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PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

1955 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION

The 1955 Annual Meeting of The American Political Science Association will be held September 7-9, 1955, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado. The chairman of the Program Committee is Professor Weldon Cooper of the University of Virginia; the chairman of the Committee on Local Arrangements is Professor Dayton D. McKean of the University of Colorado.

The annual conference of the World Association for Public Opinion Research (WAPOR) will be held at Konstanz, Germany, September 5-9, 1955. The conference will be held in conjunction with the annual meeting of ESOMAR—European Society for Opinion Surveys and Market Research. Suggestions for papers may be sent to either member of the WAPOR Program Committee: Baron K. G. von Stackelberg, EMNID, Bodelschwinghstrasse 23, Bielefeld, Germany, or Professor Morris Janowitz, Institut für Sozialforschung, Frankfurt Universität, Frankfurt/Main, Germany.

Some 300 practitioners, teachers, and researchers in the field of public opinion attended the Tenth Annual Conference of the American Association for Public Opinion Research (AAPOR), April 13–16, 1955, in Madison, Wisconsin. The conference was held under the general sponsorship of the University of Wisconsin. Among the participants were George Gallup, AAPOR president; Elmo Roper, of Elmo Roper and Associates; Bernard Berelson, the Ford Foundation; David Riesman, University of Chicago; Samuel Stouffer, Harvard University; and Paul Lazarsfeld, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences.

The 1955 Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association will be held September 6, 1955, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado. A cordial invitation is extended to the members of the American Political Science Association to come a day early for the national meeting and attend the sessions of the Western Association.

The Southern California Political Science Association held its spring meeting at Loyola

University at Los Angeles on April 22. The general theme of the meeting was "Trends in the Commonwealth of Nations." Professor Charles R. Nixon of UCLA spoke on "Republicanism in the Union of South Africa," and Professor Dean E. McHenry of UCLA on "Regionalism in the South Pacific." Officers for 1955-56 are as follows: president, Robert L. Morlan, University of Redlands; secretarytreasurer, Tulley E. Warren, Los Angeles State College; additional members of the executive committee: Totten J. Anderson, University of Southern California; Don B. Leiffer, San Diego State College; Frank M. Stewart, University of California at Los Angeles; Arthur C. Turner, University of California at Riverside; John A. Vieg, Pomona College.

The Annual Student Conference of the Eastern Pennsylvania Citizenship Clearing House was held in Philadelphia, March 25–26, 1955. Senators Clifford Case and Richard Neuberger were the featured speakers. One hundred students from 33 eastern Pennsylvania colleges and universities attended, as well as 25 faculty members and 25 political leaders.

The Public Affairs Laboratory will be offered again at the American University during the 1955 summer session. The Laboratory is a workshop of government in action with extensive field trips, seminars, discussions, and lectures. It extends from June 20 to July 29 and is administered by the department of political science and public administration. Professors Charles M. Hersh and Palmer C. Pilcher are in charge of the Laboratory this summer.

The Florida Citizenship Clearing House held a three-day conference on state government on the campus of Florida State University in Tallahassee, April 25-27. Approximately 100 senior students from the University of Miami, the University of Florida, Stetson University, Florida Southern College, Rollins College, and Florida State University attended the conference. The program included a number of panel discussions in which the students participated with public officials and political leaders in across-the-board and off-the-record discussion. The meeting was scheduled during the legislative sessions so that the students could see the legislature in action and meet with their representatives in small groups. The executive director of the Florida Citizenship Clearing House is Dr. Frank Johnson of the political science department at Rollins College. Chairman on local arrangements in Tallahassee was Dr. Marian Irish of the political science department, Florida State University.

The Eighth Annual Conference on the Causes of War and the Conditions of Peace was held at the University of Idaho, March 16-17, 1955, under the sponsorship of the Borah Foundation for the Outlawry of War. The theme for this year's conference was "The United Nations—Is It the Road to Peace?" Faculty members from institutions in Montana, Idaho, Utah, Washington, and Oregon participated in a series of discussions with leaders representing economic interest, civic, and educational groups. Special emphasis was placed on problems of improving levels of information for community participation in foreign policy. Major addresses before plenary sessions were by: Quincy Wright, professor of political science, University of Chicago-"The United Nations and Charter Review"; Ronald B. Levinson, head of the department of philosophy, University of Maine-"Outlawry of War and the Nature of Man"; Carlos Davila, Secretary General, Organization of American States, Pan American Union-"Regional Organizations and the Roads to Peace"; Thomas Jefferson Hamilton, New York Times Press Section, United Nations-"Traditional Diplomacy v. Collective Security in the Contemporary World."

The department of human relations at the University of Miami is sponsoring a six-weeks' Workshop on Theory and Practice in Human Relations, June 14 to July 23, 1955. The first part of the Workshop will be concerned with the theoretical foundations of human relations; the second part, with practical applications in public and private agencies, business and in-

dustry, education, international relations, the home, and interracial and interfaith areas of tension. The Workshop will carry six semester credits on both the graduate and undergraduate levels. A limited number of scholarships will be available. Further information may be obtained from Dr. Dean George Epley, chairman of the department of human relations and director of the Workshop, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida.

As part of the activities of the second year of the Curriculum Development Project of the political science department at Northwestern University, a Conference on Political Philosophy and the Study of Politics was held February 24-26, 1955. Six papers were read at the conference: "The Unity of Political Theory," by Norman Jacobson, University of California (Berkeley); "The Place of Classic Political Theory in the Study of Politics," by Mulford Sibley, University of Minnesota; "Political Ideology as a Datum for the Study of Politics," by Frederick Watkins, Yale University; "American Political Theory and the Study of Politics," by Robert McCloskey, Harvard University; "Political Philosophy and the 'Science' of Politics," by Carl Friedrich, Harvard University; and "Political Philosophy in the 20th Century: An Appraisal of Its Contribution to the Study of Politics," by Lindsay Rogers, Columbia University. Other persons attending the Conference included: David Easton, University of Chicago; Cortez Ewing, University of Oklahoma; Frank Grace, University of Michigan; Pendleton Herring, Social Science Research Council; Thomas Jenkin, University of California (Los Angeles); Evron Kirkpatrick, American Political Science Association; Avery Leiserson, Vanderbilt University; Norton Long, Western Reserve University; Austin Ranney, University of Illinois; Wallace Sayre, Columbia University; David Smith, Swarthmore College; John Stewart, Rockefeller Foundation; and Sheldon Wolin, University of California (Berkeley). Harry Eckstein, Harvard University, served as rapporteur.

The Institute of World Affairs, sponsored by the University of Southern California, in cooperation with the colleges and universities of the Pacific area, held its thirty-first annual session at the Riverside, California, Mission Inn, December 12–15, 1954, under the direction of J. William Robinson, professor of government and international relations at Whittier College. The theme of the meeting was "The Achievement of Peace: Hope or Illusion?" Political scientists giving major addresses included Clyde Eagleton of New York University and Hans J. Morgenthau of the University of Chicago. Papers were presented by Kenneth C. Cole, University of Washington; G. Homer Durham, University of Utah; J. Eugene Harley and Rodger Swearingen of the University of Southern California. Panel chairmen included Raymond McKelvey, Occidental College; James S. Coleman, University of California (Los Angeles); Paul Beckett, State College of Washington; Stanley H. Chan, Loyola University of Los Angeles; Henry G. Dittmar, University of Redlands; Miguel Jorrín, University of New Mexico; William B. Ballis, University of Washington; William C. Olson, Claremont Graduate School; and Ross N. Berkes, University of Southern California. Other papers and discussions were given by 125 historians, economists, and sociologists representing 31 institutions and by representatives of government, business, and research organizations.

Director of the thirty-second session, December 11-14, 1955, will be James T. Watkins IV, executive head, department of political science, Stanford University. Other members of the executive committee include Charles E. Martin, University of Washington; Frank M. Russell, University of California; Graham H. Stuart, Stanford University; and Chancellor Rufus B. von KleinSmid of the University of Southern California. Dr. Watkins has selected "America Learns to Lead" as the theme.

A two-day clinic for community and regional planners was held in Austin, February 28-March 1, 1955, under the auspices of the Institute of Public Affairs, University of Texas. The theme of the clinic was "Teamwork for Community Advancement." Harold V. Miller. executive director of the Tennessee State Planning Commission, served as consultant. Mr. Miller conferred with Austin city officials, who had recently launched a master plan, and a faculty committee on community and regional planning heard him discuss the activities at other universities in the training of city planners. The leading feature of the conference was a public lecture at which more than 250 Austin citizens were warned by Mr. Miller of the pitfalls for cities resulting from rapid but unplanned growth.

A Conference of Teachers and Administrators Concerned with the U.S. Foreign Service was held at the University of Virginia, March 24-26, 1955, at the invitation of the Woodrow Wilson Department of Foreign Affairs, with the cooperation of the Department of State. Approximately 25 college teachers and administrators of departments or special schools in international affairs and officers from the Department of State assembled for the principal purpose of discussing the needs of the Foreign Service. Included on the agenda were the following: (1) the need to restore prestige of the Foreign Service to a level that will appeal to the best college students; (2) the selection process for the Foreign Service as seen from the point of view of college teachers and students; (3) the possibility of curriculum changes or modifications in teaching techniques in the colleges that would be productive of better candidates for the Foreign Service; (4) exploration of ways of using Foreign Service Officers as visiting lecturers in colleges and universities and the possibility of academic service by retired F.S.O.'s; and (5) advice from experienced teachers and teacher-administrators to the officers of the Department of State responsible for the development of the Foreign Service Institute (and related training or intern programs) on the curriculum of the Institute and the use of established academic facilities for special training needs. A copy of the conference report is being sent to all departments of political science in the country.

A Conference on Responsible Leadership in a Democracy was held at Yale University during February and March, 1955. The core of the conference was the Lamont Lecture Series given over a six-weeks' period by members of the university's department of political science. These lectures were as follows: "Authority, Anarchy, and Democratic Leadership," by Frederick M. Watkins; "The American Executive," by James W. Fesler; "The Electorate's Image of Presidential Leadership," by Robert E. Lane; "External and Internal Restraints on the 'Responsible' Leader," by Robert A. Dahl; "Some Myths and Realities of Local Leadership," by Herbert Kaufman; and "American Democratic Leadership and Foreign Affairs," by Arnold Wolfers.