REFERENCE SERVICE SLIP
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National Archives at St. Louis

Date: 9/8/2025

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
Croft, John, B.		

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 (TX) 8th Dist

From:	To:
1913	1914

(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-00625730

CMRS Search Request Number(s):

Attendant Signature:

Remarks: '25 SEP 19 AM10:49:37

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:

CROFT, JOHN B.

CROFT, JOHN B.



Form 73
TJC-WB

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Per.
6-12-14 Route 8.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., June 6, 1914. (City.) (Date.), 191

LIGHT JUN 10 1914 HOUSE

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, John B. Croft — Legal residence, Florida.

Position, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. — Salary, $480 per annum.

Location, Galveston Harbor Light Station, Texas. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1914.

Effective June 17, 1914 — ~~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, First Rating Assist. Keeper Percentage, 88.6, Other eligibles considered:

Arthur L. Tucker, C and Milton L. Odell, D.

Previous incumbent, Harry F. Frost — Services terminated, not yet determined.

Reason, Serving under a temporary appointment.

Relatives in Government Service, None.

Remarks: John B. Croft has never been employed under any branch of the Department of Commerce. Quarters are not provided at Galveston Harbor Light Station for families of keepers.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. June 8, 1914

[signature]
Secretary, 10 Civil Service District

[signature]
Inspector.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

JUN 11 1914

Acting Commissioner

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

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PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

LIGHT
JUN 13 1914
HOUSES

June 12, 1914.

Mr. John B. Croft,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Four Hundred and Eighty dollars

per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon

duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By selection from certificate No. ----, and subject to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, to be found on the reverse hereof.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LY[illegible]LEY,

Chief of A[illegible]t.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
Vice: Harry F. Frost.
Legal Residence: Florida.

GD June 30, 1914

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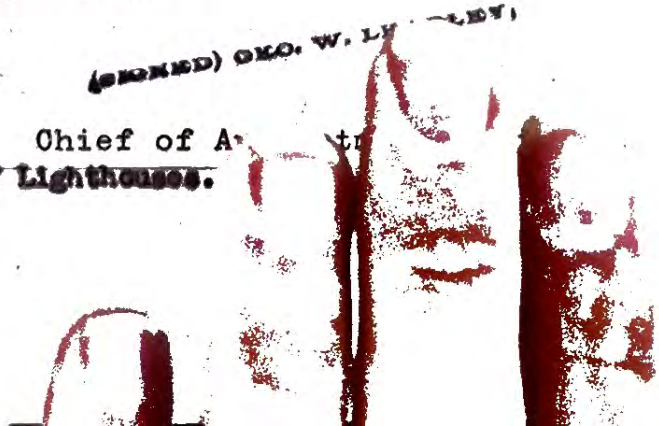

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(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

Chief of Appointment Division.

ED June 30, 1914

MC

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Harry F. Frost.

Legal Residence: Florida.

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John B. Croft,
appointment.

June 12, 1914.

Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans, La.:

Referring to your nomination of June 6, 1914, I have to advise you that John B. Croft has been probationally appointed second assistant keeper in the Lighthouse Service, at $480 per annum, for assignment to duty at Galveston Harbor Light Station, Texas, effective as recommended, vice Harry F. Frost, temporary appointee.

Acting Commissioner.

Today's Journal
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LIGHT
NOV 4 1914
HOUSES

November 2, 1914.

Sir:

Having tendered your resignation as second assistant keeper of Galveston Harbor Light Station, Texas, at $480 per annum, the Department has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, effective at the close of November 6, 1914.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. John B. Croft,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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NOV 4 1914

July 29, 1914, 8th Inspr. reported

The efficiency pennant was awarded Galveston Harbor L.S., Tex.

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John B. Croft 2d Asst. Keeper

File 1639.

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

DEC 7 1936

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

December 5, 1936.

LIGHTHOUSES
DEC 19 8 45 AM '36

Civil Service Commission form 3194, requesting information as to salary etc. John B. Croft, former keeper.

Referred to Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La., for compliance and return of all papers to the Bureau. Please carbonize your reply on a blank sheet of paper, in order that that Bureau may retain it for its files.

For the Commissioner:

W.P. Harman
W.P.Harman
Administrative Assistant.

E-K
Incls.

LEC
Incl.

Office of Supt. of Lighthouses, 8th Dist.,
New Orleans, La., December 16, 1936

1. Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses, together with Civil Service Commission Form 3194, in duplicate, with extra copy, showing record of service of John B. Croft, who was employed as Second Assistant Keeper, Galveston Harbor Light Station, for the period June 30, 1914, to November 6, 1914, inclusive.

E. V. Lauphier
Superintendent of Lighthouses

To Dept
12/21/36

Division of Personnel
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
~~APPOINTMENT DIVISION~~
WASHINGTON

December 4, 1936.

DEC 7 1936

TRANSMITTED **Mr. Gross,**

Bureau of Lighthouses.

LIGHTHOUSES, LA.
DEC 4 2 11 PM '36

For action as indicated:
Returned as requested
For information and file
For amendment and return
Request for Abstract of Official Record
In accordance with telephonic arrangement
Request for Form 2806 (in duplicate)

Attached find Form No. 3194 in the case of John B. Croft which kindly fill in and return to this Division in duplicate.

EDW. J. GARDNER.

CERTIFICATE OF HEAD OF DEPARTMENT, BRANCH, OR INDEPENDENT OFFICE

1. Full name of claimant Croft, John Benjaman
2. Date of birth April 25, 1878
3. Complete schedule of employment in this department, branch, or independent office. (State compensation for each period of service, and whether on an annual, monthly, daily, hourly, or piecework basis. Do not include bonuses, allowances, overtime pay, nor salary, pay, or compensation given in addition to the base pay of the positions as fixed by law or regulation.)

LIGHTHOUSES
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DEPARTMENT, BRANCH, OR INDEPENDENT OFFICE	BEGINNING			ENDING			RATE	
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	Dollars	Cts	PER
U.S.Lighthouse Service Eighth District	June	30	1914	Nov	6	1914	480	00	Annum

4. If any portion of the foregoing service covers a period since August 1, 1920, state (a) whether or not proper deductions have been made from the claimant's basic salary, pay, or compensation during the entire period._____(b) If deductions were made for all or part of such period, give the actual amount deducted by fiscal years.

(c) If deductions were not made for any part of such service, state reason therefor and furnish amount of basic salary actually paid by fiscal years. For periods involving any economy pay reduction, the entire amount of annual salary earned (100%) must be shown and not the net amount received

5. Was the claimant on leave of absence (including annual, sick and leave without pay) in excess of six months in the aggregate during any calendar year? No
If so, state particulars

6. Was the claimant on a sustained period of suspension for disciplinary reasons? If so give inclusive dates of all such periods and final action taken
No

This is to certify that the foregoing statement, based on the official records of this office, is correct.

EDL
(Signature)

Superintendent of Lighthouses
(Official title)

December 16, 1936
(Date)

Eighth Lighthouse District
(Department, branch or independent office)