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SENATOR W. ROSS MACDONALD IS APPOINTED

CHANCELLOR OF WATERLOO LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

Senator W. Ross Macdonald of Brantford, Ontario, former government leader in the senate and member of the federal cabinet, has accepted the post of Chancellor of Waterloo Lutheran University, Waterloo, Ontario. He will be installed at a special convocation on December 5.

The appointment of Senator Macdonald was announced today by Harry D. Greb, chairman of the Board of Governors of Waterloo Lutheran University. The institution was founded in 1911 and given university status in 1959. It has total enrollment of 4,700 men and women in its two units, Waterloo University College and Waterloo Lutheran Seminary. Mr. Greb is president of Greb Industries Limited, Kitchener.

Senator Macdonald, a man who has devoted his life to public service, received his legal training after service in world war I, and was called to the Ontario bar in 1920. He established his own law firm in Brantford, and was made a King's Counsel in 1934.

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He served as Liberal MP for Brantford from 1935 to 1953, before his elevation to the Senate. During this time he was twice a Cabinet minister, and was Deputy Speaker and finally Speaker of the House of Commons from 1949 to 1953.

Since becoming a Senator he has played a central role as leader of the Government and, briefly, as leader of the Opposition in the Senate. He stepped down as leader of the Government in the Senate in January of this year.

Senator Macdonald received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Waterloo Lutheran University last spring, the citation describing him as a man with "a genuine and abiding concern for the welfare of the people of this area and the nation".

"In his many activities," the citation continues, "he exemplifies the modern public-spirited man, widely respected for the skill and understanding with which he has conducted public affairs, but especially for his realization of the truth that he who would be truly great must seek to serve his fellow men."

The position of Chancellor of WLU has been vacant since the death in July 1961 of Senator William D. Euler, first man to hold this office. Since that time University President Villaume has carried out the duties of the office.