

In 1940 while serving as secretary to the State Board of Agriculture
(at that time the governing board of Michigan State College) John A. Hannah
points to a chart on MSC enrollments. He became president the following year.

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Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt chats with John A. Hannah, the then Secretary to the Michigan Board of Agriculture (the governing board of Michigan State College) shortly after the opening of the University Auditorium in 1940.
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John A. Hannah, the then secretary to the State Board of Agriculture, the governing board of Michigan State College, receives an honorary degree from his father-in-law, President Robert S. Shaw, as part of the 1941 spring commencement. Mr. Hannah became president the following month. (1760-M)

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John A. Hannah at his first commencement as president of the then Michigan State College in 1942. (652774-4)

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President John A. Hannah (center) inspects the first daily issue of the campus newspaper, the STATE NEWS in 1942. (2302-B)

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President John A. Hannah addresses new staff members in 1949 while Michigan State University was still Michigan State College. (Photo #6549-B)

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Nelson A. Rockefeller, then chairman of the International Development Advisory Board, receives an honorary degree from Michigan State University in June, 1951, as President John A. Hannah reads the presentation. (9448-C)

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Gen. Douglas MacArthur is welcomed to Michigan State University by President John A. Hannah during a special visit to the campus by the general in 1952. This was General MacArthur's first visit. He was to return to MSU as the spring commencement speaker in 1961. (69352-2)

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Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hannah during a Jan. 1953 special farewell ceremony attended by students and faculty as he left the then Michigan State College to become assistant secretary of defense for a year. (69352-1)

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President John A. Hannah (center) during an inspection visit to
South Korea in 1953 as Assistant Secretary of ^{Defense} ~~State~~. Mr. Hannah was on a
year leave of absence from Michigan State University. (662099-4)

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MSU President John A. Hannah, serving as assistant secretary of defense, eats Thanksgiving Day dinner with an infantry company during a 1953 visit to South Korea. (Photo No. 69352-4)

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MSU President John A. Hannah, talks with reporters in 1953 while serving as assistant secretary of defense. Mr. Hannah was on a special bus taking him to MSU from airport after returning from a trip to South Korea. (Photo #662099-2)

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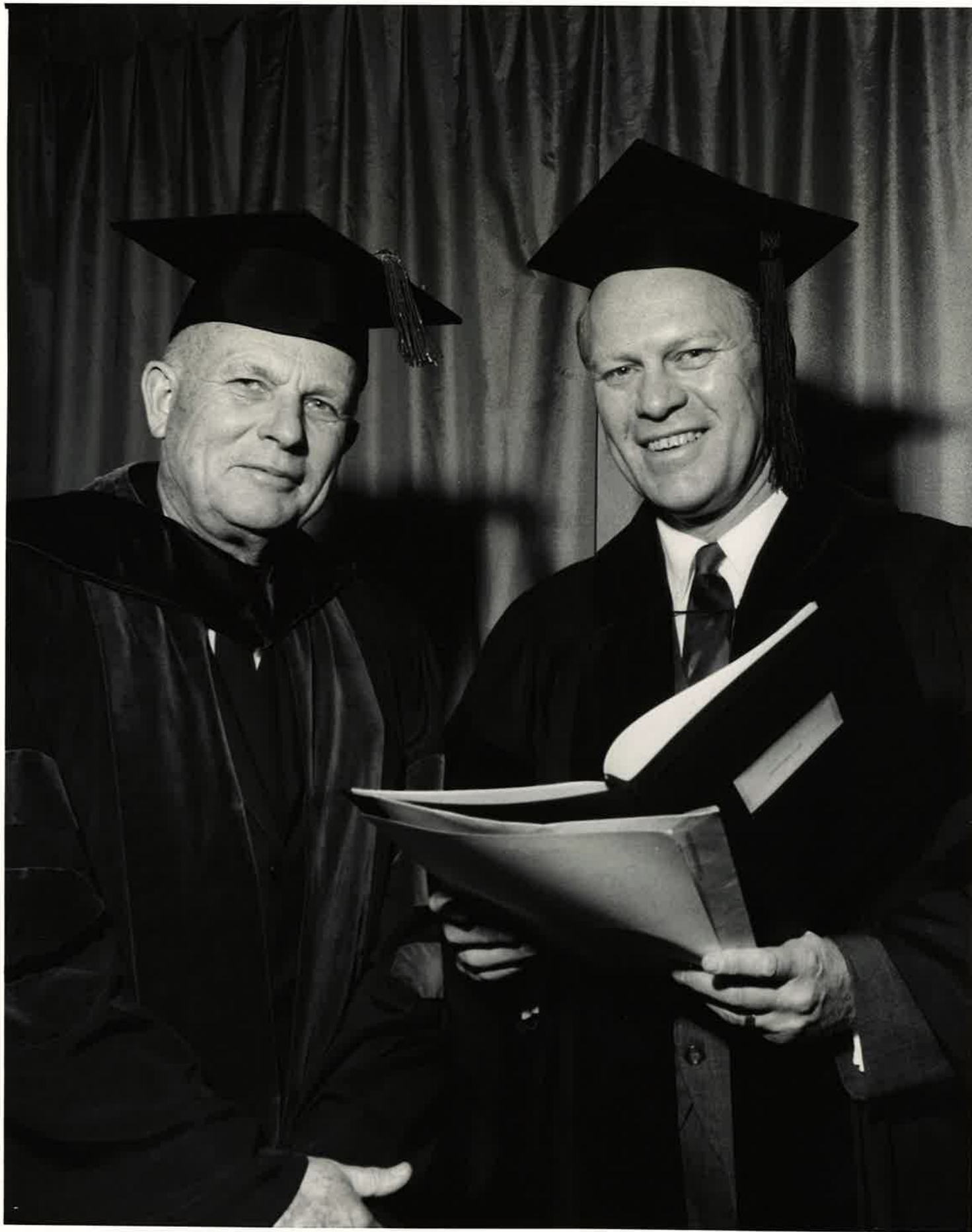


MSU President John A. Hannah, serving as assistant secretary of defense, prepares for a jet flight during a 1953 visit to Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. (Photo Number 662099-3)

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President John A. Hannah chats with Congressman Gerald R. Ford,
speaker for winter commencement, 1965. (Photo No. 655-66-5)

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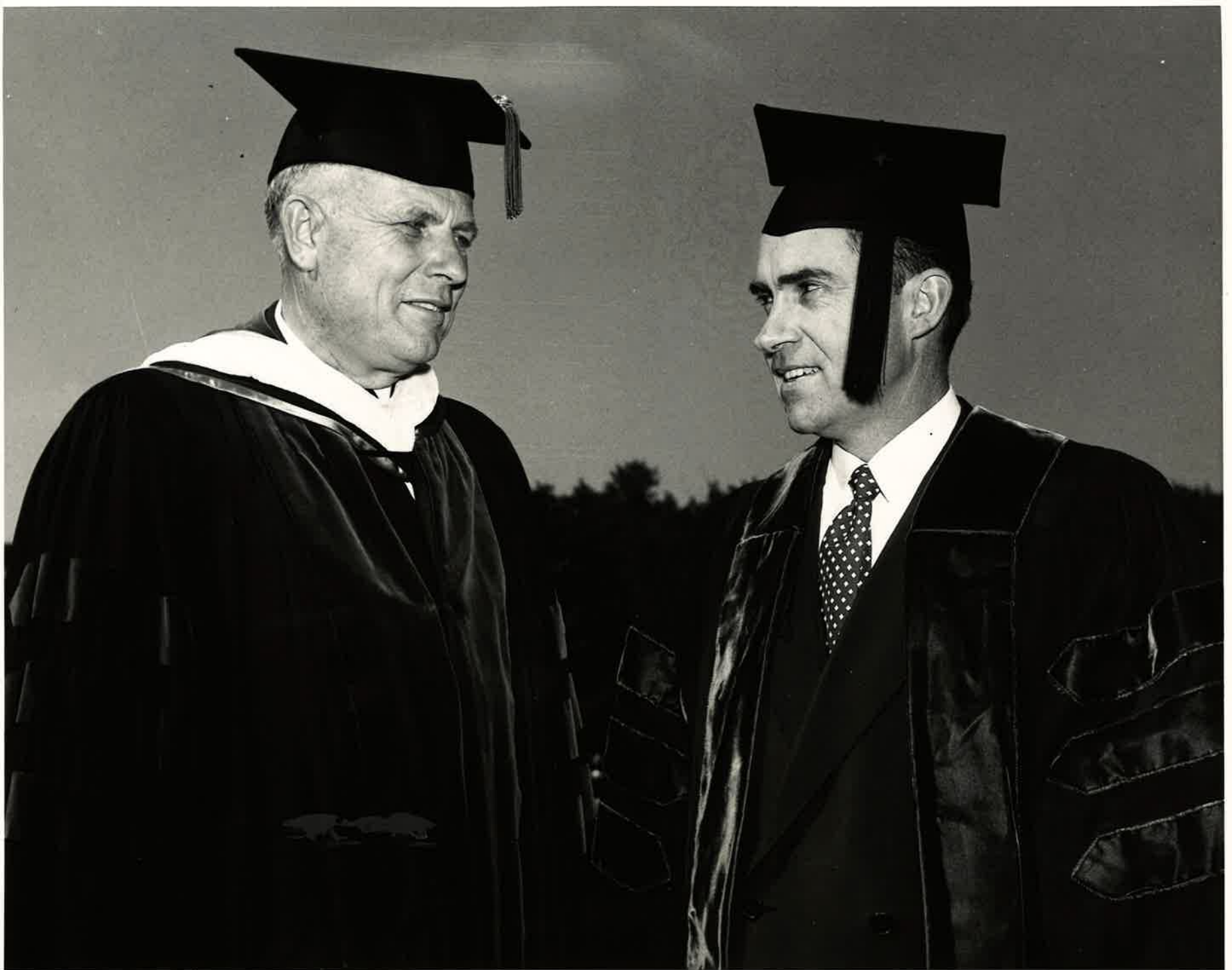


President John A. Hannah, right, receives souvenir license plates from Ralph T. Wills, Deputy Secretary of State of Michigan in 1955. The plates were in honor of MSU's 100th anniversary, when the name Michigan State College was changed to Michigan State University. (12542-2)

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MSU President John A. Hannah and President Richard M. Nixon, who was Vice President in the Eisenhower administration, relax prior to participating in MSU's 1957 spring commencement. President Nixon was commencement speaker and received an honorary degree from the University. (17385-4)

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John A. Hannah, President of MSU, and Adlai Stevenson, twice Democratic presidential candidate, prepare for MSU's 1958 spring commencement.

Mr. Stevenson presented the commencement address and was awarded an honorary degree from MSU. (19449-17)

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MSU President John A. Hannah and the late Mrs. Alfred Wilson shovel the first spade of dirt during the 1958 groundbreaking ceremonies of the establishment of Oakland University, MSU's affiliate university. The site for the University was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Wilson who gave their 1,400 acre Meadow Brook Farms estate valued at \$8 million and donated \$2 million for the first two academic buildings. (19222-14)

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Former President Harry S. Truman delivers the commencement address at the spring commencement of 1960 as John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State University, enjoys a comment made by President Truman. (Photo Number 23629-8)

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Former President Harry S. Truman, 1960 spring commencement speaker,
poses with MSU President John A. Hannah. (Photo No. 23629-14)

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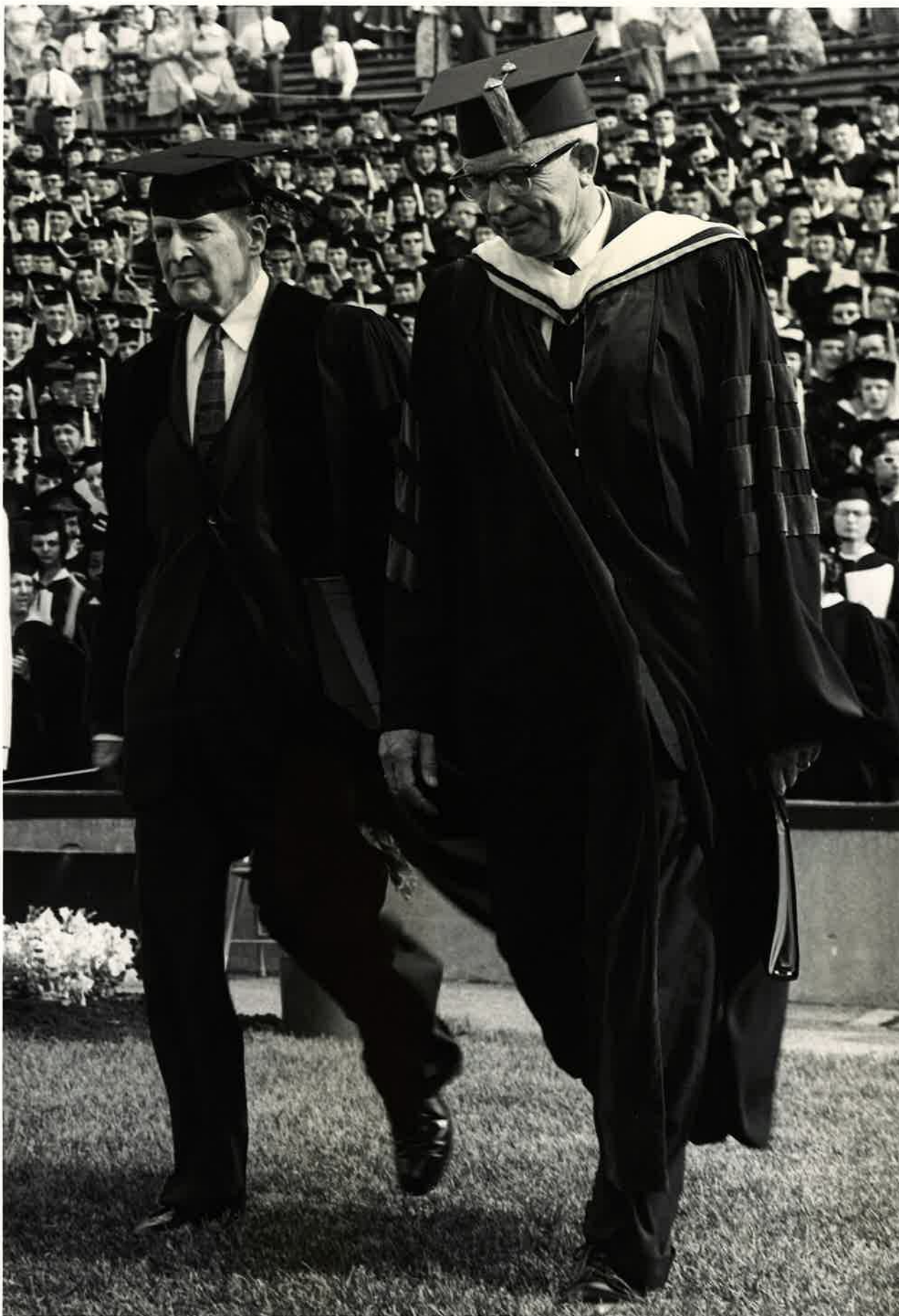


President John A. Hannah (third from front) marches in the opening convocation procession of the University of Nigeria at Nsukka in Eastern, Nigeria in 1960. For many years, MSU worked closely with the Nigerian government in the total development of the University of Nigeria in the eastern section of the West African nation. (24776-2)

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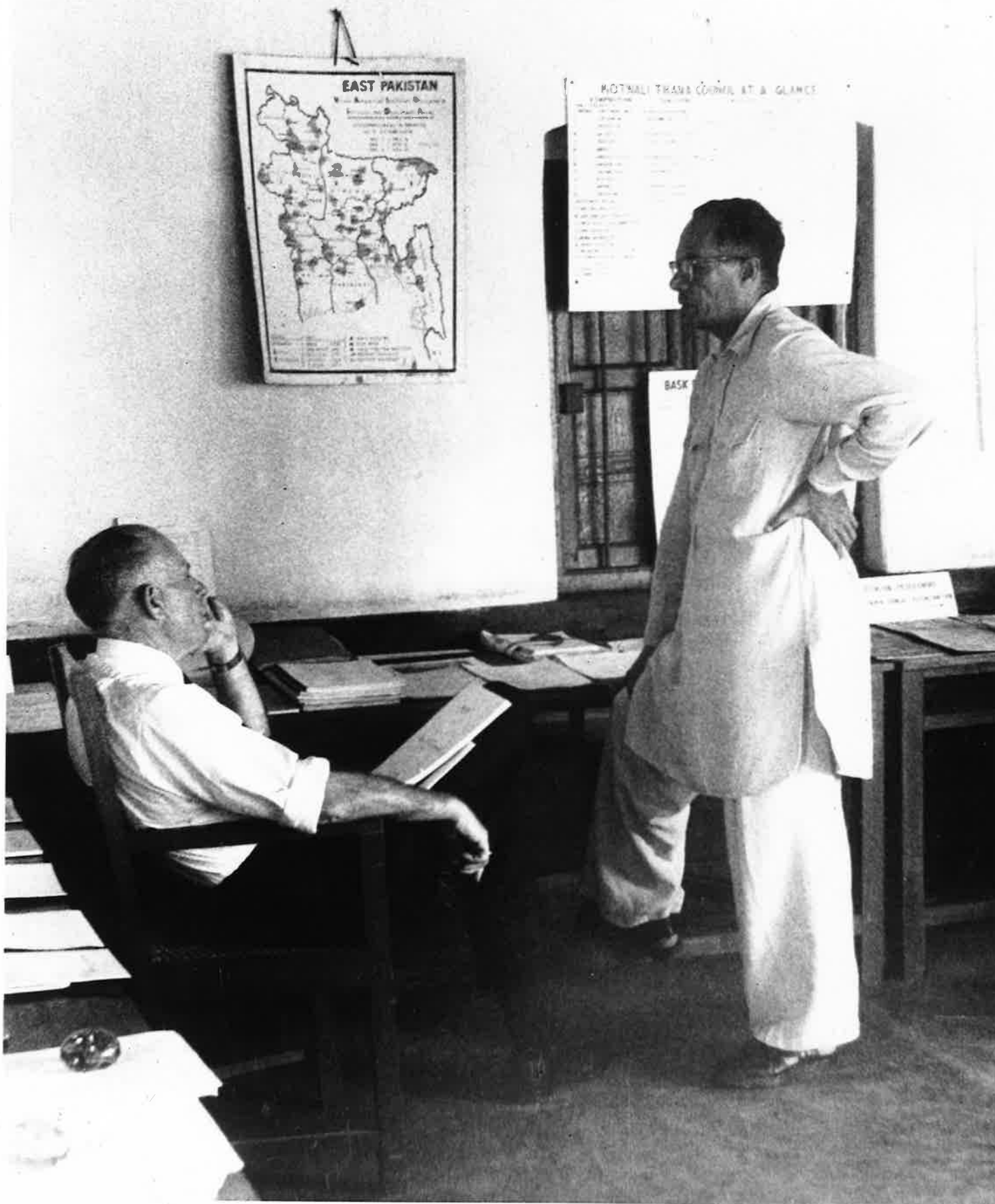


Gen. Douglas MacArthur and President John A. Hannah walk to the speaker's platform during the spring commencement of 1961. General MacArthur was the commencement speaker and received an honorary degree from Michigan State University. (Photo Number 67710-1)

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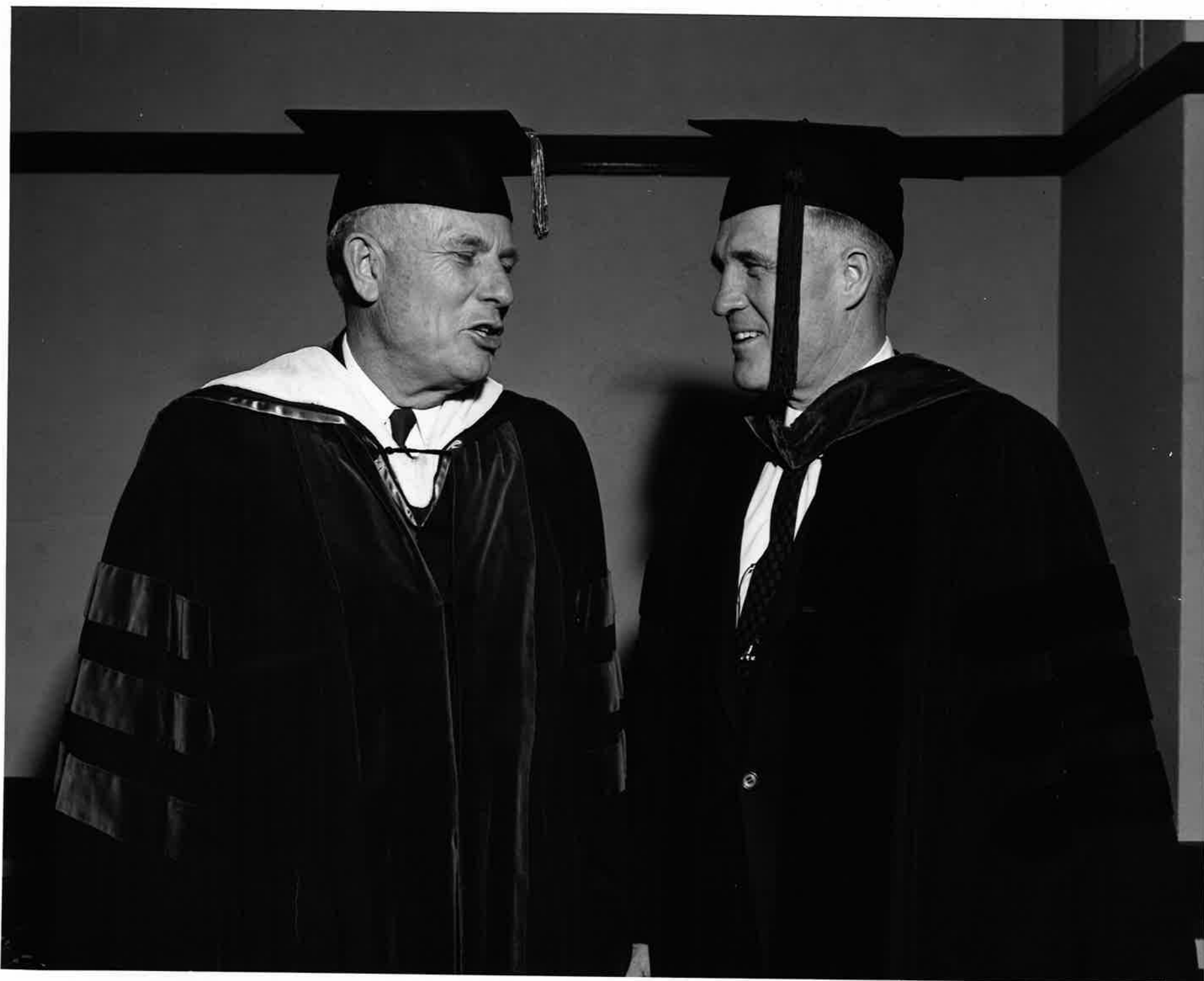


President John A. Hannah is briefed on the establishment of communication training programs in East Pakistan by Akhter Hameed Kahn during a 1961 visit by Mr. Hannah to Pakistan. Michigan State has operated training programs in East and West Pakistan for several years. (26638-2)

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John A. Hannah, president of MSU, chats with George Romney, the then president of American Motors Corporation and current Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, during Fall commencement, 1961. (26911-2)

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Stephen S. Nisbet, a member of the MSU Board of Trustees and MSU President John A. Hannah inspect the Con-Con Room in the University's International Center at the opening of the building in 1964. The room is a permanent display of the 1961-1962 Michigan Constitutional Convention of which both Mr. Nisbet and President Hannah were delegates. (642006-3)

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Montana Sen. Michael J. Mansfield, Majority Leader, and President John A. Hannah enjoy a light moment before the 1962 spring commencement. Senator Mansfield was speaker for the occasion and received an honorary degree from MSU. (621001-21)

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President John A. Hannah chats with Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers, during the 1964 winter commencement. Mr. Reuther was commencement speaker and received an honorary degree from MSU. (Photo #64588-1)

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President John A. Hannah points out some
of Michigan State University's overseas projects to Gen.
James Collins during a 1964 visit to MSU by the general.
General Collins served as Mr. Hannah's aide while the
MSU President was Assistant Secretary of Defense in 1953.
(69352-3)



U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl H. Warren and MSU President John
A. Hannah walk to the speakers platform for the 1965 spring commencement.
Chief Justice Warren was commencement speaker and received an honorary degree.

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During the Nov. 1966 dinner in honor of President John A. Hannah's
25th year as chief executive of MSU, (r. to l.) Oakland University Chancellor
Durwood B. Varner welcomes Notre Dame President, The Rev. Theodore Hesburgh,
to the speaker's platform as Mr. and Mrs. Hannah applaud. (662752-99)

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Former Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey and John A. Hannah, president of MSU, walk to the speaker's platform for the 1966 spring commencement. Mr. Humphrey was the speaker for the event and received an honorary degree from MSU. (Photo No. 661400-38)

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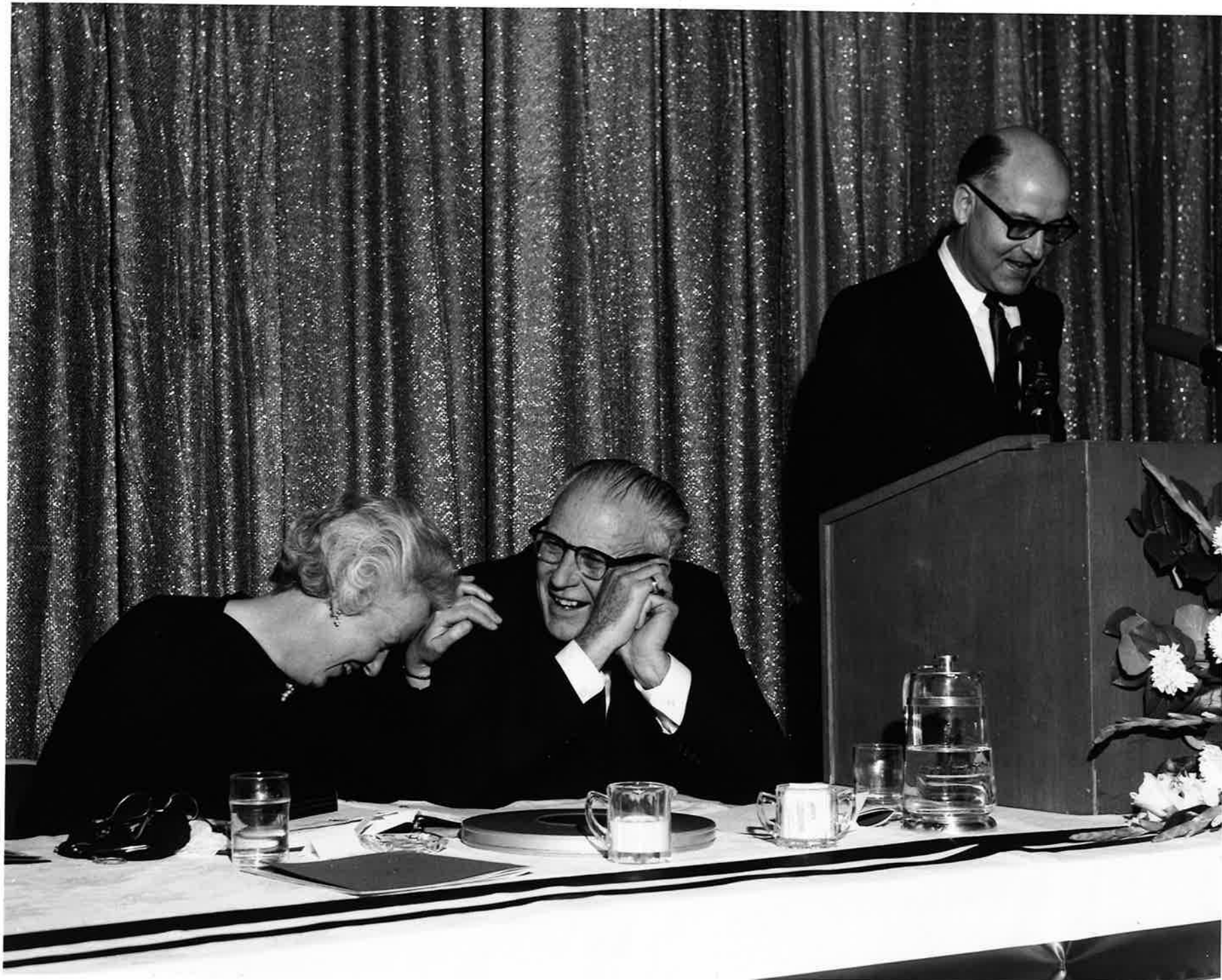


Honored guests and friends gather in the Lansing Civic Center in
Nov. 1966 for a dinner in honor of John A. Hannah's 25th year as president
of Michigan State University. (662752-28)

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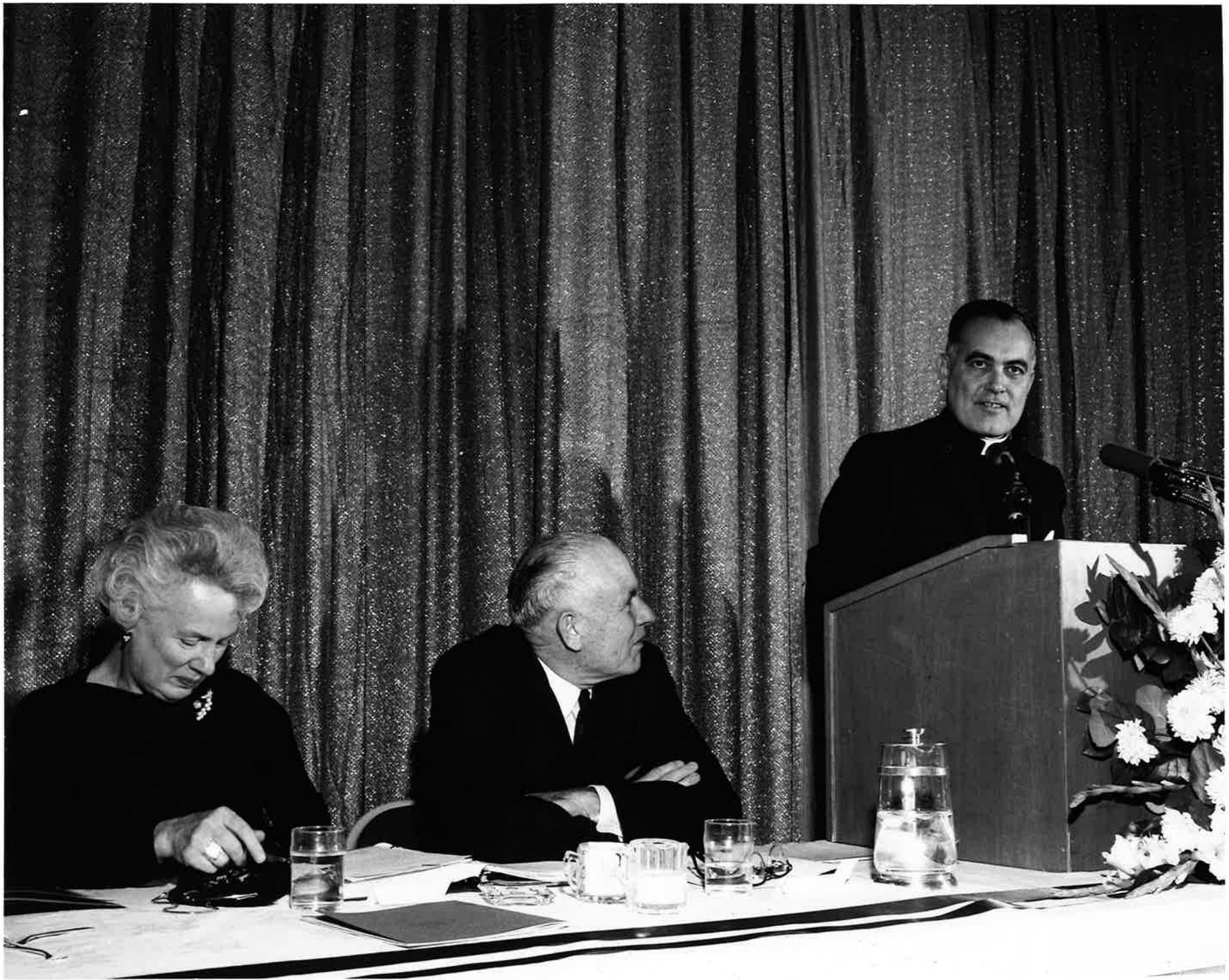


President and Mrs. John A. Hannah enjoy a light moment with Durward B. Varner, chancellor of Oakland University, during the Nov. 1966 banquet in honor of Mr. Hannah's 25th year as president of MSU. (662752-89)

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The Rev. Theodore Hesburgh, president of the University of Notre Dame, delivers his impressions of MSU President John A. Hannah during the 25th anniversary dinner in Nov. 1966 in honor of Mr. Hannah's presidency as Mr. and Mrs. Hannah look on with approval. (662752-100)

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MSU President John A. Hannah chats with George Romney, the then Governor of Michigan, and Mrs. Romney during the Nov. 1966 dinner in honor of President Hannah's 25th year as chief executive of the University. (662752-49)

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(From left to right) Mrs. George Romney, Mrs. John A. Hannah, John A. Hannah, president of MSU, Dr. Bernard S. Schweigert, head of food science, and Mrs. Schweigert enjoy a light moment with the then Governor of Michigan, George Romney at a banquet in March 1967, marking the opening of MSU's new Food Science Building. (67710-1)

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President John A. Hannah and Cevdet Sunay, president of Turkey, relax before a special convocation in April, 1967 in honor of the Turkish chief executive. MSU operates several institution-building projects in Turkey.

(Photo # 67899-3)

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President John A. Hannah in his office in the old administration building. The motto under the picture of Abraham Lincoln reads, "I do the very best I know how -- the very best I can. And I mean to keep on doing so until the end. If the end brings me out all right, what is said against me won't amount to anything. If the end bring me out wrong, then angels swearing I was right would make no difference." The Lincoln motto has been adopted by President Hannah. (1967)

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MSU President John A. Hannah (center) introduces MSU students from Thailand to Thanom Kittikachorn, Prime Minister of Thailand, and his wife during a May 1968, visit to the University by Thai Chief of State. Michigan State operated a four-year educational planning project in Thailand working with Thai educators in developing education from kindergarten to graduate school. (681041-4)

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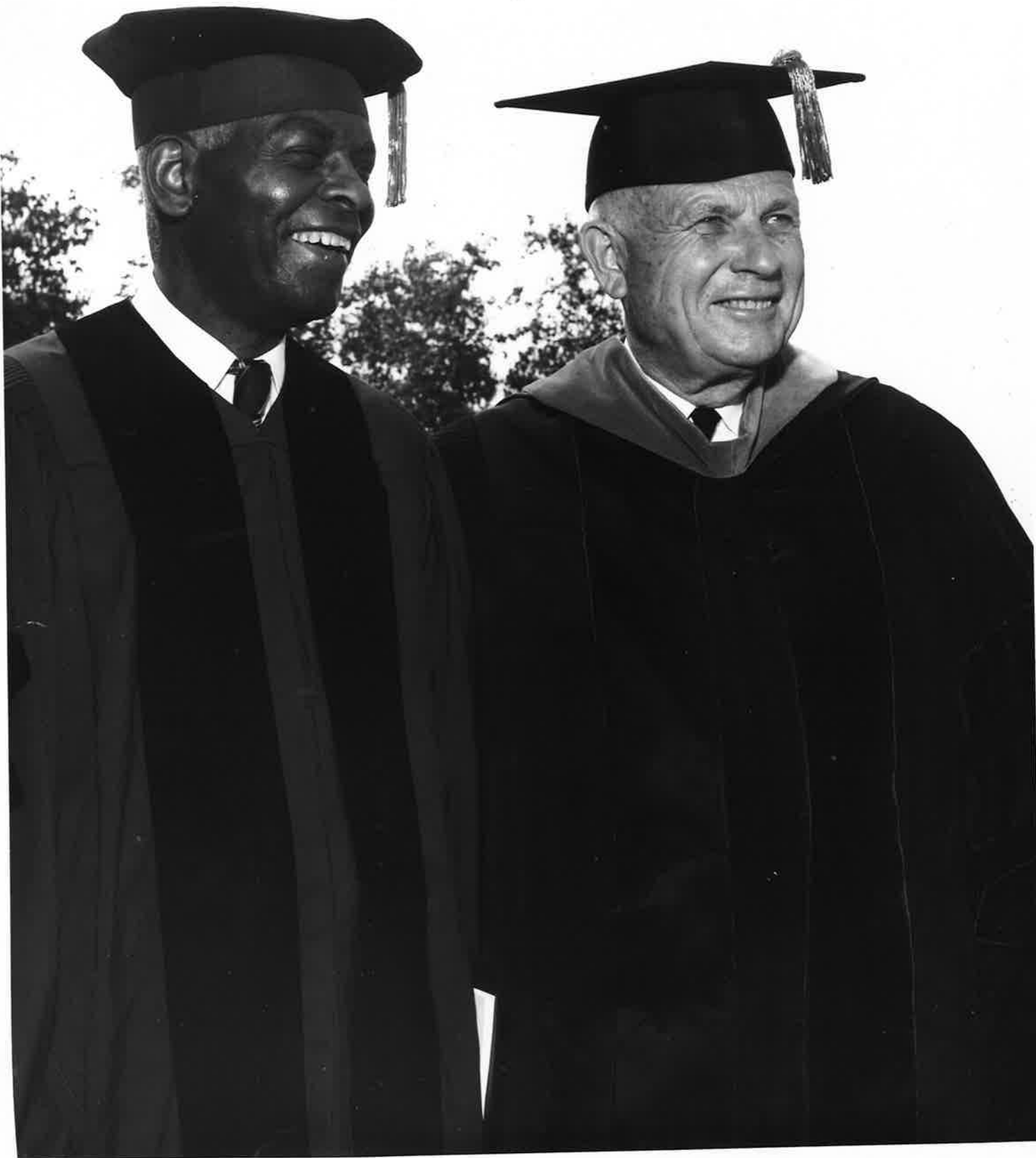


President John A. Hannah, chairman of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, talks with Dr. George M. Johnson, professor of education, during the 1968 presentation of the first copy of the book, The U.S. Civil Rights Commission: 1957-1967, published by the MSU Press. Dr. Johnson served on the Commission staff for several years. (68630-2)

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During spring commencement, 1968, commencement speaker, Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, president emeritus of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga., chats with John A. Hannah, president of MSU. Dr. Mays, a close friend of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, delivered the eulogy at Rev. King's funeral in 1968. (681406-11)

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Robert W. Hannah receives the Ph.D. Degree in African History from his father, MSU President John A. Hannah, during President Hannah's last commencement as president in March, 1969. (Photo # 69629-5)

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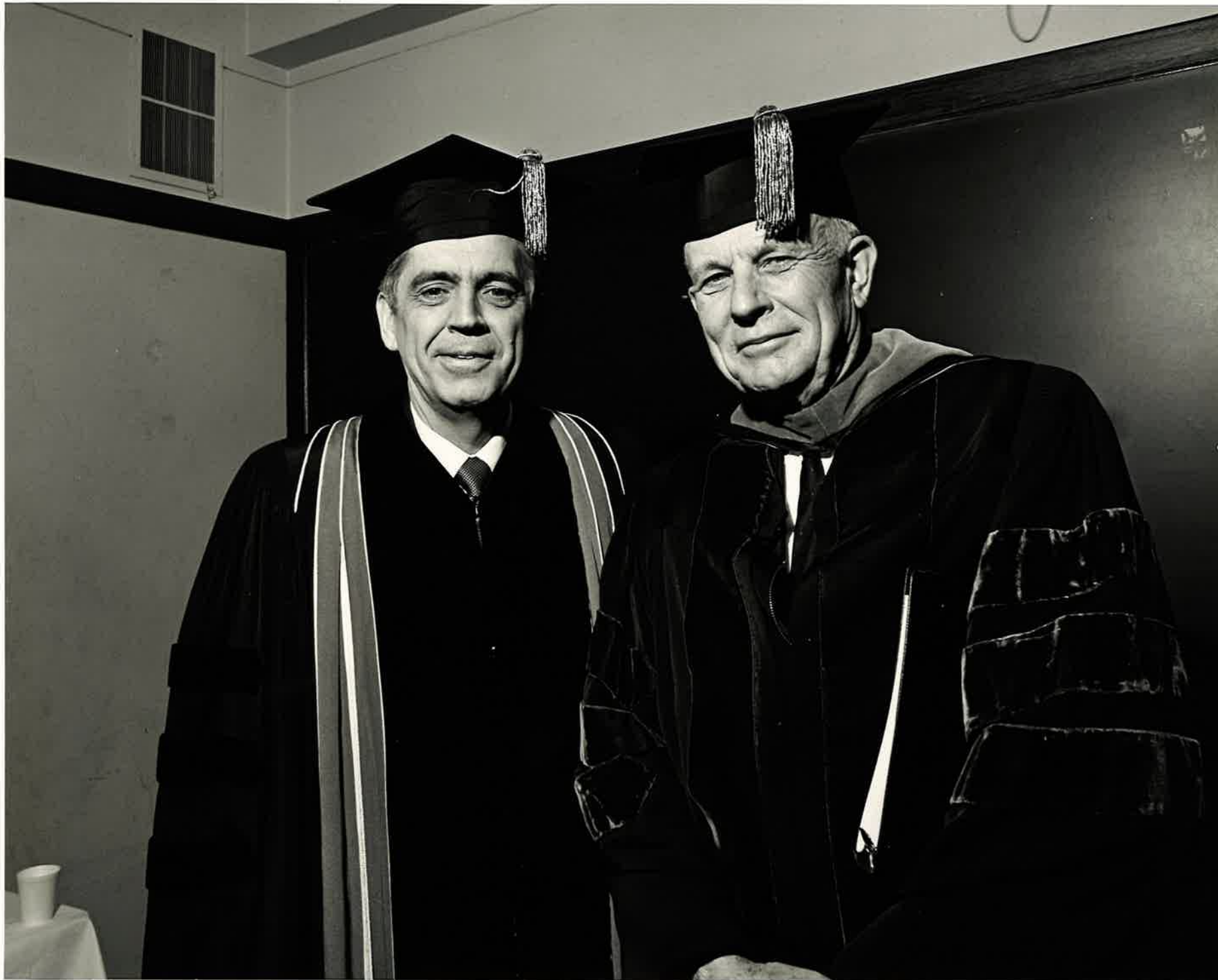


Mrs. John A. Hannah, wife of MSU President Hannah, relaxes following the 1969 winter commencement with her granddaughter, son Dr. Robert W. Hannah and his wife. The young Dr. Hannah received the Ph.D. in African History from his father in President Hannah's last commencement as head of MSU. His son is an officer with the U.S. Army in El Paso and is expected to leave soon for South Vietnam. (Photo # 69629-2)

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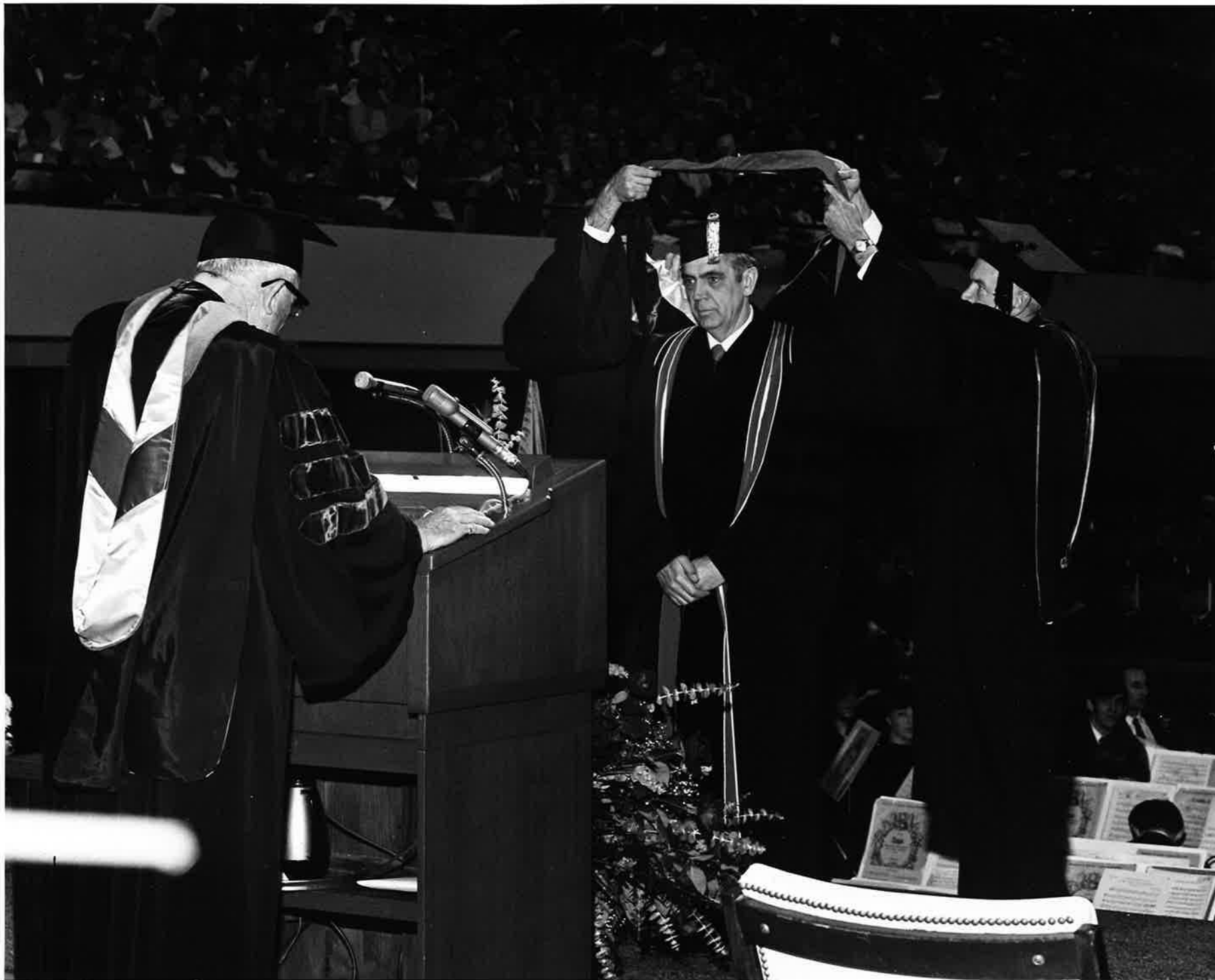


U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Clifford Hardin and President John A. Hannah relax before the 1969 winter commencement ceremonies. Dr. Hardin, formerly dean of MSU's College of Agriculture and a member of the MSU staff for 10 years, was chancellor of the University of Nebraska from 1954-69. The commencement marked the last for Mr. Hannah as president of Michigan State University.
(Photo # 69629-1)

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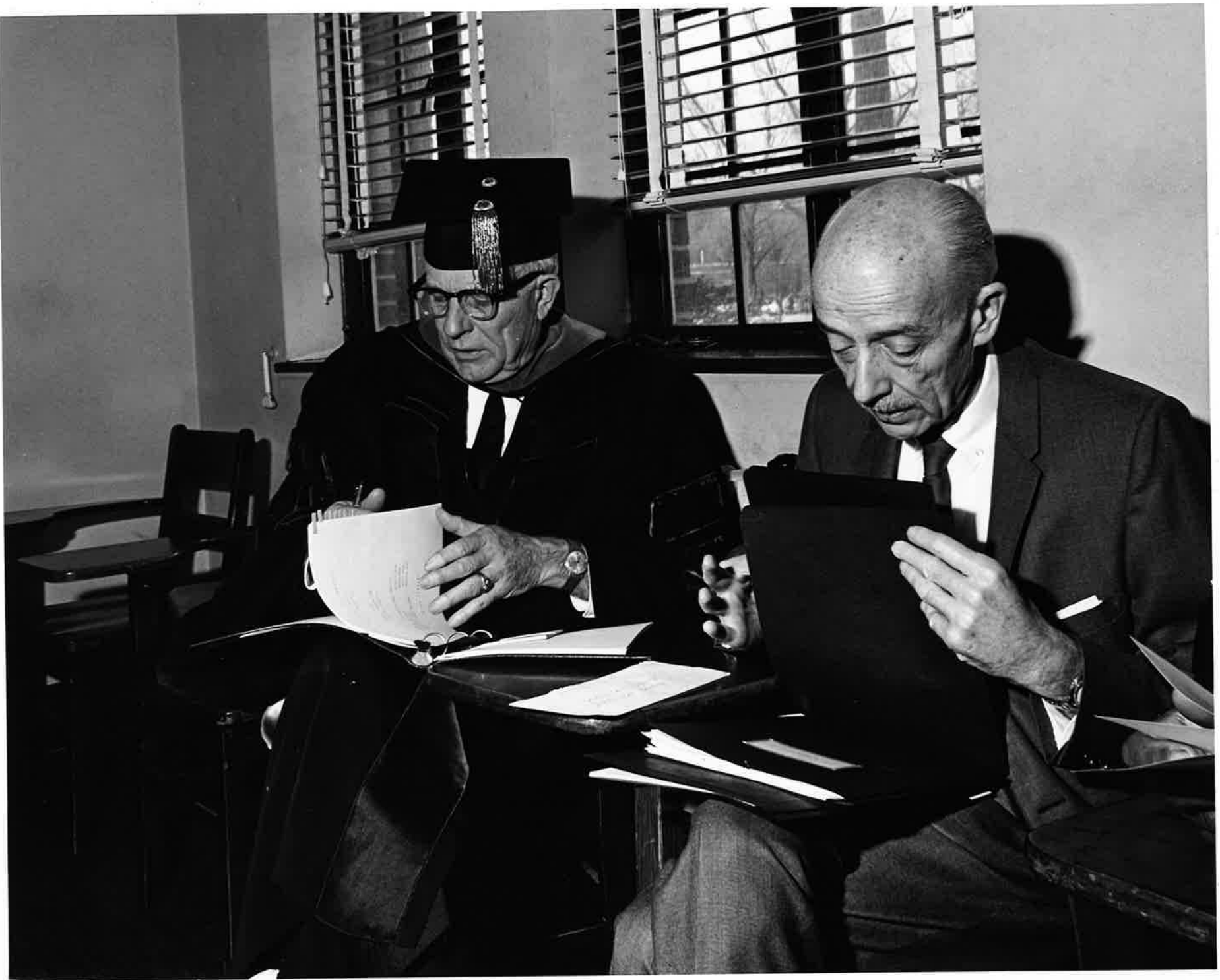


As President John A. Hannah reads the presentation, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Clifford Hardin is given the hood of an honorary degree from Michigan State University. Dr. Hardin, formerly dean of MSU's College of Agriculture and a member of the MSU staff for 10 years, was chancellor of the University of Nebraska from 1954 to 1969. (Photo # 69629-4)

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President John A. Hannah and James H. Denison, assistant to the president and director of university relations, prepare for Mr. Hannah's last commencement as president in March, 1969. Mr. Denison has served Mr. Hannah as assistant to the president since 1947. (Photo # 69629-3)

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President John A. Hannah and his wife, Mrs. Sarah Shaw Hannah, outside of their university residence Cowles House. Mrs. Hannah is the daughter of former MSU President Robert S. Shaw, 1928-41. He was succeeded by President Hannah. (69595-3)

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President John A. Hannah in front of Michigan State University's
Beaumont Tower. The tower stands on the site of College Hall, the first
building in America erected for the teaching of scientific agriculture.

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President John A. Hannah holds a press conference in Jan. 1969 to announce the findings of a task force he headed for the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges. The group made recommendations to President Richard M. Nixon concerning U.S. developmental assistance overseas. The research for the report was conducted by Dr. George Axinn, assistant dean of international programs at Michigan State. (69128-2)

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President John A. Hannah in front of Michigan State University's new administration building (1969) which will bear his name. The name, Hannah Administration Building, was given by the Board of Trustees. President Hannah asked that his name not be used until after he leaves MSU. (69595-7)

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