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Selection of Dr. C. Dorr Demaray, 57, as president of Seattle Pacific College was announced today by Marion B. Robbins, chairman of the college's board of trustees. The board's action was unanimous. Dr. Demaray will succeed Dr. C. Hoyt Watson, due to retire July 1 after thirty-three years' service.

Dr. Demaray has been pastor of Seattle's First Free Methodist Church since 1948. This has been his only pastorate. He previously served for 24 years as a college instructor and administrator. He was president of Los Angeles Pacific College from 1942 to 1948 and earlier served as professor of English and speech at that institution and at three Midwest colleges--Sterling College, Kansas, and Adrian College and Spring Arbor Junior College, both in Michigan.

A genial, soft-spoken scholar, Dr. Demaray will bring to his duties at Seattle Pacific an enthusiasm for Christian education and Elizabethan drama. Born at Nashville, Michigan, he attended Greenville College, Illinois, and earned his A.B. and M.A. degrees at the University of Michigan. He continued his graduate studies in English literature and speech at Michigan, University of Southern California, and the Huntington Library. He was granted the honorary Litt.D. degree by Seattle Pacific in 1946. He is enthusiastic about Shakespeare, Edmund Spenser, and collecting rare books.

Mrs. Demaray is the former L. Grace Vore, a University of Michigan classmate. The Demarays have three children.