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BIOLOGISTS TO STUDY
WILD LIFE IN FORESTS

Two research specialists have been appointed to positions in the Bureau of Biological Survey, U.S. Department of Agriculture, effective at the beginning of the year, in accordance with cooperative plans to place qualified biologists at various experiment stations of the Forest Service. These scientists will study the relation of wild life to the forests, as authorized by the recently enacted McSweeney-McNary Forestry Research Act.

Thomas D. Burleigh, for the last nine years head of the division of forestry of the Georgia State College of Agriculture and one of the appointees, has been appointed to the position of associate biologist and will be stationed at the Appalachian Forest Experiment Station, Asheville, N.C. He is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College and the University of Washington. He has devoted considerable time to the study of the bird life of Georgia.

Oliver L. Austin, Jr., of New York, a graduate of Wesleyan University and who has done three years' graduate work in Harvard University, has been appointed assistant biologist to carry on studies of wild-life and forest relationships at the Lake States Forest Experiment Station, St. Paul, Minn. He spent the summer of 1925 studying jungle ecology in British Guiana, South America, and has made three trips to Labrador to study the distribution of the vertebrate fauna of the region. On his Labrador trips he did notable work in bird banding, particularly with Arctic terns, in cooperation with the Biological Survey. Two of the terns that were recovered, one in France and another in South Africa, established remarkable flight records, the latter flying the longest distance of any banded bird ever recaptured, as far as any known records show.

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