

NEWS AND NOTES

Contributions to this section are welcome at any time. The deadlines for inclusion in the four issues are May 31—October issue; July 31—December issue; September 30—February issue; November 30—April issue.

INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES

The American Economic Association held a meeting in Washington, D. C., on December 28-30, 1959. One of the topics under discussion, "Incentives and Economic Growth: Changing Roles and Public Policies" was chaired by Solomon Fabricant, New York University. A paper entitled "Incentives in the Soviet Union" was presented by Gregory Grossman, University of California at Berkeley. Discussants included Joseph S. Berliner, Syracuse University.

The Joint Economic Committee of the United States Congress held public hearings during the week of November 16-20, 1959, on *Comparisons of the United States and Soviet Economics*.

Summaries of prepared papers and discussion in a series of eight panels was followed by papers on "Evaluations of the Russian Economic Threat" by private policy makers and presentations based on "Summary and Policy Implications."

The first panel was devoted to "Problems of Soviet, United States Comparisons." Papers were presented by Hans Heymann, Jr., RAND Corporation, and Robert Campbell, University of Southern California at Los Angeles.

"Population and Labor Force" was the second panel at which papers by John Kantner, Foreign Manpower Research Office, Bureau of the Census, and Warren Eason, Princeton University were presented.

In a panel on "Industry," the following papers were presented: "Structure and Rates of Growth" by G. Warren Nutter, University of Virginia; "Investment" by John Hardt, Corporation for Economic and Industrial Research; "Management," by David Granick, Carnegie Institute of Technology; "Inter-Industry Supply System" by Herbert Levine, Harvard University.

The "Transportation" panel included offerings by Ernest W. Williams Jr., Columbia University, on "Structure and Growth," and Holland Hunter, Haverford College, on "Policies."

The three presentations on "Agriculture" were: "Structure and Growth" by D. Gale Johnson, University of Chicago; "Costs and Prices" by Nancy Nimitz, RAND Corporation, and "Agricultural Policies" by Lazar Volin, Foreign Agriculture Service, USDA.

Another panel was entitled "Levels of Living and Incentives in the Soviet and United States Economies." The panel participants included: E. Lynn Turgeon, Hofstra College; Benjamin Javits, Attorney, New York City; and Joseph Berliner, Syracuse University.

"National Income and Product: A Comparison of Economic Structures, Trends and Prospects" was discussed by Morris Bornstein, University of Michigan, and Frank Boddy, University of Minnesota.

The final panel on "Foreign Economic Activities" included the following: "East-West Trade" by R. L. Allen, University of Virginia; "Financial Arrangements" by Franklin D. Holzman, Harvard University; and "Underdeveloped Countries" by Henry G. Aubrey, Consultant, National Planning Association, Washington, D. C.

On the concluding day of the hearings evaluations of the Russian economic threat were made by private policy makers including AFL-CIO and the Committee for Economic Development. The statements were followed by summary remarks by Willard Thorp, Merrill Center, Amherst College; Harry Schwartz, *New York Times*, New York, N. Y.; and Evsey Domar, and W. Rostow, both of M.I.T.

The full hearings are published by the General Printing Office as a Joint Economic Committee publication and are available to the general public. Representative Richard Bolling (D., Mo.) is chairman of the Sub-committee which arranged the hearings, Senator Jacob Javits (R., N. Y.) is the Senatorial member, and Mr. John Lehman is the Sub-Committee economist.

A seminar on English language and literature was held in Piran, Yugoslavia, August 10, 31, 1959. The universities of Nottingham and Ljubljana organized the seminar and plan to cooperate on a similar project next year. The University of Nottingham sent three lecturers, one assistant, and five students to Yugoslavia. They met with some ninety students of English from all Yugoslav universities.

Gilbert Phelps, the author of *The Centenarians*, visited Piran and Ljubljana in connection with the seminar. Mr. Phelps' interest in Slav literature led him to write a book on the influence of the Russian novel upon contemporary English writing. It is hoped that one English author will attend the seminar each year.

The seminar was organized by Dr. Monica Patridge of Nottingham and Dr. Stanovnik of Ljubljana. They were assisted by Janko Lavrin, translator of Slovenian poets into English.

Gennadi Eduardovich Schulz was elected Director of the Institute for the Study of the USSR at the Institute's General Assembly meeting in July, 1959, in Munich, Germany. Dr. Schulz replaces Vladimir Merzalov who resigned for reasons of ill health.

Because of the enthusiastic support given the Basic Russian Language television course conducted by St. John's University in 1959-60, the course will be offered again this year by St. John's School of Education in cooperation with the New York Board of Regents' Educational Television Project.

The Planning Division of the American Committee for Liberation has prepared a series of digests and excerpts of articles from the Yugoslav theoretical periodical *Sotsialist*, dealing with the Yugoslav Communist interpretation of Marxism-Leninism. Entitled *Materials of Yugoslav Communist Ideology* and produced in mimeograph form, this series is available free of charge and on request to interested scholars. Please direct inquiries to: Planning Division, American Committee for Liberation, 1657 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

The Institute for the Study of the USSR held an Institute Conference in July, 1959, which included the following reports: "Factors Determining Soviet Foreign Policy" by Abdurakhman Avtorkhanov; "Basic Problems of Soviet Foreign Policy—Methods and Means" by Richard Wraga; "Influence of Military Factors on Soviet Foreign Policy" by Nikolai Galay; "The Importance of Economics in Soviet Foreign Policy" by Yevhen Glovinsky; "The Relationship Between the Chinese Communist Party and the Soviet Communist Party and Its Implications for Soviet Foreign Policy" by Roman N. Redlich; "Problems of Soviet Policy in Relation to the Afro-Asian Countries" by Helene Carrere D'Encausse. A publication entitled *Problems of Soviet Foreign Policy* is available. Please address your inquiries to: Institute for the Study of the USSR, 1657 Broadway, New York 19, New York.

The American Political Science Association held its annual meeting on September 10-12, 1959, in Washington, D. C. In a panel entitled "Recent Efforts Towards Coordinated Economic Planning in the Soviet Bloc," chaired by Merle Fainsod, Harvard University, Oleg Hoeffding, the RAND Corporation, presented a paper; Karel Julicka, University of Buffalo; Herbert Levine, Harvard University; Edward Rozek, University of Colorado; Robert A. Rupen, University of North Carolina; Robert C. Tucker, Indiana University, were discussants.

Additional panels included: "Problems of Teaching and Research on Soviet Government," under the chairmanship of William Ballis, University of Michigan. John A. Armstrong, University of Wisconsin; and H. Gordon Skilling, University of Toronto, presented papers; Jaan Pennar, Institute for Study of the USSR; Alvin Z. Rubinstein, University of Pennsylvania; Jan F. Triska, Cornell University, were discussants. Zbigniew Brzezinski, Harvard University, acted as chairman of a panel dealing with "Problems of Teaching and Research on Soviet Foreign Relations." Papers were presented by Thomas Hammond, University of Virginia, and Alfred Meyer, Michigan State University. The discussants in-

cluded: David T. Cattell, University of California at Los Angeles; Alexander Dallin, Columbia University; Robert Tucker, University of Indiana.

The Russian Language Institute for Secondary-School Teachers at the University of Indiana, is one of the four full-year foreign-language institutes for secondary-school teachers established this year under the National Defense Education Act and is devoted exclusively to the preparation of high-school teachers of Russian language. Currently there are twenty high-school teachers studying in the department. William B. Edgerton, Chairman of the Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures is Director of the new Department.

Colorado State University has added to its history offerings a course on the History of Soviet Social Thought.

APPOINTMENTS AND STAFF CHANGES

Nora Beeson in currently Lecturer in Russian at Hunter College.

Justine Besharov-Djaparidze has been named visiting assistant professor of Slavic Languages and Literatures at Indiana University for the year 1959-60.

The following appointments were made at the University of Illinois for the year 1959-60:

Tatiana Cizevska was promoted to assistant professor of Russian.

Frances Sobotka was promoted to associate professor and named acting head of the Department of Russian.

Olga Koshansky was appointed assistant professor of Russian.

Victor Terras was appointed instructor of Russian.

Gene Sosin, Radio Liberty Program Coordinator in New York, is lecturing at Hunter College during the Fall, 1959, on Modern Russian Literature. Dr. Sosin's lecture series will cover Russian Literature from Chekhov to Pasternak.

AWARDS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rudolf Strum, Skidmore College, has been awarded a grant by the Danforth

Foundation for a research on French culture in Russia and East-Central Europe in 1959-60.

The Ford Foundation has recently announced fellowship awards for study in fields related to the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe for 1959-60. Among those who received fellowships are:

Richard E. Lonsdale, Syracuse Univ., Study of the manufacturing geography of western Siberia, at Syracuse and in New York and Washington, D. C.; Woodford D. McClellan, U. of California (Berkeley), History. Study of Russian and Balkan intellectual history at U. of California (Berkeley); Robert A. Wohl, Princeton, History. Russian area studies and research on the place of France in Soviet scheme of world revolution, 1917-28, at Harvard University; *Allan K. Wildman, U. of Chicago, History. Completion of dissertation on Russian intellectual history, at U. of Chicago; *Jeremy R. Azrael, Harvard, Government. Completion of doctoral dissertation on the impact of industrialization on the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, at Harvard; *David M. Farquhar, Harvard, History. Study of Sino-Mongolian relations and Russian language training, at Harvard and U. of Washington; Philip S. Gillette, Harvard, Government. Russian Regional studies, at Harvard; Donald R. Lesh, Harvard, Literature. Study of Slavic languages and literatures, at Harvard; *Charles E. Townsend, Harvard, Literature. Russian regional studies, at Harvard; Judith Ann Grouse, Radcliffe, Economics. Russian area studies, at Radcliffe.

William W. Adams, Jr., Columbia, Government. Russian area studies and study of public law and government, at Columbia; *Merritt G. Abrash, Columbia, International relations. Completion of doctoral dissertation on Anglo-Russian relations, at Columbia; Fred F. Schiller, New York Univ., Economics. Study of Soviet economy, at Columbia or Harvard; *Paul H. Avrich, Columbia, History. Research on the factory committee movement in revolutionary Russia, at Columbia; Philip B. Cook, Columbia, Litera-

(*Asterisks indicate extensions of previous fellowships).

ture. Study of Slavic languages and literatures, at Columbia; Harris L. Coulter, Columbia, Government. Completion of doctoral dissertation on Hungarian agriculture under the Communist regime, at Columbia; *Oleh S. Fedyshun, Columbia, International relations. Completion of doctoral dissertation on German-Russian relations, at Columbia; Carol Gayle, Columbia, History. Russian area studies, at Columbia; Grey Hodnett, Columbia, Government. Study of Soviet government, at Columbia; *Arthur A. Levin, Harvard, History. Study of Russian history, at Harvard. *Mark Mancall, Harvard, History. Research on the competition between China and Russia in Mongolia, in Japan; Walter M. Pintner, Harvard, History. Completion of Doctoral dissertation and research on Russian economic history, at Harvard and in New York and Washington, D. C.; *Frederick J. Piotrow, Oxford, Univ., England, History. Completion of doctoral dissertation on Paul Miliukov and Russian liberalism, at Oxford; Don C. Price, Harvard, History. Russian regional studies, at Harvard; *Helen Repczuk, Columbia, History. Russian area studies, at Columbia; *Stephen Weber, Columbia, International relations. Russian area studies, with emphasis on international relations, at Columbia; *Patricia J. Carden, Columbia, Literature. Russian area studies, at Columbia; Walter C. Clemens, Jr., Columbia. International relations. Completion of doctoral dissertation on Soviet disarmament policy, at Columbia; Sam

N. Driver, Columbia, Literature. Russian area studies and research in Russian literature, at Columbia; Wayne Hall, Princeton, Government. Russian regional studies, at Harvard; Warren B. Harshman, Harvard, Government. Russian regional studies, at Harvard. Bette Daneman Stavrakis, Univ. of Akron, Government. Russian area studies, at Harvard or Columbia; Clifford H. Borgan, U. of Washington, Literature. Research on literature as a form of mass persuasion in Communist China, in Hong Kong; Jack A. Smith, Columbia, International relations. Study of Bolshevik doctrines of revolution and nationalism in the Ukraine, at Columbia; Alan A. Brown, Harvard, Economics. Russian area studies and research on the Hungarian economy, at Harvard and in the United States and Switzerland; *Frederick A. Hargadon, Harvard, Government. Russian regional studies, at Harvard; *Sheridan W. Johns, III, Harvard, Government. Study of Soviet government, at Harvard; *Anthony G. Netting, Columbia, History. Russian area studies, at Columbia; Charles E. Butler, Univ. of Tennessee, Economics. Russian area studies and study of economics, at Harvard or Columbia; *Charles A. Moser, Columbia, Literature. Study of Slavic languages and literatures, at Columbia; *Robert G. Carlton, Columbia, History. Russian area studies, at Columbia; *Ramon H. Hulsey, Columbia, International relations. Russian area studies, at Columbia.

A new monthly journal entitled *Soviet Geography: Review and Translation* is scheduled to begin publication in February. The journal, edited by Theodore Shabad, contains translations of selected articles by Soviet geographers, a news section describing recent developments in Soviet economic construction, and a brief section devoted to new literature in the field. One of a series of translation journals financed by grants from the National Science Foundation, it is published by the American Geographical Society, 156th Street and Broadway, New York 32, N. Y., and is available at an annual subscription of \$6.00.