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VERN STEPHENS APPOINTED ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF TERRITORIES

Secretary of Interior Fred A. Seaton announced today the appointment of Vern Stephens, 34, of Portland, Oregon, as Assistant Director of the Department's Office of Territories.

In addition to assisting the Director in carrying out the responsibilities of the Office of Territories, Mr. Stephens will serve as Acting Director in the absence of the Director.

A graduate of Washington State College with a B.A. degree in political science, Mr. Stephens was engaged for several years in retail business in Portland, Oreg. A veteran of World War II, he is married to the former Lucille Hannula of Portland.

They have a daughter, aged 4, and four sons, aged 6-12.

Mr. Stephens has been active for years in Portland's United Fund activities and in YMCA and Club Scout work. He and Mrs. Stephens are active PTA members. Mr. Stephens is a member of the American Legion. The family attends Central Presbyterian Church in Portland.

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