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Meyer Schwartz became Director of the Simmons College School of Social Work, the oldest full-time school of social work in the country, on November 1, according to an announcement by William J. Holmes, president of Simmons. Mr. Schwartz succeeds Dr. Robert F. Rutherford, who is now dean of graduate studies at the college.

For the past year Mr. Schwartz was project manager of the United Nations' Community Development Mission in Taiwan, Republic of China. His previous academic experience includes the position of associate dean of the Graduate School of Social Work at the University of Pittsburgh, where he had been on the faculty since 1953.

While at the University of Pittsburgh Mr. Schwartz acted as a consultant to the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare and the state Bureau of Economic Opportunity. He was a witness at the hearings of the state Crime Commission Task Force on Science, Technology, and Research.

Mr. Schwartz has also served as a consultant to numerous other organizations, including the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, the Office of Economic Opportunity, and the U.S. Senate subcommittee on Employment, Manpower, and Poverty. In addition, he was a U.N. Community Development Advisor to the Government of Israel and served as a consultant to the Israeli Ministry of Social velfare.

A graduate of the College of the City of New York,
Mr. Schwartz received a masters degree in Social Administration from Western Reserve University. He has published a
number of articles in the field of community organization.

Mr. Schwartz and his wife, the former Anne Bernheim, have four children. They reside in Newton, Mass.