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Carleton College will confer an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) upon Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary General of the United Nations, at a special convocation to be held in St. James United Church, Ottawa, at 4.30 p.m. Friday, February 26. This will be the first honorary degree awarded by Carleton College.

The announcement was made today by Dr. M. M. MacOdrum, President and Vice-Chancellor of the College. In commenting upon the announcement, Dr. MacOdrum said, "It is most appropriate that the first honorary degree ever to be given by Carleton College should be conferred upon one so distinguished in the field of international relations as Mr. Hammarskjold.

"The faculty, the students, and all who are associated with Carleton College will welcome him because of what he is and what he stands for."

Mr. Hammarskjold began his five-year term as Secretary General of the United Nations last year following the resignation of Mr. Trygve Lie. Born in south-central Sweden in 1905, Mr. Hammarskjold lectured at Stockholm University after receiving his doctorate in 1933. He became Secretary of the Bank of Sweden and later Under Secretary of Finance.

He was appointed chairman of the board of the Bank of Sweden and to the Swedish Foreign Office as a financial expert. In this capacity he attended most of the postwar European economic conferences. In 1951 he became Deputy Foreign Minister of Sweden and headed that country's delegation to the Seventh Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

In the short space of a decade, Carleton College has grown from a small evening college in rented quarters to a university of national reputation. The degree and diploma programmes at this independent, non-sectarian university in Canada's capital include courses in Arts, Science, Commerce, Journalism, Engineering and Public Administration.
