UNIVERSITY
OF NATAL

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INSTALLATION

OF

NOEL DESMOND CLARENCE

M.Sc. (S.A.), M.A. (Cantab.), Ph.D.(Natal), F.Inst.P.

AS

PRINCIPAL

AND

VICE-CHANCELLOR

FRIDAY
14 OCTOBER 1977
20h00

OLD MUTUAL SPORTS HALL
DURBAN

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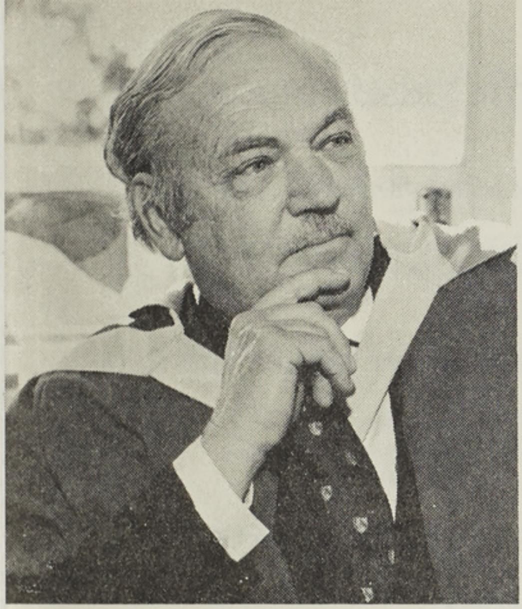

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PROFESSOR Noel Desmond Clarence was born in Pietermaritzburg and educated at Maritzburg College. He proceeded to Natal University College, Pietermaritzburg, where he was awarded the Bachelor of Science degree with a first class pass in Physics in 1941. After service in the Special Signal Services for three and a half years, he returned to Natal University College to complete the University Education Diploma in 1945. While holding a Junior Lectureship in the Department of Physics, he completed his thesis and was awarded the Master of Science degree with distinction in 1947; in the same year he was awarded an Elsie Ballot Scholarship which took him to Cambridge for two years, culminating in the award of a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree in 1949 followed by the Master of Arts in 1954, he was awarded the Ph.D. degree of this University in 1956. Returning to the Durban campus in 1949, he was appointed as a Lecturer in Physics, followed by promotion to Senior Lecturer in 1956, Professor in 1959 and Head of the Department of Physics in 1968, a post he held until 1973. During his academic career Professor Clarence spent three periods of furlough working in research institutions in South Africa, the United Kingdom and the United States of America, concerned with his field of research — atmospheric and magnetospheric physics. He has served on the Boards of Faculties of Science, Engineering, Medicine and Architecture and as Dean of the Faculty of Science, as well as on numerous committees of the Senate and Council. In the scientific field he has served as Vice-Chairman and Chairman of one of the commissions of the International Scientific Radio Union and is still Scientific Advisor to the Magnetic Observatory at Hermanus. He has attended numerous conferences both local and overseas in his own right as a scientist and as a member of the South African delegation and has published in a number of leading scientific journals. In 1974 he was appointed as Vice-Principal, Durban, and has acted as Principal since Professor Stock's departure in August this year.

ORDER OF THE PROCEEDINGS

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSIONS ENTER THE HALL

Thou knowest Lord the Secrets of our Hearts, Purcell
THE CHOIRS

THE CHANCELLOR'S PROCESSION ENTERS THE HALL

The University Anthem
THE CHOIRS

CONSTITUTION OF THE CONGREGATION

THE CHANCELLOR
Dr B.A. Armitage

SCRIPTURE READING AND PRAYER

THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DIVINITY
Professor V.J. Bredenkamp

WELCOME

THE CHANCELLOR

Locus Iste, Brückner
Virgo Jesse Floruit, Brückner
THE UNIVERSITY SINGERS, DURBAN

ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT AND ELECTION

THE CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL
Mr L.S. Robinson

PRESENTATION OF THE PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR

THE ORATOR
Professor J.V.O. Reid

AFFIRMATION

THE PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR

INSTALLATION

THE CHANCELLOR

GREETINGS

On behalf of the
Convocation
State Universities
Committee of University Principals
City of Pietermaritzburg
City of Durban
Department of National Education
Province of Natal

Cantate Domino, Orazio Vecchi
Hombe, Kenyan (Luo) folk song arranged by Laz Ekwueme
THE UNIVERSITY CHOIR, PIETERMARITZBURG

ADDRESS

THE PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR

DISSOLUTION OF THE CONGREGATION

THE CHANCELLOR

THE PROCESSIONS LEAVE THE HALL

Gaudeamus Igitur
THE CHOIRS

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The congregation is requested to stand while the
processions enter and leave the Hall

All are invited to partake
of refreshments in the upper gallery
after the ceremony

SCRIPTURE READING (Job 28)

The crust of the earth conceals sapphires
and its dust contains gold.

Men tunnel through the rocks
in their search for precious gems.

But where can wisdom be found?
Where can we learn understanding?

It is not to be obtained from men,
it cannot be bought with silver or gold.

The value of wisdom is greater than
that of coral or crystal or rubies.

Where, then, is the source of wisdom?
Only, God knows:
He knows where it is to be found.

When He gave the wind its power
and determined the limits of the sea;

When He decided where the rain would fall,
and the path that the thunderclouds travel,

it was then that He brought wisdom into being
and tested its worth
and gave it His approval.

And God said to men:
"To be wise, you must honour the Lord;
To understand, you must turn away from evil."

PRAYER

Almighty God, the source of all knowledge and the fount of all wisdom, in Whom we live and move and have our being, we pause in order to acknowledge our dependence upon You and in so doing pray for the community of the University of Natal.

Bless Your servant whom we are about to instal as our new Principal and Vice-Chancellor, that he may lead this university with wisdom, understanding and compassion; vouchsafe to him at all times the guidance of Your Spirit that his governance may be in conformity with Your will.

Grant that we, inspired by his example, may cultivate the arts and sciences both to Your honour and glory and for the benefit of all the people of this land.

May this seat of learning bring light, courage and hope to our wider community, inspiring in its people a heart of wisdom, a pure mind, and a true sense of justice.

To this end may we dedicate ourselves afresh to those noble ideals which led to the establishment of this university.

These prayers we offer in Your Holy Name.

Amen.

CHOIRS

The University Singers, Durban:
Conductor: Elizabeth D. Oehrle
B.A. (Hood College), B.A. (Hons.) (S.A.),
B. Mus. (Rochester), M.A. (Syracuse),
F.T.C.L.

The University Choir, Pietermaritzburg:
Conductor: Pessa Weinberg,
B. Mus. (S.A.), L.T.C.L.

Pianist: Carol Cilliers

Brass and Percussion Ensemble:
Trumpets: F. Sutton
M. Blackburn

Trombones: M. Monteregge
U. Schröeder

Tympany: G. LaPierre

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INHULDIGING

VAN

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PROFESSOR Noel Desmond Clarence word in Pietermaritzburg gebore en ontvang sy skoolopleiding aan die Maritzburg Kollege. Hy studeer verder aan die Natalse Universiteitskollege in Pietermaritzburg en die B.Sc.-graad word in 1941 aan hom toegeken met 'n eersteklasslaagpunt in Fisika. Na 3½ jaar diens in die Spesiale Seindienste keer hy in 1945 terug na sy alma mater en verwerf die Universiteitsonderwysdiploma. Terwyl hy as Junior Lektor in die Departement Fisika werksaam is, voltooi hy sy tesis en verwerf die M.Sc.-graad in 1947 met lof. Gedurende dieselfde jaar word 'n Elsie Ballot-beurs aan hom toegeken waarna hy na Cambridge gaan en in 1949 'n Honneurs B.A.-graad en in 1954 'n M.A.-graad verwerf. Gedurende 1956 word die Ph.D.-graad deur die Universiteit van Natal aan hom toegeken. Hy keer in 1949 terug na die Durban-kampus en word aangestel as Lektor in Fisika. Bevordering tot Senior Lektor volg in 1956 en tot Professor in 1959. In 1968 word hy aangestel as Hoof van die Departement Fisika en dié pos beklee hy tot 1973. In sy akademiese loopbaan het Professor Clarence gedurende drie tydperke van studieverlof in navorsingsinrigtings in Suid-Afrika, die Verenigde Koninkryk en die Verenigde State van Amerika gewerk en was hy veral gemoeid met navorsing op die gebied van atmosferiese en magnetosferiese fisika. Hy het gedien in die fakulteitsrade van Natuurwetenskappe, Ingenieurswese, Medisyne en Argitektuur en was ook Dekaan van die Fakulteit Natuurwetenskappe. Hy het ook in verskeie komitees van die Senaat en die Raad gedien. Op wetenskaplike gebied was hy Vise-Voorsitter en ook Voorsitter van een van die kommissies van die Internasionale Wetenskaplike Radio-unie. Hy is tans nog Wetenskaplike Adviseur vir die Magnetiese Observatorium by Hermanus. Hy het verskeie konferensies beide plaaslik en oorsee bygewoon, in sy eie reg as wetenskaplike en ook as lid van Suid-Afrika se afvaardiging, en van sy artikels het in vooraanstaande wetenskaplike tydskrifte verskyn. In 1974 is hy aangestel as Vise-Prinsipaal in Durban en word waarnemende Prinsipaal toe Professor Stock in Augustus vanjaar vertrek!

VOLGORDE VAN VERRIGTINGE

DIE AKADEMIESE PROSESSIES KOM DIE SAAL BINNE

Thou knowest Lord the Secrets of our Hearts, Purcell
DIE KORE

DIE KANSELIER SE PROSESSIE KOM DIE SAAL BINNE

Die Universiteitslied
DIE KORE

KONSTITUERING VAN DIE VERGADERING
DIE KANSELIER
dr B.A. Armitage

SKRIFLESING EN GEBED
DIE HOOF VAN DIE DEPARTEMENT TEOLOGIE
professor V.J. Bredenkamp

VERWELKOMING
DIE KANSELIER

Locus Iste, Brückner
Virgo Jesse Floruit, Brückner
DIE "UNIVERSITY SINGERS, DURBAN"

AANKONDIGING VAN AANSTELLING EN VERKIESING
DIE VOORSITTER VAN DIE RAAD
mnr L.S. Robinson

VOORSTELLING VAN DIE PRINSIPAAL EN VISE-KANSELIER
DIE WOORDVOERDER
professor J.V.O. Reid

DIE EED
PRINSIPAAL EN VISE-KANSELIER

INHULDIGING
DIE KANSELIER

GELUKWENSINGS

Namens die
Konvokasie
Staatsuniversiteite
Komitee van Universiteitshoofde
Stad Pietermaritzburg
Stad Durban
Departement van Nasionale Opvoeding
Provinsie Natal

Cantate Domino, Orazio Vecchi
Hombe, Kenyan (Luo) volksliedjie verwerk deur Laz Ekwueme
DIE "UNIVERSITY CHOIR, PIETERMARITZBURG"

TOESPRAAK

DIE PRINSIPAAL EN VISE-KANSELIER

ONTBINDING VAN DIE VERGADERING

DIE KANSELIER

DIE PROSESSIES VERLAAT DIE SAAL

Gaudeamus Igitur
DIE KORE

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Die vergadering word versoek om te staan
terwyl die prosessies die saal
binnekom en verlaat.

Almal word uitgenooi om
na die plegtigheid
verversings op die boonste galery
te geniet.

SKRIFLESING (Job 28)

Die aardkors verberg saffiere,
en dit bevat stof van goud.

In die rotse breek die mens gange uit,
en sy oog sien allerhande kosbare dinge.

Maar die wysheid — waar word dit gevind?
En waar is die plek van verstand?

Die mens kan dit nie verskaf nie;
fyn goud kan daarvoor nie gegee word nie,
en geen silwer as koopprys daarvan afgeweeg word nie.

Die besit van wysheid is meer werd as korale en kristalle.

die wysheid dan — waar kom dit vandaan?
God alleen weet die weg daarheen,
en Hy ken die woonplek daarvan.

Toe Hy vir die wind die gewig bepaal
en die waters met die maat afgemeet het,
toe Hy vir die reën 'n wet gestel het
en 'n weg vir die onweerstraal,
toe het Hy die wysheid gesien en dit beproef;
Hy het dit opgestel en dit ook deurvors.

Maar vir die mens het hy gesê:
Kyk, die vrees van die Here is wysheid;
en om van die kwaad af te wyk, is verstand.

GEBED

Almagtige God, die bron van alle kennis en wysheid, ons leier en beskikker, ons bid vir die Universiteit van Natal, en sy gemeenskap terwyl ons in erkentlikheid stil staan voor U troon.

Seën u dienskneg wat nou ingehuldig sal word as ons nuwe Prinsipaal en Vise-Kanselier, sodat hy hierdie universiteit met wysheid, insig en barmhatigheid mag lei; besiel hom ten alle tye met U Gees sodat in die volvoering van sy taak U wil mag geskied.

Gee ook dat ons, deur sy voorbeeld besield, die kuns en wetenskap sal verbrei tot U eer en tot voordeel van al die mense van ons land.

Mag hierdie setel van geleerdheid lig, moed en hoop aan ons breër gemeenskap bring, asook 'n gees van wysheid, regskapenheid en 'n ware begrip van regverdigheid.

Mag ons, om hierdie doel te bereik, met U hulp ons opnuut wy aan die verhewe stigtingsideale van hierdie universiteit.

Ons bid dit alleen om U Naams ontwil.

Amen.

KORE

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Koper- en-perkussie-ensemble:
Trompette: F. Sutton
M. Blackburn

Trombone: M. Monteregge
U. Schröeder

Timpani: G. LaPierre