

New Dean Named at YU

Dr. William H. Coffield, dean of the College of Education at Kansas State University, has been named academic dean of Youngstown University. He succeeds Dr. Joseph E. Smith who is retiring at the end of the academic year.

On appointing Dr. Coffield to his new position, Dr. Pugsley commented, "I am truly delighted that Dr. Coffield is joining us at Youngstown University."

Dr. Coffield stated that one of his reasons for accepting the position at YU was his high regard for President Pugsley. He worked with the president on numerous assignments when Dr. Pugsley was administrative vice president at Kansas State U.

On visiting the YU campus last December, Dr. Coffield remarked that he was greatly impressed by the general level of activity and dedication of the faculty and staff. His first impression was one of the opportunity to build and a challenge that presents tremendous potential.

A native of Alabama, Dr. Coffield received his B.S. degree from Troy State College. He earned the M.A. degree from George Peabody College and his doctorate from the University of Iowa.

Dr. Coffield's major field of research is administrative behavior and learning. He has written numerous articles in such publications as *The Elementary School Journal* and the *Journal of Educational Psychology*.

Following his doctoral work at the University of Iowa, Dr. Coffield served as associate professor of education at Auburn University from 1954-58. During this time he also served as a research associate for the Special United States Office of Education. Following his professorship at Auburn, Dr. Coffield worked on a special project at State Teachers College of Columbia University from 1958-59.

From 1959-61, Dr. Coffield served as associate professor at Ohio State University. He was also associate director of the University Council for Educational Administration at this time.

From 1961-63, the new dean was professor and head of the department of education at Northern Illinois University before being appointed professor and dean of the College of Education at Kansas State in 1963.

Dr. Coffield is a member of Phi Delta Kappa fraternity, the National Education Association and the Association for Higher Education. Other memberships are held in the American Association of School Administrators, the American Educational Research Association and the Executive Committee of the Mid-Continent Regional Educational Laboratory. The new dean is also secretary of the Association of Colleges and Schools of Education in State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges.



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