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riding issue here is not, as Justice Douglas concurring in *Sociedad Nacional de Marineros* thought it to be, who shall in American society—taxpayers generally or our seamen alone—have “the main burden of financing an executive policy of assuring the availability of an adequate American-owned merchant fleet for federal use during national emergencies.”<sup>9</sup> While this is a national problem, it is no more than that and should not be allowed to obscure the larger issue which is whether free access by every nation to the great shareable resource of the oceans shall be maintained. A departure from the traditional principle with regard to a state’s competence to ascribe nationality to ships would tend to serve the narrower interests of a few wealthier nations which have in the past operated a virtual monopoly in shipping. The older principle which is closely tied to the fundamental freedom of the seas respects the right of any nation to participate in world trade through direct employment of ships bearing its own flag.<sup>10</sup>

The book combines factual background with analysis of competing claims in the full context of an existing body of applicable international law and quietly demonstrates that the latter is equal to its task. It is a book likely to become a bench-mark for discussion to follow in the years to come.

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### BOOKS RECENTLY RECEIVED

*The Genius of Lemuel Shaw.* By Elijah Adlow. Boston: Court Square Press. 1962. Pp. 388. \$5.00.

An analysis of the famous Massachusetts Chief Justice and the impact of his ideas on the expanding common law during the period of rapid industrial expansion in America.

*Dickens and Crime.* By Phillip Collins. London: Macmillan and Company. 1962. Pp. 371.

The author journeys through Dickens’ novels with emphasis on Dickens attitude toward crime, and the criminal law of the times.

<sup>9</sup> 372 U.S. at 23.

<sup>10</sup> See McDougal & Burke, *Crisis in the Law of the Sea: Community Perspectives versus National Egotism*, 67 YALE L.J. 539 (1958).

**The Dynamic Natural Gas Industry.** By Alfred M. Leeston, John A. Crichton, and John C. Jacobs. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press. 1963. Pp. 463. \$9.95.

The description of this industry from the historical, technical, legal, financial, and economic standpoints.

**Towards Administrative Justice.** By H. W. R. Wade. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press. 1963. Pp. 138. \$6.00.

Exploration of American and British attempts to establish administrative justice.





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