

NEWS AND NOTES

With this number, Victor T. Le Vine of Washington University (St. Louis) becomes Acting Book Review Editor, *vice* Thomas H. Eliot, who resigned upon becoming Chancellor of Washington University. Professor Le Vine will act until Professor Austin Ranney is able to assume the post, in the spring of 1963.—MAN. ED.

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

The New York State Political Science Association held its sixteenth annual meeting April 13–14 on the campus of Union College, Schenectady, New York. The general theme of the conference was "The Political Implications of Nuclear Energy." Lt. Gen. F. W. Farrell, Director, New York State Civil Defense Commission, discussed "Civil Defense Problems" and Samuel S. Stratton, Representative from the 32d District, New York, spoke on "Our Nuclear Defense Policy." In addition, there were panel discussions on "Civil or Uncivil Defense" and "Arms Control—The International Issues."

President William R. Willoughby chaired the business meeting of the conference, which elected the following new officers: Channing B. Richardson, Hamilton, president; Herbert Rosenbaum, Hofstra, vice-president; James A. Riedel, Union College, secretary-treasurer; and members of the executive council, Sterling Spero, New York University; Carolyn Landau, Duchess Community College; Seldon Kruger, Agricultural and Technical Institute, Delhi, State University of New York.

The 1962 annual meeting of the Iowa Conference of political scientists was held at Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, on April 7, 1962. The sessions were directed mainly at the study of Iowa political parties and elections. The principal address was given by Louis Harris, president of Louis Harris and Associates, Inc., New York City, who spoke on: "Some Observations on the Contribution of Political Party Organization in American Politics." John R. Schmidhauser, associate professor of political science at the State University of Iowa, was elected president of the conference for 1962–63.

The Northern California political science association held its fourteenth annual meeting at the University of San Francisco on April 28. Panels discussed "The Role of the Electorate in Governmental Policy-Making" and "Approaches to Foreign Policy." Dean Leo A. Huard, University of Santa Clara Law School, addressed the meeting

on the topic "Law and Order on the Space Frontier." The Presidential Citation Award for teaching, service to the profession, community service and research was given to Dean R. Cresap of San Jose State College. Officers elected for 1962–63 were: president, John H. Bunzel, Stanford University; vice-president, Paul R. Murray, Sacramento State College; secretary-treasurer, John M. M. Selig, City College of San Francisco. The following were elected to the council: Paul F. Ashby, San Francisco State College; Donald W. Brandon, University of San Francisco; Benjamin G. Franklin, Chico State College; Jack F. Leach, Monterey Peninsula College; Eugene C. Lee, University of California; Cheryl J. Petersen, Sonoma State College; and William W. Young, Fresno State College.

The new officers of the New England Political Science Association are: Sigmund Neumann, Wesleyan, president; Merle Fainsod, Harvard, vice-president; together with Ruth Schachter Morgenthau (BU African Studies), Elmer Cornwell (Brown) and Robert Dishman (New Hampshire) as members of the executive committee.

The Midwest conference of political scientists held its twentieth annual meeting April 26 to 28 at the University of Notre Dame. General sessions of the conference were addressed by Professor Leo Strauss on the functions of political theory and by president Charles S. Hyneman of the American Political Science Association on "Policing the Democratic Process."

Panel sessions featured papers and discussions on the following topics: "The Scope of Comparative Analysis," "The Role of the Suburbs in the Metropolis," "The Political Act as an Act of Will," "Foreign Policy and the Stationing of Military Forces Abroad," "Interparty Competition, Economic Variables, and Welfare Policies in the American States," "Mass Parties and National Integration in Africa," "Measuring Legislative Malapportionment," "The 'Unconscious' Political Implications of Institutional Procedures in Administration," "Judicial Attitudes in the

Labor Relations Decisions of the Warren Court," "Albert Camus as a Political Philosopher," "Social Change and Election Politics in Israel," "The Role of the Judiciary in State Political Systems," "Foreign-Aid Programs and Parties: Problems for 1962," and "Constituency Influence in Congress."

President Richard C. Spencer chaired the business meeting of the conference, which elected the following new officers: E. Allen Helms, Ohio State University, president; Richard G. Browne, Illinois State Normal University, vice-president, and as members of the executive council, Louis C. Kesselman, University of Louisville and G. Theodore Mitau, Macalester College. Phillip Monypenny of the University of Illinois will be the new editor of the *Midwest Journal of Political*

Science. Harry R. Davis of Beloit College was re-elected as secretary-treasurer.

The 1963 meeting will be held at the University of Chicago on April 25 to 27. The program chairman is Leon Epstein, University of Wisconsin.

The next annual meeting of the Conference on the History of Western America will be held at the Albany Hotel, Denver, Colorado, October 11-13, 1962, with the University of Denver as the host institution. Robert G. Athearn of the University of Colorado, is the program chairman and Allen D. Breck, of the University of Denver, is in charge of local arrangements. Papers will represent disciplines in social sciences, the humanities, and the sciences. A preliminary program will be available.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Social Science Research Council's annual announcement describing fellowships and grants to be awarded in 1962-63 will be ready for distribution in early September. It will list the following programs which are to be continued without major changes: Research Training Fellowships, predoctoral and postdoctoral; Faculty Research Fellowships; Grants-in-Aid of Research; Fellowships in Political Theory and Legal Philosophy; Grants for Research on American Governmental and Legal Processes.

International Conference Travel Grants will again be offered to American social scientists for travel to certain meetings outside North America.

Under joint sponsorship with the American Council of Learned Societies, grants will be offered to mature scholars for research in the social sciences and humanities on certain foreign areas. Grants for research on Africa South of the Sahara, on Latin America, and on the Near and Middle East (including North Africa) will be administered by the Social Science Research Council; while those for Asian Studies and for Slavic and East European Studies will be administered by the American Council of Learned Societies, to which correspondence relating to the latter programs should be directed.

Inquiries and requests for the detailed announcement when issued may be addressed to the Social Science Research Council, Fellowships and Grants, 230 Park Avenue, New York 17, New York.

Applications for some categories of awards will be due not later than November 1.

An Inter-university Consortium for Political Research has been created by a group of cooper-

ating universities and the Survey Research Center of the University of Michigan to promote graduate research training and to facilitate basic research on politics. The Consortium was formally established during a two-day conference at Ann Arbor, Michigan, June 1 and 2. Representatives from some twenty departments of political science met with members of the staff of the Survey Research Center of the University of Michigan and agreed upon a tentative mode of organization and a set of operating principles to guide the new organization during its first years of operation.

The Consortium represents an innovation in academic organization in the social sciences. Although it was not modelled on existing natural science counterparts, it shares with them the feature of being an association of institutions organized for cooperation around the more or less unique facilities of a research organization. The ultimate objective of the ICPR is to stimulate basic research on problems of politics and government. Advanced training in social science research methodology and in the methods and techniques of political analysis will be formally organized for faculty members as well as advanced graduate students from the participating schools. Research conferences devoted to the consideration of new problems in theory construction and data collection and interpretation in such areas as legislative behavior, judicial behavior and the historical analysis of aggregative data will be developed for participating faculty members.

Both the research and the training aspects of ICPR activity will be developed initially around the facilities of the University of Michigan Survey Research Center. One of the important goals of the organization is to increase access to the archival and instructional facilities of the Center