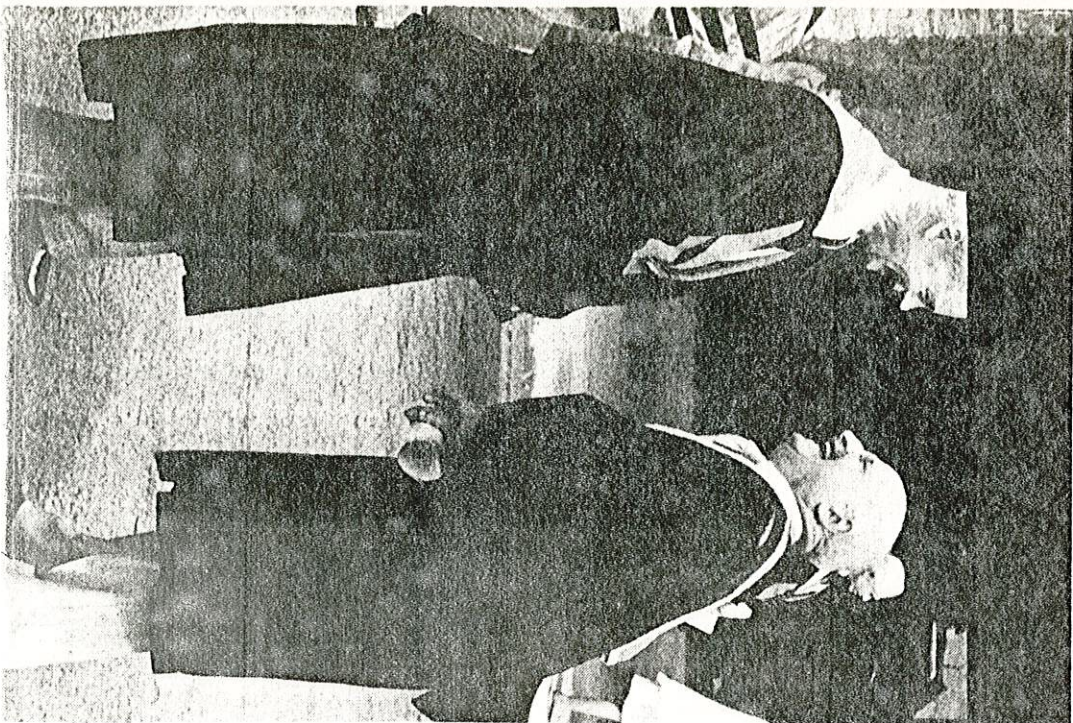


A many splended occasion



UNIVERSITY President and Vice-Chancellor George E. Connell chatted with Prof. Anne Bolgan at Tuesday's session of Convocation. Prof. Bolgan read the citation for Prof. Arthur

Barker, who was awarded an Honorary degree, Students from the Faculties of Social Science, Arts and Engineering graduated at the ceremony.



Value of teaching stressed by Barker

The vital role of teaching in the university was the central theme at Tuesday's Convocation as Western honored one of its own Professors Emeriti, Arthur Barker, with an honorary Doctor

whether in its irritating pervasiveness or its encouraging potentialities," he said in reference to over-emphasis on research and development.

Prof. Barker speculated that



PETER Kricorissian, age 67, (right), told Prof. William Dale of Visual Arts that he is "following in his daughter's footsteps". Linda Kricorissian got her degree in Spanish and Visual Arts six years ago. Mr. Kricorissian received his B.A. in Russian.

JEFF Robinson, an Engineering graduate, decided that a Strawberry yogurt cone was just the thing to quench that dry throat.



WHILE Mom may have picked the poses of academic achievement, her daughters were more interested in the non-metaphorical kind of blossoms which were present in abundance at Convocation. The family group, from Kin-

cardine, includes Nancy Harvey and age 13. Mrs. Harvey started her degree in 1972 and finished it through the Faculty of Part-Time and Continuing Education.

The citation read by Prof. Anne Bolgan, Department of English, said that Prof. Barker had made a major contribution to the development of scholarship through five decades of "richly detailed teaching".

Prof. Barker, a leading figure in Renaissance literature scholarship, highlighted teaching in his address to the Convocation. He said universities from the time of ancient Greece have existed primarily for the service of the students.

"All other functions," he noted, "are subordinate to that teaching function and must be made contributory to it."

The aim of the university must be to inspire students in the pursuit of truth, he said.

"Highly intelligent persons often drown in their own speculations, abstracted from the human reality that teaching prevents one from ignoring,

wisdom during which people reflect on the experiences of the past 40 years.

He said the humanism gained from teaching will be a valuable asset to people functioning in that environment.

Prof. Barker and two other Professors Emeriti — W.E.D. Atkinson, English, and Mary Wright, Psychology — were presented to Chancellor J. Allyn Taylor.

Prof. Barker was hooded by Prof. Balachandra Rajan of the Department of English.

A total of 562 students from the Faculties of Social Science, Arts and Engineering were eligible to graduate at Tuesday's ceremony.

Gerald Stoner, Chairman of the Restrictive Trades Practices Commission, received an honorary Doctor of Laws and addressed Convocation on Wednesday. There were 710 eligible graduates from the Faculties of Social Science and Music.



Prof. Arthur Barker