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Title: Excerpts of Speeches of Dr. Arthur Hauck and Governor Muskie at a Special University of Maine Convocation Honoring Dr. Hauck on His Retirement as University President

Date: March 27, 1958

Recording number: Tape 42

Length of recording: 3:22

[transcript begins]

HAUCK: ...and we know that now the university must plan to increase its enrollment by twice. This it must do if it is to fulfil its function as a state and land-grant institution, committed to do its best to afford an opportunity for higher education to those who are qualified to receive it, and to do its part in furnishing the nation with trained intelligence required in this increasingly complex age. The need is great for graduates not only with high competence in particular fields, science, technology, business and professions, but with graduates who have understanding and competence in the history of mankind, in our economic and social laws, and in the humanities, and in the arts. The university's concern, however, is not merely in the years ahead to expand educational opportunities. High standards must be maintained. In all the days to come, the University of Maine will stand and shine, doing its part to bring wisdom into human affairs.

[a few seconds of silence]

MUSKIE: I told you that it is my privilege from time to time to try to pay adequate tribute for the people of Maine to distinguished public servants. It isn't always easy, and particularly in this case. First of all, because all I have to work with his words, and what Arthur Hauck has done is deeds. Another reason is that so many people for whom I should be speaking have so many different reasons for appreciating what he has done, that it is an almost impossible task to speak for them all. It is relatively simple to put into words our thoughts. It is much more difficult to speak for the heart. And in Dr. Hauck's case, if I gauge the sentiments of faculty, students, and citizens accurately, our most eloquent reactions on this occasion spring from our hearts. Dr. Hauck, it is a privilege to say to you, for the people of Maine, thank you for what you've done. Thank you for what you are leaving us. And above all, thank you for what you are. No man in any field of endeavor could hope to leave a more important, a more significant, a more satisfying mark on the pages of his state's history, than the one you have already placed there.

[transcript ends]

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