NEWS AND NOTES

PERSONAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

Compiled by the Managing Editor

Tentative plans for the program of the December meeting of the American Political Science Association, as announced by Miss Louise Overacker, chairman of the program committee, provide for five round tables, five section meetings, three general sessions in addition to the presidential address, and the usual luncheon meeting for the report of the Committee on Policy. The round tables and their leaders are as follows: (1) Government and Education, B. A. Arneson, Ohio Wesleyan University; (2) International Relations, Clyde Eagleton, New York University; (3) Local Government, Wylie Kilpatrick, New Jersey League of Municipalities; (4) Legislative Methods, Rodney L. Mott, American Legislators' Association; (5) Public Administration, F. G. Crawford, Syracuse University. Round tables will meet on the mornings of the first and second days. The following five sections have been arranged: (1) Political Parties and Electoral Problems, in charge of James K. Pollock, University of Michigan; (2) Public Law, E. M. Borchard, Yale University; (3) Political Theory, B. F. Lippincott, University of Minnesota; (4) Comparative Government, Roger H. Wells, Bryn Mawr College; (5) Political Aspects of the New South, John W. Manning, University of Kentucky. The afternoon of the first day and the morning of the third day have been reserved for section meetings. Persons interested in the work of the round tables and sections are asked to communicate with the leaders of the respective groups as early as possible. The three general sessions will be devoted to the following topics: (1) Representative Government: A Restatement of Fundamental Principles: (2) Political Aspects of Economic Planning; (3) The Treaty-making Power in the United States. It is planned to have one paper not to exceed thirty to forty minutes in length at each of these general sessions, followed by discussion led by two or more persons who have had an opportunity to read the main paper. The meeting will then be thrown open to discussion from the floor.

Hon. Frederick M. Davenport, member of the national House of Representatives since 1925, will be Frank B. Weeks visiting professor of government at Wesleyan University during the coming academic year.

Mr. Philip C. Nash, executive director of the League of Nations Association, was elected in June to the presidency of the University of Toledo.

Professor Edwin D. Dickinson, of the University of Michigan Law School, has accepted a professorship of international law at the University of California.

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Dr. DeWitt Clinton Poole, chairman of the advisory board of the School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University since its establishment in 1930, has been appointed to the newly created position of director of the School.

Dr. Albrecht Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, director of the Institute of Foreign Affairs in Hamburg, conducted a seminar on the subject of the World War documents of Germany, France, and Great Britain on March 29 under the auspices of the political science department at Northwestern University.

Under a grant from the Harvard-Radcliffe Bureau of International Research, Mrs. Vera Micheles Dean, of the Foreign Policy Association, New York City, will during the coming year make a study of the foreign policy of the Soviet Union.

Mr. H. R. Enslow has resigned as assistant professor of political science at Union College, to become assistant director of local assessments in the department of taxation and finance of the state of New York.

Dr. Roger H. Wells has been promoted to a full professorship of political science at Bryn Mawr College.

Professor Harold F. Gosnell, of the University of Chicago, is in England during July and August and is making a preliminary investigation of British royal commissions of inquiry.

Mr. Earl H. De Long has been appointed instructor in the department of political science at Northwestern University.

Dr. Edward N. Clopper, formerly executive secretary of the Pittsburgh Federation of Social Agencies, has been added to the staff at the University of Cincinnati to direct the work of students in the course in training for public service in the field of public welfare.

Because of lack of sufficient financial support, the Institute of Law at the Johns Hopkins University was suspended at the close of the past academic year.

As during the previous summer, a six-weeks' seminar on Hispanic-American affairs was held at the George Washington University during July and August under the direction of Professor A. Curtis Wilgus, associate professor of Hispanic-American history. Among the ten lecturers participating were Professors Chester Lloyd Jones, of the University of Wisconsin; Samuel G. Inman, of Columbia University; J. Fred Rippy, of Duke University; and William W. Pierson, Jr., of the University of North Carolina.

Dr. Ralph S. Boots, Wallace professor of political science at the University of Pittsburgh, died on May 24 at the age of forty-five. Graduated from Grove City College in 1911, Professor Boots received his doctorate at Columbia University in 1917. After serving as an instructor in government at Columbia for several years, he became an associate professor at the University of Nebraska, and in 1926 a full professor at Pittsburgh. Professor Boots was the author of *The Direct Primary in New Jersey* and of numerous articles in professional journals. He was also a leader in civic organizations in Pittsburgh, especially those interested in election reform.

For the year 1933-34, five Penfield scholarships have been awarded at the University of Pennsylvania instead of the usual two. The incumbents, with the subjects of their research, are: Wilson T. M. Beale, The British Tariff; Bernard F. Cataldo, Private International Law; Edward W. Evans, Post-War Systems of Security; Andrew R. Foster, The League of Nations; and Wilbur L. Mahaney, Jr., The Soviet Socialist Republic in its Relation to the League of Nations.

Under the auspices of the Connecticut League of Women Voters, an Institute on Constructive Economy in Government was held at Connecticut College, New London, on June 13–16. Among the speakers were Governors John G. Winant of New Hampshire and Wilbur L. Cross of Connecticut and Professors Thomas H. Reed, University of Michigan; Milton Conover, Yale University; and Henry W. Lawrence and George B. Clarke, Connecticut State College.

At the Institute of Public Affairs held at the University of Virginia on July 2-15, four of the eight series of round table conferences dealt definitely with subjects in the field of government and international relations. These, with leaders, were as follows: American Policy in the Far East, Mr. Grover Clark, New York City; County Government, Dr. George W. Spicer, University of Virginia; Our Latin American Relations, Professor C. H. Haring, Harvard University; and The Relation of the United States with the League of Nations, Mr. Felix Morley, Brookings Institution.

Under the joint auspices of Louisiana State University and the American Political Science Association, a survey conference for the schools and colleges and departments of education of Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Louisiana was held at Baton Rouge on June 25–27. The general subject for consideration was civic education and training, and six sessions in all were devoted to various phases of the problem. Among political scientists who participated were Professors George M. Reynolds, Centenary College; A. B. Butts, Mississippi State College; and Thomas W. Pipkin and A. T. Prescott, University of Louisiana.

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Steps are under way for the formation of a society in the United States to promote the study of and preservation of documents in legal history. A committee to consider the matter was appointed at the last annual meeting of the American Association of Law Schools, and under the auspices of this committee a group of lawyers, professors, and social scientists attended a meeting in Washington on March 4 at which the project was discussed. It was there voted to take the necessary steps to form a permanent organization, and a committee of twenty-one persons has been made up for the purpose. The American Political Science Association is represented in the committee by Professor Charles G. Haines, of the University of California at Los Angeles, and the Association, along with other cognate societies, has been invited to coöperate in the project.

Following a prolonged illness, Dr. Amos S. Hershey, professor of political science and international law at Indiana University, died on June 12 at the age of sixty-five. Graduated from Harvard in 1892, Professor Hershey received his doctorate at Heidelberg in 1894 and afterwards spent a year at the University of Paris. Accepting an appointment in history at Indiana in 1895, he became head of the newly created department of political science in 1914. In 1913–14, he travelled in Europe and the Orient as a fellow on the Kahn foundation; in 1919, he was a member of the American peace delegation at Paris; following his return from the latter mission, he lectured at Harvard for a year. His more important published works include The International Law and Diplomacy of the Russo-Japanese War; Modern Japan; and The Essentials of International Law and Organization. A later study, American Colonization Policy, may be issued posthumously.

The fifth series of "You and Your Government" radio broadcasts under the auspices of the Committee on Civic Education by Radio and the American Political Science Association started on June 20, and is devoted to the general subject of Constructive Economy in Government. Beginning with August 15, the remaining talks in the series will be as follows: August 15, "Reducing the Recreation Budget," John H. Finley, associate editor, New York Times: H. Edmund Bullis, executive officer, National Committee on Mental Hygiene: Roy Smith Wallace, National Recreation Association. August 22, "Reducing the Cost of Justice," Leon Carroll Marshall, Institute of Law, Johns Hopkins University; Frank J. Loesch, former president, Chicago Crime Commission. August 29, "Are There Too Many Governments?," Harry F. Byrd, U. S. Senator from Virginia; Henry Morgenthau, Jr., governor, Farm Credit Administration. September 5, "Reducing the Public Health Budget," George Folger Canfield, president, State Charities Aid Association; Mattias Nicoll, Jr., commissioner of health, Westchester county, N. Y.; Dr. Kendall Emerson, acting executive secretary, American Public Health Association. September 12, "Merit Versus Spoils," Harry B. Mitchell, chairman, United States Civil Service Commission; Clyde L. King, University of Pennsylvania. September 19, "Reducing the Public Works Budget," Carl Schneider, president, International Association of Public Works Officials; Alfred E. Roche, commissioner of public works, Troy, N. Y.; Donald C. Stone, research director, International City Managers' Association; September 26, "Saving By Planning," Alfred Bettman, president, National Conference on City Planning; George McAneny, commissioner of sanitation, New York City, and president of Regional Plan Association of New York; Flavel Shurtleff, secretary, American City Planning Institute. All of the addresses and discussions in this series are being published in the National Municipal Review. Reprints of individual programs may be obtained from the National Municipal League (309 East 34th Street, New York City) for fifteen cents each, or \$2 for the entire series of fifteen broadcasts.