

The President's Column . . .

The publication of this issue of the Journal is timed to coincide with the conference to be held in Adelaide between August 10 and 14, 1987 upon the theme, "Criminal Justice — Towards the 21st Century". This timing and the venue for the conference have prompted the cover photograph of the city of Adelaide.

AT the time of going to press, the number of registrations received for the conference indicate that we are to have a very significant and successful meeting. May I, through this page, welcome to Adelaide all those attending the conference? We are honoured that His Excellency the Governor-General has agreed to perform the opening ceremony and, on behalf of everyone participating in the conference, I extend an especially warm welcome to him. Our welcome to the other key speakers is no less warm. We are thrilled that our guest speakers have all been able to accept our invitation. The fact that they have leaves me in no doubt that the success of the conference is absolutely assured.

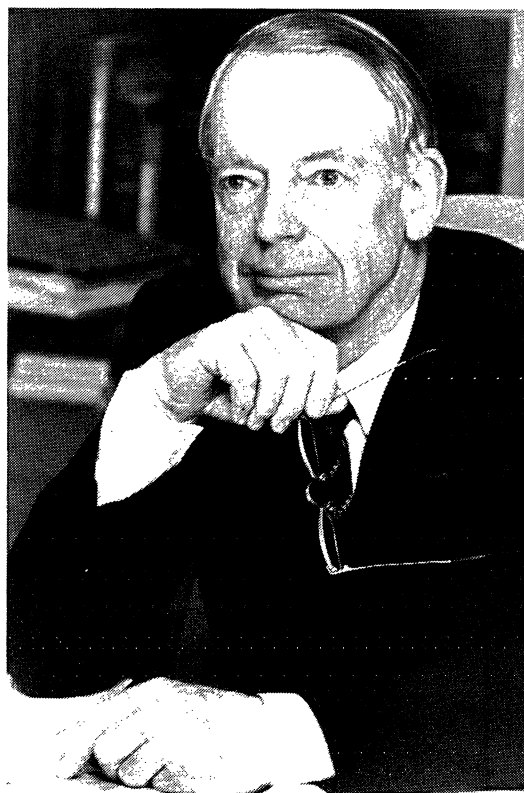
Later in this issue, you will find some biographical notes about a number of the key speakers. The confines of space and the publishers' deadline have prevented the inclusion of such details of all the key speakers. Those details will follow in later issues.

Suffice it to say at this stage that those notes will refer to Dr Peter Greenwood an eminent criminologist in the United States who is based at the Rand Corporation Research Institute at Santa Monica in California; the Honourable C.J. Sumner Esq, MLC who is the Attorney-General for the State of South Australia and who has taken much interest in all aspects of the criminal justice system, and particularly victimology, over recent years; Brian Burdekin Esq, who is the Human Rights

Commissioner at the Commonwealth Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission; Dr Robert A. Hayes and Professor Susan Hayes who are husband and wife, and member of the Australian Law Reform Commission, and Professor of Behavioural Sciences in Medicine at the University of Sydney respectively (Professor Hayes is also a Commissioner of the New South Wales Corrective Services Commission); Ian D. Temby Esq, QC who is Director of Public Prosecutions in Canberra; David A. Hunt Esq, who is Secretary to the Attorney-General's Department in Victoria; Peter Marriott Esq. who is a partner of the well-known accounting firm of Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co. in Melbourne; and M.J. Dawes Esq, who is Executive Director of the Department of Correctional Services in South Australia.

With such an array of key speakers, I have no doubt that all delegates will be stimulated in their consideration of the issues to be addressed and that a good deal of lively debate will be forthcoming. To those who do not have the opportunity to attend the Adelaide Conference, I would offer the consolation that I anticipate that many of the key addresses will be published in future issues of this Journal.

Might I say to those who are attending the conference that I hope that their interest will be stimulated in another way. The three organisations that are sponsoring the conference are all voluntary organisations which depend upon the support of interested members



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of the public if they are to maintain their efforts in their various fields of endeavour. I commend to you the thought that you might consider becoming a member of one or more of them. A nomination form for membership of the Australian Crime Prevention Council appears at the end of this publication.

I have left myself little room in which to mention the articles that appear in the following pages. I refer you to the introductory notes as to the contents of each of them. I think that you will find them interesting and provocative. They touch on a number of the subjects to be further debated at the conference.

Once again, welcome to all those coming to Adelaide.

With all best wishes.

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