A special meeting of the Senate of the University of British Columbia was held on Tuesday, January 21st, 1958, at 7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Club.

Present: President N.A.M. MacKenzie (in the Chair), Dean G. S. Allen, Dr. W. J. Anderson, Dean G. C. Andrew, Mrs. H. F. Angus, Dr. J.J.R. Campbell, Mr. K. P. Caple, Very Rev. H. Carr, Mr. A.W.R. Carrothers, Miss Mollie Cottingham, Mr. L.G.R. Crouch, Dean B. A. Eagles, Miss M. M. Fallis, Dr. J. G. Foulks, Dr. S. M. Friedman, Dean W. H. Gage, Mr. B. C. Gillie, Mr. C. C. Gourlay, Dean H. C. Gunning, Dr. W. H. Hickman, Dr. R. D. James, Dr. F. H. Johnson, Dr. J.E.A. Kania, Mr. F. M. Knapp, Col. H. T. Logan, Dr. M. F. McGregor, Dean E. D. MacPhee, Dean A. W. Matthews, Dean M. D. Mawdsley, Dr. F. Noakes, Dr. F. P. Patterson, Dean J. W. Patterson, Mrs. L. E. Ranta, Dr. W. N. Sage, Dr. B. Savery, Dean N. V. Scarfe, Dr. R. F. Sharp, Dean F. H. Soward, Dr. H. V. Warren, Mr. L.G.J. Wong and Dr. J. K. Friesen.

Messages of regret for their inability to be present were received from Chancellor A. E. Grauer, Mr. C. B. Bourne, Mr. J. M. Buchanan, Dean S.N.F. Chant, Dr. I. McT. Cowan, Dean G. F. Curtis, The Honourable Mr. Justice A. E. Lord, Mr. F. A. Morrison, Dean G. M. Shrum, Dr. R. W. Wellwood, Rev. H. F. Woodhouse, Dr. S. H. Zbarsky and Mr. N. Harlow.

The meeting had been called for a review of the range of purposes of higher education. However, the

Committee on Honorary Degrees had prepared its recommendations of Honorary Degrees to be conferred during 1958, and it was agreed that these should be considered before proceeding with the special discussion.

Dr. MacKenzie stated that some of the individuals recommended for Honorary Degrees would not normally be considered while in their present offices, but that this procedure was felt to be justified in 1958 in order to mark the Centennial Year of the Province of British Columbia and the 50th anniversary of the granting of the Charter to the University of British Columbia.

Special Congregations were proposed to coincide with the visit of Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret to British Columbia in July, the meeting of the Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth late in the summer, and the formal opening of the Buchanan Building. It was suggested that the latter two Special Congregations should be held between September 23rd and September 25th, in the first week of lectures for the 1958-59 Session.

Dean Soward presented the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee on Honorary Degrees:

1. That an Honorary Degree be conferred upon Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret, to be given at her convenience when she visits the Province in July, appropriate arrangements to be made after discussion with the Lieutenant-Governor;

2. That appropriate Honorary Degrees be conferred upon the following public figures in Canada at one of the Special Congregations in September, if they are able to be present to receive the degree:

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia
The Prime Minister of Canada
The Leader of the Opposition in the Federal House
Mr. M. J. Coldwell, leader of the C.C.F. party
The Premier of the Province of British Columbia
The Honourable Brooke Claxton, Chairman of the Canada Council.

It was noted that the Senate had already agreed to confer an Honorary Degree on the Honourable Lester Pearson, who is at present the Leader of the Opposition in the Federal House.

3. That appropriate Honorary Degrees be conferred upon the following representatives of universities of the British Commonwealth at the other Special Congregation in September, if they are able to be present to receive the degree:

Lord Adrian, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge
Sir Hector Hetherington, the Vice-Chancellor of Glasgow University
Dr. D. W. Logan, the Principal of the University of London
Rt. Rev. Monsignor Irenee Lussier, Rector of the University of Montreal
Dr. C. T. Bissell, President-Elect of the University of Toronto
Dr. T. H. Matthews, former Registrar of McGill University, now National Secretary of the National Conference of Canadian Universities
Lieutenant-Colonel Sir A. L. Mudaliar, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Madras, or an alternative representative of an Indian university.

The Committee recommended also that Honorary Degrees should be conferred at this time on Dr. Harold W. Dodds, recently retired as President of Princeton University, and Dr. J.E.W. Sterling, President of Stanford University (approved for an Honorary Degree in 1955), if they were able to attend. It appeared unlikely that Dr. Sterling could be present at this Congregation.

4. That appropriate Honorary Degrees be conferred upon the following at the regular Spring or Autumn Congregations or at one of the Special Congregations in September, if they are able to be present to receive the degree:

Lt.-General E.L.M. Burns, Commander of the
United Nations Emergency Force
Mr. C. J. Thompson, University Architect
The Honourable Mr. Justice A. E. Lord
His Honour Judge J. B. Clearihue
Mr. Ralph Pybus
Mrs. Sherwood Lett
Mr. Franc R. Joubin
Chancellor A. E. Grauer.

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Dean Gage) That the above recommendations in connection with the award of Honorary Degrees for the year 1958 be approved.
Carried.

The Senate then proceeded to its discussion on higher education.

J. E. Parnall
Secretary.

Norman MacKenzie
Chairman.