

EDITORIAL COMMENT

POSTPONEMENT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

At the meeting of the Executive Council of the American Society of International Law held in Washington on the 24th day of January, 1920, after very full discussion, the Council unanimously resolved that in view of the existing diplomatic situation, it was expedient to postpone the general meeting of the Society for the year 1920, until a time when general discussion of international questions that are of active public interest may be useful rather than embarrassing.

Timely notice of the postponed meeting will be given.¹

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President.

CHANGES IN THE JOURNAL

The expiration on December 31st last of the contract for the publication of the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW during the period of abnormally high prices, especially in the costs of printing and publication, placed the Society in a dilemma as to the proper course to pursue in order to bring its expenses within its income. The situation was thoroughly considered at a meeting of the Executive Committee held in Washington on January 24th last. It was thought inadvisable to make any increase in the annual dues of members or the subscription price to non-members, and alternative means of reducing the expenses of publication so as to enable the JOURNAL to be published at the present price were considered. After careful consideration, the following changes were found to be necessary in order to bring about the desired result: (1) to reduce the maximum number of pages per year in the JOURNAL and SUPPLEMENT from 1,200 to 1,000; (2) to discontinue the issuance of the SUPPLEMENT as a separate publication, but bind it under the same cover with the JOURNAL, retaining, however, its separate pagination so that it may

¹In case the meeting is not held this year, the subscription fees paid by members for the Proceedings of this year's annual meeting will, unless otherwise requested, be retained and credited on the respective member's accounts in payment for the Proceedings of next year.—CHANDLER P. ANDERSON, *Treasurer.*