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## 'Alumnus' Award Given

John Percell Carlton, 82, of Spartanburg, S.C., was named Gardner-Webb's "Alumnus of the Year" at the annual alumni banquet on campus May 11.

The announcement of his award, given by the college board of trustees, was a highlight of the banquet, at which three other alumni were honored, the college's new radio station was dedicated, and new alumni leaders were elected.

Carlton is one of the school's oldest former students. He was graduated from the institution known as Boiling Springs Boarding High School in 1912.

In his hometown, he is actively engaged in the city's beautification pro-

gram. He is a past president of the Men's Garden Club and is known throughout the city as the "flower man" since he gives away hundreds of floral arrangements every year.

The more than 500 people attending the banquet honored him with a standing ovation when the award was announced.

The alumni association itself presented three distinguished service awards to former students. Mrs. Charles (Jo Lena) Balen of Columbia, S.C., was awarded the "service to denomination and church" award. Dr. Ralph Fells, Morganton dentist, was presented the "service to community" award, and George

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**HONORED**—John Percell Carlton, 82 acknowledges an ovation from fellow alumni after he was presented the "Alumnus of the Year" award by college president Dr. E. Eugene Poston, left. At age 82, Carlton combines his love for flowers with his love for fellow men, sharing the beautiful blossoms from his gardens with others throughout his home city of Spartanburg.



**DEDICATION**—Gardner-Webb's Dr. J. Ray Robinson and Mrs. Lee P. Franks of Hickory share in the moving dedication of the college's new FM radio station during the alumni banquet program. The station honors the memory of the late Mr. Franks and was made possible through gifts made by his family.

## Commencement Edition

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**DR. RALPH FALLS**  
... service to community.



**MRS. CHARLES BABON**  
... service to church.



**GEORGE ADAMS**  
... service to GWC.

Alumni awards presented by Association President Jack Creech.

## Three GW Alumni Honored For Service

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Adams, former Building basketball AB-Americon, won the "service to Gardner-Webb" award. Adams now is a member of the San Diego Greyhound basketball team in the American Basketball Association.

### Library Opens

The entire college faculty—students, faculty, administration, staff and friends—joined in a massive library "moving day" operation in April. In shirt sleeves, they worked in two long lines to transport more than 60,000 books by hand from the old Dover Library on campus to the new \$1,660,000 John S. Dover, Sr. Library about a city block away. The move was planned so that the college's library facilities could be reopened for use again as soon as possible. The transfer was smoothly and took on a festive air with food served "on the grounds" to the helpers. Members of the Dover family symbolically shared in the move to the beautiful new structure, which will be dedicated in the fall. The library has a total seating capacity of 460 for study, with an additional 118 seats in non-study areas that include a classroom, seminar-auditorium combination and a conference room. Its total book volume capacity is 100,000. The three floors encompass 45,000 square feet of floor space, and also include a music listening room, offices and processing areas, individually enclosed study areas and a room for special collections, in addition to book stacks and seating.

### Station Dedicated

• The dinner was the occasion for the dedication of Gardner-Webb's new FM educational radio station in memory of the late Lee P. Frann of Hickory, whose family made the station possible through their financial gifts. Mr. Frann, a successful soft drink bottler in North Carolina, was killed in an automobile accident in 1970. Mrs. Frann, a member of the college's board of trustees, and other members of the family were present for the dedication service.

As Dr. J. Roy Robinson said in leading the service, "The Lee P. Frann Radio Station is a living example of how one may continue to influence the world for good even after he has departed this earthly plane. . . . Lee Frann served well here and his influence shall be felt through the voice of WGWF for many years to come."

### Officers Named

• During the business session, alumni reflected a slate of officers with Jack Creech of Shelby continuing as president and Max Padgett of Forest City as vice president. Mr. Charles Bridges of Boiling Springs was re-elected secretary.

Alumni association directors named at the gathering include Troy Bridges of Spartanburg, S.C.; Julius Pileston of Charlotte, Rensie Price of Boiling Springs, Ryan Hendry of Greenville, S.C.; Charles Rabon of Columbia, S.C.; Jeff McNeill of Sanford, Alan Foxman of Rutherfordton, Billy Skyles of Boiling Springs and John Cantrell of Spartanburg, S.C., all named to one-year terms; and J.W. Abernathy III of Newton, David Withers of Alamo, and Alan Mayhew of Charlotte. Betty Ranning Jones, Robert Porray and Earl W.

Spangler, all of Shelby, Dr. Helen Skiman of Greensboro, J.P. Carlen of Spartanburg, S.C., and Dr. Nolan Hovington of Nashville, Tenn., all named to three-year terms.

### Reports

• In other banquet activities, alumni heard reports from college president Dr. E. Eugene Poston and director of development and alumni activities Jerry Walker.

The 50th anniversary class of 1914 and 10th anniversary class of 1949 were in special regalia, along with other classes ending in "4" or "9". In a unanimous vote, the association voted to welcome the Class of 1974 as new members. The graduating seniors were special guests.

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and Alumni Activities

It yet remains to be seen just how large our web will grow, but this much we know, once you're woven in, we never let you go. This is the spirit of Gardner-Webb.

## Annual Fund Award Given

Gardner-Webb College's Annual Fund, a continuing project of the alumni association, has received some \$20,000 in gifts thus far in the fiscal year. It was reported at the recent alumni banquet by Jerry B. Walker, director of development and alumni activities. This year's fund will be open through June 30 and gifts toward the goal still are encouraged, he added.

"The Annual Fund helps underwrite nearly every aspect of campus life," Walker said. "It means every student because it helps make up the difference between what a student pays and what it actually costs to provide him a college education. Your Annual Fund gifts are an investment in a greater Gardner-Webb, and we're grateful for each one of them."

Gifts can be mailed to the Annual Fund, Alumni Activities Office, Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, N.C. 28017.

Walker announced that the Class of 1969 won the Annual Fund Award for the best participation. The class' year was inscribed on the permanent "honor roll" trophy, and a special award was presented for the Class of '69's class agent for the past year, Mrs. A. B. Wood. The award, a plaque featuring the nation's currency, was accepted for Mrs. Wood by her classmate and new class agent, Mrs. Davis Jolley.



CLASS OF '69 WINS ANNUAL FUND AWARD . . . Mrs. Davis Jolley accepts plaque

## Gardner-Webb Singing Group On Summer Tour

Seven well-voiced college students, a piano, a guitar and a little recorded music . . . enthusiasm, prayer and Christian commitment. That's the formula for "A Touch of Joy."

"A Touch of Joy" is this summer's touring

singing group from Gardner-Webb. Its 10-week tour of the southeastern United States will take the singers to more than 60 churches, camps and retreats. They'll be presenting a program of Christian music including spirituals, soft gospel rock, old favorites and religious folk music.

The group's name comes from the singers' goal: to present to their hearers a "touch of the joy" that only Christ can give.

Here's the schedule for "A Touch of Joy":

May 29—Mt. Herman Baptist Church, Danville, Va.

May 30—North Elm Baptist Church, Richmond, Va.

May 31-June 2—London Bridge Baptist Church, Virginia Beach.

June 2—Durham Memorial Baptist Church, Durham.

June 5—Lexington Avenue Baptist Church, High Point.

June 6—Immanuel Baptist Church, Raleigh.

June 7—Temple Baptist Church, Durham.

June 8—Pineah Baptist Church, Smithfield.

June 9—Love Memorial Baptist Church, Goldsboro.

June 10—N.C. Baptist Assembly, Southport.



A TOUCH OF JOY—GWC's summer touring singers include Cathy Bailey of Gaffney, S.C., Becky Gault of Winston-Salem, Rose Ellen Dicks of Bennett, S.C., Jerry Hill of Lenoirville, Calvin Deffinger of Charlotte, Jessie Macklowe of Ivaan, S.C., and Gary Ballard of Denver.



## Commencement, 1974: A Momentous Day

Capped and gowned in the tradition of commencement pomp and circumstance, 218 seniors received degrees in Gardner-Webb's May 12 graduation exercises, held under sunny

skies on the campus green. The graduates heard Dr. Edwin H. Young, pastor of First Baptist Church of Columbia, S.C., urge them to face life ahead with "courage

and meaning, in your sure—courage." Social, moral and spiritual courage gave life depth and meaning, he said.

An audience of more than 3,000 gathered for the ceremony, which closed a weekend of commencement events.

Earlier on graduation Sunday, seniors and their families were honored at a breakfast at which Mrs. Helen Lowery, assistant professor of business, was principal speaker.

Recommencement services followed. The Rev. T. Robert Mullinax, executive secretary of the Council on Christian Higher Education in Raleigh, gave the address.

"In this kind of world we do not sow and reap the same day," Mullinax told the graduates. "We owe it to those who came before us . . . We can never repay them, but we can do all we can toward making this a better world for those who follow us."

On Saturday preceding commencement, 20 past winners of the coveted Ruggles Citizenship Awards were honored at a luncheon sponsored by L.R. Harrell of Raleigh. The award is given annually to the outstanding male graduate.

That afternoon, Dr. and Mrs. E. Eugene Foster were hosts at a reception for graduates and their families. The event was held at Webb Knoll, the college president's home.



DR. EDWIN YOUNG  
—graduation speaker



T. ROBERT MULLINAX  
—recommencement address

## Three Honorary Degrees Awarded

During commencement exercises, Gardner-Webb honored three distinguished men with honorary doctor's degrees, cited three members of the faculty and staff for service, and recognized seven students for academic and citizenship achievements.

The three honorary doctorates were awarded to James Neville Terrell, who served Gardner-Webb for more than 20 years as a member of the faculty and dean; the Rev. Charles Q. Carter, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Jonesboro, Ga., and W.B. Camp, a Gaffney, S.C., native who now is a California businessman.

• Deen Terrell served as dean from 1945 to 1962 and as professor of history before his 1971 retirement. He has been active for many years in the Helling Springs Methodist Church and area civic organizations. He was awarded the Distinguished Alumnus Award by Western Carolina University in 1968.

• The Rev. Mr. Carter served as pastor of Cherryhills First Baptist Church for 10 years before going to Jonesboro last fall. A graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Mercer University, he served as the first chairman of Gardner-Webb's ministerial board of associates.

• Mr. Camp gained wide recognition as a farmer after moving to California several years ago. Formerly in charge of the cooperative testing of field crops for the U. S. Department of Agriculture, he now lives in San Joaquin Valley and serves as an agronomist in charge of cotton breeding and growing experiments. He and Mrs. Camp established the W.B. and Louisa Camp Gardner-Webb Loan Fund two years ago with a gift of \$20,000.

### Others Cited

• The three college faculty members honored for service upon their retirements were Mrs. Gladys Morris, assistant professor of English for the past 10 years; Dr. Marie Soares, assistant professor of Spanish who came to Gardner-Webb some 10 years ago after leaving Ohio; and Leonard Allan, former bookstore manager, retiring after 27 years' service that included duties as business manager and superintendent of building and grounds.

The Rev. Jerry C. Burlison of Crossman was awarded the Higgins Citizenship Medal. Donna Kay Abrams of Sealing Springs won both the Etta L. Curtis Citizenship Medal and the Senior Scholastic Award. The junior award went to Christine Sell Dukes of Sealing Springs. Mary Helen Hutchinson of Mt. Gilead won the sophomore award, and Sarah Louise Ornsaad of Columbus won the freshman award.



### SYMBOLIC ROBINING ...

W.B. Camp, above;

J.D. Terrell, right;

C.Q. Carter, below;

with G-W's Thomas McGee, missing.



# With The Annual

Mrs. John (Jay Cripps) Sroope '47 is the wife of a Hickory attorney and the mother of two teenage daughters. She's a landscape painter whose works have been exhibited in area museums and banks and a member of the recently formed Hickory Art League.

Peggy Conner Carline '53 and her husband James live in Johnson City, Tenn. She's a nursing instructor in the Johnson City school system.

Krith Spaulding Snyder '58 was reelected for another four-year term as U.S. attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. He and his wife, the former Frances Cowley, live in Asheville with their two children.

Jack L. Rhyme '53 of Belmont recently won the Democratic nomination as a 16th district candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives. A former mayor of Belmont, he served two terms in the N.C. House of Representatives and now is a state senator.

## In Memoriam

**The Rev. Troy S. Harmon '71**

A former admissions counselor at Gardner-Webb, the Rev. Mr. Harmon was pastor of Brushy Fork Baptist Church at Route 1, Canaan, Ind., and was a seminary student. He died of injuries received in a traffic accident.

**Mr. C.G. "Charlie" Long '17** and his wife, Jessie Harriett Long '38

Mrs. Long died one day after the death of her husband, who was a retired tax supervisor for the Standard Oil Co. The Longs were Charlotte residents and active in the American Association of Retired Persons.

**Dr. Ray Brown '34**

Dr. Brown was a nationally known hospital administrator and a former president of the American Hospital Association.

**James Clarence Digh, Jr. '48**

Dr. Digh was an underwriter with New York Life Insurance Company of Atlanta, Ga.

**The Rev. Marvin M. Turner '31**

The Rev. Mr. Turner served many Baptist churches in this area before retiring to his home in Forest City in 1969.

**Mrs. A. C. Lovelace**

Mrs. Lovelace, a Forest City resident, was the wife of former Gardner-Webb College President A.C. Lovelace, who served in this post during 1958-59.

**Jane Crawford Aradt '34** is Burke County home economist with the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service. She and her husband, Ray, live in Morganton.

**The Rev. Alfred R. Wright '56** of Kings Mountain, a North Carolina pastor for 18 years, now is president of an evangelistic association in Gastonia and conducts crusades in several states.

**The Rev. James B. Skiles '55** is the new pastor of the First Baptist Church of Mooreville. He leaves the pastorate of First Baptist Church of Wadesboro, where he had served seven years. A member of Campbell College's board of trustees and two-term moderator of the Anson Baptist Association, he is married to the former Anita Hoyle '57. They have one son, Jimmy Chris.

**Mike Menow '58** is the new editor of *Young Adults in Training* for the Church Training Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville. For the past four years, he has been associate director of the Kentucky Baptist Convention's church training department. He and his wife, Shirley, are the parents of one son, Todd.

**Joe R. Davidson '60** has been finance director for Cleveland County for the past five years. He and his assistant recently prepared a financial presentation which helped the county earn an A-1 credit rating from bond analysts.

**Leslie L. Henderson '62** of Merion is the owner and manager of 1,200 acres of cropland, on which he grows tobacco, cotton, soybeans, corn, small grain and vegetables, and also raises 100 head of cattle and 700 hogs.

**Doc K. Kirkland '64** of Columbia, S.C., is sales manager for a retail company. A Pony League baseball coach, he and his wife Helen have two children and attend Piedridge Baptist Church.

**Charles Glenn Green '66** was married in March to Myra Jane Scoggins of McAdenville. They are making their home at Route 1, Bensonville City. The Seidgreens is employed by Win Corporation.

**William A. Parnall Jr. '65**, a vice president of the First National Bank of Catawba County, recently received the Hickory Jaycees' Distinguished Service Award. A former Jaycee vice president, he is a departmental superintendent in West Hickory Baptist Church, a teacher in the Junior Achievement

Program and an assistant Welfare Commissioner. He and his wife Jennifer live in Hickory.

**Marshall Lynn Goforth '66** and Pamela Renee Love of Gaffney, S.C., were married in April and are living in Gaffney, where he is employed by Tindon Company.

**Charles Lee and Violet Hamlett Lewis '66** are making their home in Marietta, Georgia. Charles was graduated in 1968 from Georgia Southern.

**William S. Wilson '67** and his bride, the former Rebecca Sue Morris of Sanford, live in Winston-Salem, where he is employed by Murry Supply Co.

**Dennis Wade Barnosky '67** and her husband John, of Dale City, Va., are the parents of a daughter, Stephanie Cheryl, born April 26.

**Gary Nelson Robinson '67** and Teresa Leigh Price were wed in Anderson, S.C., in March. Both are members of the faculty at Corporate High School. He is a teacher, coach and athletic director at the school.

**Michael Lee Hampton '63**, his wife Jane and their two sons recently moved to Winston-Salem, where he is a senior industrial engineer with Parchall Industries.

**Sandra Lee Hall Woods '68**, her husband James and their two daughters are living in California, where he is a doctor at Tripler Army Hospital. They'll be moving to Los Angeles and UCLA in July.

**Edward Lee Lawrence '71** is an industrial chemist for the city of High Point. He was married in April to Carolyn Jean Hinton of Clearwater, Fla.

**Rachel Eggers Ginkle '71** and her husband, Terry Dean, are living in Tyler, Texas. They were married Jan. 25.

**James R. Plummer '71** and his bride, the former Lynn Rene Allen, are making their home at Route 5, Shelby. He is employed by Carolina Coin Caterers of Shelby, and his wife recently was graduated from N.C. Baptist Hospital School of Nursing.

**Deany G. Hixington '71** is a loan officer at the Wade Hampton office of First Federal Savings and Loan Association in Greenville, S.C.

**William D. Herrell III** and his wife the former Sarah Lynn Delfinger '78 have announced the March 6, 1974, birth of a daughter, Tanya Joy. They recently moved into their first home at 212 Winchester Rd., Troutman.

**Stephen M. Padgett '72** is manager of data processing at Furber Brothers, Inc. in Shelby. He was married in April to Gloria Madge Cook of Route 1, Beattie.

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Graham Larry Guy '72 and Candace Cline '73 were wed in April and are living in High Point. He is employed as assistant cashier by the Northwestern Bank in Waketown, and she teaches second grade in High Point city schools.

Hurbara Elz Rhodes '72 of Gaffney, S.C., has been named to Outstanding Elementary Teachers of America, 1974. She teaches reading and language arts in third and fourth grade combined classes at Daniel Morgan Elementary School in Gaffney. She will receive a master of arts in teaching at Winthrop College this summer.

Carolyn Williams Moore '72 is employed at Eastside Elementary School in Demopolis, Ala.

Joan T. Yarbrough '73 is a student at Southeastern Baptist Seminary at Wake Forest and pastor of the Spring Garden Baptist Church in New Bern. He was recently ordained.

John Arthur Fowler Jr. '73 of Spartanburg, S.C., was married in March to Gardner-Webb student Anna Louise Crump. He'll be teaching this fall at Rutherford-Spaldale Central High School.

Linda Gail Lefford '73 and Bonnie William Powell were married in March and are making their home at Route 7, Gaffney, S.C. She is employed by Ellersboro Elementary School as a teacher.

Benjamin Earl Garrett '73 and Nancy Ellen Michael were recently married in Polk, were they're making their home.

Micki Lynne McSwain and Joseph Boyd Spright, both '73, are making their home in Shelby after their February wedding.

Al Graves '73, former Building basketball star, has been accepted into the Sears, Roebuck and Company executive training program and will be assigned to a store in Jacksonville, Fla. He had previously been employed at the Shelby Sears store.

## More Class Notes

Jay Montgomery '73 teaches fifth and sixth grade math and science at South Elementary School in Barbours.

Former faculty: Dr. Thomas J. Ballard, a former professor in GWU's department of religious studies, is minister of Pikes Presbyterian Church in Seneca, S.C., and has been asked to teach religion at the University of South Carolina at Sumter. He and his wife, Mary Lou, have three sons.

## Addresses Requested

The alumni office has been unable to come up with the proper mailing addresses for the former students listed below. If you know how to get in touch with these alumni, please drop a note or call the alumni office. Your help will be appreciated.

Allie Ballard '11  
Arlene Ballard '11  
Carmela Barber '33  
Eunice Barber '13  
Gertrude Barber '11  
Eleanora Hope Hall '63  
(Mrs. Thomas J. Berell)  
Billy David Barker '64  
Troy Barker '63  
E. Eugene Berkeley '67  
Phyllis Beckham '66  
(Mrs. William O. Bernard III)  
Minnie Gray Lester '34  
(Mrs. A. E. Barnes)  
D. F. Barnes '77  
Edward Thomas Barnes '24  
The Rev. Leavel Barnes '27  
Ruth Barry '13



ALUMNI LEADERS—Re-elected to guide the Gardner-Webb College Alumni Association during the next year were, left to right, Max Pudegott of Farm City, vice president, Mrs. Charles Bridges of Dalling Springs, secretary, and Jack Creech of Shelby, president. The officers and several new association directors were chosen during the May 11 annual alumni banquet.



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DR. GENE WASHBURN ACCEPTS AWARD  
... Bulldog of the Year

## Sports Awards, Honors Presented

One of professional football's most outstanding players, Bart Starr, former Green Bay Packer quarterback, told a record crowd of more than 600 at the Gardner-Webb sports banquet that "one word is the key to success in any field of endeavor, 'attitude'."

Starr, now a Green Bay businessman, was the featured speaker on the program which included presentation of awards to athletes and friends of the college.

Dr. Gene Washburn, Bowling Springs physician and also Bulldog physician, was named recipient of the coveted "Bulldog of the Year" award. Dr. Washburn is a former Bulldog athlete and has been the team physician for more than 10 years.

Special guests for the night included Zeno C.R. Hansen, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of Mack Truck, Inc. He was presented with a President's award and Bulldog Life Award. G.W. Athletic Director, Eddie Holbrook, R. Patrick Spangler, and Starr were also honored with the President's Award. Bulldog Life Awards also went to

Thomas J. McGraw, the college's executive vice president, and Spangler.

Ray Bradley, a former student, was recognized for his part in the designing of the new G-W symbol, The Runner Bulldog.

Senior golfer John Mattison of Yorkstown, Va., will represent GWC spring sports in national competition. Mattison's 141 score in the NAIA District 26 tournament earned him medals honors and a trip to the national tournament in Aberdeen, S.D., June 2-7. The Bulldogs finished the season with a 17-3-1 record. The highlights of the season for Coach Garland Allen's golfers was a five stroke win over Southern Conference champion Appalachian.

The Bulldog track program made its best showing since becoming a senior college. The



BART STARR  
... banquet speaker

## Good Season

Coach Jerry Bryson's baseball team earned a district play off berth for the second consecutive year. The Bulldogs' 15-4 record in regular season play gave the Bulldogs third seed in the tournament.

Having reached the play-offs, however, the Bulldogs lost to Pfeiffer 4-0 and High Point 8-1.

Catcher Gary Robinson led the Bulldogs in batting with a .485 regular season batting average. The Charlotte youth was a first team selection on the All-District 26 team. The Bulldogs cruised the district tournament with a .547 batting average.

## Spring Sports Concluding Season

Bulldog endermen finished the season with a 3-3 record. Coach Bill Freeman's Bulldogs placed sixth in the District 26 track meet. The sixthplace finish was the Bulldogs' highest finish in the annual event. The Bulldogs placed second in the Bulldog Invitational. Many school records were broken during the '74 season.

The tennis team finished the season with a 5-3 record. The Bulldog netters finished in fine style, winning their last three matches against UNC-Asheville, Mars Hill and Lenoir Rhyne.