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The President today announced his intention to nominate Daniel J. Boorstin, of the District of Columbia, to be Librarian of Congress. He will succeed Lawrence Quincy Mumford who retired December 31, 1974.

Dr. Boorstin is currently Senior Historian at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D. C. He was Director of the National Museum of History and Technology from 1969 to 1973. Prior to that, he was Professor of American History at the University of Chicago from 1944 to 1969. He taught at Swarthmore College from 1942 to 1944, after having taught at Harvard College and Harvard Law School from 1938 to 1942.

Dr. Boorstin was born on October 1, 1914, in Atlanta, Georgia, and received his B. A. degree summa cum laude from Harvard College in 1934. He attended Balliol College in Oxford, England, as a Rhodes Scholar during 1936 and 1937, receiving a B. A. in jurisprudence and B. C. L. He was awarded a J. S. D. from Yale Law School in 1940.

Dr. Boorstin is married to the former Ruth Frankel and they have three children.

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