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CHANGES SET IN FARM DEPARTMENT

AND ON BRAVES COACHING STAFF

Vice President Paul Richards announced today a realignment of duties in the Braves organization.

Jim Fanning, who served as farm director in 1967, will join manager

Luman Harris' coaching staff for the 1968 season. Eddie Robinson, formerly

associated with the Kansas City Athletics, will become Braves Farm Director.

Joining Fanning on the coaching staff will be pitching coach Harry Dorish, Ken Silvestri, Bob Uecker and Jim Busby. Whitlow Wyatt, last year's pitching coach will become minor league pitching coach.

Fanning, 40, has served the Braves in numerous capacities since joining the organization in 1960. He has been a minor league manager and has served as assistant to the general manager before assuming duties as farm director.

Dorish, 45, managed the Braves' Jamestown team in the New York-Penn League during the past season. As a major league pitcher he performed for the Boston Red Sox, the St. Louis Browns, Chicago White Sox and Baltimore Orioles.

Busby, 38, comes to the Braves from the Houston Astros. As a player he performed for the Chicago White Sox, Washington Senators, Cleveland Indians, and Baltimore Orioles.

Silvestri, 51, who served as interim manager for the last three games of the 1967 season, will return to his bullpen duties. Uecker, 32, will have special assignments.

Robinson, 47, has served as administrative assistant and farm director for the Athletics, during which time the A's have built up a farm system recognized as one of the finest in baseball.