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Trustees name Harvey I.U. Law School Dean

William B. Harvey, a legal scholar with the unusual distinction of having been expelled from Ghana by leftist Premier Kwame Nkrumah, was named dean of the I.U. School of Law Yesterday.

President Elvis J. Stahr said that Prof. Harvey will take over the deanship on August 1.

Prof. Harvey, a faculty member of the University of Michigan Law School since 1951, achieved a full professorship at the age of 34 and is co-author of a widely used casebook on contracts.

Varied contributions.

His contributions to professional journals have been on such varied subjects as anti-lynch legislation, criminal procedure, rights of owners of land around airports, insurance, evidence, and contract problems.

The African incident took place in 1964. On leave from Michigan, Prof. Harvey had served two years as dean of law and director of legal education in the new nation of Ghana.

Premier Nkrumah, recently deposed by his countrymen, ordered the expulsion of Prof. Harvey along with five other teachers on suspicion of subversive activity. Despite this experience, Prof. Harvey asserts:

"African legal developments remain very much the center of my research interests."

Ends a year's search.

The appointment by the I.U. Board of Trustees culminates a year's search for a successor to Leon H. Wallace, dean since 1952 and builder of the Law School to ninth largest in enrollment in the country.



WILLIAM B. HARVEY

Prof. Wallace will continue on the faculty as holder of the Charles McGuffey Hepburn Chair in Law, created last year in memory of an earlier dean.

South Carolina native.

The 43-year-old dean-elect is a native of Greenville, S. C. He was graduated with the A.B. degree in English in 1943 from Wake Forest College. His plans to go on for a Ph.D. in philosophy had to be modified when he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served as a lieutenant with the amphibious forces at Normandy and in various areas of the Pacific. During his final year of service he was assigned as assistant professor of Naval Science and Tactics, first at Tufts College and then at the University of Kansas.

He entered the School of Law at Michigan and even before earning the J.D. degree in 1949 he was a lecturer in law in the School of Business Administration. Upon graduation he joined the law firm of Hogan and Hartson in Washington, D.C. where he concentrated on federal tax cases and taught on the side at George Washington University. He returned to Michigan in 1951.

During the academic year 1955-56 Prof. Harvey was on leave with a Rockefeller Foundation grant as a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Heidelberg in West Germany, where he studied basic theories of legal and political philosophy.

Renewed interest.

His year at Heidelberg spurred his interest in research on the development of legal institutions in an emerging nation and how these institutions related to social change.

At the Michigan Law School he teaches courses in legal philosophy and in contracts and a seminar on the legal aspects of African developments.

At Indiana, in addition to the Law deanship and a professorship of Law, he will hold a joint appointment as professor in the Department of Government.