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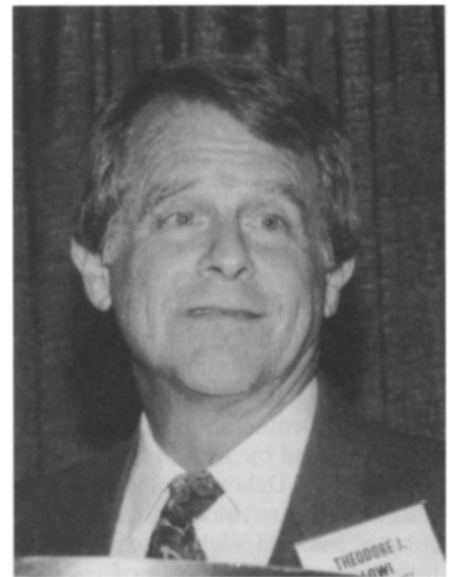
**Washington Annual Meeting Sets Record**

The 87th Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association again set an attendance record, drawing 5,157 registrants. This exceeds last year's record-setting meeting in San Francisco by 14 percent. A highlight of the

meeting was the participation of a delegation from the Japanese Political Science Association. At a time of stirring world events, the meeting aptly explored many themes of pressing interest—including panel discussions of “The USSR: After the Coup” and the plenary discussion addressing the meeting’s theme: “America as a Model for the World.”

George Quester, University of Maryland, organized this year’s highly successful meeting along with the 1991 Program Committee. The Program Committee was composed of many section chairs drawn from representatives nominated by the organized sections, as well as section chairs designated by Quester. Four hundred and sixteen panels were offered, along with 93 panels organized by related groups. The capacity of the Washington Hilton was stretched, though the hotel resourcefully converted sleeping rooms into meeting rooms to accommodate program needs. Nevertheless, panels were also held at sites outside the convention hotel.

Panel attendance averaged 31 people, a slight increase over last year (29). As usual, the most heavily attended sessions were roundtable discussions, with the largest attendance at a discussion organized by Jack Levy, Rutgers University, on



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the question “Is International War (Still) Becoming Obsolete? Was It Ever?” which drew 226 people.

Roundtables on “William Connolly’s Identity/Difference: Democratic Negotiations of Political Paradox” chaired by Thomas Drumm of Amherst College, and on “The Idea of a Political Conception of Justice” chaired by David Johnston of Columbia University also were heavily attended, as was a panel on “Ideas and Politics” chaired by Robert Keohane of Harvard University.



Secretary of Defense Richard Cheney delivers first Pi Sigma Alpha Lecture.

## Association News

Other roundtables and panels drawing over 100 participants were sessions on "International Political Economy Meets International Security" chaired by Benjamin J. Cohen of the University of California, Santa Barbara; "Don't Fire that Canon: The Classics and Political Education" chaired by Terence Ball of the University of Minnesota; "Roundtable on Bureaucracy and Organization Theory" chaired by Marcia Lynn Whicker, Virginia Commonwealth University; "Roundtable on Could the Democrats Lose Congress" chaired by Jerrold Schneider, University of Delaware; and "Roundtable on the Political Philosophy of Michael Walzer" chaired by Joseph Carens, University of Toronto.

Panels involving presentation of papers which drew larger crowds included "Institutions and Conflict: New Perspectives on Key Transformations of American Politics" chaired by Richard M. Vellely, MIT; "The Internationalization of Social Movements" chaired by Aristide Zolberg, New School for Social Research, and Sidney Tarrow, Cornell University; and "Regional Conflict Resolution and Mediation" chaired by Mary-Jane Deeb, American University.

On Thursday evening Theodore J. Lowi, Cornell University, gave his Presidential Address, "The State in Political Science: How We Become What We Study," following the presentation of Association awards. As is customary, his address will be printed in the March issue of the *Review*. The program included a Plenary Session on "America as a Model for the World" presented by Kenneth Waltz, Theodore Gurr, and Frances Fukuyama and the John Gaus Lecture offered by Norton Long. The plenary and Gaus lecture appear in this issue of *PS*. Finally, The Honorable Richard Cheney, Secretary of Defense, presented the first annual Pi Sigma Alpha lecture in conjunction with the meeting.

## Short Courses Offered at Annual Meeting

One hundred and twenty graduate student and professional members of

the APSA met before the Annual Meeting this summer to attend APSA short courses. The Association offered courses in data resources, featuring the National Archives, the National Security Archives, the Vanderbilt New Archives, and the Purdue Public Affairs Video Archives; in the design and use of Poli-Ware computer simulations; in teaching issues of American cultural pluralism and law; and in the "organization of scholarly work" for graduate students.

The graduate student course inaugurated an annual series for graduate students offered by leading scholars in political science on issues in professional life. This year Aaron Wildavsky, University of California, Berkeley, spoke to 63 graduate students.

Next year the organized sections are expected to play an active role in organizing short courses addressing issues in their fields of interest to a broad spectrum of political scientists. This year, in addition to APSA sponsorship, the IBM Corporation helped to sponsor the Poli-Ware course, and the American Bar Association supported the teaching issues course.

## Association Distributes Annual Awards

Dissertations submitted by the University of Minnesota won two of the eight dissertation awards presented at the Awards Ceremony at the annual meeting August 29. They were dissertations written by Michael Barnett, now at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, which won the Gabriel Almond Award in the field of comparative politics and by Christopher McGrory Klyza, now at Middlebury College, which won the Harold D. Lasswell Award in the field of policy studies. Raymond Duvall and Virginia Gray were the dissertation chairs.

Harvard University also had two dissertation winners: Debora L. Spar, Harvard University, won the Helen Dwight Reid Award in the field of international relations, law and politics, and Mark Lilla, New York University, won the Leo Strauss Award in the field of political philosophy.



Paula McClain presents C. Payne Lucas of Africare with Humphrey Award.



Michael Walzer receives Lippincott Award from Arlene Saxonhouse.



Charles E. Lindblom receives Wilson Award from Martin Schain.