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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced the appointment of 26 persons to serve as members of the 1975 Annual Assay Commission and three persons who will serve on the Commission in an ex officio capacity.

The Assay Commission meets each year on the second Wednesday in February at the United States Mint in Philadelphia. The members of the commission examine and test, in the presence of the Director of the Mint, the weight and quality of the coins provided them for this purpose by the several United States mints.

The members appointed to the 1975 Annual Assay Commission are:

Dr. Nelson Page Aspen, of West Chester, Pennsylvania, Chief of Orthopedic Surgery, Paoli Memorial Hospital, Paoli, Pennsylvania.

Frederick W. Bertram, of Forest Hills, New York, Secretary and Director, The Judaic Heritage Society; Secretary and Director, History in Metal, Inc. New York, New York.

Gerda H. H. Birkholz, of Forest Park, Illinois, Bookkeeper, Rialto Service Company, Chicago, Illinois.

Edward J. Black, of Lakeland, Florida, Retired; American Numismatic Association District Representative in Florida, Lakeland, Florida.

Federico Claveria, of Santa Barbara, California, Proprietor, La Tolteca, Mexican food manufacturing firm, Santa Barbara, California.

James H. Cohen, of New Orleans, Louisiana, Owner, Rare Coin and Antique Shop, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Edward K. Elder, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Senior Partner, ELDER COMPANY, private surveying firm, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

William E. Elms, of Brunswick, Maine, Retired, Fire Chief, Brunswick, Maine.

Roy T. Englert, of Springfield, Virginia, Attorney, Senior Associate, Charles E. Walker Associates, Inc., Washington, D. C.

J. Eric Engstrom, of Wichita, Kansas, Partner, law firm of Fleeson, Goings, Coulson and Kitch, Wichita, Kansas.

Arthur M. Fitts, III, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Assistant Director, Acting Curator, American Numismatic Association, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

George D. Hatie, of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, Member law firm of Cross, Wrock, Miller and Vieson, Detroit, Michigan.

Gordon B. Hunt, of Elsinore, California, Council of International Numismatics Historian, Elsinore, California.

William F. Krieg, of Yeadon, Pennsylvania, Vice President, Collector Relations, Franklin Mint, Franklin Center, Pennsylvania.

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Wayne A. Lawrence, of Sidney, Ohio, Advertising Director, Numismatic publications, Amos Press, Inc., Sidney, Ohio..

Claude B. Layfield, Jr., of Auburn, Alabama, Associate Professor, Department of Industrial Engineering, Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama.

Charles F. Long, of Charlottesville, Virginia, President, Insurance Brokerage Firm, Charlottesville, Virginia.

F. Morton Reed, of Wooster, Ohio, Syndicated Columnist, Newspaper Enterprises Association; Staff Illustrator, COIN WORLD Newspaper, Wooster, Ohio.

Andrew Reiz, of Leawood, Kansas, President, Reiz-Morris Construction Company, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri.

Rudi F. Saenger, of Bethesda, Maryland, Head, Scientific Computing, Naval Air Systems Command, Washington, D. C.

Mark P. Sawyer, of Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, Volunteer Guide and Member of the Board of Directors at Christian C. Sanderson Museum, Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania.

David J. Shapiro, of Highland Park, Illinois, President, Rare Coin Company of America, Inc., Chicago, Illinois.

Fay C. Smith, of Griffith, Indiana, Retired; Reporter and Editor, Steel Labor, Griffith, Indiana.

Dr. Charles R. Stearns, of Stone Mountain, Georgia, General Dentist, private practice, Lilburn, Georgia.

Robert E. Steele, of Tomah, Wisconsin, President, Steele Drugs, Inc., Tomah, Wisconsin.

Adna G. Wilde, Jr., of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Director, City of Colorado Springs, Pioneer's Museum, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

The three ex officio members:

James E. Smith, Comptroller of the Currency.

Alfred L. Luango, United States Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Allan S. Ryan, Assayer, United States Assay Office.

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