

# SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

At the coming meeting of the American Political Science Association to be held in Chicago, the Committee on Nominations (Charles B. Robson, Chairman, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill) will propose the following officers for 1954-55: President-Elect, Harold D. Lasswell (Yale University); Vice-Presidents, Hubert H. Humphrey (United States Senate), Lindsay Rogers (Columbia University), Charles S. Hyneman (Northwestern University); Secretary, Harvey C. Mansfield (Ohio State University); Treasurer, Edward H. Litchfield (Cornell University); Members of the Council for two years, Gabriel A. Almond (Center of International Studies, Princeton), Stephen K. Bailey (Wesleyan University), James M. Burns (Williams College), Gwendolen M. Carter (Smith College), Samuel J. Eldersveld (University of Michigan), Avery Leiserson (Vanderbilt University), Leslie M. Lipson (University of California, Berkeley), Norman Palmer (University of Pennsylvania).

## BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARDS

This year there will be only two book awards, which will be made on behalf of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Foundation (for the award in the field of Government and Human Welfare), and the Woodrow Wilson Foundation (for the award in the field of Government and Democracy). Each award carries a cash prize of \$1,000 to the author, along with an appropriate citation from the Association. Only books by American authors published in the United States during the calendar year 1953 will be eligible for consideration.

For selection of the best books, a General Chairman and a panel of three members for each award have been selected from the membership of the Association. The General Chairman and members of each panel for the 1954 awards are as follows:

*General Chairman:* Grayson Kirk, President, Columbia University.

*Panel for the Woodrow Wilson Foundation Award:* Royden Dangerfield (University of Illinois), Chairman; Avery Leiserson (Vanderbilt University); and Clinton Rossiter (Cornell University).

*Panel for the Franklin D. Roosevelt Foundation Award:* Victor Jones (Wesleyan University), Chairman; John A. Davis (College of the

City of New York); and a third member not yet chosen.

Books for the Franklin D. Roosevelt Foundation Award should deal with the ideals, aims, and purposes of government, including, for example, subjects such as civil rights, economic development, social welfare, education, labor problems, labor relations, etc. These categories are illustrative only. Books on international affairs may be included if they deal primarily with the objectives of government.

Books for the Woodrow Wilson Foundation Award should deal primarily with the organization, structure, and functioning of government, including concepts of political theory, party organization and party processes, inter-governmental relations, and comparative government, all broadly interpreted.

The Chairmen and members of the panels will be glad to receive suggestions of titles.

## CONGRESSIONAL INTERNE PROGRAM

The Edgar B. Stern Family Fund of New Orleans, Louisiana, has expanded its grant to The American Political Science Association to enable the awarding of ten Congressional Internships for the year 1954-1955. In accordance with the terms of the expanded grant, five political scientists and five journalists have been selected for the coming year. During the first year of the operation of the Congressional Interne Program, four professors of political science, one lawyer, and one journalist were chosen.

The Congressional Internes will commence their work in Washington on November 1, 1954, and continue for a nine-month period until the end of July, 1955. November 1 was selected as a starting date instead of September 1 in order to give the Internes more time in Washington while Congress is in session. However, the Internes will be given an option of starting their work on September 1 if any of them desire to participate actively in the congressional campaign this fall.

The Congressional Internships pay \$4,000 for the nine-month period in Washington. According to current information, these stipends are tax-free.

Frequent meetings of the internes are held to exchange experiences and reactions, to interview and discuss legislative problems with

members of Congress, staff officials on Capitol Hill, representatives of the executive branch concerned with legislative liaison, and representatives of the leading lobby organizations. During such meetings over the past year, the Congressional Internes have met with several members of the White House staff, the leadership of both House and Senate, a large number of the committee chairmen, about one-third of the members of the Senate and an equal number of the House members, and legislative officials of the Chamber of Commerce, Congress of Industrial Organizations, American Farm Bureau Federation, and Farmers' Union. An off-the-record session with former President Truman was held during his visit to Washington early in May.

The current group of Congressional Internes have held assignments with the following since their arrival in Washington: Legislative Liaison Office of the White House, Senator Estes Kefauver (D., Tenn.), Senate Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency, Senator Wayne Morse (Ind., Ore.), Rep. Richard Bolling (D., Mo.), Rep. Brooks Hays (D., Ark.), Rep. Richard Simpson (R., Pa.), and Chairman of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee), Rep. Don Magnuson (D., Wash.), Rep. Mel Price (D., Ill.), Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Paul Douglas (D., Ill.), and Rep. Franklin D. Roosevelt (D., N. Y.). The amount of the fellowship pays the full cost of the Internes' stipends, and their services are made available free of charge to congressional committees and individual members.

The Internes have written speeches, handled constituent inquiries, conducted liaison with executive departments, assisted in the drafting of committee reports, done research needed by committees and members, held meetings with pressure group representatives to appraise their position on legislation, assisted in the drafting and introduction of legislation, monitored committee hearings and floor debates to spot loopholes and make suggestions on questions to be asked and information to be presented in future debates and hearings—and participated in scores of other legislative duties.

In nearly every case, the Internes have had access to information, and the opportunity to participate in aspects of the legislative process not ordinarily open to students or to the public in general. For example, they have attended many executive sessions of committees, have

had access to the floor of the Senate, and have, in most instances, become members of the "inner circle" of congressional offices.

Close to 200 men and women initially applied under the program. The chairmen of the departments of political science at colleges and universities throughout the country, as well as the deans of Law Schools and Schools of Journalism, were each asked to nominate the one best candidate who had come to his attention. Working journalists, including newspaper and magazine writers and those active in radio and television, were encouraged to apply through their editors, and through stories announcing the program which appeared in *Editor and Publisher*, the *Guild Reporter*, and the regular news media.

These applications initially received were screened down to the 45 best written applications. The Screening Committee consisted of Professor Lowell Hattery of The American University, Professor William Johnstone, Jr. of the School of Advanced International Studies of Johns Hopkins University, Dr. Karl Stromsem of the Department of the Interior, Jack Beal of *Time Magazine* and formerly of the United Press, and Ben Reeves of the Louisville *Courier-Journal* (one of the 1953-1954 Congressional Internes). The 45 applicants were then interviewed by ten regional boards set up by the Association in New York; Wellesley, Massachusetts; Rochester, New York; Washington; New Orleans; Chicago; Lincoln, Nebraska; Missoula, Montana; San Francisco; and Honolulu, Hawaii. The reports of the regional interviewing boards were then reviewed by the Screening Committee, which recommended the 19 best candidates to the Advisory Committee on the Interne Program for final selection.

The Advisory Committee consists of Dr. Ernest S. Griffith, Director of the Legislative Reference Service, Library of Congress (Chairman); Senator Irving M. Ives (R., N. Y.); Merlo J. Pusey, Associate Editor of the *Washington Post and Times-Herald*; Congressman Richard Bolling (D., Mo.); and Professor Stephen K. Bailey of the Department of Government at Wesleyan University.

The Congressional Internes selected for 1954-1955 are as follows:

*Clifford D. Coover*, 27, of Bozeman, Montana, night editor of the Bozeman *Daily Chronicle* since 1950. Mr. Coover received a B.A. in Journalism (*cum laude*) from the University of Minnesota in 1950, and has been with the

Bozeman *Chronicle* since that time, except for six months as news editor of an Algona, Iowa, newspaper. Mr. Coover has been active in Republican party politics in Montana.

*John T. Dempsey*, 29, of Detroit, Michigan, an Instructor in Political Science at the University of Detroit since 1951. Mr. Dempsey was graduated from Wayne University in Detroit, received his Master's degree from the University of Detroit, and has done work toward a doctoral degree in political science at the University of Michigan. His dissertation is entitled "Control by Congress over the Seating and Disciplining of its Members."

*Louis B. Fleming*, 29, of Pasadena, California, who has been a reporter on the Pasadena *Star-News* since 1948. He received his B.A. degree from Stanford University in 1947, following which he edited the San Gabriel (Calif.) *Sun*, and was valley editor of the Pomona (Calif.) *Progress-Bulletin*. He has won praise from the community for his objective reporting of explosive issues involving the Board of Education and City Hall.

*William C. Gibbons*, 27, of Harrisonburg, Virginia, who is completing his doctoral studies at Princeton University, where he received a master's degree in 1952. Mr. Gibbons was graduated from Randolph-Macon College in 1949, and he has served as an Assistant in instruction in the field of political science at both Randolph-Macon College and Princeton University. His doctoral dissertation is entitled "Congress and the International Information Program since the End of World War II."

*Marvin A. Harder*, 32, of Wichita, Kansas, currently Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Wichita. Mr. Harder received his A.B. degree from the University of Wichita in 1947 and the A.M. degree from the Department of Public Law and Government at Columbia University in 1949. He has been teaching at the University of Wichita since 1947, aside from the period of his graduate studies at Columbia University. He is a precinct committeeman, ward supervisor, and President of the Democratic Club of Wichita.

*Daniel B. Jacobs*, 28, of Boston, Massachusetts, since 1952 producer of public affairs programs for the Lowell Institute Cooperative Broadcasting Council in Boston (WGBH-FM). Mr. Jacobs is a graduate of Harvard College (1950), where he was a member of the editorial board of the *Harvard Crimson*.

*W. Astor Kirk*, 31, Chairman of the Depart-

ment of Government at Huston-Tillotson College, Austin, Texas. Mr. Kirk was graduated from Howard University in 1946 *magna cum laude*, and received his Master's degree from Howard University the following year. He has done considerable work toward his Ph.D. at the London School of Economics and Political Science, and the University of Texas, being one of the first Negroes to enter the Graduate School at the University of Texas. He is also Director of the Institute of Politics at Huston-Tillotson College, in addition to his duties as departmental chairman.

*Richard T. Mittauer*, 26, of Omaha, Nebraska, news editor for the radio and television stations WOW in Omaha. Mr. Mittauer received B.S. and M.S. degrees in journalism from Northwestern University in 1950 and 1951, respectively. He was a news writer and reporter for WDUZ in Green Bay, Wisconsin, and a news editor for the American Broadcasting Co. in Chicago in 1951 before joining the staff of WOW.

*Eli Rapaich*, 28, of Lewiston, Idaho, currently completing work for Master of Laws degree at Yale Law School. Mr. Rapaich received both the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws degrees in 1953 from the University of Idaho. He also served with the Marine Corps in China.

*William L. Rivers*, 29, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, an Instructor in the School of Journalism at Louisiana State University as well as a reporter, columnist, and editorial writer on the Baton Rouge *State-Times*. Mr. Rivers received his B.A. and M.A. in Journalism from Louisiana State University in 1951 and 1952, respectively. After graduation, he was a reporter and editorial columnist for the Panama City (Fla.) *News-Herald*, and has contributed some 50 popular articles to various national magazines.

As first alternate to the five awards made in the fields of political science and law, Charles L. Clapp, 31, of Berkeley, California, was named; James W. Pratt, 29, of Akron, Ohio, was named second alternate in this category.

John F. Burby, 29, of Honolulu, Hawaii, reporter for the Honolulu *Advertiser*, was designated as first alternate to the five awards made in the field of journalism. Robert P. Dorang, 29, of Buffalo, New York, a reporter with the Buffalo *Evening News*, was named second alternate in the journalism category.