NEWS AND NOTES

Personal and Miscellaneous

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The editor of this department of the Review will be glad to receive items suitable for publication from any member of the American Political Science Association, or from other readers. Such matter should be sent in before the middle of the second month preceding publication.

The headquarters of the American Political Science Association during its coming meeting at Washington, December 28–30, will be at the New Willard Hotel. The headquarters of the American Historical Association will be at the same hotel. The program of the Political Science Association's sessions will be distributed to members early in December. The chairman of the committee on local arrangements is Dr. Leo S. Rowe, of the Pan American Union.

Mr. Alpheus H. Snow, of Washington, D. C., died on August 1 in a New York hospital. Mr. Snow was an active member of the executive council of the American Political Science Association from 1915 to 1918. He was at the time of his death a member of the executive board of the American Society of International Law and of the American Bar Association. His principal interest was international law and politics.

Professor C. D. Allin, after some months of travel and study in Europe, has resumed his work at the University of Minnesota.

Mr. W. B. Ryland, of Middlebury College, has been appointed professor of political science at Hamline University.

Mr. John M. Gaus, who recently completed his work for the doctor's degree at Harvard University, has been appointed instructor in political

science at Amherst College. Mr. Gaus has been a fellow at the South End House in Boston, and has served with the War Labor Policies Board and with the New York State Reconstruction Commission. During the past year he was a tutor in government at Harvard. At Amherst he has charge of the courses in state and local government.

Mr. William E. Butt, assistant professor of history and political science in the University of Kentucky, has accepted a position in the reorganized department of political science at Pennsylvania State College. His place at Kentucky has been filled by the appointment of Mr. J. C. Jones, of the graduate school of Columbia University.

Mr. Frank M. Russell, of the University of Washington, has been appointed acting assistant professor of political science at Stanford University.

Professor Amos S. Hershey, after a two-year leave of absence, has resumed his work in the department of political science at Indiana University. Professor Hershey served as a technical adviser to the American peace commission at Paris.

Dr. A. J. Lobb, assistant professor of political science at the University of Minnesota, has discontinued teaching and has been made comptroller of the university.

The following men have been appointed instructors in political science at the University of Pennsylvania: C. V. Wolfe, formerly principal of the Urbana High School, Urbana, Ohio; W. L. Godshall, transferred from the department of anthropology at Pennsylvania; L. W. Lancaster, formerly of the department of history at Pennsylvania; M. L. Faust, recently connected with the Gettysburg Academy; A. F. Saunders, recently an assistant in political science at Wisconsin; and R. B. Watson, a recent student at Pennsylvania.

- Mr. R. C. Journey has resigned his assistant professorship of political science at the University of Missouri to accept a professorship of political science and economics at Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa.
- Mr. Robert L. Howard has been appointed instructor in political science at the University of Missouri.

- Mr. Thomas L. Barclay, formerly instructor in political science at the University of Missouri, is pursuing graduate studies at Columbia University.
- Mr. Frederic H. Guild, who has been the statistician in the Indiana legislative reference bureau since September, 1919, has resigned to accept an instructorship in political science at Indiana University.
- Mr. Otto Kirchner, president of the Detroit Bureau of Governmental Research, and former president of the Governmental Research Conference, died at his home in Detroit, July 21.
- Mr. G. A. Gissell, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, and recently engaged in civic work in the Northwest, has been appointed secretary of the Cleveland Civic League succeeding Mr. C. A. Dykstra.

The department of history and political science at the University of Kansas has been divided into two departments. Professor Blaine F. Moore has been appointed chairman of the department of political science. Mr. A. A. Long, secretary of the Kansas League of Municipalities, is giving courses in municipal government in the department this year.

- Dr. E. M. Sait, formerly assistant professor of politics at Columbia University, has been appointed professor of political science at the University of California. Professor Sait was lecturer in political science at California during the spring semester.
- Dr. Edward Elliott, professor of international law and politics at the University of California, has returned to that institution after a two-year leave of absence. During this period he has done special work for the federal reserve bank of San Francisco.
- Dr. J. R. Douglas, of the University of California, has been promoted from instructor to assistant professor of American government and administration. As director of the bureau of public administration, he has been conducting a survey of the state administration of California to determine to what extent scientific research is employed by the various agencies. This study is being made on behalf of the National Research Council of Washington, D. C.

Dr. Leonard P. Fox, assistant professor of political science at Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, has been appointed director of the research bureau of the Pennsylvania State Chamber of Commerce, with headquarters at Harrisburg.

The following members of the American Political Science Association were appointed to represent the association on the New York City committee which aided the Sulgrave Institution in carrying out the Tercentenary Pilgrim Celebration, September 27–30: C. A. Beard, J. P. Chamberlain, R. S. Childs, H. W. Dodds, Mayo Fesler, M. E. Loomis, T. R. Powell, Albert Shaw, Munroe Smith, and C. C. Williamson.

Dr. Walter F. Dodd, formerly secretary-treasurer of the American Political Science Association, has opened an office in Chicago for the general practice of law.

A School for Social Service Administration has been established at the University of Chicago under the direction of Professor L. C. Marshall. In consequence, the Chicago School of Civics and Philanthropy, incorporated in 1908 by Graham Taylor, went out of existence at the close of the summer term.

The Bureau of Municipal Research at Akron, Ohio, has undertaken a complete survey of county government with a view especially to obtaining data for use in the preparation of county budgets.

Lafayette College has received an endowment for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a new professorship of civil rights.

A course in the problems of citizenship has been established at the University of Missouri and is required of all freshmen in the university. This course consists of three lectures a week throughout the year on the fundamentals of the social sciences, and two additional meetings each week, in sections, in which the students write themes on the subject matter of the course. These themes serve as the basis for instruction in English. The purpose is to combine the freshman work in English with a general course in citizenship, to which students in their first year in the university will devote one-third of their time. The lectures in the course are being given by Dean Isidor Loeb.

The New Mexico Taxpayers' Association has completed a study of the cost of state and local government as a preliminary step in arriving at the proper needs of the state and its institutions and in ultimately devising a revenue code that will fully meet such needs. All the resources of the association have been placed at the disposal of a special state revenue commission provided for at the last session of the legislature. In addition, representatives of the association visited the various counties and cities of the state and coöperated with representatives of the state tax commission in assisting local officers with the preparation of their budgets, and in determining tax levies for the ensuing year.

The New York Bureau of Municipal Research has in hand studies on the following subjects: assessment and valuation of real property in American cities; budget-making and financial administration in state government; revision of legislation relative to form, contents, and preparation of the budget of New York City; housing problems in American cities; New York City charter revision; "pay-as-you-go" policy (a study based on the experience of New York City); public health educational methods; and taxation of public utilities.

Following his retirement from the Pan American Union, September 1, Mr. John Barrett announced the early organization of a popular and unofficial league of American countries and peoples. He outlined the plan as follows.

"Supported by the favorable attitude of a remarkable group of representative men in every country of North, Central and South America, I shall contribute my spare time during the next few months to forwarding a great civic international project which should appeal to general public interest. It involves the carrying to early completion of the organization already initiated by me, but here announced for the first time, of a great popular and practical league of American countries and peoples, which will probably be known as either the League of the Americas or the Pan American League. Its purpose will be to unite effectively for Pan American and Inter-American progress and peace that large and rapidly growing number of men and women in the Americas who realize the immense possibilities for the good of the Western Hemisphere which can result from their organized and coördinated economic, social, and intellectual coöperation, free from governmental, political, or official control. It will in no sense be a special agency of the United States for advantage over other American

countries or antagonistic to Europe or Asia, but a natural and logical coöperation of Western Hemisphere peoples, from Canada to Chile, for Western Hemisphere good. A new and important feature in Pan American undertakings will be the active participation of Canada and Canadians, who heretofore have been treated as outside the Pan American family. It will in no sense rival or clash with the work and prerogatives of the Pan American Union, which is strictly official and hence limited in its popular activities and influences. It will cooperate with and enlarge upon the work of the powerful Pan American Society of the United States, whose headquarters are in New York, and of which I had the honor to be the founder several years ago. The initial membership will be composed of men and women from the countries of North, Central and South America interested in practical Pan Americanism. In each country a national charter of uniform wording will be sought, making a federation both national and international in character, while cooperative in both spirit and fact."

The city of Winnipeg, in June, 1920, used proportional representation in the election of its ten representatives in the provincial assembly. This was the first instance of parliamentary elections under the Hare system in Canada. Furthermore, the number of votes cast—48,246—was by far the largest in any constituency in which the single transferable vote system has as yet been employed. The fact that there were forty-one candidates entailed a long series of operations before the count was completed. Only 819 invalid ballot-papers, or 1.7 per cent, were found. Local comment on the election indicates that the system worked very satisfactorily. An account of the election will be found in the August issue of *Representation*, the journal of the Proportional Representation Society of England.