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LEROY DEAN STINEBOWER

Mr. President, I have the honor to present as a candidate for an honorary degree, on this commemorative occasion, the 125th anniversary of Kalamazoo College, one of her most distinguished sons, a member of the class of 1926, Leroy Dean Stinebower. The promise he showed here in his studies, and in campus leadership, has unfolded into a career of eminence in government service and industrial enterprise. He is now Assistant Treasurer of the great Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

A native son of Michigan, from the town of Ovid, Leroy Stinebower graduated from our classrooms soon to earn a Master's degree at the University of Chicago. Then, after teaching Economics for several years at Allegheny College, he turned again to graduate study. However, he was persuaded to move from his academic pursuits into the strenuous work of the Economic Adviser Division of the Department of State of the United States Government. He progressed to the leadership of this Division and then headed the United States Delegation of the Economic Division of the United Nations Council.

Many times has he represented his country in the capacity of Economic Adviser to her delegations in meetings of international significance: at the United Nations Conference on Food and Agriculture at Hot Springs, Virginia; at the United Nations Monetary Conference at Bretton Woods; at the United Nations Conference on International Organization at San Francisco; at the London session of the Council of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration; and at the first several sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Leroy Dean Stinebower is a scholar of international vision and understanding. He has traveled widely, making many friends at home and abroad. After leaving the State Department he became affiliated with the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, in the interest of which he resided for several years in London as Adviser on European Financial Affairs. About a year and a half ago he came back to New York, and into the influential position which he now holds with distinction. He is a scholar and a practical man such as the modern world requires for political and economic leadership. On behalf of the Faculty of Kalamazoo College I recommend that upon him be conferred the honorary degree, Doctor of Laws.