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NESSET NAMED NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF STANDING ROCK INDIAN AGENCY

Transfer of Noralf Nessel from superintendent of the Cheyenne River Indian Agency in South Dakota to superintendent at Standing Rock Agency, Fort Yates, North Dakota, was announced today by the Department of the Interior.

Mr. Nessel succeeds Harold W. Schunk, recently transferred to the Rosebud Agency in South Dakota. The new move is effective December 13, according to Indian Commissioner Glen Emmons.

A native of Maddock, North Dakota, Mr. Nessel joined the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1936 as a teacher at the Fort Yates Community School on the Standing Rock Reservation. In 1944 he was named principal of the school and one year later became principal of the Bureau's school at Fort Totten, North Dakota, on the Turtle Mountain Reservation. He resigned in 1949 to become self-employed and returned to the Bureau in 1950 as Reservation Principal at the Cheyenne River Agency. Two years later he was appointed superintendent at Cheyenne River and has been serving in this position ever since.

He attended college intermittently beginning in 1930 and received an A.B. degree from Valley City (North Dakota) State Teachers' College in 1944.

A new superintendent of the Cheyenne River Agency will be named later.

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