

Alumnus honored with honorary doctorate degree

Editor's note: The Chowanian is proud to reproduce the following article which appeared in the program of the Grand Canyon College Degree Award Ceremony, held in honor of Chowan Alumna, Mrs. Hilton Jones Crow, class of 1928. Her mother, the late Mrs. A. W. H. Jones, served as a Chowan trustee and her brother, A. W. H. Jones, Jr., is a Chowan alumnus, class of 1933. Mrs. Crow has contributed memorial gifts to Chowan to honor her mother.

The conferring of the Honorary Degree
DOCTOR OF LETTERS
on
HILTON JONES CROW
October 9, 1981

Mrs. Crow is known throughout the Arizona Southern Baptist Convention for helping to nurture the work of the Southern Baptists in Arizona in many areas from infancy to its present stature.

Mrs. Crow was born on February 9, 1910 in Bruington, Virginia to Dr. and Mrs. A. W. H. Jones. At age five, Hilton gave her heart to Jesus Christ and was baptized at age seven in the James River.

At an early age, Mrs. Crow committed her life to the mission field. At this time, she felt called to the mission field of China. Later in her life, she felt sure Arizona was where God had called her.

At the age of eleven, Hilton began teaching Sunday School to teenagers. She entered Chowan College at the age of fourteen and graduated four years later. She was valedictorian and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree. At her graduation was referred to by many as a child prodigy. Mrs. Jones, at eighteen years of age, taught Latin in Tazewell, Virginia.

Mrs. Crow earned her masters degree from the University of Virginia. She received a Bachelor of Oratory from the King's School of Oratory. While she was at King's School, she met Gordon D. Crow, who was attending the University of Pittsburgh.

Gordon and Hilton were married on June 13, 1930. That same year, Mrs. Crow was appointed the chairman of the Speech Department at Elon College in North Carolina.

Because of Mr. Crow's health, they moved to Tuscon in 1931. The Crows became charter members of First Southern Baptist Church in Tucson.

In 1933, Hilton was elected the President of the Women's Missionary Union at First Southern and served in that capacity until 1940.

Mrs. Crow accepted the position as the Arizona WMU Corresponding Secretary in

1936 and served until 1946. The WMU in the Catalina Association elected Mrs. Crow as President for two terms—1951 to 1953 and 1958 to 1964.

In 1956, she was selected to serve on the Southern Baptist Convention Historical Commission. Her term expired in 1963 and was given a lifetime membership in the SBC Historical Society.

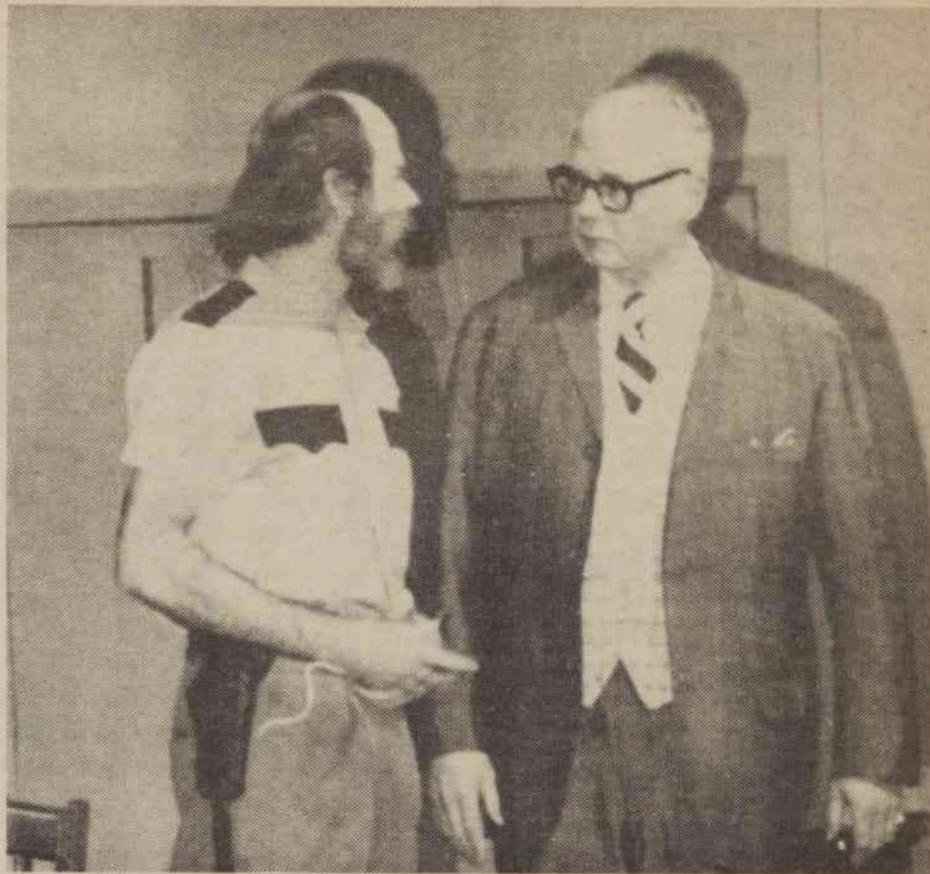
The Arizona Southern Baptist Convention Historical Commission has elected her three times to serve six year terms. This year, the Commission selected her as their President.

Mrs. Crow was thirty-four year member of the State WMU Executive Board for twenty-five years. She is presently in her tenth year as Clerk of the Catalina Association.

She has served on the Executive Board of the American Association of University Women and has held offices in the Alpha Eta Chapter of Phi Sigma Alpha.

After Mr. Crow's death, she established the G. G. Crow Memorial Scholarship at Grand Canyon College.

Grand Canyon College is pleased and proud to award Hilton Jones Crow with the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters.



A scene from "Front Page" given by Chowan Players.

The Chowanian

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Players present 'Front Page'

The Chowan Players presented "The Front Page," a revival of the fast paced newspaper hit of the 30's, Nov. 18-21 in McDowell Columns auditorium.

"This play was one of the most exciting, amusing and fast paced dramas produced on our stage," noted Chowan Players director, Mrs. Sandra Boyce.

"It told in highly exciting fashion the story of a remarkable reporter who is sick of his profession, who marries and tries to get away from it, only to be pulled back by its irresistible lure," she said.

The plot centered around the escape of a man about to be hanged, his concealment in the reporter's office, and his final discovery.

"Vastly entertaining"

"The play is a vastly entertaining show for audiences for all ages," added Mrs. Boyce, opening her fourth year as the Players director.

"The Front Page" featured Alan Johnson in the role of Hildy Johnson, the brilliant reporter about to leave the business for wife and family. His demanding boss, Walter Burns, was played by Frank Underwood, who played the title role in "Dracula" last year.

Other ace reporters included veteran Chowan Players, Joe Mayes and Bernard Ingram. Mayes was George Gibbs in "Our Town," Arthur in "Dracula," and Jesus in "Godspell."

Ingram played Renfield in "Dracula," Prof. Willard in "Our Town," and multiple characters Judas and John the Baptist in "Godspell."

Professors take parts

A preview of the play was presented during college assembly programs. Judging from the response of the students, two Chowan professors were the play's "scene stealers." Betty Batchelor, who teaches English, and Stanley Mitchell, who teaches art, left the students laughing. Batchelor played the meter maid and Mitchell the milquetoast sheriff.

Other professors in the play were Esther Whitaker as Mrs. Grant and Acheson Harden as the mayor.

Alumnus receives Rotary grant for dentistry study in Australia

Keith Randall Lawson of Lawsonville, a former student and graduate of Chowan with the Associate of Science degree in May 1981, has been awarded a Rotary Foundation Scholarship by Rotary International for the 1982-83 academic year.

He will study Science in preparation for a career in dentistry, at the University of Tasmania, Hobart, Tasmania, Australia. Lawson is presently a student at UNC-Chapel Hill.

While at Chowan he was a Residence Hall

New Bern student receives GATF grant

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Chowan freshman, Carla J. Waters, New Bern, is the recipient of the W. O. Toby Morgan Scholarship for the 1981-82 academic year. The scholarship award may be renewed for a four-year period.

The scholarship was awarded to Ms. Waters through the National Scholarship Trust Fund, an affiliate of the Graphic Arts Technical Foundation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Waters was chosen for the award of the basis of national test scores, academic achievement, industry, high school recommendation, and an interest in achieving a career in the graphic communications industries.

A graduate of New Bern Senior High School, she is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Alra Jackson Waters of New Bern.

Assistant, was active in Circle K Club, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, national scholarship fraternity, and was graduated Cum Laude.

Sponsored by Murfreesboro club

One of more than 1,200 men and women worldwide who recently received Rotary Foundation Scholarships totaling more than eighteen million dollars, Lawson was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Murfreesboro. There are over 19,000 clubs in 156 countries and geographical regions of the world.

Rotary Foundation Scholarships underwrite the full cost of study abroad, including tuition, books, laboratory fees, lodging, food, travel, and if necessary, language instruction in the study country. Recipients have the opportunity to speak to Rotary clubs and other groups in their study and home countries; thus applicants are evaluated on both their ambassadorial and scholarship potential.

Men and women interested in applying for a Rotary Foundation Scholarship for 1983-84 should contact a Rotary Club in their area. The deadline for applications to be received is March 1, 1982.

EXECUTIVE CONDUCTS PROGRAM ON CHANGES IN TAX LAWS

The Department of Business sponsored a program entitled "The 1981 Tax Act—What It Means To The Individual" in November with Maureen Berry, senior account executive in the Bache, Halsey, Stuart, Shields, Inc., Durham office as speaker.



Dr. Crow receives degree from college president.