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## MAC RAE TO BE ACTING WAGE HOUR DIRECTOR IN MAJOR FLETCHER'S ABSENCE

Stephen R. MacRae, Supervising Inspector in charge of the Columbia, S. C. office, will be appointed Acting Director of the Carolinas Region when Director Arthur L. Fletcher takes leave for military service, it was announced today by Colonel Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division.

Mr. MacRae, who is senior official in the region, will be designated to serve as Director during the temporary absence of Major Fletcher, who has been notified that he will be expected to report soon to Selective Service Headquarters in Washington.

Colonel Fleming pointed out that under Government regulations, employees who are called for military service retain their status and are to be returned to their original posts when their military service is completed. For that reason, he said, no one will be appointed to succeed Major Fletcher because there will be no vacancy.

Mr. MacRae will continue to make his headquarters in Columbia.

Mrs. Pauline Horton, Supervising Inspector, will remain at the Raleigh,

N. C. office, and will be in charge of that office.