

NEWS AND NOTES

PERSONAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

Compiled by the Managing Editor

By vote of the Executive Council, the thirty-second annual meeting of the American Political Science Association will be held in Chicago, with Professor Harold F. Gosnell, of the University of Chicago, as chairman of the committee on local arrangements. The new Committee on Policy of the Association, authorized at the Atlanta meeting of last December, consists of the following persons: Arthur N. Holcombe (chairman), Harvard University; Francis W. Coker, Yale University; Clyde L. King, University of Pennsylvania; John M. Gaus, University of Wisconsin; Frank G. Bates, University of Indiana; Finla G. Crawford, Syracuse University; and Herman C. Nixon, Tulane University. The committee on program for the 1936 meeting is made up of Cullen B. Gosnell (chairman), Emory University; Clyde Eagleton, New York University; Joseph P. Harris, Washington, D.C.; Peter Odegard, Ohio State University; and James Hart, Johns Hopkins University. The committee to nominate officers for 1937 consists of Orren C. Hormell (chairman), Bowdoin College; Thomas S. Barclay, Stanford University; Robert E. Cushman, Cornell University; James W. Manning, University of Kentucky; and Clarence A. Berdahl, University of Illinois. At his own request, Charles A. Beard has retired as a representative of the Association in the Social Science Research Council. His place has been taken by Lindsay Rogers, of Columbia University. The new Committee on Policy held its first meeting at Philadelphia on February 29.

At the annual meeting in Chattanooga in December, Dr. Charles H. McIlwain, Eaton professor of the science of government at Harvard University, was elected president of the American Historical Association.

President Harold W. Dodds, of Princeton University, delivered the address at the convocation exercises of the University of Pennsylvania on February 22 and received an honorary degree of doctor of laws.

Professor J. Ralston Hayden returned to his post at the University of Michigan at the opening of the second semester, after serving two years as vice-governor of the Philippines.

Professor Ralph E. Himstead, of Syracuse University, has accepted the position of general secretary of the American Association of University Professors. He will take charge of the Association's Washington office on June 1.

Dr. Henry Reining, Jr., professor of politics at Princeton University,

has been appointed educational director of the National Institute of Public Affairs in Washington, and will be in charge of the Institute's program of internship training.

Professor Elmer D. Graper, of the University of Pittsburgh, has been appointed by the commissioners of Allegheny county a member of the board for the assessment and revision of taxes.

In January and February, Professor Thomas S. Barclay, of Stanford University, served as a member of the staff of the Des Moines Public Forums, lecturing and conducting discussions on topics connected with party politics.

Professor Harold R. Bruce, of Dartmouth College, was one of the lecturers at the December Institute meeting of the Los Angeles Teachers' Association. He delivered six lectures on the general subject of "The Contemporary United States," covering the economic, governmental, and political situation at the present time.

Professor Russell M. Story, of Pomona College, will teach at the University of Illinois during the coming summer session.

Professor James W. Martin, of the University of Kentucky, research director of the American Legislators' Association's interstate commission on conflicting taxation in 1934-35, has been appointed chairman of the Kentucky state tax commission.

Professor Walter H. C. Laves is on leave of absence from Hamilton College until September 1, during which time he is acting as director of the Mid-West office of the League of Nations Association, located in Chicago. His courses at Hamilton are in charge of Dr. Henry Janzen, and Professor J. Q. Dealey, Jr., is serving as head of the department.

Professor William L. Bradshaw, having resigned as executive secretary of the Missouri Association of Mayors and Other Municipal Officials, is again teaching full time at the University of Missouri. For more than two years, he devoted part of his time to municipal league work.

Dr. W. W. Pierson, Jr., has been appointed head of the recently created department of political science at the University of North Carolina. He will continue to serve also as dean of the Graduate School.

Professor J. B. Shannon, of Transylvania University, and Dr. Lee S. Greene, of the University of Wisconsin, have recently resigned their respective positions in order to accept posts with the Tennessee Valley Authority.

At Harvard University, a research grant has been made to Professors

Arthur N. Holcombe and E. Pendleton Herring for a study of "Qualifications of Federal Commissioners."

While on leave from Ohio Wesleyan University during the academic year 1936-37, Professor Ben A. Arneson will be visiting professor and acting head of the department of political science at the American University.

Professor Charles S. Hyneman, of the University of Illinois, has been made a member of a committee appointed by the state department of education to direct a program of revision of the social science curriculum in the Illinois public schools.

Professor Leland M. Goodrich, of Brown University, is on sabbatical leave during the second semester, and will be in Europe until September, with headquarters at Geneva. In his absence, Mr. Robert M. Goodrich, executive director of the Providence Governmental Research Bureau, is giving the course in municipal government, thus relieving Professor Matthew C. Mitchell, who in turn has taken over some of the courses regularly given by Professor Goodrich.

Dr. Payson S. Wild, Jr., instructor and tutor in government at Harvard University, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Dr. Albert Lepawsky, research associate in political science at the University of Chicago, and during the past year head of the research division of the law department of the city of Chicago, has been made assistant director of the Public Administration Clearing House.

Dr. Chesney Hill, of the University of Illinois, has been appointed assistant professor of political science and public law at the University of Missouri. He will have charge of the courses in international law, relations, and organization.

Mr. Harald Bergerson has resigned from the staff of the Bureau of Governmental Research at the University of Washington in order to accept an instructorship in political science at the University of Idaho.

"Business Education for Everybody" will be the general topic of the Fourth Conference on Business Education to be held at the University of Chicago on June 25 and 26, under the auspices of the School of Business.

Dr. V. O. Key, Jr., is on leave from the University of California at Los Angeles and is at present a member of the Washington staff of the Committee on Public Administration of the Social Science Research Council. Dr. Winston W. Crouch, who taught at Pomona College during the first semester, has been appointed lecturer in political science for the

second semester at the University of California at Los Angeles, and Mr. J. W. Robinson, who will be a candidate for the doctor's degree at Stanford University in June, has been appointed associate.

During the past year, the department of government at Indiana University has performed a number of services for national, state, and local governments. Professor Frank G. Bates and Mr. Clyde F. Snider acted as technical advisers to the governor's commission on governmental efficiency and economy. Professor Bates also acted in an advisory capacity to the special committee appointed by the governor to study the taxation system of the state. Dr. Pressly S. Sikes made a classification of all positions in the state government, which has been put into effect by Governor McNutt. At the present time, Mr. Sikes is revising the city ordinances of Bloomington. During the past two years, Professor Ford P. Hall has acted as the special representative for Indiana of the United States Department of Labor. Twice during this period he has had charge of the examinations and oral interviews for applicants for positions in the Indiana state employment service. Miss Wilma Langdon, of the department of government, has assisted in this work.

At Wayne University, Detroit, Professor Lent D. Upson has been made responsible for the organization of a School of Social Work which will be opened next year. Professor James H. Russell, who has been associated with the department of political science for some nineteen years, has resigned; Mr. Charles W. Shull has been promoted to an assistant professorship; and Mr. Lawrence Michelmore, formerly a graduate student at Harvard, has been added to the staff.

The general subject for consideration at the thirtieth annual meeting of the American Society of International Law, to be held in Washington on April 23-25, is "The Rôle of International Law in Peaceful Change." Among persons who will present papers are Professors Parker T. Moon of Columbia University, Hessell Yntema of the University of Michigan, Quincy Wright of the University of Chicago, John B. Whitton of Princeton University, Amry Vandenbosch of the University of Kentucky, and Norman MacKenzie of the University of Toronto.

A group of exiled scholars has lately formed in Paris a bureau of research and documentation which offers its services at reasonable rates to scholars outside of France for research in historical, economic, juridical, and other fields. The bureau has research correspondents outside of France and offers assistance in the buying of books and as a general intermediary in intellectual activities between scholars. Communications may be addressed to Dr. V. Modigliani, secretary of the Bureau of Research and Documentation, 8 Boulevard Ornano, Paris (XVIII), France.

An Institute of Public Affairs held at the Southern Methodist University, Dallas, on March 10–14 had as its general subject “The Southwest in International Affairs.” Among participants were Dean Charles W. Pipkin of Louisiana State University, Mr. Clark M. Eichelberger of the League of Nations Association, Mr. Peter Molyneaux, editor of the *Texas Weekly*, and Professors Royden J. Dangerfield of the University of Oklahoma, H. C. Nixon of Tulane University, and J. Lloyd Meham and Charles W. Hackett of the University of Texas.

The eighth annual institute of government will be held at the University of Southern California on June 15–19. Sections will be organized on the administration of justice, public personnel administration, planning, and numerous other subjects, and directors will include Professors John M. Pfiffner and Carlton C. Rodee of the University of Southern California, and Emery E. Olson of the American University.

The fifth annual Mid-West Institute of International Relations, arranged by the American Friends Service Committee, Northwestern University, and a committee of Evanston citizens, will be held at Northwestern University during the period June 22 to July 3. Those who will deliver lectures and otherwise take part in instruction include Professors Garfield V. Cox of the University of Chicago, Heber Harper of Columbia University, Charles S. Johnson of Fisk University, and William M. McGovern of Northwestern University, Senator James P. Pope of Idaho, Mr. Norman Thomas, and the Japanese Christian leader, Toyohiko Kagawa.

A Public Affairs Committee, financed during its first year by the Maurice and Laura Falk Foundation and designed to serve as a medium for disseminating the findings of existing research organizations, has lately been established with the following membership: Raymond L. Buell (chairman), Foreign Policy Association; Harold G. Moulton (treasurer), Brookings Institution; Lyman Bryson, Columbia University; Evans Clark, Twentieth Century Fund; Frederick V. Field, Institute of Pacific Relations; William T. Foster, Pollak Foundation; Luther Gulick, Institute of Public Administration; Felix Morley, the *Washington Post*; George Soule, National Bureau of Economic Research; with Francis P. Miller as executive secretary. The committee proposes to publish numerous pamphlets, which will be sold at nominal prices at the committee headquarters, National Press Building, Washington, D.C.

The faculty of law of Northwestern University, administering the income of the Charles Clarence Linthicum Foundation, announces that the sum of one thousand dollars and a bronze medal, as a first prize, and not more than five sums of one hundred dollars each, as second prizes with honorable mention, will be awarded to the authors of the best mono-

graphs submitted by March 1, 1937, on the subject of "carrier liability in national and international air commerce (including liability to passengers, shippers, and others for personal injuries and property damage)."

For a period of ten weeks, from June 22 to August 29, the University of California will conduct intensive instruction in the Russian language—one course for beginners, and one for persons with some knowledge of Russian. This work is offered by the University in cooperation with the Institute of Pacific Relations, as a continuation of the inter-university project which began with the Russian Language Section of the Harvard Summer School of 1934 and was carried on at Columbia during the summer of 1935. The courses are intended for persons of exceptional qualifications who have a specific need for the language as a tool for use in some field of scholarship. The Summer Session Office of the University of California is prepared to furnish detailed information upon request.

The United States Conference of Mayors has now established a permanent secretariat in the United States Conference of Mayors' building, 730 Jackson Place, Washington, D.C. The national office is under the direction of Dr. Paul V. Betters, executive director of the Conference. Activities of the Conference since the annual meeting in November have been devoted mainly to the formulation of a general work-relief program which might be followed by the federal government during the fiscal year 1936-37. On January 13, the Conference, on the basis of a study of the relief situation in 150 of the larger cities, proposed to Congress a continuation of the present WPA work program during the next fiscal period—on a basis of giving employment to 3,000,000 *bona fide* relief persons. The estimated cost of this program was set at \$2,340,000,000. This figure presented by the Mayors' Conference was the first indication of the cost of relief work for 1936-37, relief being the only major item not included in the President's budget. Among recent reports published by the Conference is *Recent Federal-City Relations*, a volume describing the various federal programs since 1932 which have affected and concerned the cities of the country. Unemployment relief, public works, law enforcement, finance, and other federal activities are discussed in this report. Closely associated with the Conference at its national headquarters is the Institute of Municipal Law Officers, an organization which includes the law departments of the larger cities. The Institute carries on a program of activities designed to further the interchange of information in the field of municipal law. Mr. Sherwood L. Reeder has been appointed executive director, the president being Mr. Henry E. Foley, corporation counsel of Boston.

Walter James Shepard, professor of political science and dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Ohio State University since 1928, died

on January 25 of a heart attack induced by a strenuous effort to extricate his automobile from a snowdrift. Cut off in the prime of life, his death is felt as a crushing blow to his many friends, and especially to the university to which he has rendered distinguished service, and to political science, its study and practice. President of the American Political Science Association in 1934, he was long known to his colleagues in their annual meetings as an active participant in the debating of policy, and more especially in the conciliatory combining of diverse opinions and the fruitful achieving of results that should be of solid, widely acceptable validity. Having served not only Ohio State University (1909–1911, 1921–23, 1928–1936), but also the University of Missouri (1911–1921), Washington University (1923–1924), and the Robert Brookings Graduate School of Economics and Government (1924–1928), he had an unusually wide acquaintance with faculties and students and with non-academic men and women of public spirit. Affable, friendly, patient, he spent his time without stint on the needs of others, helping students to find themselves, immature scholars to find teaching positions and opportunities to contribute to scholarship, citizens to cooperate in democratic action, political scientists to advance learning. In addition to numerous articles in this REVIEW (and others) and in the *Encyclopædia of the Social Sciences*, his outstanding scientific contribution was the translating and editing, in collaboration with George H. Sabine, of H. Krabbe's *The Modern Idea of the State*. It has often been suggested that the elaborate Introduction to this work was of such outstanding value as a piece of independent political thought that it was eminently worthy to stand by itself, whatever might be the importance of the work of the Dutch thinker. Dean Shepard's most active teaching interest had been in the field of political theory, its history and especially its present-day applications. A liberal democrat, always optimistic and forward-looking, he free-thinkingly examined, in his presidential address of 1934, the necessities and implications of democracy at the present day. He sought the means of realizing "the good life," and was fearless in grasping the nettle of present-day political conditions. Chairman of the planning board of the state of Ohio, he was intensely interested in what his own (adopted) state might do in solving urgent problems of economics, administrative reorganization, and education. Much of his time and attention in the informal lobby conferences at Atlanta and Chattanooga in December was devoted to a project of cooperative thinking that should lead to a published Plan. Public trust in brains and utilization of expert capacity in solving public problems, he felt, must be given institutional organization; democracy must think ahead; political science must not be content with recording and describing. He summoned his disciples and friends to "seize the torch."—HENRY R. SPENCER.