

## FIFTH SESSION

### BUSINESS MEETING

Saturday, April 25, 1953, at 10:00 a.m.

The business meeting of the American Society of International Law convened in the Hall of Nations of the Washington Hotel, Washington, D. C., at 10:00 o'clock a.m., Professor EDWIN D. DICKINSON, President of the Society, presiding.

President DICKINSON read the following letter from Judge Manley O. Hudson, former President of the Society:

56 Garden Street  
Cambridge 38, Mass.  
18 April 1953

Dear Edwin,

This is the first letter that I have written in well over one hundred days, but I cannot allow the opportunity to pass. It happens to be the first occasion, when I have been on American shores at this season of the year, that I have not been able to devote my interest to the success of the program of the American Society of International Law and to be on hand to assist in it. I fear that at times this has been only too evident in the character of my interventions before the society!

We have a new opportunity to call attention to the possibilities of settlement according to international law. New fields are ever before us. The immediate interpretations of politicians are relatively unimportant; it is the performance that is enough to show us the validity of what we determine to be the law at the present time, or the extent to which it needs to be changed.

I shall always follow with great interest what the Society does. I have not always greeted the individual contribution with enthusiasm, but I always honor the spirit in which it is offered.

With expression of my eternal loyalty, I am

Hopefully yours,

(signed) Manley O. Hudson  
by LAB Jr.

President DICKINSON stated that he had sent Judge Hudson a telegram acknowledging his letter and conveying the best wishes of his colleagues in the Society for his return to health.

Secretary DUMBAULD next presented the following list of members who had died since the last annual meeting. The members present rose and observed a moment of silence in tribute to the memory of the departed:

**In Memoriam**

- GEORGE F. ANDREWS, San Francisco, California, member since 1906, died June 19, 1952.
- JOHN SUMMERFIELD ANDREWS, Pearisburg, Virginia, member 1952, died February 22, 1953.
- JACOB BROCHES ARONOFF, New York City, member 1952, died November 16, 1952.
- DR. J. BLANCO-UZTÁRIZ, Caracas, Venezuela, member since 1943, died August 26, 1952.
- WILLIAM BYRD, New York City, member since 1930, died August 6, 1952.
- FELIX CALONDER, Zürich, Switzerland, Life Member since 1927, died June, 1952.
- JUDGE BENJAMIN H. CONNER, New York City, member since 1912, died February, 1953.
- A. H. FELLER, New York City, member since 1931, died November 13, 1952.
- THOMAS PENBERTHY FRY, New South Wales, Australia, member since 1929, died September, 1952.
- AMBROSE GHERINI, San Mateo, California, member since 1909, died April 6, 1952.
- MAURICE LÉON, New York City, member since 1916, died October 9, 1952.
- L. MALINIAK, Chevy Chase, Maryland, student member 1952, died December 10, 1952.
- JOSÉ P. MELENCIO, Philippine Consul General, New York City, member since 1950, died March 31, 1953.
- GEORGE LEE MILLIKAN, Washington, D. C., member since 1947, died September 6, 1952.
- H. E. FELIX NIETO DEL RIO, Ambassador of Chile to the United States, member since 1946, died January 12, 1953.
- VESPASIAN V. PELLA, New York City, member since 1948, died August 24, 1952.
- WILLIAM JENNINGS PRICE, Washington, D. C., member since 1925, died May 20, 1952.
- JOHN SCHWARZ, Bowling Green, Ohio, member since 1935, died March 11, 1952.
- HONORABLE ELBERT D. THOMAS, Salt Lake City, Utah, member since 1925, Life Member since 1943, died February 12, 1953.
- CLARKE L. WILLARD, Washington, D. C., member since 1943, died October 11, 1952.

Secretary DUMBAULD then read the following minute regarding the late Elbert D. Thomas, an Honorary Vice President of the Society :