

# NEWS AND NOTES

## PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

### INFORMATION ON THE 1957 PROGRAM

The Program Committee for the 1957 Annual Meeting met at the Association's National Office in Washington on October 26th and chose as a general theme: "The Shifting Balance of Political Power: National and International Problems." Any member of the Association desiring to participate in the program either by giving a paper or as a listed discussant is cordially invited to communicate with the Committee member in charge of panels in his area of interest. Committee members and their sections are:

Austin Ranney, University of Illinois—Chairman.

Joseph LaPalombara, Michigan State University—Comparative Government.

Roland Young, Northwestern University—National Government.

Robert J. Harris, Vanderbilt University—Constitutional Law.

Warren E. Miller, University of Michigan—Political Behavior.

Kenneth W. Thompson, The Rockefeller Foundation—International Law and Relations.

Herbert Kaufman, Yale University—State and Local Government (address: 155 E. Mosholu Parkway North, New York 67, N. Y.).

Samuel Eldersveld, University of Michigan—Political Parties.

Norman Wengert, University of Maryland—Public Administration.

Herbert Deane, Columbia University—Political Theory.

### *Fifty-second Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: Minutes of the Council Meeting*

The Council of The American Political Science Association met at 9:30 A.M., September 5, 1956 at the Hotel Statler, Washington, D. C., with President Harold D. Lasswell in the chair. The following officers and members of the Council were present: Gabriel A. Almond, Stephen K. Bailey, James M. Burns, Gwendolen M. Carter, Weldon Cooper, Paul T. David, Samuel J. Eldersveld, Wilson Gaddis, Claude E. Hawley, Norman L. Hill, Thomas P. Jenkin, Max M. Kampelman, Evron M. Kirkpatrick, Earl Latham, Harold D. Lasswell, Avery Leiserson, Leslie M. Lipson, Harvey C. Mansfield, Louise Overacker, Norman Palmer, Emmette S. Redford, Charles B. Robson, E. E. Schattschneider.

Also present at the Council Meeting were the new nominees for the Council, for Vice President, and President Elect, as well as the

following past Presidents of the Association: Francis Coker, Pendleton Herring, Arthur W. Macmahon, and Quincy Wright.

The Chairman of the Program Committee, Earl Latham, reported for the Committee. He called particular attention to two innovations in the work of the Committee: (1) the Committee held a meeting in Washington, D. C. in October 1955 and (2) the program was organized around a central theme, namely: commemoration of the Woodrow Wilson Centennial. He recommended that the practice of holding a meeting of the Committee be continued and strongly urged that the next year's Committee explore the possibility of a central theme for the 1957 program. The Council accepted the report and unanimously adopted a resolution commending and thanking the Program Committee for its excellent work on the 1956 program.

The Managing Editor of THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE REVIEW, Harvey C. Mansfield, read his report, copies of which were distributed to members of the Council. Mr. Mans-

field, in his report as Managing Editor, expressed appreciation to his predecessor, Hugh Elsbree, for seeing the publication of the REVIEW through the June issue and to Emmette Redford for carrying on the Book Review section through that issue. Mr. Mansfield summarized REVIEW problems as follows: (1) the quarterly can operate on substantially its present financing only by a large measure of decentralization of responsibilities and cooperation of individuals and institutions; (2) the volume of manuscripts is so heavy that it poses many editorial problems, principally those of determining the most promising of the borderline possibilities, soliciting some manuscripts, and calling on many colleagues to help out as readers. He closed his report by moving that the following persons be appointed to the Board of Editors for the coming year: Wallace S. Sayre and Samuel H. Beer, Associate Editors, and Hugh Elsbree, Edgar S. Furniss, Jr., Alexander Heard, Victor L. Jones, and Leo Strauss. Miss Carter seconded the motion and the report was approved unanimously.

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Benjamin E. Lippincott, read his report, copies of which were distributed to members of the Council. He emphasized the following points: (1) that essentially the same procedures were followed as in the past, including invitations to individual members of the Association, Regional and District Associations' past Presidents, and Departments of Political Science to suggest names; (2) that the criteria used, particularly with respect to the President and the Vice Presidents, were scholarship and contributions to the Association's work; and also, with regard to the Council, geographical spread, fields of specialization and attention to the smaller colleges; (3) that for the third consecutive year an organized campaign for a particular nominee for President Elect was conducted; despite the appearance of this form of "pressure" the Committee gave full consideration to this nominee's qualifications, noting that, while there is no constitutional objection to such a campaign, the Committee felt that spontaneous suggestions were more impressive than organized ones; (4) that the Committee had proved to its own satisfaction that a meeting of the Committee prior to balloting was most beneficial, since it brought about a greater pooling of knowledge than could be accomplished by correspondence, avoided "mathematical accident," facilitated balance in distribution of offices according to geography and fields, and saved time; (5) that

a mail ballot was considered but was not recommended, for several reasons, including the criteria mentioned in (2) above, and the desirability of charging one group with the responsibility of studying and locating especially well qualified candidates suggested by the membership; (6) that present procedures be improved by giving more prominence in the REVIEW to the Nominating Committee's request for suggestions from individual members and departments; furnishing the Chairman of the Committee with a list of departmental chairmen (in order to suggest to them personally that their departments submit nominations collectively, or as individuals); maintaining in the national office and supplying to the incoming chairman each year a list of Association offices held by members during the past 25 years, and maintaining an alphabetical appendix at the end of each Directory of all past officers, including their offices and dates of incumbency.

Mr. Lippincott reported that the Committee had unanimously agreed on the following nominees as officers of the Association for 1956-57: President Elect: V. O. Key (Harvard University); Vice Presidents: Carl Brent Swisher (The Johns Hopkins University), Wilfred Binkley (Ohio Northern University), Albert Lepawsky (University of California, Berkeley); Secretary: Gladys Kammerer (University of Kentucky); Treasurer: Max M. Kampelman (Washington, D. C.); Council: William T. R. Fox (Columbia University), Ruth Weintraub (Hunter College), John D. Lewis (Oberlin College), Thomas Eliot (Washington University, St. Louis), Alexander Heard (University of North Carolina), York Willbern (University of Alabama), Allan Saunders (University of Hawaii), Christian Larsen (Sacramento State College). Mr. Almond moved and Mr. Hawley seconded acceptance of the report. The motion was carried unanimously.

Treasurer Max M. Kampelman summarized briefly the information contained in the auditor's report, copies of which were distributed to members of the Council. Mr. Kampelman noted particularly that expenses were over \$3,000 less than the 1956 budget adopted at the Boulder Annual Meeting in 1955 and income was over \$4,500 more than the amount provided for in that budget. The result of operations in 1955-56, therefore, is that a budgeted deficit of more than \$4,000 was turned into a surplus of \$3,635.37. The Treasurer also called attention to the auditor's report of

recent defalcations by the bookkeeper of the the Association, which will be recovered from the bonding company. The Executive Director explained the conditions of the loss and its discovery in detail and asked for the advice of the Council on future action. Following the discussion, Mr. Bailey moved that the Council express their confidence in the Executive Director and authorize him to proceed to protect the Association's interests humanely. Miss Carter seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

The Executive Director reviewed the work of the National Office during the year 1955-56. He reported that the membership was now over 6,000, explained the present status of the program of Awards to Journalists in the 12 midwestern states for excellent reporting of state and local public affairs, discussed the relationships of the Association with the Foundations, reviewed the work of various committees, explained the operation of the Personnel Placement Service and reported on proposed revisions of procedures, and reviewed the Congressional Fellowship program. He then called attention to the Minutes of Executive Committee meetings held during the year, copies of which had been distributed to the Council, and reviewed briefly the major items contained therein. After brief discussion of some items of the report, Mr. Almond moved and Mr. Hawley seconded a motion to accept the report. The Council approved unanimously.

President Lasswell reported the recommendation of the Executive Committee that Mr. Gabriel Almond be elected as a representative of the Association on the Board of Directors of the Social Science Research Council. On a motion of Mr. Redford, seconded by Mr. Robson, the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

The Executive Director reported discussion with Banta Publishing Company about the continued storage of back issues of the *REVIEW*. After discussion, on motion by Mr. Leiserson, seconded by Mr. Almond, the Executive Director was instructed by unanimous vote to ask Banta to continue their present policy of storing back issues; any new policy on this matter is to be cleared with the Executive Committee.

The Executive Director outlined the proposal for publication of a Wilson memorial volume based on the papers delivered at the Annual Meeting. On motion of Mr. Almond, seconded by Mr. Lipson, the Council approved the proposal in principle, with Mr.

Latham as editor. The Executive Committee was authorized to make the final determination on the basis of a plan to be presented to it after further exploration by Mr. Latham and the Executive Director.

Mr. Lasswell reviewed discussions with the Governmental Affairs Institute during the year concerning its relations with the APSA. The minutes of the Executive Committee report fully on these discussions and their results. A committee of the Association composed of Messrs. Latham, Kirkpatrick and Lasswell, and a committee of GAI composed of Messrs. Litchfield, Gulick and Pollock, had agreed that the best solution of the relationship between the two organizations would be (1) to establish formally that they are separate, independent organizations and that neither has any dependence on or control over the other; and (2) to enter into a formal contract governing the use of the Political Science Building. Both points were approved by the Executive Committee. Copies of the exchange of letters between Messrs. Litchfield and Lasswell relating to point (1) and of the contract relating to the building were included in materials furnished to the Council. After reviewing the minutes, examining the letters and contract, and having a brief discussion, Mr. Leiserson moved and Mr. Cooper seconded acceptance of the Lasswell report and the recommendations of the Executive Committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Lasswell reported that the Executive Committee during the year had discussed an overall program for the Association and called on the Executive Director to outline briefly the highlights of the draft of this program statement that had been supplied to the Council. Mr. Kirkpatrick reviewed the program statement which attempts to set up categories that will include the various activities of the Association. These categories are: Basic Professional and Liberal Education, Continuing Professional Education, Basic Civic Education, Continuing Civic Education, Consultation, Publications, Informed Civic Judgment and Effective Civic Action. He then discussed the various ongoing and proposed programs that fit into these categories: the Self Survey, Congressional Fellowship Program, Awards to Journalists, Facilitation of Exchange Professorships, Continuing Conferences, Regional Seminars, and Monograph Series.

After brief discussion, it was moved by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mr. Almond that the Council accept the report and authorize fur-

ther exploration of the proposed projects by the Executive Director and Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

The Executive Director outlined a project proposed by Mr. Pollock, President of the International Political Science Association, to request funds from a foundation to support the travel of representatives from various social science fields to the meetings of their respective International Associations. Mr. Kirkpatrick reported on conversations with the other social science organizations—all of which had approved the submission of a joint proposal by The American Political Science Association. Mr. Palmer moved and Miss Carter seconded acceptance of the report and authorization for the Executive Director to proceed in cooperation with Mr. Pollock to submit a proposal for foundation support. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. David presented the following two resolutions for consideration by the Council:

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON PRINTING THE  
PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL  
PARTY CONVENTIONS

*Whereas*, the printing of the proceedings of the national party conventions has been greatly delayed in recent years, the proceedings of the Republican National Convention of 1952 not having appeared until the following year, and those of the Democratic National Convention not having appeared until 1954, and

*Whereas*, the proceedings have been distributed in limited editions only, in part because of Hatch Act difficulties, real or alleged; have often gone out of print while still in demand; and have frequently been difficult to obtain through any orderly procedure, and

*Whereas*, the verbatim record of the debates and votes of the national party conventions constitutes documentary material that is greatly needed for voting analysis, research, and reference purposes by the members of The American Political Science Association and by other students of politics and political parties,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Committees of the Democratic and Republican Parties are hereby urged and requested to publish the proceedings of the national party conventions of 1956 with all possible speed, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate Congressional authorities are urged and requested to reprint the 1956 proceedings of the two national party conventions as a

public document for general distribution as soon as possible.

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE NEED FOR  
IMPROVED FACILITIES FOR RESEARCH  
AT THE NATIONAL PARTY  
CONVENTIONS

*Whereas*, with the growing size and increasing congestion of the national party conventions, the opportunities for observation and research by professional political scientists and historians have become more and more unsatisfactory, with many difficulties in securing access even to those parts of the proceedings that are supposed to take place in public,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Democratic and Republican Parties be urged and requested, when making arrangements for future national party conventions, to make an appropriate allocation of the available facilities for observing and reporting on the conventions, to be assigned to such professional political scientists and historians as may wish to come to the conventions for purposes of scholarly research, leading to book and other publication under responsible academic and professional auspices.

On motion by Mr. Eldersveld and second by Miss Carter the resolutions were unanimously approved and Mr. David was requested to prepare final drafts for submission to the Business Meeting.

The Executive Director raised the question of publishing a new Directory. After some discussion indicating general approval of publication of a new Directory of 1958, Mr. Bailey moved and Miss Carter seconded a resolution that the Executive Director prepare a financial report on the 1953 Directory, explore the costs of printing a new Directory, and submit this information to the Executive Committee for final decision.

Mr. Lasswell called on Mr. Palmer to summarize the memorandum he had prepared and distributed to Council members relating to the responsibilities of the Council and its participation in governing the Association. Mr. Palmer briefly outlined his views that the Council should play a larger and more important role in the Association. The Executive Director supported Mr. Palmer's views and expressed his desire to take whatever action he can to achieve this end. Mr. Lasswell and Mr. Schattschneider expressed accord. There was general discussion by the Council and a number of constructive suggestions for keeping the Council better informed, for utilizing the Council more

effectively, and for improving Council meetings. At the end of the discussion, on motion of Mr. Burns and second by Miss Overacker, the Council unanimously approved a vote of confidence in and appreciation of the Executive Director for his handling of Association affairs and, at the same time, expressed the view that every effort should be made to improve the flow of information to the Council and to make effective use of its advice and guidance.

Mr. Lasswell raised the question of location of the 1958 meeting. After general discussion, Mr. Bailey moved and Mr. Almond seconded a motion to have the 1958 meeting in the Midwest and to leave the decision as to the specific city to the Executive Committee. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Lasswell called on the Executive Director to review the budget proposal for 1956-57, copies of which had been distributed to the Council. Mr. Kirkpatrick reviewed the financial situation briefly and explained the 1956-57 proposals. Mr. Bailey moved and Mr. Hawley seconded acceptance of the proposed 1956-57 budget with the understanding that shifts can be made in items by the Executive Director with the approval of the Executive Committee. The Council approved unanimously.

Mr. Bailey moved and Mr. Hawley seconded a unanimous vote of thanks to the Stern Family Fund for its generous support of the Association and the Congressional Fellowship program in 1955-56.

Mr. Almond moved and Mr. Burns seconded a vote of thanks to Father James B. Horigan of Georgetown University, Chairman, and the members of the Local Arrangements Committee for their fine work in arranging the 1956 Annual Meeting.

Mr. Lasswell adjourned the meeting at 6:15 P.M.

### *Minutes of the Annual Business Meeting*

The Annual Business Meeting of The American Political Science Association was held at 4:30 P.M., Friday, September 7, 1956 in the

Presidential Ballroom of the Hotel Statler, Washington, D. C. The meeting was called to order by President Harold D. Lasswell, who made a brief report on the activities of the Association during the preceding year.

Mr. Mansfield, Secretary of the Association, summarized the decisions taken by the Council at its meeting of September 5, 1956 and read the two resolutions the Council had authorized Mr. David to prepare (for the texts, see the Council Minutes). The report of the Secretary and the two resolutions, were approved unanimously.

Mr. Latham, Chairman of the Program Committee for the 1956 Annual Meeting, reported on the activities of the Committee. The two most important innovations in the work in 1956 were (1) the meeting of the Program Committee and (2) building the program around a central theme. He recommended that both be continued next year. At the conclusion of the report, a resolution thanking the Program Committee for its excellent work was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Kampelman, Treasurer, presented the financial report for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1956. Mr. Kampelman noted particularly that the Association had completed the fiscal year with income exceeding expenditures and that the auditor's report showed the financial affairs of the Association to be in sound condition. The Business Meeting voted unanimous approval of the Treasurer's report.

Mr. Lippincott, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, gave a brief report on the work of the Committee. He then presented the Committee's unanimous nominations for the offices of the Association for 1956-57, as previously reported to the Council (for the names, see the Council Minutes). The Business Meeting voted unanimous approval of the Committee's slate.

The President asked the new President Elect, Mr. Key, to come to the platform, and then turned the gavel over to the incoming President, Mr. Schattschneider.

President Schattschneider adjourned the Business Meeting at 5:45 P.M.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

### *Regional and Topical*

The annual meeting of the Iowa Conference of Political Scientists was held on the campus of Grinnell College on April 28, 1956. The speaker for the morning session was President

Charles J. Turck of Macalester College who spoke on the "Aims and Achievements of UNESCO." The speaker at the noon luncheon was Clark M. Eichelberger, executive director of the American Association for the United Nations, who spoke on the subject of "Great