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Appointment of James N. Lowe, Sacramento, Calif., as Chief of the Indian Bureau is newly created Branch of Industrial Development was announced today by the Department of the Interior.

A veteran of 22 year's in Federal Service, Mr. Lowe joined the Indian Bureau in 1954 as a member of the Washington Office Program Staff and subsequently transferred to Sacramento where he has been serving for the past year as Assistant Area Director. In his new job he will move back to Washington and supervise the program to enlarge Indian job opportunities by encouraging the establishment of private industries in the vicinity of reservations.

The Branch of Industrial Development takes over the functions previously performed by Carl W. Beck, Assistant to the Commissioner, who retired September 30.

A native of Warren, Ark., and graduate of Oklahoma A. and M. College in 1924, Mr. Lowe was a county agricultural agent for 11 years in Oklahoma and Kansas before he joined the Soil Conservation Service in 1935. After eight years with the SCS in Kansas and South Carolina, he moved to the Board of Economic Warfare for one year and then served for 10 years in various branches of the United States Department of Agriculture before coming with the Indian Bureau. The position which he held immediately before transfer was industrial specialist with the Production Marketing Administration.