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Profiles of Myanmar Personages is a collection of essays, tributes and review articles concerning 11 Myanmar (Burmes) personages. There is one short article where a non-Myanmar personage the late jurist and philosopher Ronald Dworkin is mentioned and briefly discussed in relation to 'living good lives'. Hence the lives, the work, the contributions of 12 personages are mentioned and 'profiled' in this collection.

These articles/tributes of various lengths and emphasis are written and published between the years 2004 to 2021. Almost all of them were published in various newspapers, magazines and journals. Most of the articles appear in the following newspapers: *The Global New Light of Myanmar, The Australian, Korea Times, The Dawn (Pakistan), Jordan Times* and the following print and online magazines: *Asian Currents, Bulletin of Burma Studies Group, The Australian Rationalist*. In *Semicerchio: The Journal of Comparative Poetry* I discussed a poem of Saya Zaw Gyi juxtaposing with two other poems written in three different centuries initially in three different languages. I reproduce here only the excerpts of my journal article published in 2005 where I mainly discussed Saya Zaw Gyi's single poem. My review article of Robert H. Taylor's *General Ne Win: A Political Biography* was published in *The European-Asian Journal of Law and Governance* in 2018 and is reproduced here.

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