

## NOTES AND COMMUNICATIONS

**ERRATUM:** There is a small, but important error in the article "Turkey in Crisis: Some contradictions in the Kemalist Development Strategy," by Özey Mehmet (*IJMES* 15:1, February 1983). On page 61, second paragraph of the Conclusion, line 4: the correct statement should be "... bottom 40 percent ..." not 60 percent.

To the Editor:

I was very glad indeed to read Donald Reid's tribute to Albert Hourani in the November 1982 issue of *IJMES*. Hourani is one of my oldest and closest friends and I fully share Professor Reid's admiration. I am delighted that, belatedly, Hourani is receiving the recognition that he so richly deserves.

I should, however, like to point out a major omission in Professor Reid's review. In 1943, the late Ra'if al-Khuri published, in Beirut, *Al-fikr al-ʿarabi al-hadith: athar al-thawra al-firinsiyya fi tawjihih al-siyasi wa al-ijtimaʿi*. This consists of an extensive interpretative introduction followed by 29 lengthy prose selections in Arabic, starting with a text by Amir Haydar al-Shihabi (1761–1835), and a Verse Appendix, illustrating the influence of the French Revolution on some Arab poets. A translation of the bulk of the book by Professor Ihsan ʿAbbas, of the American University of Beirut, revised and edited by me, will soon be published by the Kingston Press, Princeton, New Jersey, with the title: *Channels of the French Revolution to the Arab East*.

Although Khuri's book is not as analytical and well documented as the later studies mentioned by Professor Reid, it certainly deserves mention in any survey of modern Arab thought as the first systematic attempt to trace the impact of European ideas on Arabic political writings.

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