

DENYS MYERS

1884-1972

On February 11, 1972, the American Society of International Law lost a member whose long service to it must be noted with respect and appreciation. Denys Myers, having joined the Society in 1908, was among those remarkable men whose membership in the Society spans over sixty years. His career was a varied one, embracing newspaper reporting, library and research work as well as editing and writing in the field of international organization and international peace. From 1910 to 1942 Mr. Myers was successively Director, Corresponding Secretary, Librarian and Research Director of the World Peace Foundation. During this period he organized the reference service on international affairs at the American Library in Paris in 1924, and was research librarian of the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University from 1933 to 1942. During and after World War II Mr. Myers was with the Department of State in the Divisions of Special Research, Political Studies, International Security and Organization, International Organization Affairs, and in the office of the Legal Adviser. He was a reference specialist at the United Nations Conference on International Organization at San Francisco in 1945. He retired from the State Department in 1953. Among his publications were a *Manual of Collections of Treaties*, *Handbook of the League of Nations*, *World Disarmament—Its Problems and Prospects*, *The Treaty of Versailles and After—Annotations of Text, Origin and Conclusion of the Paris Pact*, and *Documents on American Foreign Relations*, prepared in collaboration with S. Shepard Jones from 1938 to 1942.

Denys Myers participated actively in the annual meetings of the Society from 1917 until his health curtailed his activities. He contributed numerous articles and book reviews to the *Journal*, beginning in 1910. From 1959 to 1961 he prepared the newly established section on "Contemporary Practice of the United States in International Law." From 1950 to 1962 Mr. Myers was Assistant Treasurer of the Society, that position having been created in 1950 after the loss of the Society's Treasurer the previous year in an airplane crash.

From 1955 to 1968 Denys Myers was Chairman of the Society's Committee on Publications of the Department of State whose meticulous reports, later expanded to cover United Nations publications, are a valuable source of information and the basis of discussion at the Society's meetings resulting in the adoption of resolutions particularly directed to the publication of *Foreign Relations of the United States*.

Denys Myers was a careful scholar of broad interests who gave much of himself in the Society's activities. He contributed many enlightening factual details to the discussions at the annual meetings and his conversation always conveyed to his listeners some additional knowledge of the subject of the conversation.

Denys Myers will be missed by his friends and colleagues in the Society.

He was one of those pioneer members who contributed much to the interest of its proceedings and *Journal*.

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PRIZES INSTITUTED BY JAMES BROWN SCOTT IN MEMORY OF HIS
MOTHER AND HIS SISTER, JEANNETTE SCOTT

The Institute of International Law announces the subject for the *Andrès Bello* Prize (2000 Swiss francs) to be awarded in 1975. This is as follows:

"The Principle of Good Faith in International Law."

The competition is open to anyone, except members or associates, or former members or associates, of the Institute.

The essays submitted should be unpublished manuscripts of not less than 150 and not more than 500 pages corresponding to a printed octavo page of the same style as a page of the volume of the *Annuaire de l'Institut de Droit international*. Essays may be written in English, French, German, Italian or Spanish. They should be sent anonymously, in triplicate. Each copy must be supplied with two mottoes. These mottoes should be inscribed on an accompanying envelope containing the names in full of the author, his/her date and place of birth, and nationality. The essays should be received by the Acting Deputy Secretary-General of the Institute (Professor Paul De Visscher, 82 avenue du Castel, 1200 Brussels, Belgium) no later than December 31, 1974.

The conditions of the Prize will be found in the *Annuaire de l'Institut de Droit international* for 1969, Vol. 53, pp. 501-505.

VANDERBILT JOURNAL OF TRANSNATIONAL LAW

Among the fledgling student publications on international law of a few years ago, the *Vanderbilt International* appeared in 1967 as the bulletin of the Vanderbilt International Law Society. Today, thanks to increased enrollment in the Vanderbilt Law School and enlarging interest in international problems, the bulletin has become the *Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law*. The first issue under this title, dated Winter 1971 (Vol. 5, No. 1), is dedicated to the memory of the late Elliott E. Cheatham, for many years a member of the American Society of International Law and Professor of Law at Columbia University, who went to Vanderbilt in 1960. The dedication states that his "contributions to Vanderbilt Law School and to the development of transnational law were immeasurable."

Appropriately, the leading article in the *Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law* is by Judge Philip C. Jessup and is entitled "The Development of a United States Approach toward the International Court of Justice." Preston Brown discusses "The 1971 I.C.J. Advisory Opinion on South West Africa (Namibia)." Dr. Martin Domke writes on a preliminary proposal