

**DOCTOR FREDERICK T. WOLF, NEW PRESIDENT OF
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Frederick T. Wolf was born in Auburn, Alabama, July 11, 1915. He attended grammar school in Raleigh, North Carolina, junior high school in Orlando, Florida, and high school in Durham, North Carolina. He attended the University of North Carolina as a freshman and sophomore (1931-33), then transferred to Harvard, graduating in 1935. His graduate training was received at the University of Wisconsin, where he was awarded the M.A. degree in 1936, and the Ph.D. in 1938, majoring in botany, and with a minor in plant pathology. The year 1938-39 he spent in study at Harvard University as a National Research Council Fellow.

He has been on the faculty at Vanderbilt since 1939, serving as instructor (1939-42), assistant professor (1945-47), and has been an associate professor since 1947. In 1942-45, he was in the Army Air Forces, principally at the School of Aviation Medicine, Randolph Field, Texas.

He is a member of a number of professional societies. These include Sigma Xi, A.A.A.S., the Botanical Society of America, the Torrey Botanical Club, Society of American Bacteriologists (Kentucky-Tennessee Branch), Mycological Society of America, British Mycological Society, American Phytopathological Society, Society for Industrial Microbiology, and the Association of Southeastern Biologists. He is past president of the Kentucky-Tennessee Branch, Society of American Bacteriologists, and is currently secretary of the Southeastern Section, Botanical Society of America, and vice-president of the Association of Southeastern Biologists.

His research interests have included studies on aquatic fungi, and are currently centered on physiology of fungi. This interest has led into excursions in the fields of plant pathology and medical mycology. He has published approximately forty papers, of which he is either author or co-author. His doctoral thesis, "The Aquatic Oomycetes of Wisconsin," was published in book form by the University of Wisconsin Press in 1944. With his father, Dr. F. A. Wolf of Duke University, he is co-author of a standard mycology textbook that has found wide acceptance.

On June 10, 1945, he married Miss Virginia Martin of Austin, Texas. They have two children, Ann, age 7, and Catherine, age 4.