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Albert Hourani
(1915–1993)

Albert Hourani died in Oxford on 17 January 1993. As a historian of the Middle East he made a unique contribution, especially in his study of the European impact on Arab thought and Arab nationalism in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. In recent years he came to believe that when he wrote his *Arabic Thought in the Liberal Age* (1962) he had been wrong to lay so much emphasis upon ideas which were taken from Europe, and not enough upon what was retained, even if in a changed form, from an older tradition. He became increasingly aware of what he called the 'two interlocking rhythms of change': one which 'reforming' governments and external forces tried to impose upon society, the other which a great stable society with a long and continuous tradition of thought and of shared experience was producing from within itself. A generation later this mature thinking bore fruit in such titles as *Islam in European Thought* and his bestselling *History of the Arab Peoples* (both 1991). It is his 'search for the moderating middle of the spectrum' that is singled out by our reviewer (below, p. 97) as characterizing the tone of his contribution to the study of Arab and Islamic history. Albert occupied the centre ground of Middle Eastern studies, bestriding with comfortable urbanity the apparently irreconcilable 'interlocking rhythms of change'. He has been one of this journal's most fervent supporters since before its inception and one of its most diligent and valued consultant editors. Ever mindful of his unfailing kindness to us as a teacher, guide, and friend, we extend our sympathy to his widow Odile and dedicate this issue to his memory.

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