

## **ABS NEWS ROUNDUP: PEOPLE, ORGANIZATIONS, AND PROJECTS**

**THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION** has awarded \$22,790 to Southern Methodist University for a **SUMMER CONFERENCE ON THE APPLICATIONS OF MATHEMATICS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE** for college teachers of political science. The Foundation grant covers the living, travel, and tuition expenses of each participant. Interested persons should write directly to Professor Joseph L. Bernd, Department of Government, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. The conference will be limited to 30 persons and will be scheduled to permit participants time for some summer teaching.

In what seems to be a substantial **INNOVATION IN THE FIELD OF TEACHER TRAINING**, Northwestern University will, in the fall of 1965, abandon its traditional education courses for prospective teachers, offering in their place a new program emphasizing subject matter and presenting the theory, methods, and problems of education in seminars, tutorials, and practice teaching. The new program is to be sponsored by a \$125,000 grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

The **ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE** was held December 26-31 in Montreal. Many events were scheduled which are of interest to readers of this column. Among them were:

**VICE-PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES** by Anthony F. C. Wallace, anthropology ("The Cultures of Animals: A Research Area for Cultural Anthropology"); Lorrin A. Riggs, psychology ("Effects of Stimulus Pattern on Human Electroretinogram"); Harold D. Lasswell, social and economic sciences ("The Emerging Policy Sciences of Development"); Herbert S. Conrad, education ("Economic Returns from and to Education"); Wallace R. Brode, information and communication ("Who Speaks for Science?"); Churchill Eisenhart, statistics ("The Rise and Fall of the Principle of the Arithmetic Mean"). **SPECIAL SYMPOSIA:** International Symposium and Conference on Communication and Social Interactions in Primates, and the Sociology and Ethics of Science. **SECTIONAL SYMPOSIA AND OTHER SESSIONS:** anthropology (Arctic

Subarctic Anthropology; Culture Contacts and Consequences; and Interdisciplinary Methodology in the Behavioral Sciences); psychology (Early Experimental Enrichment, and Later Development; and Bilingualism); social and economic sciences (The Transformation of the Political, Legal, and Social Systems of Suppressed Peasant Societies: The Vicos Case of Peru; Science and International Relations; Interdisciplinary Programs of Training; and Studies of Large-Scale Social Change); industrial science (Managing the Innovative Process); education (The Education of Culturally Disadvantaged Children; and Influence of Dogmatic Thinking on Vocational Choice, Training, and Performance).

Further information may be secured from the American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1515 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.

To meet the alleged need for intelligent criticism of important research in international affairs, the Carnegie

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Endowment for International Peace is sponsoring the work of a COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH EVALUATION IN THE FIELD OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. The Committee has met three times since December, 1963, and expects to publish its report in 1965.

Professor P. E. Mosely, Director of the European Institute and Associate Dean of the Faculty of International Affairs at Columbia University, is chairman. E. R. Platig of the Endowment will be responsible for the final report. The report is expected to deal with the following topics: international relations as a field for research, the nature and functions of research, forms and procedures for evaluating research, criteria for evaluating research in international relations. The report will also contain the recommendations of the Committee.

Persons wishing to contact the Committee should write to E. R. Platig, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 345 East 46th Street, New York, N. Y. 10017.

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THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS has recently published a new bibliography on Southeast Asia. "Southeast Asia: An Annotated Bibliography of Selected Reference Sources in Western Languages" is 180 pages and is for sale at \$1 per copy at the U.S. Government Printing Office. Prepared by Cecil Hobbs, head of the South Asia Section in the Library's Orientalia Division, the work contains 535 entries, most of which were published between 1952 and 1963. The new publication covers Burma, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, the Vietnams, Malaysia, Indonesia, and the Phillipines. An elaborate index lists maps, tables, and other components of the works, as well as the usual author-title arrangement.