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NOTE: List of graduates divided  
by counties

John Aird installed as chancellor  
at WLU fall convocation Sunday

John Black Aird of Toronto was installed as chancellor of Wilfrid Laurier University Sunday (Oct. 30) in a colorful ceremony at the university's fall convocation at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium.

William H. Timmis, chairman of the university's board of governors was in charge of the swearing in of the new chancellor, who succeeds Paul Martin, Canada's high commissioner to Great Britain.

Mr. Aird is a former member of the Canadian Senate, distinguished lawyer, and advisor to government. Since leaving the Senate in 1974 he has headed the Institute for Research on Public Policy, an independent organization with a mandate to research matters of public policy.

Education-related activities have always been important to the new WLU chancellor. He has served as governor of Havergal College, one of Canada's leading independent schools for girls. He is interested in teaching young people out of his experience as lawyer and business executive.

More than 420 students from the university's full and part-time programs received undergraduate and graduate degrees at the convocation.