

David A. Crown President-Elect, American Academy of Forensic Sciences

Dr. David A. Crown, Director, Questioned Documents Staff, External Documents Division, Department of State, Washington, D.C., has been named president-elect of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences.

The announcement of the election results, held at the Academy's 25th Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, was made by Dr. Morton F. Mason, president of the Academy and Director of the Dallas County, Texas, Criminal Investigation Laboratory.

Bryan S. Finkle, Forensic Toxicologist of Santa Clara County, San Jose, Calif., and Dr. Robert J. Joling, Associate Professor of Medical Jurisprudence, University of Arizona Medical Center, Tucson, Ariz., were elected vice presidents of the Academy.

Dr. James T. Weston, Chief Medical Examiner for the State of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, was elected to serve a third term as secretary-treasurer.

A graduate of Union College and the University of California, Berkeley, where he was granted a Doctor of Criminology degree, Dr. Crown is a former chairman of the Academy's Questioned Document Section and member of the Academy's Executive Commit-

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tee. He is currently a member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Forensic Sciences and its Book Review Editor.

He was formerly Assistant Director of the Identification Laboratory of the U.S. Postal Inspection Service in San Francisco and has also served as Laboratory Director of the Department of Army, Washington, D.C. Dr. Crown is a professorial lecturer on crime laboratory techniques at American University in Washington, the author of numerous articles on document identification, and is a member of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners and the Forensic Science Society, London, England.

Bryan S. Finkle, the immediate past program chairman of the Academy is also codirector of Toxicology at United Medical Laboratories, Portland, Ore., a consultant to NASA Space Technology Applications, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, in Pasadena, and a lecturer on forensic toxicology at the University of California School of Criminology at Berkeley.

A former trial attorney in Kenosha, Wis., Dr. Joling has served as chairman of the Academy's Jurisprudence Section, as a member of the Executive Committee and was Program Chairman in 1971. He is a trustee of The Forensic Sciences Foundation.

Dr. Crown will succeed to the presidency of the Academy at the close of its annual meeting in February 1974 at Dallas.