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MUSEUM OF MODERN ART APPOINTS ALFRED H. BARR, JR. DIRECTOR OF THE MUSEUM COLLECTIONS

Nelson A. Rockefeller, President of the Museum of Modern Art, 11 West 53 Street, New York City, announced yesterday the appointment of Alfred H. Barr, Jr., as Director of the Museum Collections.

Mr. Barr has been with the Museum since its founding in 1929 when he was appointed its Director. He served in this capacity until 1943 when he was appointed Director of Research in Painting and Sculpture. In connection with this additional responsibility as Director of the Museum Collections, Mr. Barr will be in charge of all the Museum's acquisitions, under the Committee on the Museum Collections, the Chairmanship of which was recently assumed by Stephen C. Clark. Mr. Barr will also be in charge of the planning, organization, care and use (including publications and display) of the Collections as a whole.

Under his general supervision the heads of the curatorial departments will assume responsibility for their respective sections of the Collections and they will initiate and carry on the work related to their fields. However, the Director of the Collections will himself conduct the activities pertaining to the acquisition of Painting and Sculpture for the Museum Collections.

Miss Dorothy Miller, who has been Acting Director of the Department of Painting and Sculpture since October 1, 1946, has been appointed Curator of the Museum Collections. Miss Miller will continue, however, to serve as acting head of the Department of Painting and Sculpture until the appointment of the new Director of Painting and Sculpture. Miss Miller was a member of the Department staff since 1934 and its Curator since December, 1943.