

CONCORD COLLEGE
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CITATION

STEWART HAROLD SMITH
Doctor of Laws

STEWART HAROLD SMITH, you stand before us as a man who has won the hearts of all West Virginians. Born on a dairy farm in Pennsylvania, schooled in a rural classroom, a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Gettysburg College (where you also were president of the student body during your senior year), the recipient of a Master's degree from Columbia University and a Ph.D. degree from Syracuse University, it is obvious that you were taught well to work both your hands and your mind. During your forty-two years as an educator, you have gone through the ranks as a one-room country school teacher, high-school teacher and principal, college professor and dean, and university president. The extraordinary record of your achievements at Marshall now are recorded in her history, and, to use your own words, "The whole thing sort of blends into a great dream." Known as "The Students' President," their trust in you, and your trust in them, admirably has bridged the "Generation Gap"--so much so that you even hitch rides from students on the back end of a Honda. You, sir, have few peers in our profession, and truly can be called "Teacher and Friend" by the countless students and colleagues you have served over the years. Today, Concord College is happy to give you an honor long overdue, and hereby confers upon you her highest accolade, her degree of Doctor of Laws.

In testimony of this degree I hand you this diploma and cause you to be invested with this hood.

Given under the Seal of Concord College and conferred from the academic halls in Athens, West Virginia, on this third day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight, and of the College the ninety-seventh.

Joseph Franklin Marsh, Jr.
President