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AT WATERLOO LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

A distinguished Roman Catholic scholar, The Very Rev. Henri F. Legare, will give the main address when Waterloo Lutheran University conducts its annual spring convocation at Kitchener Memorial Auditorium May 24 at 10 a.m.

The service of color and pageantry is being moved to the 6,500-seat auditorium for the first time due to the many guests expected to attend and because more than 350 degrees, a record for the university, will be conferred. This is triple the number that received degrees at the spring convocation two years ago.

In addition to degrees in arts and theology, the university will confer its first degree in its master of arts program. It will go to Miss Helga-Maxi Weyruch, a native of West Germany, who won an Ontario Graduate Fellowship for study at the university. Miss Weyruch, who has studied at the Sorbonne and the University of Paris, will receive the degree in Romance Languages.

The majority of degrees will be bachelor of arts degrees from Waterloo University College. Others include bachelor of divinity degrees from Waterloo Lutheran Seminary.

In addition to addressing the convocation, Father Legare will be awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree, one of four honorary degrees to be presented.

A second will be awarded to the Rev. Dr. Earl Treusch of Winnipeg, executive director of the Canadian Lutheran Council. Dr. Treusch also will preach the sermon at the baccalaureate service on the day before, May 23, at the university's Theatre-Auditorium at 8 p.m.

A third doctor of laws degree will be conferred upon Allen Thomas Lambert of Toronto, chairman of the board and president of the Toronto-Dominion Bank. An honorary doctor of letters degree will be conferred upon Dr. Alex O. Potter of Kitchener, first dean of Waterloo College.

Father Legare, former rector of the University of Ottawa from 1958 to 1964, now is director of studies for the Oblate Province of Manitoba-Saskatchewan, with residence at Gravelbourg, Sask. After study here and abroad, Father Legare held teaching posts at Laval University, Montreal, and the Grand Seminary at St. Boniface, Man., before going to the University of Ottawa.

He was dean of the faculty of social sciences from 1954 to 1958. He also served as professor of medical ethics at the university's faculty of medicine from 1955 to 1958. From 1960 to 1962 he was president of the National Conference of Canadian Universities and Colleges. He served as Canadian delegate to the second Commonwealth Conference on Education at New Delhi in 1962.

Dr. Treusch was born in Kitchener and was graduated from Waterloo College, now the faculty of arts and science of Waterloo Lutheran University, in 1937, and from Waterloo Seminary in 1939. He was president of Lutheran College and Seminary, Saskatoon, from 1950 to 1955 and has served on many church boards.

Mr. Lambert was born in Regina in 1911 and entered the service of the bank at Victoria, B.C., in 1927. He was first made manager at Yellowknife, N.W.T., in 1946 and climbed swiftly to the top executive position. He is a director of many companies, including Canadian Westinghouse Company Ltd., the London Life Insurance Company and the Canadian Opera Company. He is vice-chairman of the board of governors of York University, Toronto.

Dr. Potter, a native of Kitchener, received a doctor of philosophy degree at Columbia University, and was instrumental in founding Waterloo College. He was first dean and executive head of the college from 1924 to 1928. He is known to many for his work with Rotary International. He was European secretary from 1930 to 1937 and was assistant to the president from 1937 to 1939. He has been decorated by Jugoslavia and Estonia. Since 1953 he has written a weekly column, Let's Reminisce, for the Kitchener-Waterloo Record.