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REFERENCE SERVICE SLIP
Archival Research Room Record Request
National Archives at St. Louis

Date: 5/16/2023

REQUESTER INFORMATION

Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Anderson, Kraig, L.	23-003
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
kraiga@gmail.com	858-357-5100

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
Harper, Fred, W.		1870 England

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): CA

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

Researcher Signature: Kraig Anderson

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location): Lighthouse Service

From: 1920 To: 1934

(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: 2-280 71948149

CMRS Search Request Number(s):

Attendant Signature:

Remarks:

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SCREENING NOTES

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

Hold Requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Requests:

Screened Items:

☐ Additional charge outs and signatures on reverse side

Time Out:

Final Return:

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE/LIFESAVING SERVICE—RECORDS CHECKED

Employee Name: HARPER, FRED W. **DOB:** 1870 PoB England
DOS: 1920-1934

Records checked:

Agency: Commerce 6028	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	(negative)
Agency: Commerce 6029	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	(negative)
Agency: Old Commerce	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	(negative)

AND

Agency: Treasury 2189	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	(positive)	negative
Agency: Treasury 2188	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	(negative)
Agency: Old Treasury	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	(positive)	negative

If Negative:

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 1	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Treasury SRCs series 2	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Treasury SRCs series 3	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Coast Guard SRCs	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative

If Negative:

CMRS: possible CG service	Area: _____	positive	negative
ARCIS: _____	Area: _____	positive	negative

Notes: _____

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15 March 1945

Mr. Arthur T. Goss
Secretary, Veteran Fire Fighters Association
247 West George Street
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Your letter of February 25, 1945 addressed to the U. S. Lighthouse Service, Washington, D. C. has been referred to this office by Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D. C. for reply. The Lighthouse Service became a part of the Coast Guard on July 1, 1939, and all Lighthouse Service records were turned over to the Coast Guard at that time

Fred W. Harper resigned from the position of Assistant Keeper at Pt. Loma Light Station on March 10, 1925. The latest address for Mr. Harper that can be found is 153 S. Catalina Avenue, Pasadena, California.

By direction of the District Coast Guard Officer, Twelfth Naval District.

Very truly yours,

R. C. WEIGHTMAN
Captain, USCG

District Coast Guard Officer
MAR 12 1945
12th Naval District

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE COMMANDANT (PCP-6)
REFER TO FILE: CG-75

FOR VICTORY
BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

Civilian

7 March, 1945

To: DCGO, 12th Naval District

Subj: Request for information on person known as Happy Harper

The attached letter dated February 25, 1945, from Arthur T. Goss, Secretary Veteran Fire Fighters Association, 247 W. George St., St. Paul, Minnesota, in which he requested the present address of a person known to him as Happy Harper, is forwarded to your office for reply, in view of the fact that no record can be found at Headquarters indicating that Mr. Harper was an employee in a lighthouse near San Diego, California.

Carl E. Herrick

CARL E. HERRICK
By direction

153 S. Catalina Ave.
Pasadena, Calif.

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Fire Fighters Association
ARTHUR T. GOSS, SECRETARY-TREASURER
247 W. GEORGE ST.
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

February 25" 1945.

U.S.Light House Service.
Washington, D.C.

To whom it may concern;

I would very much appreciate if it is possible you could give me the full name,and the present address of a party known to me as "Happy Harper" as we use to be to-gether in the Manila Fire Dept back in 1910.

Mr Harper was an engineer,and I was Supt of out side construction for the Fire and Police Alarm systems.

I was told by a fomer member of the Manila Fire Dept that he was in a light house near San Diego, California.

He may not be in the U.S.Light House service to day,but you may have his last address,as I would very much like to get in touch with him if possible.

Sincerely yours truly,

Arthur T. Goss.
Secretary.

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WW:PB

,April 26, 1927.

Fred W. Harper,
153 Catalina Ave.,
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Sir:

1. Replying to your letter of April 15th asking for re-employment as Assistant Lighthouse Keeper, you are advised that on account of your age the Superintendent does not consider it to be in the interest of the Lighthouse Service to consider you for re-employment. There have been few vacancies in the position of Assistant Keeper in this District in the past several months, and there is a register of over seventy eligibles, many of whom have had excellent foundation training for Lighthouse Service, are in good physical condition and of desirable ages.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Respectfully,

D. J. Otter

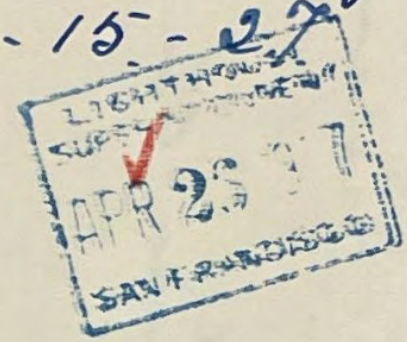
Assistant Superintendent.

4-22-27

W.W. advises not practicable.

Pasadena Calif.
4-15-27

Mr. H. W. Rhoden
Co. Lighthouse Service S.F.



Dear Sir

I want to comm back in the Servic again,

I heard the age limit has been raised and I certainly want to comm back.

I didnt realize what a good Job I had and didnt

Mr. R. R. Rodes.
Superintendent of Lighthouses
San Francisco. Calif.

AUG -5 1926 ✓

Pasadena Calif.
July 22. 26.

W. W. dismissed at resignation accepted - 2 returns papers -

→ W. W. advise Harper "sorry but not possible" etc.

Mr. Rhodes.

Dear Sir.

I am asking you a favor and if granted you will be doing a charitable act.

It is sixteen months since I resigned and I have had a hard time, and ample time to realize what a good job the Lighthouse Service is.

Being an Asthmatic and not being able to work indoors very long has made it that much harder.

I am capable of doing my duty in the Service as the Sea Coast is the best place I have found.

I dont know what reports was turned in against me but there are always two sides to a stories, and some of the Keepers are unreasonable at times.

If you will reinstate me I promis there will be nothing but good reports.

My Wifes health is also much better on the Sea Coast.

If it is possable please reinstate me.

Respfly yours
Fred W. Harper

Address

153. S. Catalina Ave.
Pasadina.
Calif.

WW:EMA

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February 28, 1925.

Mr. F. W. Harper,
Second Assistant Keeper,
Point Loma Light Station.

(Through the Keeper)

1. Referring to your letter of February 16th replying to charges made against you for being asleep while on watch and failing to start fog signal and to your express desire to resign instead of being discharged, you are advised that the Superintendent has not yet returned to the Office and it is suggested that you submit a formal resignation in order that it may be available for consideration by the Superintendent upon his return to the Office.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Otter.

Supt See next letter



Tender Sequoia,
February 21, 1925.

Keeper, Point Loma Light Station.

At the recent inspection of your station Mr. Harper asked if he would be permitted to resign instead of being dismissed from the Service on account of having been found asleep on duty.

After consideration of this matter you are authorized to inform Mr. Harper that he can tender his resignation if he so desires and that I will ~~grant~~ give consideration to accepting it instead of ~~receiving~~ recommending his dismissal in case the papers in the matter have not already been forwarded to the Department upon my return to San Francisco about February 28.

H.W.R.

Superintendent.

HWR:REA

Pt Loma Calif.
Feb 14 - 25 -

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
San Francisco Calif.

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
FEB 18 1925
SAN FRANCISCO

Sir,

Refering to your letter of Feb 13th hanging me with being asleep on watch and failing to set Fog Signal.

I plead guilty to the charges.

I had been working in the Shop up to lighting time using a strong solution to remove varnish from a Pail and I think it affected me.

I started the light on time.

after Lighting up I attended to my duckens and other chores, started the fire to cook supper, I set down and was looking over the paper, and dont remember any more till I was called. From the time I left the Tower till I was called was less than an hour.

When I set down the Horizon was clear.

Respy yours
F. W. Harper 2nd asst Keeper

Owing to the number of years I have in the Civil Service without having had any charges against me, I would like very much to be given the opportunity to resign rather than be discharged.

F. W. Harper -

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Pt. Loma, Calif., Feb. 16, 1925.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of February 13th charging me with being asleep on watch and failing to start fog signal.

I plead guilty to the charges. I had been working in the shop up to light-up time using a strong solution to remove varnish from a table and I think it affected me. I started the light on time. After lighting up I attended to my chickens and other chores, started the fire to cook supper. I sat down and was looking over the paper, and don't remember any more till I was called. From the time I left the Tower till I was called was less than an hour.

When I set down the horizon was clear.

Respectfully yours.

(Sgd) F. W. Harper, 2nd Asst. Keeper.

Owing to the number of years I have in the Civil Service without having had any charges against me, I would like very much to be given the opportunity to resign rather than be discharged.

(Sgd) F. W. Harper

WW:LH

CHARGES

February 13, 1925.

REGISTER

F. W. Harper, 2nd Assistant Keeper,
Point Loma Light Station.

1. You are hereby charged with being asleep on watch during foggy weather at about 6:15 p.m., February 6, 1925, failing to start the fog signal and failing to report for duty on your watch for some time after the fog signal had been started by the keeper.

2. You are directed to mail a written reply to these charges to this office on or before February 20, 1925.

H. W. RHODES

Copy furnished for information of Keeper, Point Loma Light Station.

W.W.
send charges to Hungerford —

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
FEB 12 1925
SAN FRANCISCO

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Point Loma Light Station,
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

February 9, 1925. ,19

Superintendent Of Lighthouses,

San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:-

On the 6th inst., at about 6.15 P.M. I noticed it was very foggy and the signal was not in operation. I got the signal in operation as soon as possible, then tried several times to get Mr. Harper over the telephone, as it was his watch, but could get no reply. I called the 1st Assistant and sent him to see what was wrong with Mr. Harper. He returned and reported 2nd Assistant asleep. The signal had been in operation at intervals during the day and until 10 P.M. of this date. I do not know how long the fog had been in before I noticed it. I have cautioned Mr. Harper on several occasions about being lax in getting the signal in operation.

I am inclosing a statement by M. Cady, 1st Assistant, regarding the matter.

Respectfully,

Geo Cottingham

Keeper.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
FEB 12 1925
SAN FRANCISCO

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Point Loma
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

Feb 7, 1925.

On February 6th I was called to the Fog Signal by Mr Cottingham Keeper at 6.30 P.M. Mr Cottingham had the Fog Signal in operation. he had tryed to get Mr Harper 2nd assistant over the telephone as it was his watch and not getting any response I was sent for him and from all indications Mr Harper 2nd Asst. was asleep on watch

M. Cady 1st Asst.

Form 206 FILE NO. 8

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF LIGHT KEEPER OR ASSISTANT LIGHT KEEPER

IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL RELIEF BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT,

PLACE, San Francisco, California

DATE, Sept. 23 b, 1920

To the MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE,
U. S. Public Health Service,
San Francisco, Cal.

SIR:

Please examine Fred W. Harper

nativity, England (Naturalized); age, 50; height, 5 feet, 8½ inches;

weight, 145 pounds; color of hair, brown; color of eyes, blue

distinguishing marks, tattooed star and clasped hands on wrist of left arm

as to eyesight, hearing, and physical condition.

When the examination has been completed the findings should be recorded on this blank and the blank returned to the applicant.

Respectfully,

H. W. Rhodes.

Superintendent of Lighthouses *Lighthouse Inspector.*

(Signature of applicant:) Fred W Harper

(To be signed in the presence of the officer issuing this blank or witnessed by a designated employee of the Lighthouse Service.)

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, San Francisco,

DATE, Sept. 23, 1920

To LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR,

SIR: This certifies that I have this day examined the eyesight, hearing, and physical condition of Fred W. Harper, and find him physically { ~~disqualified~~ / qualified* } in accordance with rules approved by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce, respecting the treatment by the Public Health Service of light keepers and assistant light keepers of the Lighthouse Service pursuant to the Act of Congress approved August 28, 1916.

~~He is disqualified for the reasons shown on page 3.~~

GEORGE MORTON (Signed)

A.A. *Surgeon, U. S. Public Health Service.*

* If qualified, strike out the word "disqualified" and the paragraph following.

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REPORT OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, San Francisco, Calif.

DATE, Sept. 23, 1920

Name of applicant, Fred W. Harper

Eyes: Color, blue; exophthalmus, no

chronic inflammation, no; other abnormality, no

Eyelids: Ptosis, no; condition of conjunctiva on eversion, good

other conditions, none

Eyesight:

Vision of right eye, without glasses, 20/50; with glasses, 20/30

Vision of left eye, without glasses, 20/20; with glasses, 20/20

Is applicant partially or wholly color-blind? no

If color-blind, state which color he confuses none

Were candidate's eyes tested with lantern, woolen skeins, or both? skeins

Ears:

Abnormalities, no; shape, normal

Position, normal; condition of drums good

Evidence of mastoid disease, no

Hearing: (When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard: Right ear, 30 feet; left ear, 30 feet.

Distance whispered speech can be heard: Right ear, 15 feet; left ear, 15 feet.

Lungs: normal

Heart: normal

Defects noted which, in the opinion of the medical examiner, will not materially interfere with the discharge of the duties of light keeper or assistant light keeper:

none

Fred W. Harper

LEGAL RESIDENCE.
California

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
Keeper Point Arguello L S Calif	660	L H	Oct 2, 1920
" " " "	720.	"	Nov. 1, 1920.
" Trans P H Long L. S. Cal	660	"	Nov. 1, 1921
" Read of Pay "	900	"	JUL 1 1924
" Readjustment of pay Act - Dec. 6, 1924 "	1080	"	FEB 1 1925
	RESIGNED CLOSE OF	March 10, 1925.	

Form 73

NOMINATION

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 18th DISTRICT,

San Francisco, Cal. (City.) Sept.24,1920 (Date.), 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

(Through the District Secretary)

CHIEF CLERK

Action recommended, Probationary appointment

Name, Fred W. Harper

Legal residence, California

1920 OCT 2 PM 4 41

Position, Keeper (2nd Asst.)

Salary, $660. per annum

Location, Pt. Arguello Light Station

Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers

APPOINTMENTS

Effective October 1,1920 {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

1920 OCT 2 PM 4 45

Former position, --

Former salary,

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 2 Rating, Assistant Light-house Keeper Percentage, 85.2, Other eligibles considered:

Richard N. Douglas - C
Arvel A. Settles - C

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN OCT 4 - 1920 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Previous incumbent, Alfred Cedergren Services terminated, Sept. 10,1920

Reason, Resigned

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: Emergency case in accordance with Circular No.313 - Necessary for the saving of life and property.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, SEP 27 1920, 19

John A Burby
ACTING Secretary, Twelfth Civil Service District.

H. W. Rhodes
Superintendent of Lighthouses

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Oct 9, 1920.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

October 4, 1920.

Mr. Fred W. Harper,

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, in the Keeper Lighthouse Service at a salary of Six Hundred and Sixty 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 Acting Secretary of the Twelfth Civil Service District.

By direction of the Secretary.

Respectfully,

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Alfred Cedergren

Legal Residence: California
18th district (See reverse side.)

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION OCT 4 1920 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

RECORD DATA

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LIGHTHOUSES

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Fred W. Harper

CHIEF CLERK

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

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Fred W Harper

(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 7th day of October, A. D. 1920

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (*Name*) W Wilson

(*Official title*) Chief Clerk, 18th Lighthouse Dist.

~~My commission expires~~

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present 2nd Asst. Keeper	$660.00 P.A.	Pt. Arguello Light Station
Former [5] -- CARDED		

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

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 18th DISTRICT

San Francisco, California (Address), Oct. 8, 1920 (Date)

REPORT DATA ENTERED OCT 8

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on October 2, 1920 (Date)

In the absence and by direction of the Superintendent

F. J. Otter.

1st Assistant Superintendent

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.

[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.

[3] The oath may be taken any time on or after the effective date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a superintendent of lighthouses or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of superintendent of lighthouses and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.

[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.

Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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Form 73 AMG

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 18th DISTRICT,

San Francisco, Cal., (City.) Nov. 9th, (Date.) 19 20

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

LIGHTHOUSES 25
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Action recommended, Promotion

Name, Fred W. Harper — Legal residence, California

Position, Keeper (1st Asst.) — Salary, $720. p.a.

Location, Pt. Arguello Light Station Oaf — Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers

Effective November 1, 1920 — {'the actual date of entrance on duty, ~~or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.~~

Former position, Keeper (2nd Asst.) — Former salary, $660. p.a.

Location, Pt. Arguello Light Station Oaf

CHIEF CLERK

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

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Previous incumbent, Arthur A. Newhall — Services terminated, October 31,1920

Reason, Resigned

APPOINTMENTS

Members of family in Government Service, None

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Remarks: Emergency case in accordance with Circular No.313 - Necessary for the saving of life and property

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

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
NOV 17 1920
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

H. W. Rhodes

Secretary, Civil Service District. Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

NOV 15 1920

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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H. B. Bowerman

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS--LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 17, 1920.

Mr. Fred W. Harper,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir :

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $660 per annum to $720 per annum, effective November 1, 1920.

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,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED

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18th

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED NOV 18 1920 BY JOURNAL AND REGISTER

U. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE



PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

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

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

Mr. Frank Walter Fred Harper

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

Fred W. Harper

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

Superintendent of Lighthouses	Pt. Arguello Light Station	18th
Bureau or Service.	Place (city, town, station, or vessel).	District.

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4. Position to which appointed 2nd Assistant Keeper

5. Compensation $660.00 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1921

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

Civil Service examination for assistant lighthouse keeper Sept. 23, 1920

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

Oakland	California	Alameda	6th
City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.

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

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

11. Where were you born? England

12. When were you born?

November	19	1869
Month.	Day.	Year.

13. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out Father's papers, Oct. [illegible], 1878

14. What is your marital condition? Married

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

Mrs. F. W. Harper	Pt. Arguello Light Station
Name.	Number and street.
Arlight	California
City or town.	State or Territory.

16. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? No

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

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		

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

None

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

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
	No				

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

No

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

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
	No		

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

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
U.S. MARION	Feb. 4,1891	June 20,1894	Honorable discharge

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

Relationship (widow or orphan)

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service

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

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

Machinist

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

Grammar school

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

Machinist and steam engineer

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

As in question 7

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

By Superintendent of Lighthouses at my direction

Date, September 23, 1920

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) Fred W Harper

P. O. Address: 836 Kingston Ave., Oakland, Calif.
City or town.

Number and street.

State or Territory.

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded October 9th, 1920

In the absence and by direction of the Superintendent

(Signature) W. J. Otter.

(Official title) 1st Asst. Superintendent

Referring to Christian name and middle initials of Harper, while he claims his correct name is as given in answer to Question 1, he is known by and always signs all papers as "Fred W. Harper".

In the absence and by direction of the Superintendent

W. J. Otter 1st Asst Supt

Form 73

NOMINATION

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 18th DISTRICT,

San Francisco, California (City.) Oct. 15 (Date.) 19 21

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer and demotion

Name, **Fred W. Harper** Legal residence, **California**

Position, **Keeper (2nd Asst.)** Salary, **$ 660. per annum**

Location, **Point Loma Light Station** Cal Appropriation, Sal Kprs

Effective **November 1, 1921** [1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper (1st Asst.) Former salary, **$720. p.a.**

Location, **Point Arguello Light Station** Cal

Rank on eligible list, 0- Rating, Percentage, , Other eligibles considered:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OCT 22 1921 APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

Previous incumbent, Morton M. Palmer Services terminated, **October 31,1921**

Reason, **Promoted**

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: Letter from Harper stating he will accept the transfer even at the reduction in salary will be forwarded as soon as received by this office.

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

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

10/22/21

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Chief Clerk, 18th L. H. District

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved. OCT 20 1921

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS--LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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October 22, 1921.

r. Fred W. Harper,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $720 per annum to $660 per annum, effective November 1, 1921, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty, (inc

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)

Chief of Appointment Division.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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SUPERINTENDENT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOM HOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Nov. 3, 1921.

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Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Department letter of October 22, 1921, advising Fred W. Harper that his salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service had been changed from $720. per annum to $660. per annum, effective November 1, 1921, or as soon thereafter as he entered on duty.

2. The Bureau is informed that Fred W. Harper entered on duty as keeper in the Lighthouse Service with salary at the rate of $660. per annum effective November 1, 1921.

H. W. Rhodes.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

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Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

October 18th, 1921.

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Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. Referring to Form 73 from this office, dated October 15th, nominating Fred W. Harper for the position of 2nd Assistant Keeper at Point Loma Light Station.

2. There is enclosed a letter from Harper dated October 15th, 1921, stating that he will accept the transfer to the position of 2nd assistant keeper at Point Loma Light Station, even at the reduced rate of pay.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

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OCT 1921
DIVISION.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
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Inclosure

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

10/26/21

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner

Point Arguello Light Station
California.

Oct. 15, 1921.

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
OCT 18 1921
SAN FRANCISCO

LIGHT HOUSES
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Superintendent of Lighthouses,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

1. You are hereby advised that I will accept transfer to the position of 2nd Assistant Keeper at the Point Loma Light Station, even at the reduction in salary.

Respectfully,

1st Asst. Keeper,
Pt. Arguello Light Station.

FORWARDED: G. T. Olson Keeper.

Dear Sir

I will accept transfer to Position as 2nd Assistant Keeper at Point Loma Light Station at same Salary received by 2nd Asst. at present time

Fred W. Harper
1st Asst Keeper
Pt Arguello Light Station.

(CROSS REFERENCE)

Harper, Fred A. In accordance with authority of the Director of the Budget dated June 27, 1924, the salary is re-adjusted to $ 900, effective July 1, 1924.

For authorization see letter dated JUL 16 1924 File No. 1095/21.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

M
r. Fred W. Harper,
Through the
Commissioner of Lighthouses,

Sir: In connection with the readjustment of pay of positions in the Lighthouse Service the total compensation of the position occupied by you has been fixed as indicated below, effective February 1, 1925.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED FEB 10 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

EDW. J. GARDNER,
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Position: Keeper
Salary: $1080
Appropriations: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
General Expenses, Lighthouse Service.

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Form 93 EMA

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

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CHIEF CLERK

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 18th DISTRICT.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MAR 10 1925 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

San Francisco, Calif., Mar. 2nd, 19 25.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Fred W. Harper — Position, Keeper (2nd Asst.)

Legal residence, California — Station, Point Loma Light Station.

Salary, 1080.00 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of March 10,1925.

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

Remarks:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN MAR 10 1925 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

3-10-25

H. W. Rhodes
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Inclosure

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAR 9 - 1925

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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SAN FRANCISCO

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Sh Loma Calif.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

Feb 28, 1926

Superintendant of Lighthouses.
San Francisco Calif.

Sir

I hereby tender my resignation.
to take effect March 10th 1926.

Respectfully yours
Fred W. Harper
2nd asst. Keeper.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

March 10, 1925.

Mr. Fred W. Harper,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the bureau, to take effect at the close of business on March 10, 1925.

Bureau.....Lighthouse Service.

Station.....Point Loma Light Station.

Position.....Keeper.

Salary.....$1080 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAR 10 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

MDW. J. GARDNER.
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D/1

NAME Harper, Fred W. POSITION Keeper

BUREAU LIGHTHOUSES STATION 18th District

CIRCULAR #11----9/15/23

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances Items	Value	Aggregate	As Classified for estimate purposes Service	Grade	Pay	Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates: Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Subtracted
660	240	900	XCH	404.25	1304.25	LHS	3	1080	Yes	60-a	

CIRCULAR #13----11/13/23 Approved $1080

GRADE RECOMMENDED 4

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1080 TO $1320

approximate annual maintenance cost to the employee:

Kind of equipment Uniform; annual cost, $ Furnishes own transportation. 5.00 per annum

17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)

(a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☒ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8

(b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

(c) Business school; years ☐ ½ ☐ 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐ 2½ ☐ 3

(d) College: Name ; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

(e) Post graduate work: Kind ; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3

(f) Correspondence courses: Kind ; number of lessons ; number completed

18. Description of work. (Describe the various tasks performed, making the description of each as detailed as space will permit. Use a paragraph for each task and number the paragraphs. In the column at the right state the estimated percentage of the total time—in the course of a day, month, or year—given to each task.)

	Percentage of total time given to each task
1. Stands light and fog signal watches day and night, including Sundays and holidays. Starting and operating plant in foggy weather. - - -	67%
2. Works with other keepers in general maintenance and repair of station grounds, buildings, landing, machinery, etc. - - - - - - - - - - - - -	33%

(Report cost in accordance with detailed instruction sheet, Form No. 2)

CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 1

Sheet No. 85

2—12758

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

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1. Harper (Surname) Fred (Given name) W. (Initial)
2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouse
4. Field Service Lighthouse
5. (a) Field Station 18th Lighthouse District
   (b) Subdivision Point Loma Light Station
   (c) City or town Point Loma (P.O.) State Calif.
6. Pay-roll title Lighthouse Keeper
7. Customary office title Second Assistant Keeper

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day 8 to 10; per week 56 to 70
   (b) If this is not a full-time position, state percentage of time employed per day ; or per week
   (c) If night work, wholly or in part, state the hours: From Average 5 hrs. m. to Time of night changes with watches m.
9. If this is not an all-year-round position, state approximate number of days employed each year
   During what months
10. If the employee receives compensation from any other branch of the Federal Government, or from any city, county, or State government, state the position held and the compensation None
11. Present rate of pay, exclusive of bonus $660.00 per annum; bonus, $240.00 per annum.
12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $660.00 per annum; bonus, $240.00 per annum.
13. If the employee receives overtime pay, state the rate None allowed
14. Title of appropriation or fund from which basic compensation is paid Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses
15. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box any of the following allowances received, in addition to salary or wages: ☒ Quarters; ☒ Light; ☐ Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum $164.25 in cash as commutation of rations
    ☐ 3 meals per day; ☐ 2 meals per day; ☐ 1 meal per day; ☒ Subsistence or rations in kind; ☐ Uniform; ☐ Laundry; ☒ Fuel;
16. Indicate what special equipment, if any, the employee is required by law or regulation to furnish at his own expense, and the approximate annual maintenance cost to the employee: Furnishes own transportation.
    Kind of equipment Uniform; annual cost, $5.00 per annum
17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)
    (a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☒ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8
    (b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
    (c) Business school; years ☐ ½ ☐ 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐ 2½ ☐ 3
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18. Description of work. (Describe the various tasks performed, making the description of each as detailed as space will permit. Use a paragraph for each task and number the paragraphs. In the column at the right state the estimated percentage of the total time—in the course of a day, month, or year—given to each task.)

	Percentage of total time given to each task
1. Stands light and fog signal watches day and night, including Sundays and holidays. Starting and operating plant in foggy weather. (Fog signal)	67%
2. Works with other keepers in general maintenance and repair of station grounds, buildings, landing, machinery, etc.	33%

19. Does employee work under immed[illegible] supervision, or to a large extent upon his own re[illegible]sibility? (Describe fully.)

Works under immediate supervision of keeper, or first assistant.

20. Do the duties involve direction or supervision of the work of other employees? No
If so, describe the nature of the direction or supervision and give the number and classes of employees directed or supervised.

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? Since November 1, 1921.

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

June 1st, 1923. H. W. RHODES Superintendent.
(Date) (Signature of Preparing Officer) (Title)

23. I have read the foregoing and I agree to it except as follows:

(Signature of Employee)

THE FOLLOWING TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE HEAD OF THE FIELD OFFICE OR STATION

24. Indicate by an "X" in the proper spaces below the qualifications and personal traits considered important for the satisfactory performance of the duties of this position:

	High Degree	Average	Not Essential
Judgment		X	
Accuracy	X		
Initiative (originality and resourcefulness)		X	
Trustworthiness (dependability)	X		
Speed (quickness)		X	
Physical Qualities (strength and endurance)	X		

Educational Training	Essential	Desirable But Not Essential
College		
High School		X
Common School	X	

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent

Experience: If essential, kind and extent Miscellaneous mechanical and heating experience.

25. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made are accurate and complete. In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ 900.00 to $ 1020.00

June 1st, 1923. H. W. RHODES Superintendent
(Date) (Signature of head of field office or station) (Title)

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