

SMUTS AND MARSHALL HONOURED

The University of Oxford conferred the degree of Doctor of Civil Laws on Mr. Marshall. Lord Halifax, the Chancellor, preceded the Secretary of State in the procession to the Sheldonian ~~Hall~~ Theatre. Sir Alan Herbert, the Prime Minister and Mr. Eden were among distinguished visitors. The Public Orator extolled Mr. Marshall for his great generalship during the war and for the vision and statesmanship which bore fruit in the ^{the} Marshall Offer to Europe,

After the ceremony Mr. Marshall, turning from the peaceful academic world, renewed his labours in the frustrating atmosphere of the Foreign Ministers' conference.

The freedom of Malmesbury was conferred on another world-statesman, Field-Marshal Smuts. ^{It} ~~Proceedings~~ took place in London, at South Africa House, to ~~which the Mayor and councillors~~ ~~councillors~~ of the Wiltshire borough ~~presented~~ to save the Prime Minister of the Union making a journey. Smuts was born in Malmesbury, South Africa, and this was ~~his~~ ^{his} first ^{chance} ~~opportunity~~ to avail himself of the long-standing offer to accept the highest honour ~~which~~ the Wiltshire town is empowered to confer. The two Malmesburys, said the Field-Marshal, ~~were~~ ^{are} bound by a common love of freedom.