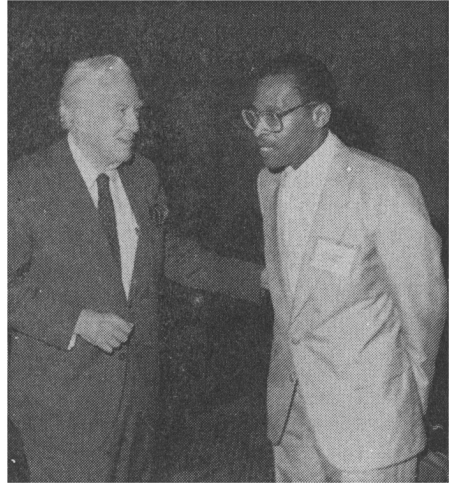
Landmarks in the Judicial Interpretation of Civil Rights in America

Director: Henry J. Abraham, University of Virginia

Participants:
Wayne F. Allen, University of Northern Iowa



LUCIAN W. PYE



The Honorable Warren E. Burger, Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, retired, was honored at a reception hosted by the APSA section on Law, Courts and Judicial Process. Pictured here (l. to r.) Chief Justice Burger and William Daniels.

Alan I. Bigel, University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse
Abraham L. Davis, Morehouse College
Byron W. Daynes, DePauw University
JeDon A. Emenhiser, Humboldt State University
Philip L. Fetzer, California Polytechnic State University
Ernest D. Giglio, Lycoming College
Lawrence Golden, Sangamon State University
Timothy M. Hagle, University of Iowa
Janis Judson, Hood College
Francis Graham Lee, St. Joseph's University
Harold A. Lutchman, University of the Virgin Islands
John A. Maltese, University of Georgia
Janet M. Martin, Bowdoin College
Karen J. Maschke, University of Georgia
Amrut W. Nakhre, Atlantic Christian College
Huey L. Perry, Southern University
Stephen K. Shaw, Northwest Nazarene College
Robert C. Vipond, University of Toronto
Warren R. Wade, North Park College

The Concept of Rights as Limits on Government

Director: Jennifer Nedelsky, University of Toronto

Participants:
Gary J. Aichele, Juniata College