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HENDERSON ASSOCIATE CHIEF
OF THE BIOLOGICAL SURVEY

Walter C. Henderson has been appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture to be associate chief of the Biological Survey, a new position in that bureau created on January 1. Exceptional opportunities through training and experience have well qualified him to assist in the direction of that important Government bureau.

Having been connected with the Biological Survey for more than ten years in the capacity of assistant chief, his services in the bureau have been coextensive with its administration of the migratory-bird treaty act, its expanded work with States in the cooperative control of predatory animals and injurious rodents, and its studies of the migratory and other habits of birds through banding operations. In this period he has made tours of inspection of field offices of the Biological Survey in many States and has become acquainted with officials enforcing State game and fur laws, and with sportsmen and naturalists through attendance at their conventions. In Alaska he has had first-hand opportunity to observe the recently inaugurated work for the improvement of the reindeer industry and to note developments in fur farming in the Territory. Before coming to the Biological Survey Mr. Henderson had practiced law for several years in Boston, Mass., and had later held important positions in the Forest Service and in the office of the Solicitor of the Department of Agriculture, both in Washington and in field offices. He is a graduate of George Washington University and of the Boston University School of Law. Scientific societies of which he is a member include the American Ornithologists' Union, American Forestry Association, National Conservation Association, Cooper Ornithological Club, American Society of Mammalogists, Baird Ornithological Club, and the Biological Society of Washington.

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