The Formation of the English School:
Charles Manning and His Ideas

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In this article, I examine the formation of the English School of International Relations. To understand the process of theoretical development of the English School, we should consider the various works of a forgotten scholar, Charles Anthony Woodward Manning (1894–1978), who was a professor of international relations at the London School of Economics for over thirty years in the middle of the twentieth century. It has been said that his most important work, *The Nature of International Society* (1962) suggests a basic idea of the English School in general. However, I believe we should also pay attention to Manning’s other works on jurisprudence in view of the fact that he attained a Bachelor of Civil Law degree at Oxford and was called to the Bar at a young age. Manning’s legal mind surely led to his unique theory. In conclusion, Manning may have contributed to or must have formulated the English School through analytical jurisprudence rather than the field of history of international law.