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Editor's Corner

As you are aware, my term as editor of the Bulletin ends this month. It was an enriching experience in more ways than one. I am certain that my successor will be able to count on the continued co-operation of the membership. I would like to thank those with whom I have worked closely during the past three years: Joan Pond, Rachel Desjardins, Shelly Berezin and Michelle Lacelle. The commentaries and suggestions of Jean-Pierre Gaboury were always judicious and I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for his contribution to the Bulletin. Finally, I would also like to thank Bill Jory, Ted Moroz, Brian Pagan and Daniel Robinson for their help as production assistants on the Bulletin.

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Le mot du rédacteur

Comme vous le savez, mon mandat de directeur du Bulletin vient à échéance ce mois-ci. Ce fut une expérience enrichissante à plus d'un point de vue. Je suis certain que mon successeur pourra compter sur la collaboration des membres. Je tiens à remercier celles avec qui j'ai travaillé de près au cours des trois dernières années: Joan Pond, Rachel Desjardins, Shelley Berezin et Michelle Lacelle. Les commentaires et les suggestions de Jean-Pierre Gaboury ont toujours été judicieux et je profite de l'occasion pour le remercier pour sa contribution au Bulletin. Finalement, mes remerciements vont aussi à Bill Jory, Ted Moroz, Brian Pagan et Daniel Robinson pour l'aide qu'ils m'ont offerte comme assistants à la production du Bulletin.
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REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT
RAPPORT DU PRESIDENT

If the honour of serving as President of the Association is proportional to the workload, I feel extremely honoured by this year. My term has been full, challenging, and enriching for me; and I believe that it marks a historic period in the life of the Association. The CPSA Trust Fund is now fully established, and I witnessed the celebration of the centenary of Political Science in Canada.

Although we conceived the Trust during John Courtney's term as President, the gestation was long and the labour protracted. The Trust Agreement was finally written, and the legal formalities completed in early 1989. We have begun the process of fund-raising, and our prospects in the long run are bright. I want the record to show that this major undertaking is the work of many members. Special thanks are due to Tom Flanagan, Chair of the Trustees, and to his fellow Trustees: Réjean Landry, Denis Stairs, and Carolyn Tuohy. The President sits as a Trustee ex officio, and so both John Courtney and I have had the pleasure of working with this team. The Advisory Board of the Trust will play an increasingly important role as fund-raising accelerates. We are lucky to have the services of the following members of the Advisory Board: Caroline Andrew, André Blais, Stephen Clarkson, John Courtney, Fred Engelmann, Fred Fletcher, Jean Laponce, Vincent Lemieux, John Meisel, David Milne, Maurice Pinard, Don Rowat, Paul Thomas, Neil Swainson, and Steve Wolinetz.

I have had the opportunity to represent the Association on many occasions. The most memorable was in Toronto on November 11, 1988, when Marsha Chandler organised a conference to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the appointment of the first Professor of Political Economy in Canada, W.J. Ashley, who took up his position in 1888 at the University of Toronto. The conference was attended by several hundred faculty, graduate students, alumni, and friends of the Department.

Other opportunities to increase my number of airline bonus points have included: a meeting of the SSFC, meetings with the Parliamentary Interns, the PIP dinner in Ottawa, the OLIP dinner in Toronto, and the meeting of Heads of Departments of Political Science. I want to thank the SSFC, the Director of PIP, the Director of OLIP, and Richard Vernon and his colleagues at the University of Western Ontario for making all these trips as pleasant and rewarding as possible.

This year has also marked several important appointments. The Board of Directors approved the re-appointment of Conrad Winn as Director of PIP for a second three-

year term; we hope he will continue to guide the Program and secure its funding with the same enthusiasm and success he has shown up to now. Graham White began his term as Director of OLIP in 1988, and it has been a pleasure to work with him.

The most significant change in the administration of the Association has been the departure of our long-serving Secretary-Treasurer. Many previous Presidents know how important Jean-Pierre Gaboury has been in keeping the Association on an even keel, but none of them can have more praise than I have for him. He was not only a helpful administrator but a gracious friend. Fortunately we have been able to replace him with someone who will carry on this tradition of service. Simon McInnes is not only an academic by training but a successful federal public servant. I believe that his election by acclamation to the post of Secretary-Treasurer will have the additional benefit of furthering recent efforts to expand our membership by encouraging non-university-based political scientists to join and be active in the Association. I wish Simon good luck, and I wish Jean-Pierre the very best in his new role as a member of the Canada Immigration Board.

My choice of André Blais to be Program Chair for the Learned Societies this year has been vindicated by the meetings in which my term ends. We owe him thanks for the care with which he has organized these meetings and for several innovations. These include the theme sessions commemorating the 200th anniversary of the French Declaration of Rights, the greater participation by foreign scholars, and the experimental organization of interview facilities for our graduate students seeking employment.

The protocol which links our Association with La Société québécoise de science politique is an example of sovereignty-association. The protocol came up for review this year, as it does periodically. I want to thank Fred Fletcher, Jean-Pierre Gaboury, and Peter Meekison for serving on the review committee. I also want to thank the members of the Association who serve on the Liaison Committee, which handles the regular and on-going relations with La Société: the Secretary-Treasurer, Audrey Doerr and Hugh Thorburn.

The role of President is made more manageable by being able to call upon the past-President and the President-elect for advice and specific tasks. I am fortunate to have had John Courtney and André-J. Bélanger as willing collaborators. They have made my life easier by allowing me to make their lives a bit more difficult.

During this past year, the National Office has moved into the electronic age. We have purchased personal computers for the staff and

are in process of putting records into computer format. We have also been making much greater use of electronic mail, a trend which I feel certain will continue and which will result in many fewer costs and frustrations for the staff and members.

Thanks are due to David Smith for producing an up-dated Directory. Members will receive copies in the near future and will find them indispensable. The Directory signals another achievement of the electronic office. It is stored on a computer and can be revised and expanded regularly. It contains, among other information, electronic addresses for a significant proportion of the membership.

An organization with well over a thousand members, with far-flung activities, and a budget of nearly three-quarters of a million dollars is not easy to run. To do so with volunteers and a part-time national office is remarkable. It could not be done half so well without a staff in Ottawa who smile while they work. Joan Pond, Rachel Desjardins, Michelle Lacelle, Alwyne Greenhalgh, and the secretaries of PIP and OLIP have proved their value beyond what we pay them. As every President for 13 years has learned, the key to the success of the national office has been Joan Pond. I am not only glad to have had her help and advice, but I thank my lucky stars that she did not retire before my term of office. Without her, the Association would continue, but running it would be less fun.

There are so few public occasions for me to extoll the virtues of my Administrative Assistant, Dory Urbano, that I must record my debt to her as well. She is in the same league as Joan, and only she knows what this year has cost her.

Besides the establishment of the Trust, the aspect of this year which gives me the most satisfaction is leaving in place an excellent group to carry forward the Association's business. I have referred to most of them already, but I must also mention the members of the Board of Directors. Fractious as only academics can be, they nevertheless invariably ended discussions with goodwill and sensible decisions. I am also proud that half of the members of the Board are women, putting this Association well ahead of the House of Commons in this respect as in many others.

I leave the Presidency exhausted but with gratitude for an experience I will never forget. As Casey Stengel said about one of the Yankees' many World Series victories, "I could never have done it without the players."

David J. Elkins
President 1988-89

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The four issues of volume 21 (1988) of the Journal/Revue contained 21 articles, four notes, five comments and replies, one review article, 178 book reviews and six brief reviews. A total of 86 manuscripts were submitted during the year, a decrease of 22 over the 108 submissions in 1987. Of papers submitted, 65 were in English and 21 in French; the corresponding figures for 1987 were 89 and 19.

De 1983 à 1985, le taux d'acceptation des manuscrits français a été en moyenne de 20%. En 1986, il a fait un bond à 65%, mais ce taux revient à 20% en 1987 et à 20% en 1988. Par comparaison, du côté anglophone, les taux d'acceptation ont été en moyenne de 23% de 1983 à 1985, de 29% en 1986, de 16% en 1987, et de 27% en 1988.

Our greatest debt as always belongs to our colleagues who have provided us with scholarly and (for the most part) timely appraisals of the manuscripts and books that we have sent to them for assessment or reviews; they should know how grateful we are for their continuing efforts on behalf of the Journal/Revue. Of course, we are always eager to make the acquaintance of new colleagues who would like to serve as assessors or reviewers for the Journal. In particular, in order to keep files current, the English-language book review editor invites recently hired faculty members to write and let him know specific areas of interest for possible book reviews. Toute personne qui désire écrire des recensions en français et qui n'a pas encore manifesté cet intérêt est invitée à communiquer ses noms, adresse, numéro de téléphone, profession, champs de spécialisation, titre et date du dernier diplôme obtenu à: Stéphane Dion, Responsable des recensions, Revue canadienne de science politique, Département de science politique, Université de Montréal, C.P. 6128 Succursale A, Montréal, Québec H3C 3J7.

En 1988 le comité de rédaction a effectué deux changements à notre protocole de rédaction. Nous avons institué une limite quant au nombre de pages des manuscrits soumis à la Revue: dorénavant les manuscrits ne doivent pas dépasser 35 pages (les références et les tableaux inclus). Nous avons aussi institué une période de douze mois pour permettre aux auteurs d'effectuer les modifications demandées ou dont les manuscrits ont été rejetés mais tout en étant invités à soumettre de nouveau une version remaniée.

We also express our gratitude to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada/le Conseil de recherches en

