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PUBLICATIONS JURIDIQUES CONCERNANT L'INTEGRATION EUROPEENNE. (Bibliography of the E. E. C.). Publication du Service de Documentation de la Cour de Justice des Communautés Européennes, Luxembourg. 392 pp. (October 1962). Supplement No. 2, 58 pp. (December 1962).**

Normally, a bibliography would not be deemed worthy of review. However, in the present instance an exception to the general rule exists because an excellent document, with continuing supplements, has been produced by the Library Staff at the Court of Justice, European Economic Community, Luxembourg, which will serve as a valuable adjunct to the standard publications available in the United States, such as the *Index To Legal Periodicals*, the *Index To Foreign Legal Periodicals*, and the "Bibliography" contained in the *CCH Common Market Law Reports*. While this Luxembourg effort cannot replace other sources (and such was never the Library Staff's intention), it will prove to be a valuable "additional resource" for any American seriously examining the entire European Regional Development. Not only is the Common Market covered, but the literature dealing with such institutions as the Council of Europe, GATT, OECD, EFTA, the European Parliament, and the specialized agencies of the United Nations is included.

The original purpose of the work was to provide a comprehensive bibliography for the justices of the Court, and, secondly, for European scholars. Obviously, these aims have been realized.

While it is difficult for a strictly English-speaking person to evaluate the foreign language publications, it appears that the selection of items is very complete. Indeed, the most significant value to this reviewer was the coverage of numerous English language articles appearing in non-American journals; especially, those from the Netherlands. In fact, a significant number of articles not picked up by the *Index To Foreign Legal Periodicals* has been included.

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It should also be stressed that the arrangement of the book into clear-cut sub-sections makes it very easy to use. The logical and systematic organization, both as to authors and titles, makes the *Bibliography* much more useful than would normally be expected.

The major weakness of the work is that relatively few American publications are indexed, largely because of their unavailability in Luxembourg. While the *Index To Legal Periodicals* is available, the lack of the articles themselves hampers the Library Staff.

Even though American sources are a bit scarce, the references to the *American Journal of International Law*, the *American Journal of Comparative Law*, and American Bar Association publications will be of value to Europeans. Unfortunately, the coverage of our law reviews is not sufficiently comprehensive, with the result that Continental scholars and jurists will not even be given a superficial insight into the ever-growing American legal literature. Consequently, the EEC has produced a work that will be even more valuable to Americans than Europeans. For instance, the book is quite good as to the leading British periodicals; moreover, specialized reviews, such as the *Journal of Common Market* studies and the *European Yearbooks* are included, making the work even more useful. Likewise, the references to English language articles found in the *Journal du Droit International* will be consulted by any English-speaking researcher.

A final point worthy of consideration, but a bit difficult for this reviewer to adequately examine, is the usefulness of the book to scholars in areas other than the United States, the British Isles, and Western Europe. What would be the potential value to persons located in Latin America, Africa, India or Asia? Since the law libraries in these new and underdeveloped nations are not extensive in the area of European Regional Organization, the *Bibliography* can be used in order to locate the best available source material that may be purchased. That is to say, by determining some of the primary sources available in the major languages, their limited funds may be more profitably utilized when new items are purchased largely because the main volume has picked up a large number of the historical references (from 1950 to 1955) and from the formative period (1958 to 1960), thereby making the scope of the compilation rather complete.

Accordingly, during the six week session at The Hague Academy of International Law last summer, several persons from Africa and Asia inspected the *Bibliography*, and they were very impressed with its contents; therefore, it may have a circulation in areas not presently feeling the direct force of the EEC or the Council of Europe. Of course, it must be recognized that any critique of a general-type bibliography will largely depend on the object of the research. This reviewer was concerned, almost entirely, with public law, regional organization, and the protection of human freedoms and economic interests.

Though it is not completely comprehensive, this reviewer is of the opinion that the Luxembourg *Bibliography* is an essential item for every American law library and also for every person seriously concerned with the expanding European Regional Movement. Furthermore, the additional supplements—along with the specialized materials frequently prepared in mimeographed form—will keep the researcher and practitioner current with the more important foreign publications. It can only be regretted that the book's circulation is still fairly limited.

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*Reviewed by Robert J. Bogus**

DENTAL JURISPRUDENCE: by Harvey Sarner. Publisher: W. B. Saunders Co., Philadelphia, Pa. 156 pp. (1963).

As this little volume states in the preface, it represents "an attempt to familiarize the dentist with the legal aspects of his relationships with state, patients, and commercial associates." The work is divided into six headings and twenty sub-chapters, ranging from "Introduction" through "Dental Jurisprudence," "Professional Responsibility," "Contracts," "Practice Agreements," and "Dental Practice Acts," to "Miscellaneous Laws Affecting Dentistry." The approach to each topic is made in broad terms.

In his effort to be non-technical and non-legalistic Mr. Sarner has oversimplified the problem. Granted that simplification was his main intent, yet, in his own words, "because of the diversity

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