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Theodore B. White, 52, an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux and Oneida Indian tribes, has been named Chief Tribal Operations Officer in the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Washington, D. C., the Department of White has already assumed the duties of the Interior announced today his office.

He came to the Washington, D.C.,office from the post of Superintendent of the San Carlos Agency of the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Arizona. This agency has jurisdiction over the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation.

White has a masters in social work from Loyola University in Chicago, and a B.A. in sociology from Lipscomb College, Nashville, Tenn. He has also attended the University of Wisconsin and Pepperdine College.

He began his career in the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1955 as a relocation officer with the Shiprock Agency in Arizona. Two years later he accepted a similar post in the Los Angeles Field Office and moved from Los Angeles to Chicago as a supervisor of this same kind of work. He remained in this field of work at the Rosebud Agency (1959), Dallas Field Office (1960), Cleveland Field Office (1961), and Chicago Field Office (1962).

He became a community living guidance specialist in Washington, D.C.) in 1966, and superintendent of the San Carlos Agency in 1967.

He served four years in the Air Force in World War II. He is married and the father of two sons. He and his family make their home in Fairfax, Va.