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Paul Martin To Speak
at WLU Spring Convocation

External Affairs Minister Paul Martin will receive an honorary doctor of laws degree and address Waterloo Lutheran University's spring convocation on May 22.

The event will be conducted at the Kitchener Auditorium, East Avenue, in order to accommodate the public and the large number of relatives and friends who will want to attend.

An honorary LL.D. degree will be conferred also upon Henry Valle of Montreal, president of the Montreal Locomotive Works; and an honorary doctor of divinity degree will be accepted by a leading Canadian churchman, Rev. Otto F. Reble of Toronto.

A baccalaureate service for all graduates will be conducted May 21 at the university's Theatre-Auditorium at 8 p.m. The sermon will be preached by Rev. Mr. Reble.

About 550 graduating students in arts, science, business, theology and in master's programs will receive degrees during the colorful convocation ceremony.

Admitting them will be Sen. W. Ross Macdonald, the university's chancellor; Dr. William J. Villaume, president and vice-chancellor; and Dr. John E. Brent, president of IBM Canada Ltd., pro-chancellor.

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Of the seven M.A. degrees being conferred four are in romance lagnuages, two in psychology and one in geography. About 30 Bachelor of Science degrees and 10 Bachelor of Divinity degrees and five diplomas in theology are included in the total.

The number receiving degrees is the largest in the university's history and up sharply from the 341 of a year ago. The 10 Waterloo Lutheran Seminary graduates form the largest graduating class in several years.

The external affairs minister, making his second visit to the university this year, was born in Ottawa and was first elected to the House of Commons in 1935. He has since won 10 consecutive elections in Essex East and is dean of the House.

During Mr. Martin's 11 years as minister of health he was responsible for some of Canada's most far-reaching social legislation, including the National Health Program, the federal old age security plan and the Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Act.

He became external affairs minister in April, 1963. In that capacity he has headed the Canadian delegations to meetings and conferences of NATO, the United Nations and the Commonwealth. He was elected president of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in 1965.

Mr. Valle was born in Norway and educated in Montreal and at the University of Western Ontario. In addition to his presidency of the Montreal Locomotive Works, which he has held since 1962, he is chairman of two other companies and is chairman of the executive council of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce. He also serves Sir George Williams University, Montreal, as governor.

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Rev. Mr. Reble, born in 1913 at Linwood, Ontario, received his college education at the former Waterloo College and his theological education at Leipzig and Waterloo Lutheran Seminary. He was ordained in 1937 and has held pastorates at Windsor, Detroit and Oak Park, Mich. He now lives in Toronto where he serves the church as regional secretary of the Lutheran Church in America's board of American missions.