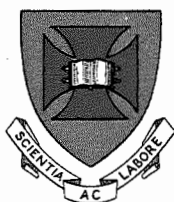


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After the Chancellor's address, Marshal doffs to Chancellor and says:

"MR. CHANCELLOR,

MAY I PRESENT TO YOU PROFESSOR SIR FRED SCHONELL,  
VICE-CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND."

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS.

After the Vice-Chancellor's address the Choral Group will sing -

"Since first I saw your face" - Ford.

"Flora gave me fairest flowers" - Wilbye.

"Five knacks for ladies" - Dowland.

"Sing we and chaunt it" - Morley.

"Now is the month of Maying" - Morley.

Conductor - Professor Noel Nickson.

After the conclusion of the songs, the Vice-Chancellor moves to the Lectern, the Marshal brings Sir William Webb to him and the Vice-Chancellor says:

"MR. CHANCELLOR,

IT HAS PLEASSED THE SENATE TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMISSION  
OF THE HONOURABLE SIR WILLIAM WEBB TO THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LAWS  
'HONORIS CAUSA'.

THE HONOURABLE SIR WILLIAM WEBB IS A MAN WHO HAS MOVED  
FROM DISTINCTION IN HIS OWN STATE, TO EMINENCE IN AUSTRALIA,  
AND TO PROMINENCE INTERNATIONALLY.

NO STUDENT COULD HAVE BEGUN A COURSE AT THIS UNIVERSITY  
EARLIER THAN SIR WILLIAM. HE WAS ONE OF THE SIXTY MATRICULATED  
STUDENTS WHO SIGNED THE ROLL ON THE OPENING DAY OF THE UNIVERSITY  
OF QUEENSLAND IN MARCH 1911. THERE BEING NO LAW FACULTY,  
HE RELINGUISHED HIS ARTS COURSE IN FAVOUR OF READING LAW WITH THE  
LATE MR. JOHN J. WALSH, BARRISTER, AND WAS ADMITTED TO THE BAR  
IN 1913.

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FROM THAT TIME HE MOVED FROM ONE POSITION OF DISTINCTION TO ANOTHER.

HE SERVED AS CROWN SOLICITOR OF QUEENSLAND FROM 1917 TO 1922. FROM 1922 TO 1925 HE WAS SOLICITOR-GENERAL OF QUEENSLAND. HE WAS JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT FROM 1925 TO 1946. HE BECAME PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRADE AND ARBITRATION COURT FROM 1925 TO 1930, PRESIDENT OF THE INDUSTRIAL COURT FROM 1930 TO 1946. HE WAS CHIEF JUSTICE OF QUEENSLAND FROM 1940 TO 1946.

CLOSER TO HOME, HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE FOR THE YEARS 1944, 1945 AND 1946.

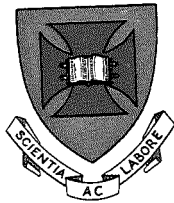
IN THE WIDER AUSTRALIAN SPHERE HE WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COUNCIL IN 1942 AND COMMUNICATIONS CENSORSHIP COMMISSIONER IN 1944. HE OBTAINED LEGAL EMINENCE AS JUSTICE OF THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA FROM 1946 TO 1958.

IN THE INTERNATIONAL SPHERE HE WAS JAPANESE ATROCITIES COMMISSIONER IN 1943 AND WAR CRIMES COMMISSIONER FROM 1944 TO 1946.

FROM 1946 TO 1948 HE WAS PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE TRIAL OF MAJOR JAPANESE WAR CRIMINALS. IN THIS TRIAL, ONE OF THE GREAT CRIMINAL TRIALS OF HISTORY, SIR WILLIAM PROBABLY REACHED THE HIGHEST POINT OF HIS CAREER. OFFICIALS OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF AUSTRALIA, THE UNITED KINGDOM, AND THE UNITED STATES ACCORDED HIM THE GREATEST PRAISE FOR HIS CONDUCT OF THE TRIBUNAL.

BUT ILLUSTRIOUS AND DISTINGUISHED AS HAS BEEN SIR WILLIAM'S LONG CAREER, AT HOME AND ABROAD, IT HAS NEVER DIMMED THE WARMTH AND THE CLEAR-MINDED CONSIDERATION FOR WORTHY CAUSES THAT CHARACTERISE HIM AS A MAN.

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THIS EVIDENCE CONCLUDES THE CASE FOR THE DEFENCE -  
A CASE SO PATENTLY RIGHT AND OUTSTANDINGLY ACCEPTABLE AND  
DEMONSTRATIVELY DISTINGUISHED THAT I HAVE BEEN HONOURED AND  
PRIVILEGED TO PRESENT IT.

MR. CHANCELLOR, I PRESENT TO YOU WILLIAM FLOOD WEBB,  
KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE MOST EXCELLENT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE,  
FOR ADMISSION TO THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LAWS 'HONORIS CAUSA'."

When the Vice-Chancellor concludes the Chancellor says:

"WILLIAM FLOOD WEBB, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AND  
UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SENATE AND THE ASSURANCE OF THE  
VICE-CHANCELLOR, I ADMIT YOU TO THE RANK AND PRIVILEGES OF  
THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LAWS 'HONORIS CAUSA', IN THE UNIVERSITY OF  
QUEENSLAND."

The Registrar hands the folder containing the degree certificate  
and copy of oration to the Chancellor. The Chancellor presents  
the folder to Sir William Webb, congratulates him and resumes his  
seat. The Marshal takes Sir William Webb back to his seat, and  
brings Professor Burton to the Vice-Chancellor who has remained  
standing near the lectern.

The Vice-Chancellor says:

"MR. CHANCELLOR,

IT HAS PLEASED THE SENATE TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMISSION OF  
HERBERT BURTON TO THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LAWS 'HONORIS CAUSA'.

IN HONOURING HERBERT BURTON THE UNIVERSITY HONOURS ONE OF  
ITS EARLY DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI.