

NEWS AND NOTES

PERSONAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

Compiled by the Managing Editor

The headquarters of the American Political Science Association at the Chicago meeting December 27-29 will be the Stevens Hotel, and all round-table sessions, as well as the general sessions, will be held there. The same hotel will be the headquarters of other organizations meeting in Chicago at the same time, including the American Economic Association, the American Statistical Association, the American Association for Labor Legislation, and the Association of American Law Schools. Members are advised to make reservations early. As in previous years, the round tables, meeting on the forenoons of three days, will be a principal feature of the program. In order that the discussions may be planned for in advance, it is suggested that members communicate at once with the chairman of the round table in which they wish to participate. The following round tables (with director in each case) have been arranged: (1) Personnel, Mr. Fred Telford, Bureau of Public Personnel Administration, Washington, D. C.; (2) Administrative law, Professor John Dickinson, Princeton University; (3) Administration of foreign offices, Dr. Raymond L. Buell, Foreign Policy Association; (4) Imperialism as a factor in post-war politics, Professor Parker T. Moon, Columbia University; (5) Comparative party politics, Professor John M. Gaus, University of Wisconsin; (6) Teaching of government, Professor O. Garfield Jones, University of Toledo; and (7) Political corruption, Professor Peter H. Odegard, Williams College. There will also be a round table on municipal government and one on statutes. The latter will be participated in by members both of the American Political Science Association and of the Association of American Law Schools. On the 27th there will be a luncheon, with a talk by Dr. Charles A. Beard on "The Constitutional Crisis in Yugoslavia," and at the afternoon session there will be papers by Professor Frederick A. Cleveland, of Boston University, on "The American Conception of Sovereignty and its Practical Applications;" Mr. P. G. Agnew, secretary of the American Engineering Standards Committee, on "Political Incidence of Standardization in Industry"; Professor T. V. Smith, of the University of Chicago, on "Political Equalitarianism and Democracy." In the evening there

will be a joint meeting with the American Economic Association at which the presidential addresses will be delivered. On the 28th there will be a luncheon at which reports will be made by the Association's committee on policy and also one of its representatives on the Social Science Research Council. The afternoon program will be devoted to a consideration of problems of local government. Mr. Walter Millard, of the National Municipal League, will speak on city-county consolidation and the county manager, and Professor Ivan Pollock, of the State University of Iowa, on the subject of state supervision of local finances. The annual business meeting of the Association will take place at four o'clock on the same day, and it is planned to hold an open meeting in the evening to hear addresses of notable speakers. The Association will join in a luncheon with the Association of American Law Schools on the 29th. The concluding program that afternoon will bring discussion of the following subjects: "Congressional Control of Foreign Policies," by Professor Harold M. Vinacke, of the University of Cincinnati; "Campaign Expenditures," by Professor Edward M. Sait, of Pomona College; and "The Proletarian Parties of Japan," by Professor Kenneth Colegrove, of Northwestern University.

The chairman of the committee on local arrangements is Professor Kenneth Colegrove, of Northwestern University; the chairman of the committee on program is Professor S. Gale Lowrie, of the University of Cincinnati; and a committee to nominate officers for 1929 has been appointed consisting of Dean Isidor Loeb, of Washington University (St. Louis), chairman, and Professors Clyde L. King, Frank G. Bates, Graham H. Stuart, and Frederick A. Middlebush. Members are invited to send suggestions to any of these committees.

Dr. Richard C. Spencer, formerly at the University of Illinois, is now assistant professor of political science at Western Reserve University.

Mr. Hiram H. Stout, recently a student of political science at Oxford, has been appointed instructor at DePauw University.

Dr. Claudius O. Johnson, formerly of the University of Chattanooga, is now professor of political science and head of the department of history and political science at the State College of Washington.

Dr. Waldo Schumacher, recently appointed professor of government at the University of Oregon, has been made chairman of the

group in charge of the newly established freshman survey course in the social sciences.

Mr. H. A. Alderfer, of Syracuse University, has become assistant professor of political science at Pennsylvania State College.

Professor Jacob Tanger is on leave of absence from Pennsylvania State College during the first semester and is travelling in Europe.

Dr. James Hart, of the Johns Hopkins University, served as the official representative of the American Political Science Association at the Institute of Public Affairs held at the University of Virginia in August.

Mr. Carl L. Heyerdahl, graduate student in political science at the University of Wisconsin, has been appointed instructor in history and political science at Purdue University.

Professor A. B. Butts, of the Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College, was admitted to the bar in Mississippi last February. He spent the past summer at the Yale Law School. Mr. Will J. Evans has been appointed instructor in political science in the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Dr. Claude A. Buss, of the University of Pennsylvania, recently a Carnegie fellow in international law, has been appointed instructor in political science at Grove City College.

Mr. David W. Wainhouse, of Oxford University, holds a Penfield travelling scholarship in international law from the University of Pennsylvania and is completing a study of visit and search in international law. Mr. William C. White, reappointed to a Penfield scholarship, is in Moscow studying the new Russian constitutional system.

Professor Carl Brinkmann, of the University of Heidelberg, is engaged in the study of civic education in the United States, making his headquarters at the University of Chicago. This inquiry is part of a series of studies in comparative civic education, publication of which is expected to begin shortly.

Dr. Royden J. Dangerfield, formerly a graduate student at the University of Chicago, is now assistant professor of political science at the University of Oklahoma. Dr. L. Vaughn has a similar position at the College of William and Mary, and Dr. Harwood L. Childs is professor of political science at Bucknell University.

Professor Frank M. Stewart, associate professor of government at the University of Texas, has been given leave of absence for the first semester of the present academic year to conduct a study of highway administration in Texas. He is working under a grant from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial Foundation, which has set aside a fund for research in the social sciences in the Southwest.

Mr. Jerome L. LeMaster, formerly at the University of Illinois, has joined the political science staff at Oregon State College with the rank of assistant professor. Messrs. Merritt M. Chambers and Wilbur P. Riddlesbarger have been promoted to assistant professorships in the same department. Dr. Roy M. Lockenour, until recently assistant professor of political science at Oregon State College, has accepted appointment as professor of law at Willamette University, Salem, Oregon.

The following changes in personnel have been made in the political science department at Dartmouth College: Mr. David M. Amacker has returned after a year spent in teaching at the Louisiana Polytechnic Institute, and Mr. Milton V. Smith after a year spent in study at the University of California; Dr. Luther H. Evans, formerly of New York University, has been appointed instructor; and Mr. Edward F. Dow has resigned to continue his graduate work at Harvard.

Mr. Bruce Smith, of the National Institute of Public Administration, went to Europe at the end of August to study methods of collecting criminal statistics in European countries, in connection with his work for the Committee on Uniform Crime Records of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Mr. Donald Stone, formerly of the Cincinnati Bureau of Municipal Research, has joined Mr. Smith's staff in New York, and will be associated with him in the preparation of his report on uniform crime records.

At the State University of Iowa, Dr. Kirk H. Porter has been promoted from associate professor to full professor of political science; Dr. Herman H. Trachsel, from instructor to associate; and Dr. Dorothy Shaffer, from assistant to instructor. Dr. Trachsel is making an intensive study of the operation of public utilities in Iowa.

At New York University Dr. Rinehart J. Swenson has been advanced from associate to full professor of government; Dr. Luther B. Evans has resigned to accept an instructorship at Dartmouth; and Mr.

George K. Reiblich has been appointed instructor and Mr. Ralph Seward assistant instructor. Professor Rufus D. Smith, chairman of the department, has been raised from assistant to associate dean.

The annual meeting of the New York Academy of Political Science, to be held November 23, will deal with the general subject of the preservation of peace, with sessions devoted specifically to "The Renunciation of War as an Instrument of National Policy," "New Uses for the Machinery for the Settlement of International Disputes," and "The Case for the Pact."

The National Municipal League has appointed a committee on the teaching of municipal government in colleges and universities, under the chairmanship of Professor William Anderson, of the University of Minnesota. The following are the members of the preliminary committee, which may later be increased in number: William Anderson, chairman; Charles A. Beard, H. S. Bottenheim, Edwin A. Cottrell, H. W. Dodds, John A. Fairlie, Luther Gulick, A. C. Hanford, O. Garfield Jones, Arthur E. Morgan, W. E. Mosher, W. B. Munro, Thomas H. Reed, C. E. Ridley, and Russell Forbes. As a first step, the committee is planning to formulate a statement of the objectives of college and university courses in the field of municipal government.

The law faculty of the University of Leyden announces a prize of 5,000 Dutch guilders for the best essay submitted to the dean of the faculty on or before May 1, 1930, on "the conditions in which the acts of a state may be considered by another state as unlawful on the ground that they are in conflict with fundamental principles of private law, including private international law, and the manner in which the damage caused by such wrongful acts is to be repaired."

At the Hanover Conference of the Social Science Research Council held in August it was decided that the first issue of *Social Science Abstracts* should appear in March, 1929. Only articles in periodicals will be abstracted in 1929; books, monographs, and serials will not be included until the second year. It is estimated that about 15,000 articles will be abstracted the first year. From these beginnings, *Social Science Abstracts* will work toward inclusiveness. The yearly subscription rate has been fixed at \$6.00, including annual indexes. Subscriptions and other communications may be sent to the Editor, 611 Fayerweather Hall, Columbia University, New York City.

The National Municipal League met jointly with the Governmental Research Conference and the National Association of Civic Secretaries at Cincinnati on October 16-17. Among other features was a report from the National Committee on Municipal Standards, presented by the secretary, Mr. Clarence E. Ridley. Addresses were given by Dr. Charles A. Beard, on the city's place in civilization; Professor Joseph P. Harris, on the practical workings of proportional representation in American cities; Professors Wylie Kirkpatrick, Herman C. Beyle, and others, on "selling the work of government to the people;" and Messrs. John Ihlder, Bleecker Marquette, and others, on the city government's responsibility in housing. A comparison of certain municipal administrative practices in Great Britain and the United States, by Mr. Arthur Collins, financial adviser to local authorities in England, was the leading feature of a luncheon meeting.

Yale University has received a gift of \$350,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Philip B. Stewart, of Santa Barbara, Calif., Mr. Alfred Cowles, of Chicago, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. William H. Cowles, of Spokane, Wash., to establish the Alfred Cowles Foundation for the Study of Government. "This generous and timely gift," comments President Angell, "will enable Yale to proceed at once with plans for the promotion of the study of those phases of American government which are of chief practical importance to the citizen. At present the College offers a considerable group of courses in the field of government dealing with theoretical and descriptive branches of the subject. Though the work now offered is substantially equivalent in scope to that of other liberal arts colleges, need has long been felt for further development of study along lines which offer the student the largest opportunities for usefulness in the political life of his community. The Cowles Foundation now makes this possible. A part of the income will be used to equip the University with a comprehensive collection of materials relating especially to the practical problems of state and municipal governments and the activities of political parties and the electorate. Another part will make possible a series of courses to provide historical background of government, and to utilize these materials under the direction of a distinguished teacher soon to be added to the faculty. Graduate work will be promoted by offering generous fellowships to selected students of Yale and other universities; and efforts will be made to stimulate intensive study of political problems by undergraduates through honors courses open to students of high rank."