

WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION

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FRED R. RAUCH APPOINTED ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR OF WPA

Colonel F.C. Harrington, Works Progress Administrator, today announced the appointment of Fred R. Rauch as Assistant Administrator of WPA in charge of the Division of Employment. Mr. Rauch formerly was Director of Highways and Conservation in the Engineering Division of WPA. The appointment is effective immediately.

David K. Niles, Assistant Administrator formerly in charge of the Employment and Information Divisions, remains in charge of the latter division.

Mr. Rauch had served both as regional advisor on labor relations and regional engineer for WPA in the Southern States before coming to Washington. Previously he had been engaged in the general construction business. In 1926 he became President of the Lehigh Construction Co., with offices in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Newport, Ky.

First associated with the Civil Works Administration in 1933, Mr. Rauch became District Engineer and Associate State Engineer of CWA in Kentucky. He returned to private business in 1934, but in July, 1935, accepted appointment as Director of Labor Management for WPA in Kentucky. He has been engaged in labor relations work and engineering for WPA since that time.

As Director of the Division of Employment he will have charge of certification and intake, quotas, classification, wage rates and labor relations for WPA.