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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
Eberle, Walter, B.		1896 IA

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: 1938 RI

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature:

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Lighthouse Service (RI)	1937	1938
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:
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Other Identifying Information (Maiden Name, Job Title, etc.)

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Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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EBERLE, WALTER B.

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UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

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19 November, 1947

Mrs. Ann C. Fanning
Wallum Lake, Rhode Island

Dear Mrs. Fanning:

Reference is made to your letter, dated November 3, 1947, in which you requested certain information concerning your brother-in-law, Mr. Walter B. Eberle, who was lost in a hurricane while on duty as keeper at Whale Rock Light Station in 1938.

Regarding the other two keepers who were also assigned to that station in 1938, the records of this office show that Mr. Daniel A. Sullivan is still employed in the Coast Guard. He is serving as keeper at New London Ledge Light Station, Connecticut, and he can be contacted at that station.

No available record has been found of the other keeper who was serving simultaneously with your brother-in-law at Whale Rock Light Station. However, the First Coast Guard District has been requested to furnish you the information, if available.

By direction of the Commandant:

Very truly yours

H. L. MORGAN
Chief, Civilian Personnel Division

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Wallum Lake, R. I.
November 3, 1947

United States Lighthouse Service,
Washington,
D.C.

Dear Sir,

On September 21, 1938, my brother-in-law, Walter B. Eberle, was lost in the Hurricane while on duty as lighthouse keeper of the Whale Rock Lighthouse.

Walter left no will and his wife, my sister, died in 1941 also leaving no will.

There is now an accumulated amount in dividends due on a few shares of stock my brother-in-law owned, and in order to have it paid to the proper heirs, the six Eberle children, we must go to Probate Court with the matter.

As there is no death certificate in the death of my brother-in-law, we will be obliged to contact the two men who were employed with Walter Eberle at the time of the hurricane, namely, a Mr. Daniel Sullivan, and another whose name I cannot recall. Are these two men still in the Lighthouse Service? If not, I would appreciate it very much if you will kindly send me their last known addresses.

Thanking you, I am,

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Ann C. Fanning

Copy

UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
Washington

November 4, 1938. In reply tefer to
File No.603339

Mrs. Agnes M. Eberle,
38 E. Bowery St.,
Newport, R.I.

LIGHTHOUSES
Nov 8 3 56 PM '38

Prompt action
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Dear Madam:

Referring to your claim for compensation on account of the death of your husband, Walter B. Eberle, former assistant lighthouse keeper, Whale Rock Light Station, Narragansett Bay, R.I., who was drowned on September 21, 1938, your claim has been approved and an award of $43.75 per month made to you so long as you remain unmarried, and an award of $39.58 per month made to you on account of your children, Walter, Dorothy, Barbara, Jean, William, and Miriam Eberle, until they die, marry or reach the age of eighteen, or if over eighteen and incapable of self-support on acoount of some physical or mental disability until they are able to support themselves. These awards represent the maximum amounts that can be allowed under the law.

On or about November 10, 1938 a check will go forward to you in amount of $108.33 representing compensation from September 22 to October 31, 1938, inclusive.

There is enclosed herewith a supply of forms to be used in claiming further compensation. Claims should be prepared on Forms CA-12 and CA-13 on the first of the Following months: January, April, July and October and each claim should be acknowledged before the superintendent of your nearest postal station or your local postmaster and forwarded to the Commission in the franked envelopes herewith.

Checks will be mailed to you on the first and sixteenth of each month to cover the half month just past. If the status of either you or your children should change and a check reaches you in payment of compensation, you should return the same immediately to this office accompanied by an explanation. If claims are not prepared and forwarded by you on the foregoing dates it will be assumed that your status has changed and that you are not, therefore entitled to further compensation. All inquiries in regard to claims or checks should be addressed to this office.

This letter should be retained by you as evidence of the award which has been made and the instructions herein carefully complied with in order to insure the making of prompt payments.

Official Copy to
The Superintendent of Lighthouses,
U.S.Lighthouse Service,
37 Marginal St.,
Chelsea, Mass.

Very truly yours,

/s/ W. R. Carpenter
Chief Claim Examiner.

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October 11, 1938.

Mr. H. Pickel, Supervising Approver,
The Prudential Insurance Co. of America,
Newark, N. J.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your letter of October 6 with regard to the loss of Walter B. Eberle, assistant keeper at Whale Rock Light Station, R. I.:

This office has to advise that the Whale Rock Light Station was swept off its foundation and demolished during the hurricane and tidal wave of September 21, 1938, and Mr. Eberle was on duty in the tower at the time and his body has not since been recovered, although persistent search has been made for it. The estimated damage to the station amounts to $80,000. In consideration of the circumstances with regard to the destructiveness of the hurricane there is practically no possibility that Mr. Eberle has survived this disaster to his station.

For the Commissioner:

Respectfully,

W. P. Harman
Administrative Assistant

RG-EK

Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 3rd Supt

The Prudential
INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA
EDWARD D. DUFFIELD, PRESIDENT HOME OFFICE: NEWARK, N.J.

JAMES H. GUEST, ASSISTANT SECRETARY
ALBERT F. JAQUES, ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISOR
WILLIAM [illegible]ENNIS, CHIEF CLAIM ADJUSTER
ORDINARY CLAIM DEPARTMENT
WALTER R. DUNN, MANAGER
ASSISTANT MANAGERS
J. LOUIS LABIAUX CHESTER A. VAN NOSTRAND
MARTIN W. BENNETT

IN RE Pol. M-5174805
Walter B. Eberle

LIGHTHOUSES October 6, 1938.

OCT 7 8 35 AM '38

Department of Commerce,
Bureau of Lighthouses,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

We are interested in the death of Walter B. Eberle, Assistant Keeper of the Whale Rock Lighthouse in Rhode Island, who is supposed to have died in the storm of September 21, 1938. We have been informed that Mr. Eberle's body has not been recovered and we would appreciate any information which you may have concerning this alleged death.

If it is consistent with your regulations will you please inform us of the nature of the damage done to the Whale Rock Lighthouse, whether in your opinion it was possible to have survived the storm and whether or not your Department is certain that Mr. Eberle was at the Light at the time of the storm.

Yours truly,

H. Pickel

Supervising Approver.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
CHELSEA, MASS.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
OCT 6 8 48 AM '38

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 2D DISTRICT
37 MARGINAL STREET
CHELSEA, MASS.
October 4th, 1938.

Mrs. Walter B. Eberle,
38 East Bowery Street,
Newport, Rhode Island.

My dear Mrs. Eberle:

While at the time of previous telephone conversations the feelings of this office have been verbally expressed relative to the loss of your husband when Whale Rock Lighthouse was swept to its doom as a result of the hurricane of September 21, 1938, the writer wishes at this time to express to you his sincere personal sympathy in your bereavement.

In connection with the earnest desire on the part of this Service to assist in every possible way, particularly insofar as endeavoring to locate and recover Mr. Eberle's remains, I might say that in addition to our lighthouse tenders maintaining close observance while navigating in the vicinity of the lighthouse wreckage, the Coast Guard Patrol Boat TRAVIS, upon the request of this office through the local U. S. Coast Guard Headquarters, proceeded to the locality on the morning of September 29 and after making an extensive and careful search advice was unfortunately received that the results of such action were negative.

In further connection with our aforementioned desire, the disposition of the Officer in Charge of the Naval Torpedo Station at Newport, Rhode Island was solicited in regard to the possibility of a diver being detailed to further search the wreckage for Mr. Eberle's remains; it being understood that such qualified personnel are available at the said station. In reply to our inquiry in this latter respect it is further understood that due to limitation of the aforementioned station equipment as well as the exposed location of the wreckage of the above lighthouse it would only be possible to permit diving operations during calm weather and at slack tide.

Please be assured that this office will render the authorities at the above station such assistance as may be possible under the circumstances and may our hopes be renewed that further attempt to recover your husband's remains will be successful.

In the meantime please again accept my deep regret upon your loss.

Sincerely yours,

GEO. E. EATON,
Superintendent.

Copy for the Commissioner of Lighthouses. Reference is made to District's letter of September 24, 1938, containing advice as to Mr. Eberle losing his life as a result of the hurricane of Sept. 21, 1938.

LIGHTHOUSES
OCT 7 8 44 AM '38

Form 93

NOTICE OF ~~RESIGNATION OR~~ DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT,

October 4, 1938 , 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is transmitted the notice of death of the following-named employee:

Name, Walter B. Eberle — Position, 1st Asst. Keeper

Legal residence, Rhode Island — Station, Whale Rock Light Station

Salary, $1440 per annum.

~~The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of~~

~~This employee has taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.~~

Remarks: Mr. Eberle was lost in the hurricane of September 21, 1938, at which time Whale Rock Light Station was completely destroyed. Reference is made to office letter of Sept. 24, 1938 to Bureau giving complete report on same. Mr. Eberle's body has not yet been recovered. His next of kin is his widow, Mrs. Walter B. Eberle, 38 East Bowery St., Newport, R.I.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Chief Clerk.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

October 10, 1938

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, for information.

11—4623

For the Commissioner:

Chief of Personnel Division

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September 27, 1938.

Mrs. Walter B. Eberle,
38 East Bowery Street,
Newport, Rhode Island.

My dear Mrs. Eberle:

The tragedy which has touched the lives of thousands has touched your life with especial and superlative poignancy. During the days that have passed since the frightful hours of last Wednesday I know that you have been hoping against hope that some word would come indicating a possibility of your husband's survival, and that as this hope is dimmed to the point of extinction no words of condolence that I can express will avail to be of any relief to you until the lapse of time shall soften in some degree the pain which you are suffering. Then, if not now, may it be some solace to you and to your children that their father served faithfully to the end at his post of duty.

I am gratified at the assurance of continued effort on the part of Superintendent Eaton and his office to be of all possible assistance to you during this trying period.

Sincerely yours,

H. D. King,
Commissioner of Lighthouses.

HDK:EMF

Copy to 2d Superintendent for his information.

LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 16 8 43 AM '38

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Lighthouse Service

District Second

Date June 13, 1938

CHANGE IN STATUS OF EMPLOYEE

Name Walter B. Eberle

Nature of action Promoted

Effective Date June 1, 1938.

	FROM	TO
Position	2nd Assistant Keeper	1st Assistant Keeper
Pay	$1380 per annum	$1440 per annum
Station	Whale Rock Light Station	Whale Rock Light Station

Remarks: This change is reported in accordance with Department letter dated May 27, 1938.

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Bureau of Lighthouses
Washington

to Pilot 6/16/38

Form A-38

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL
WASHINGTON

May 27, 1938.

Mr. Walter B. Eberle,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective upon entrance on duty.

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary.

Respectfully,

[illegible] GARDNER

Chief, Division of Personnel.

From: $1380 per annum.

To: $1440 per annum.

Service and grade:

Appropriation (unit): Field.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
MAY 20 8 55 AM '38

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT,

Chelsea, Mass., (City), May 18, 1938, (Date), 19--

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, **Promotion.**

Name, **Walter B. Eberle**

Position, **1st Assistant Keeper**

Location, **Whale Rock Light Station**

Effective, **June 1, 1938.**

[1] the ~~actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Legal residence, **Rhode Island**

Proposed salary, **$1440 per annum**

Proposed range, **$1440-1800**

Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Former position, 2nd Assistant Keeper

Location, **Whale Rock Light Station.**

Former salary, **$1380 per annum**

Former range, **$1380-1740**

Rank on eligible list, - Rating, - Percentage, - , Other eligibles considered:

(L.T. #1688)

Previous incumbent and his pay, Joseph H. Dubois $1440 per annum Services terminated, **May 31, 1938.**

Reason, **Recommended for transfer to Keeper, Cape Poge Light Station.**

Members of family in Government service, None

Date of birth, November 23, 1896.

Remarks:

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 19-----

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Secretary, Civil Service District.

Geo E Eaton
[1] **Superintendent.**

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAY 20 1938

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

W. P. HARMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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Council of Personnel Administration Form 10A (For: CAF Grades 1-8; CM; CU; SP.)

Final
(Preliminary or Final)

REPORT ON PROBATIONARY APPOINTEE

Length of Probation: 6 Months in This Case

For probationers having a six-month probationary period, a preliminary report, recommending continuation of the probational appointment or dismissal, shall be made at the end of the third month of service, and a final report, recommending absolute appointment or dismissal, shall be made at the end of the fifth month. For those having a twelve-month probationary period, the preliminary report shall be made at the end of the sixth month and the final report at the end of the tenth month. Copies of this form should be promptly executed and forwarded to the central office in Washington for the preliminary report, and likewise for the final report.

Commerce
(Department)

Lighthouse Service, 2nd District
(Bureau or Office)

Whale Rock Light Station.
(Place and Date)

To Commissioner of Lighthouses
(Head of Department or Establishment)

The probationary period of the person named below expires at the close of business on August 16 19 37

Name Walter B. Eberle Station Whale Rock Light Station

Position 2nd Assistant Keeper Grade - Salary $1380 per annum

Date of entrance on duty Feb. 17, 1937.

The immediate supervisor submits the following analysis:

On lines below mark employee:
✓ if neither strong nor weak point.
– if weak point.
+ if strong point.

1. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.
2. Mark nonsupervisory employees on all elements except those in *italics*.
3. Mark supervisory employees on all elements.

In boxes below rate employee:
1 or 2 if Excellent.
3 or 4 if Very Good.
5 or 6 if Good.
7 or 8 if Fair.
9 or 10 if Unsatisfactory.

I. QUALITY OF PERFORMANCE

+ (a) Acceptability of work; thoroughness.
+ (b) General dependability; accuracy.
+ (c) Neatness and orderliness of work.
+ (d) Skill with which the important procedures, instruments, or machines are employed in performing his duties.
_____ (e) *Effectiveness in getting good work done by his unit.*

1

II. PRODUCTIVENESS

Base rating primarily on element (a), if known; otherwise on (b) and (c).

+ (a) Amount of work accomplished.
+ (b) Application of time, interest, and energy to duties; industry.
+ (c) Promptness in completing assignments; speed.
_____ (d) _____
(State any other elements of this class considered)
_____ (e) *Effectiveness in securing adequate output from his unit.*

1

III. QUALIFICATIONS SHOWN ON JOB

+ (a) Knowledge of duties and related information.
+ (b) Ability to learn and to profit from experience.
+ (c) Judgment, sense of proportion, common sense.
+ (d) Initiative and resourcefulness.
+ (e) Cooperativeness; ability to work with and for others.
_____ (f) _____
(State any other elements of this class considered)
_____ (g) *Effectiveness in developing and training employees.*
_____ (Custodial only) Ability to perform such physical work as the job requires.

1

Sum of Ratings	
3 – 7	Excellent.
8 – 13	Very Good.
14 – 19	Good.
20 – 24	Fair.
25 – 30	Unsatisfactory.

Sum of ratings . . . 3

If service has been unsatisfactory, and recommendation for dismissal is made on this form at the time of either the preliminary or the final report, a full statement of reasons must be set forth under "Remarks" below. Separations during probation are governed by paragraph (c) of Section 1, Civil Service Rule VII, which reads in part as follows:

> "If and when, after full and fair trial, during this [probationary] period, the conduct or capacity of the probationer be not satisfactory to the appointing officer, the probationer shall be so notified in writing, with a full statement of reasons, and this notice shall terminate his service."

Remarks:

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Give here a brief statement of the particulars of this employee's conduct which have impressed you, as his immediate supervisor. This report is confidential and may not be disclosed to the employee without the authority of the head of the office or the appointing authority. Good points and faults should be frankly though briefly stated.

This man is first class in all respects.

On the whole, I consider the deportment and attitude of this employee toward his work {~~unsatisfactory~~ / satisfactory}.

Characteristics needing special supervisory attention: None

Supervisory measures suggested: None

Health of employee: Excellent

It is accordingly recommended that this employee be {~~continued probationally in~~ / given absolute appointment to / ~~discharged from~~} the position named above.

(Cross out those that do not apply)

Reviewed and Approved: For and in the absence of the Superintendent: Edward J. Curran Chief Clerk.

(Head of Bureau or Office)

Superintendent.

(Sgd) Daniel A. Sullivan

(Signature of Supervisor)

Keeper, Whale Rock Light Station.

Absolute appointment authorized:

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES - WASHINGTON July 22, 1937

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for information.

For the Commissioner:

W. P. Harman,
Administrative Assistant

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(Probationers should be furnished a copy and an explanation of its purpose on their entrance on duty.)

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Council of Personnel Administration Form 10A (For: CAF Grades 1-8; CM; CPNP.)

Preliminary REPORT ON PROBATIONARY APPOINTEE

(Preliminary or Final)

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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Commerce
(Department)

Lighthouse Service, 2nd District
(Bureau or Office)

Whale Rock Light Station, May 24, '37
(Place and Date)

To Commissioner of Lighthouses.
(Head of Department or Establishment)

The probationary period of the person named below expires at the close of business on Aug. 16 19 37.

Name Walter B. Eberle

Station Whale Rock Light Station

Position 2nd Assistant Keeper

Grade _____ Salary $1380 per annum

Date of entrance on duty Feb. 17, 1937

The immediate supervisor submits the following analysis:

On lines below mark employee:
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- – if weak point.
- + if strong point.

1. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.
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In boxes below rate employee:
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Remarks:

Give here a brief statement of the particulars of this employee's conduct which have impressed you, as his immediate supervisor. This report is confidential and may not be disclosed to the employee without the authority of the head of the office or the appointing authority. Good points and faults should be frankly though briefly stated.

To date, this man has been satisfactory and sincere in his efforts.

On the whole, I consider the deportment and attitude of this employee toward his work {~~unsatisfactory~~ / satisfactory}.

Characteristics needing special supervisory attention: None

Supervisory measures suggested: None

Health of employee: Excellent

It is accordingly recommended that this employee be {continued probationally in / ~~given absolute appointment to~~ / ~~discharged from~~} the position named above.

(Cross out those that do not apply)

Reviewed and Approved:

(Head of Bureau or Office)

Superintendent, 2nd District.
For the Commissioner: May 29, 1937.

W.P.Harman
Administrative Assistant

(Sgd) Daniel A. Sullivan

(Signature of Supervisor)
Keeper, Whale Rock Light Station.

Absolute appointment authorized:

(Probationers should be furnished a copy of this form and an explanation of its purpose on their entrance on duty.)

STANDARD FORM NO. 6
(Approved by the President 3/28/24)
Revised Dec. 5, 1929

PERSONAL HISTORY STATEMENT

(To be prepared by appointee in own handwriting)

Department or Establishment Commerce Lighthouse Service 2nd dist. Date Feb 2, 1931.

1. Name in full (Mr., Miss, or Mrs.) Eberle (Surname) Walter (Given name) Barge (Middle name)
2. Present address 38 (Number) East Bowery (Street) Newport (City) R. I. (State)
3. Legal (voting) residence R. I (State and Congressional District) 1st Newport (County) Newport. (City or town)
4. Where born Iowa (State or foreign country) Webster City (City or town) When born Nov. 23 1896. (Month Day Year)
5. If foreign-born, state whether naturalized or alien
6. Indicate sex, marital condition, and race by check, thus: √ If Mrs., state other names under which previously employed.

SEX		MARITAL CONDITION				RACE. (If other, state which)	
Male ✓	Female	Single	Married ✓	Divorced	Widowed	White ✓	Colored

7. Number and ages of dependents domiciled with you (7) 13 Mos, 3 yrs 4 yrs 8 yrs. 11 yrs 13 yrs wife 35.
8. A complete record of your past service for the United States Government other than military or naval: None

BRANCH OF SERVICE	PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION	SALARY	DATE APPOINTED			DATE SEPARATED		
				Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year

9. Are any members of your family, who are domiciled with you, in the U. S. Government service? If so, state below: None

NAME	POSITION AND DEPARTMENT OR OFFICE IN WHICH EMPLOYED	RELATIONSHIP
	Position Department or office	
	Position Department or office	
	Position Department or office	

10. Do you now hold any State or municipal office? If so, state below:

None
(Title) (Location) (Date appointment expires)

11. Are you the wife of a disabled veteran or widow or orphan of a person who was in the military or naval service?

(Wife, widow, or orphan) (Name of veteran) (Organization and last year of service)

12. Military and naval record. If any, check (√) to indicate branch and other information, and give dates of enlistment and discharge:

None	Army	Navy ✓	Marine Corps	Coast Guard	War veteran	Pensioner	Veterans' Bureau beneficiary

Enlisted Dec. 17, 1913 Discharged May 21, 1935 Enlisted Discharged
Rank Seaman Rank Chief Torpedoman Rank Rank
Organization U. S. N. Organization U. S. N. Organization Organization

20 years Continuous Service

[OVER]

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13. State any special qualifications not involved in your present position (for instance, lawyer, physician, civil engineer, knowledge of foreign languages, etc.) Diving and Use of under water tools Qualified to 120 ft.

14. Statement of principal employment other than with the United States Government: None

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER	POSITION AND CHARACTER OF WORK	LENGTH OF SERVICE

15. Education. Indicate by circling the number of years:

Common school	High school	College	(Name of college, degrees, and dates conferred)
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	1 2 (3) 4	1 2 3 4	

16. In case of emergency, notify Mrs. W. B. Eberle

Relationship wife Post office address 36, East Bowery St. Newport R.I.

I certify that the foregoing answers are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Walter B. Eberle.
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

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17. Have you been retired from the Civil, Military or Naval Service of the United States? Yes. If so, state (a) whether for age, length of service or disability Lenght of Service (b) Amount of retired pay $103.75.

Eod Kpr. ra Whale Rock

February 17, 1937

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Form A-30

NOT TO BE ACCEPTED AS AUTHORITY FOR INVESTIGATION OPERATIONS UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY OFFICIAL CREDENTIALS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
~~APPOINTMENT DIVISION~~
WASHINGTON

DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

Mr. Walter B. Eberle, January 25, 1937.

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Thirteen Hundred Eighty dollars per annum

effective upon entrance on duty.

Nature of appointment: Probationary.

Civil Service authority: Manager, First Civil Service District.

Classification allocation:

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

WM. M. GARDNER

Chief, Division of Personnel.
~~Chief of Appointment Division.~~

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Appropriation (unit): Field

Vice: R. L. Murphy

Legal residence: Rhode Island

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 11—8657

FEB 10 1937

Form 73
GEE-RMC

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES JAN 11 8 28 AM '37

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT.

Chelsea, Mass., Jan. 8, 1937
(City) (Date)

LIGHTHOUSES JAN 18 8 43 AM '37

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment

Name, Walter B. Eberle

Position, Second Assistant Keeper

Location, Whale Rock Light Station

Effective, January 16, 1937.

Legal residence, Rhode Island

Proposed salary, $1380 per annum

Proposed range, $1380-1740

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

[1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, New appointee

Location, -

Former salary, -

Former range, -

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Asst. Light-house Keeper Percentage, 89.0 V.P.A., Other eligibles considered:
H.A.Wilbur, C;
O.E.Hallett, C;

Previous incumbent and his pay, R.L.Murphy (LT. #1689) $1380 per annum Services terminated, January 15, 1937.

Reason, Resigned.

Members of family in Government service, None

Remarks:

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Jan. 16, 1937

E L Reynolds
Manager, 1st ~~Secretary~~ *Civil Service District.*
(EM)

G W Eaton
Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JAN 18 1937

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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W. P. HARMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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January 11, 1937.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Chelsea, Mass.

There is herewith returned your nomination of January 8, for the probationary appointment of Walter B. Eberle with request that it be resubmitted through the office of the District Civil Service Manager.

For the Commissioner:

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Chief of Personnel Division.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Description of duties of field position

Name: Bureau Lt. #

Bureau: Lighthouses

Salary: Salary Range:

Position:

Station:

Description of duties:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Eberle, Walter B. (Name)

Rhode Island (Legal Residence)

STATUS

DATE OF BIRTH 11-23-1896

DESIGNATION	SERVICE AND GRADE	SALARY	ACTION	BUREAU	DIST.	STATION	DATE OF EFFECT
Keeper	–	1380	Prob.	L. Houses	2nd	Whale Rock	Feb 17, 1937
"	–	1440	From.	"	"	" "	6-1-38
		Died September 21, 1938					

11—8940

Form 78

On file

REPORT OF DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OR INJURY TO PERSONS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

To Dept 4063-2

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OCT 11 1938 DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT,

Chelsea, Mass. October 4, 1938.

Name of vessel, station, or other aid to navigation involved: Whale Rock Light Station, Western Passage, Narragansett Bay, R.I

Date of accident: September 21, 1938

Nature and cause of accident: Whale Rock Light tower was swpet off its foundation and demolished during the hurricane and tidal wave on the above date. Walter B. Eberle, 1st Assistant Keeper, was on duty inthe tower at the time and lost his life.

Estimated cost of damage { to property of the Department: $ 80,000
to private property: $

What steps have been taken to recover cost of damage to Department property? ---

Where accidents result in injury to, or death of, any employees, or others, furnish following information for each person injured:

NAME	OFFICIAL TITLE, IF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE	NATURE OF INJURY	HAS WORK TIME BEEN LOST BY EMPLOYEE
Walter B. Eberle	1st Assistant Keeper	Lost his life when lighthouse tower was swept from its foundation.	---

CARDED

Reports will be duly submitted to the Employees' Compensation Commission in case any medical or other charges are involved under the Employees' Compensation Act.

Remarks or recommendations: Reports will be forwarded to the Commission as soon as they are in proper form.

Geo E Eaton

Geo. E. Eaton, *Superintendent of Lighthouses.*

Date October 6, 1938

Submitted, in duplicate, to the Secretary of Commerce, for his information.

For the Commissioner.

R. J. Gross

Chief, Personnel Division.

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LIGHTHOUSES

OCT 7 8 44 AM '38

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OCT 11 1938
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

Form 93

NOTICE OF ~~RESIGNATION OR~~ DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT,

October 4, 1938 , 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is transmitted the ~~resignation~~ notice of death of the following-named employee:

Name, Walter B. Eberle — Position, 1st Asst. Keeper

Legal residence, Rhode Island — Station, Whale Rock Light Station

Salary, $1440 per annum.

~~The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of~~

~~This employee has taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.~~

Remarks: Mr. Eberle was lost in the hurricane of September 21, 1938, at which time Whale Rock Light Station was completely destroyed. Reference is made to office letter of Sept. 24, 1938 to Bureau giving complete report on same. Mr. Eberle's body has not yet been recovered. His next of kin is his widow, Mrs. Walter B. Eberle, 38 East Bowery St., Newport, R.I.

CARDED

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For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Edward J. Curran
Chief Clerk.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

October 10, 1938

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, **for information.**

11—4623

For the Commissioner:

R. J. Gross
Chief of Personnel Division

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To Dept

Form A-38

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL
WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MAY 28 1938
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

May 27, 1938.

Mr. Walter B. Eberle,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective upon entrance on duty.

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary.

Respectfully,

CARDED

EDW. J. GARDNER MAY 31 1938

Chief, Division of Personnel.

From: $1380 per annum.

To: $1440 per annum.

Service and grade:

Appropriation (unit): Field.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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RETURN THIS COPY
to the Dep't showing in space below effective date of this change.

ENTERED ON DUTY June 1, 1938.

(Sig.) (Title)
Chief of Personnel Division

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 11—9051

Form 73

GEE-RMC

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT.

Chelsea, Mass., (City) May 18, 1938. (Date) 19--

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion.

Name, Walter B. Eberle

Position, ~~1st Assistant~~ Keeper

Location, Whale Rock Light Station

Effective, June 1, 1938.

To fill vacancy.

Legal residence, Rhode Island

Proposed salary, $1440 per annum

Proposed range, $1440-1800

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

[1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, ~~2nd Assistant~~ Keeper

Location, Whale Rock Light Station.

Former salary, $1380 per annum

Former range, $1380-1740

Rank on eligible list, - **Rating,** - **Percentage,** - , **Other eligibles considered:**

(LT.#1688)

Previous incumbent and his pay, Joseph H. Dubois / $1440 per annum **Services terminated,** May 31, 1938.

Reason, Recommended for transfer to Keeper, Cape Poge Light Station.

Members of family in Government service, None

Date of birth, November 23, 1896.

Remarks:

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 19-----

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Secretary, Civil Service District.

Geo. E. Eaton

Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAY 20 1938

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Action O. K.

Chief Clerk

W. P. Starman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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LIGHTHOUSES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MAY 20 8 55 AM 38 MAY 23 1938 DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MAY 27 1938 DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

Council of Personnel Administration Form 10A (For: CAF Grades 1-8; CM; CU; [illegible])

Final (Preliminary or Final) REPORT ON PROBATIONARY APPOINTEE

LIGHTHOUSES

Length of Probation: 6 Months in This Case

For probationers having a six-month probationary period, a preliminary report, recommending confirmation of the probational appointment or dismissal, shall be made at the end of the third month of service, and a final report, recommending absolute appointment or dismissal, shall be made at the end of the fifth month. For those having a twelve-month probationary period, the preliminary report shall be made at the end of the sixth month and the final report at the end of the tenth month. Copies of this form should be promptly executed and forwarded to the central office in Washington for the preliminary report, and likewise for the final report.

Commerce
(Department)

Lighthouse Service, 2nd District
(Bureau or Office)

Whale Rock Light Station, July 19, 1937
(Place and Date)

To Commissioner of Lighthouses
(Head of Department or Establishment)

The probationary period of the person named below expires at the close of business on August 16 19 37

Name Walter B. Eberle Station Whale Rock Light Station

Position 2nd Assistant Keeper Grade - Salary $1380 per annum

Date of entrance on duty Feb. 17, 1937.

The immediate supervisor submits the following analysis:

On lines below mark employee:
√ if neither strong nor weak point.
– if weak point.
+ if strong point.

1. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.
2. Mark nonsupervisory employees on all elements except those in *italics*.
3. Mark supervisory employees on all elements.

In boxes below rate employee:
1 or 2 if Excellent.
3 or 4 if Very Good.
5 or 6 if Good.
7 or 8 if Fair.
9 or 10 if Unsatisfactory.

I. QUALITY OF PERFORMANCE

+ 1 (a) Acceptability of work; thoroughness.
+ 2 (b) General dependability; accuracy.
+ 1 (c) Neatness and orderliness of work.
+ 3 (d) Skill with which the important procedures, instruments, or machines are employed in performing his duties.
_____ (e) *Effectiveness in getting good work done by his unit.*

[1]

II. PRODUCTIVENESS

Base rating primarily on element (a), if known; otherwise on (b) and (c).

+ 1 (a) Amount of work accomplished.
+ 1 (b) Application of time, interest, and energy to duties; industry.
+ 1 (c) Promptness in completing assignments; speed.
_____ (d) _____
(State any other elements of this class considered)
_____ (e) *Effectiveness in securing adequate output from his unit.*

[1]

III. QUALIFICATIONS SHOWN ON JOB

+ 1 (a) Knowledge of duties and related information.
+ 1 (b) Ability to learn and to profit from experience.
+ 1 (c) Judgment, sense of proportion, common sense.
+ 1 (d) Initiative and resourcefulness.
+ 1 (e) Cooperativeness; ability to work with and for others.
_____ (f) _____
(State any other elements of this class considered)
_____ (g) *Effectiveness in developing and training employees.*
_____ (Custodial only) Ability to perform such physical work as the job requires.

[1]

CARDED

Sum of Ratings	
3 – 7	Excellent.
8 – 13	Very Good.
14 – 19	Good.
20 – 24	Fair.
25 – 30	Unsatisfactory.

Sum of ratings . . . 3

If service has been unsatisfactory, and recommendation for dismissal is made on this form at the time of either the preliminary or the final report, a full statement of reasons must be set forth under "Remarks" below. Separations during probation are governed by Paragraph (c) of Section 1, Civil Service Rule VII, which reads in part as follows:

> "If and when, after full and fair trial, during this [probationary] period, the conduct or capacity of the probationer be not satisfactory to the appointing officer, the probationer shall be so notified in writing, with a full statement of reasons, and this notice shall terminate his service."

Remarks:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
1937 JUL 22 PM 2 22
CHIEF CLERK

To Dept

Give here a brief statement of the particulars of this employee's conduct which have impressed you, as his immediate supervisor. This report is confidential and may not be disclosed to the employee without the authority of the head of the office or the appointing authority. Good points and faults should be frankly though briefly stated.

This man is first class in all respects

On the whole, I consider the deportment and attitude of this employee toward his work {~~unsatisfactory~~ / satisfactory}.

Characteristics needing special supervisory attention: none

Supervisory measures suggested: none

Health of employee: Excellent

It is accordingly recommended that this employee be {~~continued probationally in~~ / given absolute appointment to / ~~discharged from~~} the position named above. (Cross out those that do not apply)

Reviewed and Approved: Edward J. Curran, Chief Clerk, for and in the absence of the Superintendent.

(Head of Bureau or Office)
Superintendent.

Daniel A. Sullivan
(Signature of Supervisor)
Keeper, Whale Rock Light Station.
Absolute appointment authorized:

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES - WASHINGTON July 22, 1937

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for information.

For the Commissioner:

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

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(Probationers should be furnished a copy of this form and an explanation of its purpose on their entrance on duty.)

Council of Personnel Administration Form 10A (For: CAF Grades 1-8; CM; CU; SP)

Preliminary

(Preliminary or Final)

REPORT ON PROBATIONARY APPOINTEE

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Commerce
(Department)

Lighthouse Service, 2nd District
(Bureau or Office)

Whale Rock Light Station , May 24,'37
(Place and Date)

To Commissioner of Lighthouses.
(Head of Department or Establishment)

The probationary period of the person named below expires at the close of business on Aug. 16 19 37

Name Walter B. Eberle

Station Whale Rock Light Station

Position 2nd Assistant Keeper

Grade _____ Salary $1380 per annum

Date of entrance on duty Feb. 17, 1937

The immediate supervisor submits the following analysis:

On lines below mark employee:
✓ if neither strong nor weak point.
– if weak point.
+ if strong point.

1. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.
2. Mark nonsupervisory employees on all elements except those in *italics*.
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In boxes below rate employee:
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I. QUALITY OF PERFORMANCE

+ (a) Acceptability of work; thoroughness.
+ (b) General dependability; accuracy.
✓ (c) Neatness and orderliness of work.
✓ (d) Skill with which the important procedures, instruments, or machines are employed in performing his duties.
_____ (e) *Effectiveness in getting good work done by his unit.*

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II. PRODUCTIVENESS

Base rating primarily on element (a), if known; otherwise on (b) and (c).

+ (a) Amount of work accomplished.
+ (b) Application of time, interest, and energy to duties; industry.
+ (c) Promptness in completing assignments; speed.
_____ (d) _____
(State any other elements of this class considered)
_____ (e) *Effectiveness in securing adequate output from his unit.*

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III. QUALIFICATIONS SHOWN ON JOB

+ (a) Knowledge of duties and related information.
+ (b) Ability to learn and to profit from experience.
+ (c) Judgment, sense of proportion, common sense.
+ (d) Initiative and resourcefulness.
+ (e) Cooperativeness; ability to work with and for others.
_____ (f) _____
(State any other elements of this class considered)
_____ (g) *Effectiveness in developing and training employees.*
_____ (Custodial only) Ability to perform such physical work as the job requires.

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CARDED

Sum of Ratings	
3 – 7	Excellent.
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14 – 19	Good.
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25 – 30	Unsatisfactory.

Sum of ratings . . . 8

If service has been unsatisfactory, and recommendation for dismissal is made on this form at the time of either the preliminary or the final report, a full statement of reasons must be set forth under "Remarks" below. Separations during probation are governed by Paragraph (c) of Section 1, Civil Service Rule VII, which reads in part as follows:

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To Dept

Remarks:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JUN 1 1937
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

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Give here a brief statement of the particulars of this employee's conduct which have impressed you, as his immediate supervisor. This report is confidential and may not be disclosed to the employee without the authority of the head of the office or the appointing authority. Good points and faults should be frankly though briefly stated.

To date, this man has been satisfactory and sincere in his efforts

On the whole, I consider the deportment and attitude of this employee toward his work {~~unsatisfactory~~ / satisfactory}.

Characteristics needing special supervisory attention: None

Supervisory measures suggested: None

Health of employee: Excellent

It is accordingly recommended that this employee be {continued probationally in / ~~given absolute appointment to~~ / ~~discharged from~~} the position named above.

(Cross out those that do not apply)

Reviewed and Approved:

F W Eaton

(Head of Bureau or Office)
Superintendent, 2nd District.
For the Commissioner: May 29, 1937.

W P Harman

W.P.Harman
Administrative Assistant

Daniel A. Sullivan

(Signature of Supervisor)
Keeper, Whale Rock Light Station.

Absolute appointment authorized:

_____

(Probationers should be furnished a copy of this form and an explanation of its purpose on their entrance on duty.)

STANDARD FORM NO. 5
(Approved by the President 3/28/24)
Revised Dec. 5, 1929

PERSONAL HISTORY STATEMENT

(To be prepared by appointee in own handwriting)

DEPT. OF COMMERCE LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE FEB 3 1937 2nd DIST. BOSTON, MASS.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FEB 26 1937 DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

Department or Establishment Commerce Light house Service 2nd Dist. Date Feb 2, 1937

1. Name in full (Mr., ~~Miss, or Mrs.~~) Eberle (Surname) Walter (Given name) Barge (Middle name)
2. Present address 38 (Number) East Bowery (Street) Newport (City) R. I. (State)
3. Legal (voting) residence R. I (State and Congressional District) 1st Newport (County) Newport. (City or town)
4. Where born Iowa (State or foreign country) Webster City (City or town) When born Nov. 23 1896 (Month Day Year)
5. If foreign-born, state whether naturalized or alien
6. Indicate sex, marital condition, and race by check, thus: √ If Mrs., state other names under which previously employed.

SEX		MARITAL CONDITION				RACE. (If other, state which)		
Male ✓	Female	Single	Married ✓	Divorced	Widowed	White ✓	Colored	

7. Number and ages of dependents domiciled with you (7) 13 mos. 3 yrs 4 yrs. 8 yrs 11 yrs 13 yrs Wife 35.
8. A complete record of your past service for the United States Government other than military or naval: None

BRANCH OF SERVICE	PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION	SALARY	DATE APPOINTED			DATE SEPARATED		
				Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year

9. Are any members of your family, who are domiciled with you, in the U. S. Government service? If so, state below: None

NAME	POSITION AND DEPARTMENT OR OFFICE IN WHICH EMPLOYED	RELATIONSHIP
	Position Department or office	
	Position Department or office	
	Position Department or office	

CARDED

10. Do you now hold any State or municipal office? If so, state below:

None

(Title) (Location) (Date appointment expires)

11. Are you the wife of a disabled veteran or widow or orphan of a person who was in the military or naval service?

(Wife, widow, or orphan) (Name of veteran) (Organization and last year of service)

12. Military and naval record. If any, check (√) to indicate branch and other information, and give dates of enlistment and discharge:

None	Army	Navy ✓	Marine Corps	Coast Guard	War veteran	Pensioner	Veterans' Bureau beneficiary

Enlisted Dec. 17, 1913	Discharged May. 21, 1935	Enlisted	Discharged
Rank Seaman	Rank Chief Torpedoman	Rank	Rank
Organization U. S. N.	Organization U. S. N.	Organization	Organization

20 years Continuous Service.

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13. State any special qualifications not involved in your present position (for instance, lawyer, physician, civil engineer, knowledge of foreign languages, etc.) Diving and use of Under water tools. Qualified to 120 ft.

14. Statement of principal employment other than with the United States Government: None

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER	POSITION AND CHARACTER OF WORK	LENGTH OF SERVICE

15. Education. Indicate by circling the number of years:

Common school	High school	College	(Name of college, degrees, and dates conferred)
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	1 2 (3) 4	1 2 3 4	

16. In case of emergency, notify Mrs. H. B. Eberle

Relationship Wife Post office address 38, East Bowery St. Newport R.I.

I certify that the foregoing answers are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Walter B. Eberle.
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1930 10—1930

17. Have you been retired from the Civil, Military or Naval Service of the United States? Yes. If so, state (a) whether for age, length of service or disability Length of Service (b) Amount of retired pay $103.75.

Standard Form No. 8
(Approved by the President, May 22, 1925)

Dept

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
1937 FEB 25 PM 3:30
CHIEF CLERK

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
FEB 26 1937
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

OATH OF OFFICE

Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes of the United States

COMMERCE
(Department or Establishment)

Lighthouse Service, 2nd District
(Bureau or Office)

I, Walter B. Eberle, do
(Name in full, printed or typed)

solemnly swear (~~or affirm~~) 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.

ENTERED ON COMPLETION OF PERSONNEL JOURNAL
Date 2/28/37

Walter Barge Eberle.
(Signature of Appointee)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of February, A. D. 1937

at Narragansett, Rhode Island
(City or place) (State)

[SEAL]

CARDED

Notary Public

My Commission expires June 30, 1941

NOTE.—If the oath is taken before a Notary Public the date of expiration of his commission should be shown.

Position to which appointed 2nd Assistant Keeper - Whale Rock Light Station

Date of entrance on duty February 17, 1937.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 10—1689

Form A-30

NOT TO BE ACCEPTED AS AUTHORITY FOR INVESTIGATION OPERATIONS UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY OFFICIAL CREDENTIALS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
~~APPOINTMENT DIVISION~~
WASHINGTON

DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

Mr. Walter B. Eberle, January 25, 1937.

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Thirteen Hundred Eighty dollars per annum

effective upon entrance on duty.

Nature of appointment: Probationary.

Civil Service authority: Manager, First Civil Service District.

Classification allocation:

CARDED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

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[illegible] J. GARDNER
Chief, Division of Personnel.
~~Chief of Appointment Division.~~

FEB 10 1937

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
FEB 13 1937
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Appropriation (unit): Field

Vice: R. L. Murphy

Legal residence: Rhode Island

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 11—8657

Form 73
GEE-RMC

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JAN 19 1937
LIGHTHOUSES
JAN 11 8 28 AM '37
JAN 18 8 43 AM '37

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT,

Chelsea, Mass. Jan. 8, 1937. , 19
(City) (Date)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment — **Legal residence,** Rhode Island

Name, Walter B. Eberle — Proposed salary, $1380 per annum

Position, (Second Assistant) Keeper — Proposed range, $1380-1740

Location, Whale Rock Light Station — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JAN 25 1937
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

Effective, January 16, 1937. — [1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, New appointee — Former salary, -

Location, - — Former range, -

Rank on eligible list, 1 — Rating, Asst. Light-house Keeper — Percentage, 89.0 — , Other eligibles considered: V.P.A.
H.A.Wilbur, C;
O.E.Hallett, C;

(LT. #1689 ~~1551~~)

Previous incumbent and his pay, R.L.Murphy $1380 per annum — Services terminated, January 15, 1937.

Reason, Resigned.

Members of family in Government service, None

Remarks:

Selection regular, subject to the action of the
U. S. Civil Service Commission, Jan. 16 , 19--37

E. L. Reynolds
Manager, 1st ~~XXXXXXX~~ 6 *Civil Service District.*
(EM)

Geo. E. Evans
Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
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JAN 18 1937

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Action O. K.
Chief Clerk

W. P. Harman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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