Priestley; limitation of armaments, Professor Harley, of the University of Southern California; missionary effort, President Coleman, of Reed College; Chinese nationalism, Professor Gowen; the League of Nations, Professor Graham H. Stuart; the Permanent Court of International Justice, Dr. Martin; world markets, Dr. Gary, of the United States Department of Commerce; and race relations, Professor Mears, of Stanford University. Other institutes have been held on the Pacific Coast, but in the main have been attended by university students and have had only a local interest. The present institute embraced the entire Pacific coast, and was attended mainly by persons of experience and maturity. The Institute will meet annually, and will change its agenda according to the interests and needs of each recurring year.

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. The twenty-second annual meeting of the Association was held at the Hotel Statler, St. Louis, December 28–30, 1926. The registration was 157, as compared with 144 at the New York meeting of 1926, and it was estimated that the number of members in attendance was at least 170. In session at the same time and place were the American Economic Association, the American Statistical Association, the American Farm Economic Association, the American Association of University Instructors in Accounting, the National Association of Teachers of Marketing and Advertising, and the American Sociological Society. The total registration in these organizations was more than 800. A smoker was tendered to the members of the various associations at the City Club of St. Louis.

The program followed the general form of the past two years. As arranged by the program committee, under the chairmanship of Professor F. W. Coker, it was as follows:

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28**

10:00 A. M. Round Table Meetings.

1. *The Problems of a Scientific Survey of Criminal Justice*
   Raymond Moley, Columbia University, director

2. *Is It Desirable or Possible to Reorganize Instruction in Political Science upon Functional rather than upon Descriptive Lines?*
   Charles E. Merriam, University of Chicago, director

3. *Research Methods Relating to the Problems of Legislative and Administrative Areas, with Particular Reference to the Question of Federal Centralization*
   Frederic H. Guild, University of Kansas, director
NEWS AND NOTES

4. Scientific Method in the Study of Electoral Problems
   Victor J. West, Stanford University, director

5. An Analytical Approach to the Subject of World Politics in Teaching and Research
   Quincy Wright, University of Chicago, director

6. Research Problems Relating to Political Opinion
   Robert D. Leigh, Williams College, director

7. The Problem of Orientation Courses
   W. E. Mosher, Syracuse University, director

8. Problems in the Study and Teaching of Comparative Government
   Frederic A. Ogg, University of Wisconsin, director

2:00 P. M. Recent Developments in Political Doctrine
   Presiding officer: Arthur N. Holcombe, Harvard University
   Political Science at the Crossroads
   Ellen Deborah Ellis, Mt. Holyoke College
   The Issue of Judicial Review in Europe Today
   Carl J. Friedrich, Lecturer in Government, Harvard University

4:30 P. M. Meeting of the Executive Council and Board of Editors

8:00 P. M. Anti-Parliamentary Movements in Europe
   Presiding officer: Charles A. Beard, New York City
   European Dictatorships
   Henry R. Spencer, Ohio State University
   Recent Anti-Parliamentarism in France
   R. K. Gooch, University of Virginia
   Discussion: F. A. Middlebush, University of Missouri
   Adamantios Th. Polyzoides, Editor of Atlantis, New York

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

10:00 A. M. Round Table Meetings. As indicated for Tuesday

12:30 P. M. Subscription Luncheon
   Presiding officer: Isidor Loeb, Washington University
   A Review of the Elections of 1926
   James K. Pollock, Jr. University of Michigan
   John Dickinson, Harvard University

3:00 P. M. Governmental Regulation of Private Opinion and Conduct
   Presiding officer: William Anderson, University of Minnesota
   The Vanishing Bill of Rights
   Forrest R. Black, State University of Iowa
   Discussion: Walter J. Shepard, Robert Brookings Graduate School
   Robert C. Brooks, Swarthmore College
6:30 p. m. Subscription Dinner
Presiding officer: Hon. Charles Nagel, St. Louis

Time, Technology, and Creative Thought in Political Science
Charles A. Beard, New York City, President of the American Political Science Association

The Problem of Bureaucracy in Government
Hon. Frank O. Lowden, Former Governor of Illinois

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

10:00 a. m. Round Table Meetings. As indicated for preceding days

12:30 p. m. Subscription Luncheon
Presiding Officer: Charles A. Beard, New York City

Experiences of a State Budget Officer
Clyde L. King, University of Pennsylvania

2:15 p. m. The Relation of Government to Private Property. Recent Tendencies in Practice and Doctrine. (Joint session with American Association for Labor Legislation)
Presiding Officer: Walter J. Shepard, Robert Brookings Graduate School

The Political Ideas of Contemporary Tory Democracy, with Special Reference to the Theory of Property
Lewis Rockow, Syracuse University

Constitutional Guarantees and Modern Economic Needs
John Maurice Clark, Columbia University

Discussion: Earl Crecraft, University of Akron
Donna R. Richberg, Attorney, Chicago

4:15 p. m. Annual Business Meeting of the Association
Presiding Officer: Charles A. Beard, New York City

Annual Reports of the Secretary-Treasurer and of the Managing Editor of the AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE REVIEW. Reports of committees. Election of officers for 1927

Professor John Dickinson was unable to attend the meeting, and his place on the Wednesday luncheon program was taken by Professor Thomas Reed Powell, of the Harvard Law School. Professor Harry Barth, of the University of Oklahoma, took the place of Professor Robert D. Leigh as director of the round table on Research Problems relating to Political Opinion. In the absence of Professor R. C. Brooks, Professor Powell was called upon to discuss Professor F. R. Black’s paper, “The Vanishing Bill of Rights.”
The Executive Council and Board of Editors received the report of the Secretary-Treasurer on the membership and finances of the Association. The report may be summarized as follows:

I. MEMBERSHIP

Accessions during the year .................................................. 124
Resignations and cancellations .............................................. 103
Net gain in membership ...................................................... 21
Total number of members paying annual dues ......................... 1532
Number of life members .................................................... 54
Total membership ............................................................... 1586

II. FINANCES

1. Balance, December 15, 1925 ......................................... $  1,061.26

2. Receipts, December 15, 1925 to December 15, 1926
   Dues for 1924 ......................................................... $  44.00
   Dues for 1925 .......................................................... 272.00
   Dues for 1926 .......................................................... 4,419.51
   Dues for 1927 .......................................................... 774.50
   Dues for 1928 ..........................................................  8.00
   Voluntary contributions by members for support of the...
     REVIEW, 667 at $1.00 .............................................. 667.00
   Sale of publications .................................................. 445.33
   Advertising ............................................................. 324.10
   Received from National Conference on Science of...
     Politics, printing and reprints .................................. 248.99
     Miscellaneous ......................................................  4.25
   Total receipts ........................................................ $7,207.68
   Total balance and receipts .......................................... 8,268.94

3. Disbursements, December, 1925, to December, 1926
   Bills paid for 1924 ................................................... $  378.82
   The George Banta Publishing Co.
     Printing and distributing the REVIEW  $4,152.48
   Reprints, postage, miscellaneous .................................. 348.79
   $4,501.27
   Clerical and stenographic assistance, office of secretary-
     treasurer ............................................................ 345.00
   Clerical and stenographic assistance, office of managing
     editor ................................................................. 334.25
   M. O. Price, "Recent Publications" ................................ 40.00
   C. A. Berdahl, "Recent Publications" ............................... 102.35
   Managing editor, fare, Iowa City meeting  ......................... 63.00
   Postage, office of secretary-treasurer ............................ 77.00
   Stationery and printing, etc. ...................................... 119.20
   Equipment, office secretary-treasurer ............................  38.09
   Exchange subscriptions ..............................................  6.00
Purchase of back numbers ........................................ 3.21
Mailing questionnaire, Survey of Research .................. 10.25
Dues, American Council of Learned Societies .............. 77.50
Express and hauling ............................................. 12.23
Refunds, overpaid subscriptions ............................... 3.50
Rent, deposit box, Ann Arbor Savings Bank ................ 2.00

Total disbursements ............................................ 6,113.67
Balance, December 15, 1926 .................................. 2,155.27
Total disbursements and balance ............................. 8,268.94

4. Trust fund

City of Madison 5½ per cent special street improvement bonds, purchased Feb. 11, 1924, due April 1, 1927, at $101.80 and accrued interest. Total cost $1,278.38.

Par value ..................................................... $1,200.00

Transferred Bank of Wisconsin (Madison) to Ann Arbor Branch Savings Bank, Feb. 19, 1926 .................. 349.72
Interest on bonds to April 1, 1926 .......................... 66.00
Interest on $66, April 1, to December 15, 1926 .......... 1.32
Receipts from life members, 1926 ............................. 195.00
Interest on account to July 1, 1926 ......................... 4.42

Total (not including interest on bonds since April 1, 1925) .................................................. 1,816.46

Estimates presented for the fiscal year 1927 showed a total balance and receipts of $9,347.27, disbursements aggregating $6,238.00, and a balance December 15, 1927, of $3,109.27. This estimate did not take into account any increases of expenditure which might be authorized by the Executive Council.

The treasurer’s accounts were audited by a committee consisting of Professors John Alley and T. H. Reed, and were reported correct. The Executive Council authorized the treasurer to make a reasonable expenditure for the installation of a set of books for keeping the accounts of the Association.

Probably the most important action taken at the meeting, from the standpoint of the future of the Association, was the creation of a committee on Association policy by the adoption at the annual business meeting of the following resolution:

“Resolved, That the President appoint a special committee on Association policy to survey the problems of research, instruction, and publication in the field of government, with a view to enlarging the activities and increasing the efficiency of the Association in relation to its members and the public; and
That this committee be authorized to expend not more than $500 from the treasury of the Association for preliminary work, and to obtain from other sources the sum of $12,000 to be used in the employment of a competent director and for other expenses necessary for a thoroughgoing inquiry."

This resolution was proposed by the committee on fiscal policy set up at the New York meeting of 1925 (President Beard, chairman, and Professors Merriam, Ogg, Fairlie, Hayden, and Brooks), and was recommended for adoption by the Executive Council, which had thoroughly discussed the matter at its summer meeting at Iowa City and at two sessions held in St. Louis. The primary purpose of the committee and the director provided is to formulate for the consideration of the Association the sound and comprehensive program of activities upon which any future campaign for an endowment fund must rest.

Professor Frederic A. Ogg was re-elected managing editor of the American Political Science Review for the ensuing year. All other members of the Board of Editors were likewise re-elected. Professor Ogg reported that in Volume XX (1926) there were 977 pages, distributed as follows: Leading Articles, 297; Legislative Notes and Reviews, 60; American Government and Politics, 19; Foreign Governments and Politics, 45; Municipal Notes, 18; Notes on Judicial Decisions, 48; Notes on International Affairs, 32; News and Notes, 73; Book Reviews, 165; Recent Publications of Political Interest, 148; Reports of Round Table Conferences, 64; List of Doctoral Dissertations, 8; and Volume Index, 21.

Professor Ogg stated that the contract with the George Banta Publishing Company runs for one more year, that it had been financially advantageous to the Association, and that the relations between the Board of Editors and the Company had been highly satisfactory. The cost of publishing the Review was $699.76 less in 1926 than in 1925, although the 1926 volume contained 66 more pages and consisted of an edition of 1900 instead of 1800 copies.

Professor Ogg also reported that the consolidated index for Volumes I to XX of the Review, and all published Proceedings, now being compiled by the Indiana Legislative Bureau and approved by the Council and Board, will probably be completed in the early summer of 1927, and will be brought out as soon as possible thereafter. The Editor believes that the entire cost of printing and distribution will be met by the sale of the Index. He also stated that the compilation would be without cost to the Association, except for necessary expenses in the
preparation of the manuscript, but expressed the opinion that the services of Miss Jessie Boswell in connection with the compilation should be recognized by a suitable honorarium.

Professors C. E. Merriam and J. P. Chamberlain reported, respectively, as representatives of the Association in the Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies. Their reports are printed below.

Upon the recommendation of Professor John A. Fairlie, the Association voted a continuation of its representation on the committee on the proposed Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences, and appropriated $250.00 as its contribution to the expenses of the committee during the ensuing year. Professor Fairlie reported that excellent progress was being made in procuring funds for the preparation and publication of the encyclopaedia.

Professor Leonard D. White suggested to the Executive Council that the Association might well consider the desirability of awarding annually a prize to the writer of the best doctoral dissertation in the field of political science during the year. Such an award, he stated, should be thought of as a recognition of an outstanding piece of work, not as a prize to be won in competition. The Council authorized the appointment of a committee of three on honors and awards to consider this proposal.

Information having been received that the American Historical Association will meet in Washington, D. C. during the last week of December, 1927, the Executive Council announced that in all probability the Association will meet in Washington next year. Final announcement will be made in the May number of the REVIEW.

Officers were elected for 1927 as follows: President, Professor William B. Munro, Harvard University; First Vice-President, President Arnold B. Hall, University of Oregon; Second Vice-President, Dean Isidor Loeb, Washington University; Third Vice-President, Professor Robert C. Brooks, Swarthmore College. The newly elected members of the Executive Council are: for the term expiring December, 1928 (vacancy caused by the election of President A. B. Hall as First Vice-President), Professor C. P. Patterson, University of Texas; for the term expiring December, 1929, Professors William Anderson, University of Minnesota; Quincy Wright, University of Chicago; Ralph S. Boots, University of Pittsburgh; J. P. Senning, University of Nebraska; and Henry R. Spencer, Ohio State University.

J. R. HAYDEN, Secretary-Treasurer.