

## Announcement

A veteran expert in the field of forensic science was named 7 Aug. 1973 by FBI Director Clarence M. Kelley to head the FBI's Laboratory Division. Mr. Kelley appointed Dr. Briggs J. White to be Assistant Director in charge of the Laboratory Division to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Mr. Ivan W. Conrad from that position last June. According to Mr. Kelley, Dr. White combines in an outstanding manner the attributes of education, training, and experience as a criminological scientist with proven ability as an administrator.

The FBI Laboratory staff which Dr. White will supervise conducts almost half a million scientific examinations of evidence per year. Although most of the work is in FBI cases, 25 percent of the examinations are made for state, local, and other Federal law enforcement groups. This work is a major cooperative service offered other police agencies without charge for the examination or the resulting expert trial testimony.

Dr. White is a native of Colorado. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry from Sterling College, Sterling, Kansas, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in chemistry from the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado. After completing his education in 1940, he entered the FBI and was appointed a Special Agent in 1942. He has seen continuous service over the years in the Laboratory Division, serving as second in command under the Assistant Director since 1961. He was designated Inspector in 1964. He is a Fellow and a Founding Member of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences and also a member of the American Chemical Society.