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CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 16.--Gen. Hugh P. Harris, president of The Citadel, announced today the promotion of Brig. Gen. James W. Duckett, dean of the college, to the rank of major general, South Carolina Militia.

General Duckett is second-in-command of the college, and assumes the duties of president when General Harris is absent from the college. He is responsible for the organization and supervision of all matters dealing with academic and faculty matters, admissions, budget, records, statistics, placement, scholarship, and alumni affairs.

A 1932 honor graduate of The Citadel, General Duckett was named dean of The Citadel in 1963. The Greenwood, S. C., native received his M. S. degree from the University of Georgia and his Ph.D. degree from the University of North Carolina. He joined the faculty of the military college in 1934 as a member of the chemistry department. Shortly after receiving his Ph.D. degree in 1941 he entered active duty in the Chemical Corps of the U. S. Army. His assignments during more than four years of service in World War II included command and staff positions in this country and overseas. Awarded the Legion of Merit and the Army Commendation Medal for outstanding service, he left active duty in 1946 as a lieutenant colonel and was later promoted to the rank of colonel in the Army Reserve. That year he resumed his teaching career at The Citadel where he became a professor of organic chemistry, a position he held until 1954. Since then he has served variously as head of the education department, registrar, dean of admissions, and administrative dean.

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Duckett has participated in the Army Reserve Program and is active in Charleston community life. He is past president of the Charleston Lions Club, member of the Military Affairs Committee of the Greater Charleston Chamber of Commerce, formerly secretary-treasurer of The Association of Citadel Men for several years, and a long-time member of the Friendly Society. A past warden of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, he is also active in the American Chemical Society and Sigma Xi Scientific Honorary Fraternity. He has been a member of the Advisory Committee on Scientific Engineering for the South Carolina Selective Service System, and a consultant for the CBR Advisory Council for the Department of Defense. The General often serves on visitation committees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools which recommends accreditation of institutions of higher learning.

Mrs. Duckett is the former Gertrude Elizabeth Hass of Charleston. The Ducketts have two daughters and a son and two grandchildren. The eldest daughter, Elizabeth, is married to Lt. Cdr. Thomas J. Krilowicz, U. S. Navy, now stationed in Hawaii, and they have a daughter and a son. Another daughter, Trudy, is a senior at Converse College, and their son, Jimmy, is a senior at Porter-Gaud.

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