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Edna Staebler to receive honorary

degree at WLU convocation Oct. 28

Edna Staebler, one of Canada's finest and most successful authors, will receive an honorary doctor of letters degree Oct. 28 at 2:15 p.m. when Wilfrid Laurier University holds its fall convocation at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium, East Avenue.

Staebler is probably best-known to many in Canada and around the world for her two books, Food That Really Schmecks, published in 1968, and More Food That Really Schmecks, published in 1979. Both are phen6; inal best-sellers.

She is also among that small coterie of Canadian authors who supports herself entirely by her writing. She has received only one rejection slip in her life.

One of Staebler's first magazine articles, a clear-cut exploration of Old Order Mennonite life, won the Canadian Women's Press Club award in 1950.

Her first non-cook book, Sauerkraut and Enterprise, published in 1969, was called "a minor classic" by publisher Jack McLelland. Her latest book, Whatever Happened to Maggie?, was published this year.

Lt.-Gov. John Aird, chancellor of the university, will preside at convocation, when more than 400 graduate and undergraduate degrees will be conferred. Staebler will address the graduates.

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