

FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM THE FACULTY AND LAW JOURNAL
BOARD OF EDITORS TO DEAN PAUL

This issue of the Journal marks the fourth birthday of the Faculty of Law, and the departure of its Dean and founder, James C. N. Paul. The Board of Editors and the members of the Faculty take this opportunity to congratulate Dean Paul on his many accomplishments, and to wish him well.

It is perhaps difficult for those newly associated with the Law Faculty to appreciate the immense amount of creative effort that has gone into its establishment. We have come a long way indeed from the summer of 1963, when the Dean arrived here to find the locked and vacant building which now houses a functioning law school. In that first, frantic summer, somehow a class of students was recruited, a curriculum established, and the library collection begun. Assisted by a few pioneer colleagues, Dean Paul sparked and directed the molding of the institution which is today one of the finest law schools in Africa. We shall not recount here the specific achievements — the growth of staff, student body, library, and publications — which have marked the passing years. To those familiar with the school, these are known; others need only refer to the Dean's annual reports which have appeared in the pages of this Journal. All of us, staff, students and friends of the school, realize the extent to which the remarkable progress of the past four years is attributable to the imaginative and energetic leadership of Dean Paul, and to his dedication to the welfare and future of legal education in Ethiopia. For his indispensable role, we thank him.

As all those associated with the Haile Sellassie I University well know, Dean Paul has by no means limited his interests to teaching law and directing the law school. From the very start he has been active in University affairs and has taken a leading role in sponsoring advance in many areas. His Chairmanship of the University Student Affairs Committee, to cite only one example, has had a profound impact. It is, therefore, with pride that we note that Dean Paul is not leaving us entirely, but has accepted the post of Academic Vice-President of this University. We wish him every success in meeting the many challenges of his new position.

We also note the appointment of the new Dean of the Law Faculty, Professor Quintin Johnstone from the Yale Law School. To Dean Johnstone we extend the warmest welcome and hopes that he will find his new job stimulating and satisfying. We look forward to the privilege of working with him toward our common goal — the improvement of legal education in Ethiopia.