

On October 2-4, 1958, the department of government at Indiana University in cooperation with the American Assembly of Columbia University was host to the first Central States Assembly, which discussed "Foreign Economic Policy and Competitive Coexistence."

The sessions, which drew participants from many fields of interest (including law, labor, business, civic affairs, and agriculture), followed the general pattern of other regional assemblies which have been held in cooperation with the American Assembly at Columbia University. Five states—Ohio, Michigan, Kentucky, Indiana, and Illinois—were represented.

Several colleges in the Philadelphia area are

participating in the plans for a scholarly meeting to commemorate the hundredth anniversary of the death of Alexis de Tocqueville. The scheduled date is the 13th and 14th of April, 1959. On the afternoon of the 13th, Session (A) ("Was Tocqueville an historian or a sociologist?") will take place at Chestnut Hill College. On the morning of the 14th, Session (B) ("Was Tocqueville a conservative or a liberal?") will be held on the campus of Villanova University, and in the afternoon the last session (C) ("Was Tocqueville a Catholic?") at La Salle College. On the same day, a luncheon session will be held at St. Joseph's College. Inquiries should be directed to Professor J. A. Lukacs, Williams' Corner, R.D. 2, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Since the Roper Public Opinion Research Center was established at Williams College on July 1, 1957, forty-two additional university and commercial survey research organizations, both American and foreign, have decided to place the raw data of their past and current studies at the Center. The Center's operating staff has been increased from three to ten, and George Gallup, Clyde Hart, James A. Linen, III, and Elmo C. Wilson have been added to the Board of Trustees.

During the past year, the Center has started two subscription services. Interested and accredited individuals and institutions may now purchase annual subscriptions to the item index and authorized data releases developed by the Center.

President Hurst R. Anderson of The American University, Washington, D.C. has announced the establishment of a center for technology and administration studies in the school of government and public administration. Dean Catheryn Seckler-Hudson has designated Professor Lowell H. Hattery as director of the center.

The Program of the Center will be an expansion of activities already under way in the school of government and public administration. Full-time and part-time faculty research will be encouraged and supported, as will graduate training and research. A specialized collection of reference materials on the subject will be expanded, and publications on the subject contemplated.

Short-term training institutes will be added to those in administration of scientific research, attitude surveying, and electronics in

management which are already conducted by the School.

Queens College, Flushing, New York, has been awarded a grant by the Coe Foundation for a lecture series during the Spring semester under the title of: "The Challenge of Communism to America." The grant is being coordinated by Dr. Mary Earhart Dillon, professor of political science. Lecturers have included George S. Counts, W. W. Kulski, Alexander Korol, Adolph A. Berle, Jr., Felix Morley and Willmoore Kendall.

Fordham University's Millar Lectures were given this year by Edward S. Mason of Harvard, on "Government and Business in Economic Development."

Los Angeles State College has launched a new and interesting project in the field of international communication by establishing a Library-Museum for Southeast Asia, on its Los Angeles campus. The Library-Museum will contain thousands of volumes in the English, German, French, and Russian languages in the fields of anthropology, sociology, politics, art, literature, science, technology, travel, etc., and several thousands of stills, numerous motion pictures, artifacts, etc. to make it perhaps the most complete Library-Museum of its kind on the West Coast. The College received a grant of \$250,000 from the Mary Reynolds-Babcock Foundation to "initiate" the project. A team of three persons are presently in West Pakistan on behalf of the International Communications Foundation—an independent Foundation headed by a former Los Angeles State College student, Lawrence van Mourick, whose original idea it was to

create such a Library-Museum. The Library-Museum had an exhibit at the last APSA convention at St. Louis.

The Gaspar G. Bacon Lectures at Boston University were given this year by Charles P. Curtis. His topic was "A Natural Law for Today and The Supreme Court as Its Prophet."

The governmental research bureau of Michigan State University was recently renamed the bureau of social and political research. As newly constituted, the bureau will put its primary efforts into basic research on political processes. It will also function as a center for graduate training in research methods. Frank A. Pinner was appointed director of the bureau.

Grants in aid of scientific research are available from several endowment funds held for this purpose by the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Work in any field that may properly be called scientific is eligible for this support, including the social sciences.

In general the several Fund Committees favor the support of individuals over that of organizations. Special consideration will be given to projects on new frontiers of science, those which lie between or include two or more of the classical fields, and those proposed by investigators who may be on the threshold of investigational careers or are handicapped by inadequate resources and facilities. The Committees have in general considered the providing of assistance for laboratory or field observations as more important than providing for bibliographic search, the preparation of manuscripts for publication, or other operations that are handled routinely in most institutions. The Committees do not ordinarily approve grants for research the results of which constitute partial fulfillment of requirements for an academic degree nor do they approve the purchase of non-expendable equipment usually to be expected in an institutional laboratory.

Although grants-in-aid normally do not exceed \$1,500, requests for substantially larger amounts for especially meritorious projects would be considered. Most grants range between \$500 and \$1,500. Applications must be filed in duplicate on forms obtainable on request from the Academy office, not later than February 1 and September 1, and will be processed in order of receipt. Address: Chairman, Committees on Research Funds, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 280 Newton Street, Brookline 46, Massachusetts, U.S.A.

Under the intercultural agreement of 1958 between the United States and the U.S.S.R., the Inter-University Committee on Travel Grants, 409 West 117th Street, New York 27, N. Y., was asked to administer a program of academic exchange of advanced graduate students for the academic year 1958-1959. During the past year the Committee has sent to the Soviet Union twenty-two American graduate students, two of them accompanied by their wives. Seventeen Soviet students are here in exchange, studying at the University of California, the University of Chicago, Columbia University, Harvard University, and the University of Washington. The Committee has announced a second exchange program for the academic year 1959-1960 at the approximate level of 30 graduate students from each country. The Americans will again be selected from applicants who are (1) now engaged in graduate study as candidates for an advanced degree in one of the sciences, the social sciences, the humanities or related professional fields (preference will be given to students whose graduate course work and general oral examinations or their equivalent will have been completed by the end of this academic year); (2) proficient in the Russian language, both written and oral; (3) American citizens; (4) not over 38 years of age; and (5) unmarried, or willing to be separated from their families during the academic year abroad, if that proves inescapable. Foreign student couples with children cannot yet be accommodated in the Soviet Union, so far as is known; quarters for student couples without children do exist, however. The Committee will again seek to secure such accommodations for childless student couples but cannot guarantee that this will be accomplished for any. When separate maintenance of student families is necessary, the Committee's financial provisions help make possible at least one family visit during the course of the year.

When selection has been completed the Committee will provide each student the funds necessary for his participation in this exchange, via his own university which must agree to sponsor him, and taking into account the student's own financial resources. In one way or another, the following will be provided: tuition, maintenance, and related expenses in the Soviet Union; travel and travel-related expenses; summer language study where necessary; and maintenance of dependents where necessary. Exact figures for each of the above will be set later, after the Americans now in the Soviet Union have reported on their experience during the year 1958-1959.

Completed applications were due to be received by the Inter-University Committee by March 31, 1959. Announcement of the final

selections will be made before the end of this academic year.

APPOINTMENTS AND STAFF CHANGES

Yaroslav Bilinsky has been appointed instructor in political science at Douglass College, Rutgers University.

John C. Bollens has been appointed program director for urban studies at U.C.L.A.'s bureau of governmental research. He has been granted a one-semester leave from the department to resume his work as executive director of the Metropolitan Community Studies, Inc., Dayton, Ohio.

Lawrence H. Chamberlain, who resigned as dean of Columbia College in June, 1958, has been named Joseph L. Buttenwieser professor of human relations and will resume his teaching in the department of public law in September, 1959.

Alfred B. Clubok, formerly of the University of Michigan, has accepted an appointment in the department of political science at the University of Florida.

Patrick J. Conklin, formerly of the University of Michigan, has been appointed assistant professor of political science at the University of Tulsa.

Richard W. Cottam, formerly with the Department of State, has joined the department of political science, University of Pittsburgh, as an assistant professor.

Robert A. Dahl has been appointed chairman of the department of political science, Yale University, for a three-year period.

Karl W. Deutsch, formerly at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has been appointed professor of political science at Yale University.

Richard Drake has been appointed acting head of the department of history and political science at Berea College.

Eugene Dvorin, who for the past several years has been research assistant in the bureau of government research at UCLA, has joined the department of government at Los Angeles State College as assistant professor in public administration.

Stephen T. Early, Jr., has been promoted to the rank of associate professor in the depart-

ment of political science at DePauw University.

Ralph Eisenberg formerly of Princeton University and the New Jersey State Legislative Services Commission has been appointed assistant professor in the department of political science and bureau of public administration, University of South Carolina.

James W. Fesler, Alfred Cowles professor of government at Yale University, has been appointed editor-in-chief of the *Public Administration Review*.

Lawrence H. Fuchs has been promoted to associate professor of politics at Brandeis University. He has been awarded a research grant by the Social Science Research Council. Professor Fuchs will spend 1958-59 in Hawaii examining the political behavior of this multi-ethnic community.

William R. Gable, research associate in the University of Michigan's institute of public administration, has been appointed executive secretary of the Metropolitan Problems Study Commission appointed by Governor G. Mennen Williams.

Gilbert Frank Gilchrist, of the department of political science of the University of the South, has been advanced to associate professor of political science.

Edward A. Goernew has been appointed an instructor in the department of political science at Yale University.

Fred I. Greenstein has been appointed to the department of political science at Yale University to teach in the program of directed studies.

Brigen K. Gupta has been appointed lecturer in the department of government at Southern Illinois University.

Joseph Hamburger has been promoted to an assistant professor of political science at Yale University.

Richard H. Hedrich has been appointed as an instructor on the staff of the department of government and politics at the University of Maryland for the spring semester of 1959.