## PROFESSOR JÁNOS SZILÁRD

## **Closing Speech**

I wish to express my grateful thanks to Professor Diczfalusy for his most kind words and special thanks for the message of Professor Samuelsson. I believe that contact between the four new Doctors "Honoris causa" and our University and Hungarian medical science may be a modest acknowledgement of their activities, but it may be a little more than a modest sign of our University's intention to act in the spirit and principle of Albert Szent-Györgyi as already acknowledged by the Nobel prize Committee 50 years ago.

As we approach the end of this ceremory, allow me to thank our doctors "honoris causa" of former years: Professors Paul Bacsich, László Lajtha, Otto Prokop, G. Wooler, David de Wied, as well as the Heads of our Fellow Universities, Professor A. Rousi Rector of the Turku University, Professor N. Kamp President of Göttingen University who due to other obligations were unable to be present but sent their best wishes by letter. These greetings and attentions as well as the response to our renaming in geographically distant countries, indicate that this day and event is an important contribution in the enhancing of our University's reputation and also in strengthening and extending our scientific contacts on Hungarian and international levels alike.

As we arrive at the end of our renaming celebration I wish to thank Károly Németh as well as all of those who have graced our celebration with your presence.



Opening of the banquet. Professor Gyula Telegdy dean of the Medical faculty, Mrs. Albert Szent-Györgyi, János Szilárd, Rector, Károly Németh President of the Presidium, Professor Ilona Banga, Professor Béla Selmeczi, Dean of Pharmacological Faculty.