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NAMES REGIONAL SUPERVISORS
TO DIRECT PEST-CONTROL WORK

Field workers of the United States Biological Survey engaged in cooperative campaigns for the control of injurious rodents and predatory animals will be grouped, effective January 1, 1931, in four regions, Paul G. Redington, Chief of the Bureau of Biological Survey, U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced. The Secretary of Agriculture has approved this regional plan of organization. The grouping, with each region in charge of a supervisor, will coordinate more closely the work of the bureau throughout the country. Each supervisor will be in contact with the State leaders in his region, and also with the administrative heads of the bureau in Washington.

The new regional supervisors are men who have had wide experience in the wild-animal control work of the bureau. James Silver, with headquarters at Washington, D. C., will supervise Region No. 1, comprising all States east of the Mississippi River, including all of Louisiana. Mr. Silver is at present leader of the bureau's eastern rodent control district, which occupies approximately the same area as the new region.

Region No. 2 will be supervised by Leo L. Laythe, with headquarters at Denver, Colo., and will cover the States of Montana, Wyoming, South

Dakota, Colorado and Utah. Mr. Laythe is at present State leader of predatory-animal and rodent control for the Biological Survey in Colorado.

Region No. 3, with headquarters at Portland, Oreg., will include the States of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nevada, and California. Ira N. Gabrielson, at present State leader of Rodent Control for the Biological Survey in Oregon, is the new supervisor.

Don A. Gilchrist, leader of predatory-animal and rodent control for Arizona, will be in charge of Region No. 4, comprising the States of Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Texas with headquarters at Phoenix, Ariz.

The new regional supervisors will each spend some time in Washington before the first of the year to acquaint themselves with the policies of the bureau that will be effective when the change is made.

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