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## EDITORIAL

Our genial Vice-President and chairman of the U.K. Branch, the late Paul Tuley (1929-2004), contributed greatly to the successful organisation of the Bristol Symposium on Nigerian Arts and Crafts, held at the British Empire and Commonwealth Museum in September 2003. At the time of his death he was assembling the Symposium papers for an Occasional Publication of the U.K. Branch, but had not yet received all of them. The U.K. Branch therefore decided to request the Editor to publish in the Journal whatever Symposium papers had been received by the end of November 2004, hence the "arty" bias of this issue.

According to the Rules of the Society, one of the Vice-Presidents should be elected from the members of the U.K. Branch and ratified by Council. I am happy to announce that Dr. Joyce Lowe is our new Vice-President. Joyce has been a member of the Nigerian Field Society since 1959 and has held many posts, including Ibadan Branch Secretary, Secretary to Council, and Editor. She is a mine of information on Society matters and wrote the history of the Nigerian Field Society which appeared in Volume 66, Part 2. Those of you who might have been surprised (as I was) by the wraith-like appearance of Dr. Richard Lowe on page 2 of the April 2004 issue of the Journal can rest assured: Dick is in fine fettle and continues to cultivate an organic vegetable garden which supplies all the household needs.

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Frontispiece: F. Adetowun Ogunseye, with samples of her Aso Oke collection.