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H. P. SHELDON APPOINTED
CHIEF U.S. GAME WARDEN

State Game and Fish Commissioner of
Vermont Called to Enforce
Federal Game Laws

Harold P. Sheldon, fish and game commissioner of Vermont, has been appointed by Secretary of Agriculture Jardine to be chief United States game warden of the Bureau of Biological Survey. He will fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of G.A. Lawyer, and will assume his new duties early in July.

The experience gained by Mr. Sheldon as State game commissioner of Vermont during the past five years well qualifies him for his new duties. He has been responsible for the administration of the fish and game laws of Vermont, also of the State Fish Hatcheries, the State Game Farm, and the Migratory Bird Sanctuary at Milton, Vt. His name stood first on the eligible register resulting from the civil-service examination for the position.

As chief United States game warden Mr. Sheldon will be in charge of the enforcement of two Federal game laws, the migratory-bird treaty act and regulations protecting birds migrating between the United States and Canada, and the Lacey Act regulating interstate commerce in game.

Mr. Sheldon is a native of Vermont, and before his appointment as State game commissioner was an assistant editor of the Office of Information of the Department of Agriculture at Washington. While in Washington after the war he studied law and took special courses at both Georgetown and George Washington universities. He is author of many articles relating to fishing and shooting and the conservation of wild life. During the World War he served in France as first lieutenant in the 102d Machine Gun Battalion, and was later made captain. His services at the front were ended by a serious wound received in action, from which, however, he has fully recovered.

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