

An Admirer's Homage

Professor Muhammad Amin Mughal

A great humanist and a great teacher, Professor Hamid Ahmad Khan will be remembered with gratitude by many generations of young men and women who sat at his feet and by many others who had the privilege of working with him. Urbanity, finesse, correctness and the desire for perfection, inspired by a classical vision of the ideal, marked every moment of his conscious life. Work for him was beauty and he carved images of beauty in all that he said and in all that he did.

Behind the austere but thin exterior throbbed a passionate concern for humanity, which manifested itself in things great and small. His life long devotion to letters was a way of life with him, an instrument for the realisation of humanism. His vigorous personality made exacting demands on his colleagues but launched them on adventures which were only rewarding at the end. He was the last of the Augustans, who lived well and died without regrets.