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Note to editors: Convocation took place Nov. 1, at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium. The university is in Waterloo.

Note attached list of graduates listed by districts.

<u>Catch spirit of volunteerism</u>

Mabel Krug tells graduates

Mrs. Mabel Krug of Kitchener, hailed as the "champion of volunteers," and recipient of an honorary doctor of laws degree at Wilfrid Laurier University's fall convocation urged graduates to become volunteers too.

Mrs. Krug, who served the Canadian Cancer Society as a local national volunteer worker, was named an honorary life-member of the society in 1964. She also served as a volunteer worker for various other organizations and was twice named Woman of the Year.

The second person to receive an honorary degree was Tamara Giesbrecht, who took early retirement from the university in 1978 after serving for 18 years as financial head of the university. She turned in 18 consecutive budget surpluses and was termed a "financial wizard."

Both women received their doctorates from the university's chancellor John Aird, lieutenant-governor of Ontario. About 400 full-time and part-time students received degrees in arts, science, business, and economics, social work, music and theology.

In her address, Mrs. Krug urged the graduates to demonstrate their sense of caring by becoming volunteers and thus "help to make the world a better and happier place for you and your fellow citizens."

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