

NEWS AND NOTES

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By vote of the executive council the next annual meeting of the American Political Science Association will be held at Cleveland, Ohio, during the week following Christmas. The exact dates remain to be determined. The American Economic Association will be in session in Cleveland at the same time.

In accordance with the vote of the executive council at its Detroit meeting, in November, a typewritten list of members of the American Political Science Association has been prepared. Copies may be had, on application to the secretary-treasurer, at 50 cents.

A separate department of political science has been established at the University of Kansas, with Professor C. A. Dykstra as chairman. Professors Hodder and Davis of the department of history continue for the present to offer certain courses in political science.

Professor Samuel N. Harper, of the University of Chicago, has given lectures, chiefly on the Russian revolution, at a number of middle western universities during the winter.

Professor Marshall S. Brown has been designated Dean of the Faculties at New York University, with a view to promoting coöperation among the several schools of the University. Professor Milton E. Loomis has been made chairman of the division of public affairs.

Professor Chester Lloyd Jones, of the University of Wisconsin, who is a member of a group of political scientists and historians engaged through the year in the study of the Mexican problem, spent part of the spring touring the United States and visiting Cuba in quest of auxiliary data.

W. F. Dodd, secretary of the Illinois legislative reference bureau, has been appointed major in the reorganized quartermaster's bureau of the department of war.

Professor P. Orman Ray, of Northwestern University, will give courses in political science in the summer session of Columbia University.

The League to Enforce Peace announces a "Win the War for Permanent Peace" convention, to be held at Philadelphia May 16-18. There are to be sessions on "what democracy would face if it lost the fight," preparation for a league of nations, machinery of a league of nations, and uses of a league of nations.

Professor W. J. Shepard, of the department of political science of the University of Missouri, was granted leave of absence from January 1, 1918, in order to undertake national service, as a first lieutenant, assigned to field service in the civilian personnel division, ordnance bureau of the war department. Professor Eugene Fair, of the First District State Normal School, Kirksville, Missouri, has been appointed acting professor of political science in the University of Missouri and will have charge of Professor Shepard's courses during the latter's absence.

Dr. H. H. Powers, of the Bureau of University Travel, gave a series of five lectures on "War and Democracy" at the University of Missouri in February.

The Morton Denison Hull prize offered by the American Municipal League has been awarded, for 1918, to Mr. Robert D. Armstrong for an essay on the public service commission of Indiana. Mr. Armstrong is a graduate of Indiana University and received his master's degree last June at the University of Wisconsin. He has been appointed librarian and assistant secretary of the Indiana commission.

Mr. Robert E. Tracy has been called from Philadelphia to become director of the newly organized bureau of governmental research of Indianapolis. For three years Mr. Tracy has acted as the legal specialist on the staff of the Philadelphia bureau of municipal research, where he also has served as secretary to the board of trustees and as general assistant to the director and assistant director. He is editor of the judicial decisions department of the *National Municipal Review*.

Seven public lectures on "Aspects of the World War" were given during February and March at the Johns Hopkins University. Five were delivered by members of the faculty: "The Tradition of American

Isolation," by Professor John H. Latané; "The Prussian Theory of the State" and "The Prussian Theory of Monarchy," by Professor W. W. Willoughby; "Medical Aspects of the War," by Dr. Winford H. Smith; and "The War and the Future of the Far East," by President Frank J. Goodnow. The remaining two lectures were: "The Germans in Belgium and France," by Professor Vernon L. Kellogg, and "Plans to Discourage War," by Mr. Theodore Marburg.

"Privileges and Immunities of State Citizenship," a dissertation by Dr. Roger Howell, will soon be issued from the Johns Hopkins Press.

The departments of political science of the University of Oregon, the Oregon Agricultural College, and Reed College are coöperating in writing a descriptive account of the present state and local government of Oregon. It is hoped that the study will be issued as a joint bulletin of the three institutions before the end of the year.

The fifth national foreign trade convention, organized under the auspices of the National Foreign Trade Council, was held at Cincinnati, April 18-20. The general subject for consideration was the part of foreign trade in winning the war.

The fifth annual meeting of the National Institute of Social Sciences was held at New York January 18. The papers related to reconstruction after the war, and included the following: "The General Principles of a Policy of Reconstruction," by Professor Thorstein B. Veblen of the University of Missouri; "Labor Reconstruction as a Result of the War," by John B. Andrews of the American Association for Labor Legislation; "Free Trade, an Essential Factor in Maintaining the Peace of the World," by George H. Putnam of the American Free Trade League; and "Immigration and the Foreign-born After the War," by Professor Henry P. Fairchild of Yale University. These papers, with others on post-bellum reconstruction, are to be published as Volume IV of the annual journal of the institute.

The United States Commissioner of Education has requested the American Political Science Association, the American Historical Association, the American Economic Association, the American Sociological Society, and the American Statistical Association to designate two persons each to serve as members of a committee which shall undertake

a study of educational readjustments in the social sciences made necessary or desirable by the war. Professor Edgar Dawson of Hunter College and Professor Frederic A. Ogg of the University of Wisconsin have been named by Professor Henry J. Ford to represent the Political Science Association. The first meeting of the committee, held in the office of the Commissioner of Education February 9, was attended by both appointees, as well as by Professor Ford.

A new publication of interest to political scientists is the *Workmen's Compensation Law Journal*, a monthly containing the current decisions of all courts in the country relating to workmen's compensation, the federal cases appearing first and the state cases following in alphabetical order. A special feature is an alphabetical cross-reference digest-index of the law and the fact. Workmen's compensation statutes are now in operation in thirty-seven states and three territories, and the number of awards and rulings by the various state boards and commissions which are being passed upon by the appellate courts is constantly increasing. The new journal is published at 100 William Street, New York.

On account of their failure to arrive in Philadelphia sufficiently promptly, the accounts of the secretary-treasurer were not audited during the annual meeting. An auditing committee appointed at the business session subsequently went over the books, and has submitted the following report:

We, the undersigned, have examined the report of the treasurer of the American Political Science Association for the year 1917 and the vouchers annexed thereto, and report as follows:

1. We find the amount reported as being on hand at the beginning of the fiscal year to correspond with the amount appearing on the check book.
2. We find the expenditures reported to be supported by proper vouchers.
3. We find no irregularities in the report.

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