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REQUESTER INFORMATION

Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Burns, Andrew	4563213
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
afbfg4@umsl.edu	636-415-7353

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
Bohn, Walter, E.		

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:

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

Other Identifying Information (Parent's Names, CSC Number, etc.)

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location) Lighthouse Service (CT/NJ/NY) 3rd District

From:	To:
1916	1917

(Agency & Location) B500

From:	To:
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(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

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Attendant Signature:

CMRS Search Request Number(s): Rqst Sent 8/12/26

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☑ Reviewed and Nothing Removed

☐ Items Removed and User Informed

Hold Requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Final Return:

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET
(When forwarding this form no letter of transmittal is required)



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

March 5, 1913.

To the Chiefs of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce:

For the purpose of enabling the Department to maintain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are requested to have every person hereafter appointed or employed in your Bureau, immediately upon his entrance on duty, answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. The information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved in accordance with instructions. The information in Part II should be supplied as indicated and the form forwarded to the Department.

William C. Redfield
Secretary.

PART I.

(Part I should be filled out by the appointee or employee; but, if he is unable to write legibly, another person may write the answers at his dictation. In either case the statement should be signed by the appointee or employee. If he is unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness. If he is unable to answer any question, he should indicate that fact.)

1. What is your full name? (Include middle name or names. Do not use initials, but spell out each name and state whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs. Example: Mr. John Richard Doe. If name itself is merely a letter, it should be so stated.)
Walter Edward Bohm.

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? (***This should agree with signature to your oath of office.***)
Walter Edward Bohm.

3. What is your present legal (voting) residence? (Give city or town, State or Territory, county, and Congressional district. See question 13, Part II.)

Brooklyn.	New York.	King	3rd
City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.

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

5. Where were you born? (See question 14, Part II.) Butte Montana

6. When were you born? April 10th 1890
Month. Day. Year.

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

Mrs Diffly (Name.) — 46th King St. (Number and street.)

New York City (City or town.) — New York City (State or Territory.)

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below their names, relationships, the Departments and Bureaus or Services in which they are employed, and the positions they occupy.)

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
None				

9. If you were appointed through a civil service examination, state, as near as you recollect, the name and date of the examination. If not so appointed, state how you entered the service. (Examples: "By reinstatement," or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Civil service. Salary $456 a year Dec 15th 1911

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

Eyesight Good — physical disabilities None.

11. 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.
None					

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

None

13. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during the Civil or Spanish-American War? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
Never			

14. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time other than during the Civil or Spanish-American Wars, indicate such service in the spaces below.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
Never			

15. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Relationship (widow or orphan) Never

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service Never

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

I acknowledge receipt of a copy of Department Circular No. 258 (second edition), of September 22, 1914, relating to political activity of officeholders, and fully understand its purport.



Walter Edward Bohn
(Name.)

2 Ass Keeper
(Position.)

Lighthouse Service New London Ledge
(Bureau, Office, or Service.)

Date, July, 31, 1916.

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(This acknowledgment should be forwarded to, and filed in, the bureau or office to which appointee is assigned.)

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

None but above

20. 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.)

Yes

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. July. 31, 1916., 1916

(Signature) Walter Edward Bohn

Witness:

None
In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: New London Ledge.
City or town.
New London.
Number and street.
Conn.
State or Territory.

(Where the appointee is to be employed outside of the District of Columbia the information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer in immediate charge before forwarding to the Bureau. Where he is to be employed in the District of Columbia, Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer who executes Part II.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded Aug 4, 1916

(Signature)

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(Official title)

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 11, 12, 13, and 14.)

Interesting in Lighthouse service and Working in Dry docks.

17. 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.)

High School from 1900 to 1902. in Los Angeles California — 5th and Mason St

18. 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.")

seven months in Civil Engineer for W. P. Thum S. P. Railroad Los Angeles.

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

None but above

20. 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.)

Yes

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. July 31, 1916., 1916

(Signature) Walter Edward Bohm

Witness:

None

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: New London Ledge.
City or town.
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Reviewed, approved, and forwarded Aug 4, 1916

(Signature)

(Official title)

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PART II.

(Part II should be executed by the executive officer of the Bureau of the Department to which the employee is assigned, or by some authorized official who can give the information desired. If unable to answer any question, indicate that fact.)

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1. State the Bureau or Service, place, and district in which the person who answered the foregoing questions is employed:

Lt Service | New London Ledge Conn | 3

Bureau or Service. | Place (city, town, station, or vessel.) | District.

2. To what position has he been appointed? 2d Ass Keeper New London Ledge

3. State the date of appointment. ~~July 21~~ Aug 1st 1916

4. State the date the appointment was effective. (If appointment was made to take effect on date of oath, so state.)

Date Ent. D.

5. State the date of the oath. Aug 2 1916

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. July 21, 1916

7. What is his salary? $456 a year

8. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries Keepers

9. Is the position excepted, competitive, or unclassified under the civil service rules? ~~Competitive~~

10. If classified, state the date of classification. May 6 1896

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

~~From stenography and typewriting examination~~

Local Ser Service Entered April 10 1916

12. Is the employee required to give bond? No ~~Yes~~

13. When the legal residence given in answer to question 3, Part I, differs from that given in the certificate of appointment, the discrepancy should be explained.

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

(America Born)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) _____

(Official title) _____

Date: _____, 19

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FWO-WJL

May 15,1917.

Mr.Walter E.Bohn,
305 W.25th Street,
New York, N.Y.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of May 12th 1917.

Check for salary due you in the amount of $6.27 is enclosed. This check has not heretofore been forwarded on account of the fact that this office had no knowledge or record of your address.

In this connection your attention is invited to the matter of your indebtedness in connection with the mess at New London Ledge Light Station which indebtedness you are requested to settle upon the receipt of this letter.

Respectfully,

J T Yates

Inspector

New York, City

May. 12, 1917.



Dear Sir

I have been waiting for some time to hear from you but have not yet received any letter from you. I am writing to you to inform you that I have been appointed as a keeper of the light house service which I was very interested in and try my very best in every way and the 2 ass't Mr Merry can tell you the same things. But I left before I got into any trouble with Mr Hansen the Keeper. He was over in town more than he was at the light and I did not understand why it was But I can tell you a lot more thing But not in this letter

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTORS
32 DIST.
MAY
14
1917
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

and I can very near prove what I say.

Now Mr Yates I have some money coming to me from the New London Ledge light and would thank you many time if you would forward it to me so that I can pay what I O up in New London Ledge Light

And if you would like to have me explain more of Mr Hansen the Keeper write and let me know when I can make a napointment with you and please send my money to this address on the next page

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LIGHT-HOUSE INSP. 2d DIST.
MAY 14 1917
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TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Walter E Bohn
305. W. 25. St
New York.
City

P.S.
I am working at the
National Cloak and Suit Co.
207 W 24 St
New York.
City.

Nov 7-16-

April: [illegible]

Re Bohn, late 2nd asst.
New London Ledge Ltg whose
present address is not
known.

If address should be need,
don't pay amount due for
salary until you receive
re his indebtedness to keeper.:

[illegible]

April 10/9/16

Hold up pay Walter
E. Bohn, Asst. News
Candy Ledge, absent
without authority.

Nov 7-16-

April:

Re Bohn, late 2nd asst.
New London Lodge Lt, whose
present address is not
known —

If address should be need,
don't pay amount due for
salary until you advise
me his indebtedness to Keeper.

JWA

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
3D DIST.
NOV
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1916
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

THIRD DISTRICT

New London Ledge
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Nov. 1st, 1916

Inspector:

I have no record of Mr. Bohn's address, but he has been seen around New London and I may be able to locate him later.

The letter is returned to the office as ordered and if I find out where he lives I will inform the office.

Hansen
Keeper.

JHG

George E. Hanson, Keeper, Oct. 25,1916

New London Ledge Lt.Sta.,

New London, Conn.

Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated October 25,1916 addressed to Walter E.Behn, dismissing him from the position of 2nd assistant keeper of New London Ledge Light Station, effective at close of October 4,1916.

If you have the home address of Mr.Behn forward this letter to him and advise this office that you have done so and also give the address to which forwarded. If you have no record of his address, return the letter to this office.

J. T. YATES,

Inspector

LIGHT
OCT 28 1916
HOUSES

October 23, 1916.

Sir:

It having been charged that you have been absent from your station without authority since 2.30 p.m. on October 4, 1916, without informing your superior officers of your intentions or whereabouts, which action is equivalent to desertion, and the charges having been established in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has dismissed you from the position of second assistant keeper of New London Ledge Light Station, Connecticut, at $456 per annum, effective at the close of October 4, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) W. S. GILCHRIST
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Walter E. Bohn,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



FWO-WJL

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

George E.Hansen,Keeper,
New London Ledge Light Station,
New London, Conn.

October 23,1916.

Referring to your letter of October 18th 1916 concerning the indebtedness of former second assistant keeper Bohn.

You are advised that it will be impracticable to make any deduction from the amount due Mr.Bohn for his salary. However, if you will advise this office of the amount of his indebtedness, this office will endeavor to persuade him to make payment of the amount due.

J T Yates

Inspector,

The amount of Mr. Bohn's indebtedness to the mess at this station is $5.43.

Hansen
Keeper.

O. G. Merry. Ast.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. NOV 7 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

October 23, 1916.

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By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

W. S. Gilchrist

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Walter E. Bohn,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2D DIST. OCT 23 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

THIRD DISTRICT

New London Ledge Sta
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Oct 18, 1916

Inspector:

Mr Bohn, 2nd asst. left this station on the 4th inst, got his check for last months salary and failed to settle his mess bill. Respectfully request information as to whether I can collect on the four days pay due him on this month.

Hansen
Keeper

11-30

George E.Hansen,Keeper,
New London Ledge Light Station,
New London, Conn.

October 23,1916.

Referring to your letter of October 18th 1916 concerning the indebtedness of former second assistant keeper Bohn.

You are advised that it will be impracticable to make any deduction from the amount due Mr.Bohn for his salary. However, if you will advise this office of the amount of his indebtedness, this office will endeavor to persuade him to make payment of the amount due.

J T Yates

JHC

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October 16,1916

Commissioner:-

The following correspondence re Walter E. Bohn, second assistant keeper of New London Ledge Light Station, Connecticut, is enclosed for the Bureau's consideration.

1. Letter dated Oct.5,1916 from the keeper of New London Ledge Lt.Sta.
2. Copy of letter of charges addressed to Walter E.Bohn, 2nd assistant keeper.
3. Registered letter returned by postoffice as undelivered, same being addressed to Bohn's last known address.

In view of the fact that Mr.Bohn left his duties as second assistant keeper of New London Ledge Light Station on October 4th, without permission and has since failed to notify this office as to his whereabouts or the cause of his absence, it is recommended that he be dismissed from the service, effective at the close of October 4,1916.

Mr. Bohn has not been granted leave in excess of the accrued rate.

J. T. YATES.

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RECEIVED AND REGISTERED

Article No. 827 1019

125 class postage paid.

From Hugh J Sommerville
3rd Lieut Air Service

Addressed to Mr Walter Bohn
71 Franklin St Binghamton

Return receipt desired _____

Delivery restricted { To addressee in person ____
To addressee or order _____

C5—6869

Postmaster, per Bryan

TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.
DEC 6
POSTMARK
REGISTERED

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
3D DIST.
OCT
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1916
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

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JHG

REGISTERED MAIL
RECEIPT REQUESTED

Walter E. Bohn,

71 Franklin Street,

New York, N. Y.

October 9,1916

You are hereby charged with being absent from duty without authority as Second Assistant Keeper of New London Ledge Light Station, Ct., you having left the station at 2:30 P.M. on October 4th,1916 and having remained absent since that time.

You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make through official channels, within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

If you desire to make no statement, you will so state in writing.

J. T. YATES.
Inspector

April 10/9/16

Held up by Walter E. Bohn, Cent. News Landau Lodge, about 1 mile Southerly.

C O P Y

New London Ledge,

October 5,1916

Inspector

Mr. Walter E. Bohn, 2nd asst. at this station left the station and service at 2:30 P.M. yesterday, Oct.4,1916, without notice.

HANSEN

Keeper

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

Walter E. Bohn,
70 Carlton Ave.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT

Tompkinsville, N.Y., June 6, 1916. 191

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of Additional
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)
Keeper for assignment to duty at such stations in the 3rd Lighthouse District at which your services may be required, but for the present assignment to duty will be made to Stratford Shoal Light Station, which station is off shore in Long Island Sound

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 10 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year for
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)
Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J T YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you?.....

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?.....

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?.....

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

.....

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service of the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." ..... If yes, state how

ers at this station, but family quarters can probably be rented at Port Jefferson, N.Y.

NOTE B - Ration allowance of 30 cents per day will be paid by check, and the employee must provide himself with all necessary provisions. Keepers are not required to board assistant keepers.

If selected for this position, how soon could you report for duty?.....

.....

.....

(Signature) .....

(Post-office address) .....

Date, ...

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WALTER E. BOHN

WALTER E. BOHN

WALTER E. BOHN

WALTER E. BOHN

Out
Dismissed

LIGHT 1:20 JUL 18 HOUSES

Wrote Dept 7/18/16

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Wired Insp 7/19/16

TELEGRAM

12WUHX 29 Govt

Tompkinsville SI NY. July 18-1916 1110AM

Lighthouse Commission

Washington

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Request authority assign Walter F. Bohn to duty second assistant keeper Newlondon Ledge July twentieth vice Merry promoted no relatives in service district secretary approves .

Yates

110PM

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Commr.
Commr.

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Department of Commerce

SPECIAL

TELEGRAM

Tompkinsville New York July 18 1916

Lighthouse Commission(er)

Washington

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(Signed) Yates

McC-NDW

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
July 18, 1916.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommending that authority be granted to assign Walter F. Bohn to duty as second assistant keeper in the Lighthouse Service, at $456 per annum, for service at the New London Ledge Light Station, vice Earl G. Merry, promoted, effective July 20, 1916, or as soon thereafter as practicable. The usual nomination will be submitted to the Department when received, at which time formal appointment may be issued.

Acting Commissioner

LIGHT
JUL 19 1916
HOUSES

Wired Insp
7/19/16

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Commr.
Commr.

July 19, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 18th instant, the Department hereby authorizes the assignment of Walter F. Bohn to duty as second assistant keeper of New London Ledge Light Station, Connecticut, at $456 per annum.

A formal appointment will be issued to Mr. Bohn upon receipt of nomination bearing the endorsement of the local civil service district secretary.

(SIGNED) A. L. THURMAN

Acting Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
July 19, 1916

To Lighthouse Inspector, Tompkinsville, N.Y.
for his information, guidance, and files of office.
See Bureau telegram of today.

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Acting Commissioner.

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES JUL 29 1916

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.) July 26,1916 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
(Through Sec'y,2nd C.S.Dist.)

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, Walter E. Bohn

Legal residence, New York

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper

Salary, $456.00 per annum

Location, New London Ledge Lt.Sta.,Conn.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective July 21,1916

{ 'the actual date of entrance on duty, or~~as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.~~

Former position,

Former salary,

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 79.6, Other eligibles considered:
Harry A. Lewis FR. Robert H. Ebbitts A.

Previous incumbent, Earl G. Merry

Services terminated, July 19,1916

Reason, Promoted

Assignment to duty on July 21,1916 was necessary for the reason that it was not practicable to permit this position to remain vacant until appointment certificate could be obtained.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position. No quarters for families of keepers at this station. Nos.1 to 7 and 14 on eligible list will not accept appointment to stations where no family quarters are provided. Nos.8 to 13 and 15 are not eligible for appointment to this station.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. JUL 28 1916, 191

H.C. Coles
Secretary, SECOND Civil Service District.

J. T. YATES.

RM

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JUL 31 1916

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Attention is invited to Department letter of July 19, 1916, authorizing the assignment of Bohn to duty.

Acting Commissioner

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

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

LIGHT
AUG 2 1916
HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 1, 1916.

M. Walter R. Bohn,

Throughthe 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, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you entered upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No.- - - -) issued by the local Civil Service Board for the Third Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice Earl G. Merry.

Legal Residence: New York.

(See reverse side.)

AUG - 2 1916

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
HTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT OCT 17 1916 HOUSES

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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comm'r.

October 16,1916

Commissioner:-

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2. Copy of letter of charges addressed to Walter E.Bohn, 2nd assistant keeper.
3. Registered letter returned by postoffice as undelivered, same being addressed to Bohn's last known address.

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Mr. Bohn has not been granted leave in excess of the accrued rate.

J. T. YATES.

HB-EFL Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, October 18, 1916.

Submitted to the Department with recommendation for approval.

LIGHT
OCT 23 1916
HOUSES

October 23, 1916.

Sir:

It having been charged that you have been absent from your station without authority since 2.30 p.m. on October 4, 1916, without informing your superior officers of your intentions or whereabouts, which action is equivalent to desertion, and the charges having been established in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has dismissed you from the position of second assistant keeper of New London Ledge Light Station, Connecticut, at $456 per annum, effective at the close of October 4, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) W. S. GILCHRIST
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Walter E. Bohn,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Walter E. Bohn

LEGAL RESIDENCE.
New York

STATUS INACTIVE

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
2d Asst Keeper, New London Ledge, Ct Conn	$ 450	LIGHT-HOUSE	July 21, 1916.
Removed from Oct 4. 1916.			

INACTIVE

Walter E. Bohn

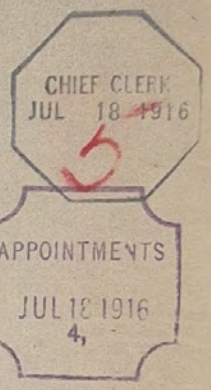
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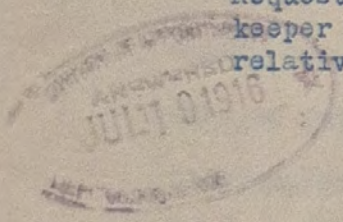
Tompkinsville New York July 18 1916

Lighthouse Commission(er)

Washington

Request authority assign* Walter F. Bohn to duty second assistant keeper New London Ledge July twentieth vice Merry promoted no relatives in service district secretary approves

(Signed) Yates



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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
July 18, 1916.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommending that authority be granted to assign Walter F. Bohn to duty as second assistant keeper in the Lighthouse Service, at $456 per annum, for service at the New London Ledge Light Station, vice Earl G. Merry, promoted, effective July 20, 1916, or as soon thereafter as practicable. The usual nomination will be submitted to the Department when received, at which time formal appointment may be issued.

*no papers sam.

H. B. Bowerman

Acting Commissioner

NOMINATION

SECOND U. S. CIVIL

LIGHT

July 19, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 18th instant, the Department hereby authorizes the assignment of Walter F. Bohn to duty as second assistant keeper of New London Ledge Light Station, Connecticut, at $456 per annum.

A formal appointment will be issued to Mr. Bohn upon receipt of nomination bearing the endorsement of the local civil service district secretary.

(SIGNED) A. L. THURMAN

Acting Secretary.

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SECOND U. S. CIVIL SERVICE DISTRICT REC'D JUL 27 1916

LIGHT HOUSES JUL 29 1916

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.) July 26,1916 (Date.) 191

CHIEF CLERK JUL 31 1916

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
(Through Sec'y, 2nd C.S.Dist.)

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, Walter E. Bohn

Legal residence, New York

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper

Salary, $456.00 per annum

Location, New London Ledge Lt.Sta., Conn.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

APPOINTMENTS JUL 31 1916

Effective July 21,1916 {'the actual date of entrance on duty, or- ~~as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.~~

~~Former position,~~

~~Location,~~

Former salary,

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 79.8 , Other eligibles considered:
Harry A. Lewis FR. Robert H. Ebbitts A.

Previous incumbent, Earl G. Merry

Services terminated, July 19,1916

Reason, Promoted

Assignment to duty on July 21,1916 was necessary for the reason that it was not practicable to permit this position to remain vacant until appointment certificate could be obtained.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position. No quarters for families of keepers at this station. Nos.1 to 7 and 14 on eligible list will not accept appointment to stations where no family quarters are provided. Nos.8 to 13 and 15 are not eligible for appointment to this station.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. JUL 28 1916 , 191

H.C. Coles
Secretary, SECOND Civil Service District.

J. T. Yates

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JUL 31 1916

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.
Attention is invited to Department letter of July 19, 1916, authorizing the assignment of Bohn to duty.

7-31-16

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

August 1, 1916.

Mr. Walter R. Bohn,

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, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you entered upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. - - - -) issued by the local Civil Service Board for the Third Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED AUG - 1 1916 ON JOURNAL DEPT. OF COMMERCE

CARDED.

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice Earl G. Merry.

Legal Residence: New York.

(See reverse side.)

ORDER REPORTED JUL - 1916 U.S. COMMISSION

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

LIGHT
AUG 5 1916
HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK
AUG 14 1916

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Walter E. Bohn

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.

Walter Edward Bohn
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 25 day of August, A. D. 1916

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) John W Hartshorn

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present 2nd Asst.Keeper	$456 p.a.	New London Ledge Lt.Sta., Conn.
Former[5]		

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

CARDED.

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 3rd District

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (Address) August 4/1916 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on July 21,1916 (Date)

J. T. [illegible]
(Signature, followed by title)

[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, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs, as he has no 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.

[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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AUG 14 1916

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. AUG 2 8 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.
LIGHT AUG 5 1916 HOUSES
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APPOINTMENTS AUG 10 1916

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET
(When forwarding this form no letter of transmittal is required)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

March 5, 1913.

To the Chiefs of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce:

For the purpose of enabling the Department to maintain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are requested to have every person hereafter appointed or employed in your Bureau, immediately upon his entrance on duty, answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. The information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved in accordance with instructions. The information in Part II should be supplied as indicated and the form forwarded to the Department.

William C. Redfield
Secretary.

CARDED.

PART I.

(Part I should be filled out by the appointee or employee; but, if he is unable to write legibly, another person may write the answers at his dictation. In either case the statement should be signed by the appointee or employee. If he is unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness. If he is unable to answer any question, he should indicate that fact.)

1. What is your full name? (Include middle name or names. Do not use initials, but spell out each name and state whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs. Example: Mr. John Richard Doe. If name itself is merely a letter, it should be so stated.)
Walter Edward Bohn

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? (***This should agree with signature to your oath of office.***)
Walter Edward Bohn

3. What is your present legal (voting) residence? (Give city or town, State or Territory, county, and Congressional district. See question 13, Part II.)
Brooklyn (City or town) | New York (State or Territory.) | King (County.) | 3d (Congressional district.)

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

5. Where were you born? (See question 14, Part II.) Butte Montana

6. When were you born? April (Month.) 10 (Day.) 1890 (Year.)

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

Mrs Duffy — Name.
46th King St. — Number and street.
New York City — City or town.
New York. — State or Territory.

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below their names, relationships, the Departments and Bureaus or Services in which they are employed, and the positions they occupy.)

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
None				

9. If you were appointed through a civil service examination, state, as near as you recollect, the name and date of the examination. If not so appointed, state how you entered the service. (Examples: "By reinstatement," or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

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

Eyesight Good — physical disabilities - None

11. 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.
None					

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

None

13. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during the Civil or Spanish-American War? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
Never			

14. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time other than during the Civil or Spanish-American Wars, indicate such service in the spaces below.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
Never			

15. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Relationship (widow or orphan) — Never —

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service — Never —

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

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Relationship (widow or orphan) Never

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16. 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 11, 12, 13, and 14.)

Working in Dry goods and also I'm interesting in Light House service

17. 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.)

High School from 1901 to 1902 in Los Angeles California 5th & Main St.

18. 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.")

I have had 7 seven month in Civil Engineer for W P Drum for the S.P. Rail-Road. Los Angeles

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

None to show

20. 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.)

Yes

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. July, 31, 1916

(Signature) Walter Edward Bohn

Witness: None

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: New London Ledge
City or town.
New London.
Number and street.
Conn.
State or Territory.

(Where the appointee is to be employed outside of the District of Columbia the information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer in immediate charge before forwarding to the Bureau. Where he is to be employed in the District of Columbia, Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer who executes Part II.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded Aug 4, 1916

(Signature) J. T. Myers

(Official title) [illegible]

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PART II.

(Part II should be executed by the executive officer of the Bureau of the Department to which the employee is assigned, or by some authorized official who can give the information desired. If unable to answer any question, indicate that fact.)

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1. State the Bureau or Service, place, and district in which the person who answered the foregoing questions is employed:

Lt Service / New London Ledge Ct Ltr Ave / 3

Bureau or Service. / Place (city, town, station, or vessel.) / District.

2. To what position has he been appointed? 2d Ass Keeper

3. State the date of appointment. ~~July~~ August 1, 1916.

4. State the date the appointment was effective. (If appointment was made to take effect on date of oath, so state.)

Date E.O.D.

5. State the date of the oath. Aug 2, 1916

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. July 21, 1916.

7. What is his salary? $456 p.a. Salary

8. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries Keepers

9. Is the position excepted, competitive, or unclassified under the civil service rules? Competition

10. If classified, state the date of classification. May 6 1896

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

~~From stenography & typewriting~~ Coast Gu. Ser. Examination April 18 1916

12. Is the employee required to give bond? ~~Yes~~ No

13. When the legal residence given in answer to question 3, Part I, differs from that given in the certificate of appointment, the discrepancy should be explained.

✓

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

✓ (America Born.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) J. F. Yates

(Official title)

Date: ——, 19

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES OCT 17 1916

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN OCT 23 1916 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

October 16,1916

CHIEF CLERK OCT 20 1916

APPOINTMENTS OCT 20 1916

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Mr. Bohn has not been granted leave in excess of the accrued rate.

10/21/16 ctd

J. T. Yates

HB-EFL Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, October 18, 1916.

Submitted to the Department with recommendation for approval.

October 21, 1916.

APPROVED:

E. C. Grant

Acting Secretary.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

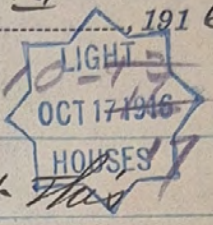
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



THIRD DISTRICT

New London Ledge
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Oct. 5-16, 1916



Inspector:

Mr. Walter E. Bohn, 2nd asst. at this station left the station and service at 2.30 P.M. Yesterday, Oct. 4th 1916, without notice.

Hansen
Keeper.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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REGISTERED MAIL
RECEIPT REQUESTED

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

Walter E. Bohn,
71 Franklin Street,
New York, N. Y.

October 9,1916

You are hereby charged with being absent from duty without authority as Second Assistant Keeper of New London Ledge Light Station, Ct., you having left the station at 2:30 P.M. on October 4th,1916 and having remained absent since that time.

You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make through official channels, within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

If you desire to make no statement, you will so state in writing.

J. T. YATES.
Inspector

October 23, 1916.

Sir:

It having been charged that you have been absent from your station without authority since 2.30 p.m. on October 4, 1916, without informing your superior officers of your intentions or whereabouts, which action is equivalent to desertion, and the charges having been established in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has dismissed you from the position of second assistant keeper of New London Ledge Light Station, Connecticut, at $456 per annum, effective at the close of October 4, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 23 1916 (SIGNAL) DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

W. S. GILCHRIST
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Walter E. Bohn,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

CHANGE REPORTED
OCT 1916
U. S. COMMISSION.

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