

After 35 Years—

Breitweiser Retiring

Lieutenant General Robert A. Breitweiser, commander in chief, Alaska, announced this week his intention to retire July 31 after 35 years of military service.

General Breitweiser assumed the duties of the highest military post in Alaska June 30, 1967.

Before coming to Alaska, General Breitweiser had been commandant of the Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

His retirement will close a military career which began in 1934 when he entered the United States Military Academy at West Point by competitive examination. He was graduated third in his class in 1938.

During his two years in Alaska, General Breitweiser became deeply involved in the Alaskan community, actively supporting state efforts in many areas including conservation, native hiring and others.

He directed the combined military support of rescue efforts during the Fairbanks flood, receiving the thanks of Governor Walter J. Hickel, the Alaska Legislature and the city of Fairbanks.

General Breitweiser made no announcement of his post-retire-



... Alaska's top Army officer, Gen. Breitweiser, retiring.

ment plans.

He said he and Mrs. Breitweiser greatly enjoyed their life in Alaska. "You can be sure," he said "that we will be back for visits with the many good friends we have made here."