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McLean Man Unveils Statue

Crowe Crows Over Crow

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terior Stewart Udall and Walt Rostow, Deputy Special Assistant to President Kennedy, took time out from national affairs last Sautrday night to attend the unveiling of a unique work of art in McLean, Va.

An 11-foot Indiana limestone, four-dimensional abstract figure of a bird was
the center of attention at
one of the most beautiful
outdoor dinner parties ever
given in McLean. The bird
was a stylization of a crow.
The host to some forty
guests was Richard H.
Crowe, formerly with the
Central Intelligience Agency.
The guests were seated at

small tables on a series of terraces sloping down to the very edge of the Potomac River. Huge floodlights, located in the upper branches of a series of very tall trees, beamed their light upon the guest of honor—the limestone crow, based in a marble pediment.

Andre Gaunoux, whose sculptor's studio is in Jeorgetown, was taking a bow, too, as the artist. He aid that he had created the our-eyed, four-faced bird after studying the natural setting and the surrounding trees, matching their tall and simple lines.

The 29-year-old sculptor has made something of a reputation for himself since coming to Washington six years ago from Indo-China where he had been a mem-

ber of the French Commando Corps.

He has exhibited here at the Corcoran Gallery and has done a portrait in stone of the wife of the French Ambassador, Madame Herve Alphand.

His father was a French wine grower "with a feeling for stone." This love of the texture of stone was inherited by the son. Young Gaunoux took a degree in chemistry at the University of Dijon, expecting to go into his father's wine business. Instead, he sidestepped the grape vines in favor of sculpture.

Dick Crowe's new stone crow weighs two tons and is dramatic and somewhat astonishing from every angle it is viewed. The Udall home is next door to the Crowe estate in McLean.