40 Receive Golden Plate Awards At Achievement Banquet Here

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More than 40 persons known nationally for their achievements in arts and letters as well as public life received Golden Plate awards Saturday night at the Golden Plate Banquet of the American Academy of Achievement at the Bellevue Stratford.

An audience of 550 persons watched as such notables as Lowell Thomas, pioneer radio newscaster; Gerald Ford, House minority leader, and Louis I. Kahn, Philadelphia architect, were honored.

Joining this year's program were 100 high school honor students from around the country, including 10 national champions, including the American Legion's Young Orator of the Year and the VFV's Voice of Democracy winner.

The Academy is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the inspiration of youth. Novelists Irving Stone, author of "Lust for Life" and "The Agony and the Ecstasy" was honored at the banquet, as was Turner Catledge, former executive editor of the New York Times and Sen Hiram L. Fong of Hawaii.

Awards to Philadelphia area residents included: Roy T. Perman, president of Continental Bank; Robert O. Snelling, Sr., chairman of Snelling & Snelling; Leo C. Beebe, vice chairman-consumer marketing of Philco-Ford and Robert G. Dunlop, president of Sun Oil Co.

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