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## John Robarts To Receive Degree

### At WLU Convocation May 23

John P. Robarts , premier of Ontario from 1961 until this year, will receive an honorary doctor of laws degree and speak at spring convocation of Waterloo Lutheran University May 23 in the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium, Kitchener. The ceremony begins at 2:30 p.m.

Also receiving honorary degrees that day will be Harry D. Greb, chairman of the WLU board of governors from 1962 until this year; and Prof. Edward G. Pleva of the University of Western Ontario.

The day will also see degrees awarded to more than 750 undergraduate and graduate students in arts, science, business, economics, social work, religion and culture and divinity.

Presiding at the colorful ceremonies will be the university's chancellor, W. Ross Macdonald, lieutenant-governor of Ontario.

Mr. Robarts was first elected to the Ontario Legislature in 1951 and in 1961 became leader of the party. He is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario in honours business administration. He also studied law at Osgoode Hall and was called to the bar in 1947.

During the war he served with the Royal Canadian Navy, was commissioned in 1941, and mentioned in dispatches for action in the Mediterranean.

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Mr. Greb might with objectivity be termed "Mr. WLU." A member of the Board of Governors since 1960 and chairman since 1962, he has guided the university through its years of greatest expansion and development.

He brought to the task of university administration the same qualities of quiet leadership that made his firm Canada's largest independent shoe manufacturing concern.

Prof. Pleva, a professor of geography at the London university and head of the department for 20 years, is probably the province's best known geographer. He is a persuasive advocate of regional analysis and planning in Southwestern Ontario and his reputation is international.