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REFERENCE SERVICE SLIP
Archival Research Room Record Request
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REQUESTER INFORMATION

Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Flynn, Kylie	10136550
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
knfgbb@umsl.edu	217-440-1332

INFORMATION NEEDED TO LOCATE RECORDS (Furnish as much as possible)

Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
Bassett, Norman, L.		1898 MA

MILITARY SERVICE

Branch of Service:

- ☐ Air Force
- ☐ Army Air Corps
- ☐ Army Air Force
- ☐ Army
- ☐ Marine Corps
- ☐ Navy
- ☐ Coast Guard
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Rank:

- ☐ Enlisted
- ☐ Officer
- ☐ Unknown

Service Period (Check all that apply):

- ☐ 1939 & Prior
- ☐ 1940 - 1950
- ☐ 1950 & After

Date & Place of Death: 1971 MA

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

Other Identifying Information (Parent's Names, CSC Number, etc.)
Last name could possibly be Barrett

Researcher Signature: Kylie

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (MA)	From: 1919	To: 1920
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:

Other Identifying Information (Maiden Name, Job Title, etc.)

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STAFF USE ONLY

Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

CMRS Service Request Number: C-00055933387

CMRS Search Request Number(s): civilian

Attendant Signature: LH

Remarks: Archival search 4/29

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SCREENING NOTES

- ☐ Reviewed and Nothing Removed
- ☐ Items Removed and User Informed

Hold Requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Requests:

Screened Items:

☐ Additional charge outs and signatures on reverse side

Time Out:

Final Return:

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE/LIFESAVING SERVICE—RECORDS CHECKED

CMRS CASE #: C-0005593387 .

Employee Name: BASSETT, NORMAN L . **DOB:** 1898 .

SOUNDEX:

Records checked:

Agency: Commerce 6028 Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk positive (negative)

Agency: Commerce 6029 Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk positive (negative)

Agency: Old Commerce Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk positive (negative)

Verify Box

AND

Agency: Treasury 2189 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive (negative)

Agency: Treasury 2188 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk (positive) negative

Agency: Old Treasury Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive (negative)

Box

If Negative: SRC Service Record Cards Along Wall

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 1 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive (negative) Bx 16

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 2 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive (negative) Bx 73

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 3 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive (negative) Bx 260

Agency: Coast Guard SRCs Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk (positive) negative

B 1/6

If Negative: SECT II SHELF 3 BAY=13 ROW #1 Bx #1

CMRS: _____ Area: _____ positive negative

ARCIS: _____ Area: _____ positive negative

Notes: _____

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

SERVICE RECORD CARD

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Name—Surname first: Bassett Norman L.

PRESENT LEGAL (VOTING) RESIDENCE.

City or town:	State:	County:	Cong. Dist.:
Barnstable	Mass.	Barnstable	16

Bureau or service:	Manner of appointment:	Excepted, competitive, or unclassified:	Date of classification:	Sex:	Colored:	Place of birth:	Date of birth:
C. & S.	Prob.			M	No	Mass	Mar 20, 1898

Date.	Oath.	e. o. d.	Position.	Salary.	Predecessor.	Appropriation.	Dist.	Where employed.
1919 Sept 16 1920 April 2	1919 Oct 7	1919 Sept 16	Keeper	$1720	C. H. Smith	Sal. & Wgs.	2.	Butler Flats L.S. Mass.
			RESIGNED CLOSE OF	April	3, 1920			

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SUCCESSOR.

(OVER.)

NAME

Norman Lenwood Bassett

Previous Government (civil) service:

Occupation prior to entering U. S. civil service:

Seamaster

MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE—WAR RECORD.

Co., regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

Education—Degrees received, institutions, and dates:

High School

MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE OTHER THAN WAR RECORD.

Co., regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

Special qualifications—Professional, technical, mechanical, etc.:

Civil-Service examinations passed:

Asst Keeper June 23, 1919

WIDOW OR ORPHAN OF HONORABLY DISCHARGED SOLDIER OR SAILOR.

Name under which service was rendered:

Co., regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

EFFICIENCY RECORDS.

Date.	General average.	Remarks.

Relatives in service:

Brother Roland Bassett - Keeper

Physical defects:

Remarks:

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Norman L. Bassett

Mr. Norman L. Bassett

INACTIVE

LEGAL RESIDENCE
Massachusetts

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
Keeper Butler Flats L.S. Mass.	$720	L. H.	Sept. 16, 1919.
RESIGNED CLOSE OF April 3, 1920			
		INACTIVE	

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Form 73
WBJ

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Second DISTRICT.

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LIGHT SEP 11 1919 HOUSES

Boston, Mass., (City.) September 5 (Date.) 1919,

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment-

Name, Norman L. Bassett — Legal residence, Massachusetts

Position, Keeper — Salary, $720 per annum

Location, Butler Flats Light Station, Mass. — Appropriation, Lighthouses

Effective September 22, 1919 — {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

1919 SEP 13 AM 11 49

Former position, -- — Former salary, --

Location, --

SEP 13 PM 12 11

Rank on eligible list, 1 — Rating, Assistant Light-house Keeper- — Percentage, 80.0, Other eligibles considered:

Only eligible on register-

Previous incumbent, Clarence H. Smith — Services terminated, August 31, 1919

Reason, Resignation

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: Mr. Bassett was not required to appear at this office owing to distance. No quarters areprovided for families of Keepers at this station. Mr. Bassett has had no previous Government Civil Service.

JAS 9/15/19.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Sept 8, 1919

B. L. Jackson
Secretary, 1st Civil Service District.

Eaton
Superintendent.

not passed

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

SEP 11 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

1919 SEP 12 PM 3 20

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN SEP 16 1919 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

September 16, 1919.

Mr. Norman L. Bassett,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Seven Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No.) issued by the ~~Secretary of the First Civil Service District.~~

CARDED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

RM
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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Clarence H. Smith.

Legal Residence: Massachusetts.

(See reverse side.)

2nd District

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED SEP 1 8 1919 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

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C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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LIGHT HOUSES OCT 9 1919

CHIEF CLERK

I, Norman L. Bassett

do solemnly [1] swear (See below) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So HELP ME GOD.

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Norman L Bassett
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] seventh day of October, A. D. 191 9

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) H E Booth

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires April 27. 1923.

CARDED

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$720 per annum	Butler Flats Light Station, Mass.
Former [5]		

(The above should be filled in by the district officer before sending to appointee)

U. S. REPORT NO. EMPL.

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 2nd District

Boston, Mass., (Address) October 7, 1919. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on September 16, 1919. (Date)

Geo E Eaton
(Signature, followed by title) Superintendent.

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.
[3] The oath may be taken any time after the date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.
[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of lighthouse inspectors and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.
[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.
Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENTS OCT 13 1919

LIGHT HOUSES OCT 13 1919

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CHIEF CLERK

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

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(To be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty. The statement should be signed by the appointee or employee. If unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.)

1. What is your full name? (State whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs., and spell out names in full, including middle name or names. Example: Mr. John Richard Roe. If name itself is merely a letter, it should be so stated.)

~~Mr Norman L Bassett~~ Mr Norman Lenwood Bassett

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? (This should agree with signature to your oath of office.) Norman L Bassett

3. Bureau or Service, place, and district in which employed:

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) Butlers Flats Light Sta. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) Second (District.)

4. Position to which appointed Asst. Keeper

5. Compensation $720 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid Salaries Keepers of Lighthouses

7. In what manner did the employee enter the service? (Examples: "From stenography and typewriting examination, ——, 191—;" or "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

From Asst Keeper Examination June 23 1919

8. What is your present legal (voting) residence? (Give city or town, State or Territory, county, and Congressional district.)

Barnstable (City or town.) Mass (State or Territory.) Barnstable (County.) 16 (Congressional district.)

9. When the legal residence given in answer to question 8 differs from that given in the certificate of appointment, the discrepancy should be explained.

No difference

10. What is your race? (Answer "white," "colored," or "Mongolian.") White

11. Where were you born? West Dennis Mass.

12. When were you born? ~~Ds~~ March (Month.) 20 (Day.) 1898 (Year.)

13. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out

Not foreign born

14. What is your marital condition? Single

15. Give name and address of person whom you would like to have notified in case of accident.

Mrs R. G. Elles (Name.) (Number and street.)

Cummaquid Mass (City or town.) (State or Territory.)

CARDED

16. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? Yes

(If answer is "Yes," give in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.)

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
Mr Roland Bassett	Chatham	Position Keeper Department or office	Brother	Married
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

17. Have you any physical disabilities? (If so, describe briefly. If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.)

None

18. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below the Department and Bureau or Service in which you served, the position held, the salary you received, and the dates of your appointment and separation from the service.)

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
	US Coast Gard		$65-45 mo		
				Sept 6	Sept 13 Substitute

19. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.)

None

20. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during any war? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
None			

21. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States other than during war time, indicate such service in the spaces below.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
None			

22. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No (If answer is "Yes," give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Relationship (widow or orphan)

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

23. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 18, 19, 20, and 21.)

~~Substitute in Coast Guard 1st to 42~~

Seaman Chatham Mass

24. What education have you received? (Indicate the grades of schools you have attended, and, in case you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1900; Columbia University, LL. B., 1903.)

Public school. High school 1st year

25. What special qualifications have you—educational, professional, technical, mechanical, etc.? (Examples: Qualified as "Lawyer," or "Civil engineer," or "Translator," or "Interpreter," or "Draftsman," or "Carpenter.")

None

26. What, if any, civil-service examinations have you passed? (Give names and dates as near as you recollect.)

Asst Keeper June 23 1919

27. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.)

The foregoing questions were written by me

Date, Oct 6, 1919

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) Norman L Bassett

P. O. Address: New Bedford Mass
City or town.

Number and street.

Mass
State or Territory.

(If appointee is to be employed in the field, this form should be reviewed and approved by the proper field officer and need not be signed by an official of the Bureau. If appointee is to serve in the District of Columbia, the form should be reviewed and approved by the proper Bureau officer. When forwarding this form, no letter of transmittal is required.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded October 10, 1919

(Signature) F E Eaton

(Official title) Superintendent, 2nd District.

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Form 98

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NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

LIGHT MAR 31 1920 HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE CHIEF CLERK

Superintendent

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR Second DISTRICT,

1920 APR 2 AM 9 03

Boston, Mass., March 29, 1920.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is transmitted the resignation of the following-named employee:

Name, Norman L. Bassett Position, Keeper APPOINTMENTS

Legal residence, Massachusetts Station, Butler Flats Light Station, Mass.

1920 APR 2 AM 10 36

Salary, $720 per annum-

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of April 3, 1920.

This employee has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

Remarks: --

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
APR 2 - 1920
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

JAS 4/2/20.

Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

MAR 31 1920

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Acting Commissioner.

J.E.H.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BOSTON, MASS.

Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SECOND DISTRICT

Butler Flats Light
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)
3/26/20, 191

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR 2ND DIST. BOSTON MASS.

MAR 29 1920

LIGHT
MAR 8'
H[illegible]

Light House Inspector.
Boston, Mass

Dear Sir,

I, Norman L Bassett 1st asst, Butler-Flats Light, New Bedford mass am sending in my resignation, to take effect on April 3, 1920

N L Bassett.

Baker,
Keeper.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 2, 1920.

Mr. Norman L. Bassett,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Bureau, to take effect at the close of business on April 3, 1920.

Bureau.....Lighthouse Service, 2nd District.

Station.....Butler Flats Light Station, Mass.

Position.....Keeper.

Salary.....$720. per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED APR 3 - 1920 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

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