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Henry B. Kane of Lincoln, Mass., director of the Alumni Fund for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will retire on July 1 to devote full time to his second career -- writing and illustrating nature books. He will be succeeded by Kenneth S. Brock, Medfield, associate director for the past three years.

Mr. Kane has been director of the Alumni Fund since 1940, when it was established. He had come to M.I.T. shortly before that as administrative assistant to President Karl T. Compton, after serving as an illuminating engineer and then in the advertising and promotion department of Boston Edison Company. In twenty-six years, \$11,000,000 has been raised for the Fund which now accounts annually for about \$2,000,000, an important portion of the gifts received by M.I.T.

While serving M.I.T., Mr. Kane has continued to devote his spare time to his lifelong interests in nature, drawing and photography. Using his intimate knowledge of the woodlands, he has written several nature books, including "The Tale of a Meadow," "The Tale of a Wood" and "The Tale of the Pond." He has also illustrated a number of other books, such as Thoreau's "Walden," J. J. Rowlands' "Cache Lake Country" and "Spindrift" and John Kieran's "Natural History of New York City."

A native of Cambridge, he attended Philips Exeter Academy, graduating from M.I.T. in 1924. Known to thousands of M.I.T. alumni as "Chick," he has been secretary of his class for 17 years.

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**Brock Appointment/M.I.T.**

Mr. Brock graduated from Woburn (Mass.) High School in 1944, entered M.I.T. in the Navy V-12 program and graduated in 1948. He also studied at Tufts University, Boston University and Cleveland College of Western Reserve University and served in the Army during the Korean War. He held marketing and advertising positions with H. H. Scott, Inc., The Gabriel Company, Workshop Associates and Browning Laboratories. Immediately before joining the Alumni Fund, he was manager of market development for Fenwal, Inc., Framingham. He has lectured in courses of the American Management Association and has served as vice president, Association of Industrial Advertisers, Eastern New England Chapter, and vice president of the Antenna Manufacturers' Association.

In Medfield Mr. Brock is a member of the Master Plan Implementation Committee, a former member of the Town Republican Committee and a trustee of the Second Congregational Church.