

laws and conventions operative on this subject in eleven European Countries.

The second half of this volume is a welcome collection of the main primary source materials on the Common Market. Until recently, it was difficult to obtain, particularly in Australia, satisfactory and readily available English versions of many of these important sources of contemporary European law. This comprehensive collection of texts, however, now remedies this situation. In brief annotations to these texts the authors give guidance to understanding many of the complex legal problems raised by the Treaty and the other documents in the collection. Unfortunately, too many of these annotations suffer from enigmatic brevity.

Despite its imperfections, however, the authors of this book have performed a valuable pioneering task in making available, no doubt at extremely short notice, this introductory survey of the main legal workings of the Common Market. With less pressure upon them, now that President de Gaulle has, temporarily at least, banished perfidious Albion from Europe, we can expect that the next edition of this work will prove to be more satisfactory and rewarding in its examination of the evolution of regional international organization in Europe.

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BOOK NOTED

Great Australians: Isaac Isaacs, by ZELMAN COWEN (Oxford University Press, Melbourne, 1962), pp. 1-30. Price 5s.

This little book is one of a very worthwhile set of 'nutshell' biographies published in 1962 by the Oxford University Press. It is written, as the whole set is, with an eye to informing the general reader of Australian History, from schoolboy to professor, of the backgrounds of people met with in the more specific texts—where description of character, background and actual appearance may be limited by space or purpose. The general reader should not be frightened that Professor Cowen might have laboured the juridical aspects of Sir Isaac Isaacs' life. He gives this, and indeed every aspect of his subject's long life, just enough treatment to provoke the interested reader to further discovery of the many facets of the character and interests of a great Australian—one of twenty-three whose tales have been told in this excellent series.