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# Greetings from the Tulane University College of Law

*Eugene A. Nabors*

The last twenty-five or thirty years can properly be called a period of legal renaissance in Louisiana in which all three of our law schools have participated. Growth in faculty, budget, and buildings of each law school has in turn stimulated further development by the others. A healthy competition between state, private, and church law schools has resulted in constant improvements in legal education in Louisiana.

Three important institutions that have made significant contributions to the recent legal renaissance in Louisiana are the Louisiana Law Review, the Louisiana State Law Institute, and the Judicial Council. The Louisiana Law Review has stimulated legal research, developed a high type of training for law students, and has promoted continuing self-education of the bench and bar. The Louisiana State Law Institute under the energetic and able direction of its president, John H. Tucker, jr., who is being honored on this occasion by the award of a doctor of laws degree, has sponsored law revision and reform since its organization in 1938. In recent years the Judicial Council under the direction of our efficient and capable Chief Justice of the Louisiana Supreme Court, John B. Fournet, who also is being honored during this celebration by the award of the doctor of laws degree, has been an important factor in improving the administration of justice throughout the state.

This Golden Anniversary Celebration of the Louisiana State University School of Law would be incomplete if we did not take cognizance of the contribution to the Louisiana legal renaissance that has been made by the law faculty of Louisiana State University. The eight senior members of the Louisiana State University Law Faculty whose service to the school averages some twenty years, some of whom have additional seniority emanating from their training as students, are both products of and torchbearers of this renaissance period.

The younger members of the Law Faculty likewise are making a name for themselves in legal education and as good citizens. In teaching, law reform, and leadership in professional and community activities, the Louisiana State University Law Faculty has attained a justly deserved distinction that merits the continuance of support from alumni and from the leaders of the state.

The future holds ample opportunities for the Louisiana State University School of Law and its able faculty members to continue their wonderful record of achievement. Many signs point to the advent of a new era of legal developments in Louisiana. A tremendous industrial growth, a substantial population increase, a growing importance of newer fields of law to the practice of law throughout the state, and a doubling and trebling of the size of many law firms warns us that the next twenty-five years will make greater demands on our law schools and on our legal system. Fortunately, the adoption of a living wage as the standard for employment of young law graduates is a development that should enable law schools to continue to compete with science, engineering, business, and medicine for a fair share of bright young minds for training as future leaders of the legal profession.

Since I claim the status of a quasi-alumnus of the Louisiana State University Law School by virtue of one summer school under the instruction of the late and beloved Dean Robert L. Tullis and Professor Ira S. Flory and under the instruction of the brilliant young attorney Victor Sachse, it is a special pleasure for me to have the privilege of representing the Tulane School of Law at this Golden Anniversary Celebration. During my membership on the Tulane Law Faculty for a period longer than fifty percent of the life of the Louisiana State University Law School, relations between the three law schools of Louisiana have been most cordial. It has been a pleasure to work with the Louisiana State University School of Law and with its faculty for the advancement of legal education in our state. In behalf of the Tulane School of Law and of Dean Ray Forrester and of the Tulane Law Faculty and of Tulane University, it is an honor to extend greetings to the Louisiana State University School of Law and to its Law Faculty on this happy occasion and to wish for you continued progress and achievement.