

JOHN WILLIAM HALDERMAN— IN MEMORIAM

Law and Contemporary Problems notes with sorrow the passing of a warm supporter and wise counselor, John W. Halderman, who died after a long illness on August 1, 1989, at the age of 81. His association with the Duke University School of Law extended over a period of almost thirty years, and although his connection with *L&CP* was largely an informal one, this is no fair measure of his involvement with and his contributions to this journal, which the editors here gratefully acknowledge.

John Halderman was a man of broad interests and deep learning in many areas both within and without the law. Academically, however, he was primarily invested in the pursuit of durable world peace, and he devoted the bulk of his professional time and energies to this end. Following a career of service of almost a quarter of a century with the United States Department of State and Foreign Service, where his chief concerns were the United Nations and issues of human rights, he came to Duke in 1960 to join the World Rule of Law Center as a Senior Research Associate. During his tenure in this position, he tirelessly championed the cause of nonviolent international conflict resolution in his teaching, his writings,* and his many public addresses. When he retired in 1972, he was named a Scholar in Residence at the Law School, reflecting the appreciative regard in which he was held by his fellows, and until the onset of his terminal illness, he continued almost daily to come to his office in the Law Building to pursue projects on which he was working, visit with colleagues and students, and generally participate in the life of the community.

John Halderman will be remembered by those who knew him not only as a dedicated and accomplished scholar, but also as a person of great sensitivity and sensibility. He was more than a valued professional associate—he was a rare human being and friend—and he will be greatly missed by all.

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* See, e.g., *The Middle East Crisis: Test of International Law*, 23 *LAW & CONTEMP. PROBS.* 1 (1968), a symposium that he planned and edited.

