



# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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OFFICE OF THE COORDINATOR OF FISHERIES

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The appointment of Hugh W. Terhune, of Olympia, Wash., as Area Coordinator of Fisheries for the area comprising the State of California was announced today by Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, Deputy Coordinator of Fisheries, United States Department of the Interior.

Mr. Terhune succeeds O. E. Sette, who has retired as area coordinator because of ill health and will return to his former position in the Fish and Wildlife Service, in charge of biological investigations of the fisheries of the southern Pacific coast of the United States. Mr. Sette was detailed from this position to serve as Area Coordinator of Fisheries in 1943.

Mr. Terhune has served for the past year as enforcement officer in the area office of the Coordinator of Fisheries at San Francisco. The principal duty of this office is the administration of a production program for the Pacific pilchard or sardine industry, America's largest fishery. The production program was inaugurated in 1943 to assure maximum production of canned fish and other products of this fishery.

Prior to his affiliation with the Coordinator's Office, Mr. Terhune was employed by the War Shipping Administration. Before the war he was a member of the staff of the Fish and Wildlife Service and the former Biological Survey, serving as Executive Officer of the Alaska Game Commission and Chief of the Division of CCC and Construction.

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