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Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Burns, Andrew	4563213
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
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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
Irwin, John, J.		

MILITARY SERVICE

Branch of Service:

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

Type of Rank:

- ☐ Enlisted
- ☐ Officer
- ☐ Unknown

Service Period (Check all that apply):

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

Date & Place of Death:

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (TX)		
From: 1916	To: 1917	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	

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

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Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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☒ Reviewed and Nothing Removed JMH ☐ 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:

John J. Irwin

INACTIVE

LEGAL RESIDENCE.
Florida

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
3rd Asst. Mgr. Sabine Bank L.S. Tex.	$456.	L.M.	May 10, 1916.
SERVICES DISCONTINUED.	Close Aug 31. 1916		

INACTIVE

Form 73
GWV-MCC

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., April 22, 1916
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, * John J. Irwin. Legal residence, Florida.

Position, Third Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. Salary, $456 per annum.

Location, Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas. Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses, 1916.

Effective May 10, 1916, ~~the actual date of entrance on duty;~~ or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Former salary, - - - - - - - - - -

Location, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 27, 1916.

Mr. John J. Irwin,

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

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CARDED.

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(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HARRINGTON
Chief of Appointment Division.

RECEIVED APR 27 1916 ENTERED ON JOURNAL DEPT OF COMMERCE

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Harry Brouwer.

Legal Residence: Florida.

CHANGE REPORTED MAY 1916 U.S. COMMISSION

(See reverse side.)

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Lighthouse Inspector
MAY 12 1916
New Orleans.

LIGHT HOUSES
MAY 18 1916

CHIEF CLERK
MAY 19 1916

APPOINTMENTS
MAY 19 1916

I, John J. Irwin,

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.

☞ John J. Irwin
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 4 day of May, A. D. 1916

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) William T. Marler
my commission expires Feb 9 - 1918 (Official title) Notary Public

	Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present	3rd Asst. Kpr. in the L.H. Service	$456 p.a.	Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas.
Former[5]	Probationary appointment.		

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

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT

New Orleans, La., (Address) May 16, 1916. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on May 10, 1916. (Date)

B B Dorry
(Signature, followed by title)
Inspector.

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

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

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

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

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

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

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CARDED.

Ent'd

Lighthouse Inspector
MAY 5 1916
New Orleans.

CHIEF CLERK
MAY 19 1916

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

March 6, 1913.

APPOINTMENTS
MAY 1916

To the Chiefs of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce:

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

RIGHT
MAY 24 1916
HOUSES

William C. Redfield
Secretary.

Lighthouse Inspector
MAY 29 1916
New Orleans.

CARDED.

Lighthouse Inspector
JUN 10 1916
New Orleans.

PART I.

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

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

John James Irwin

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

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

Dexter	Fla	~~Okaloosa~~ Okaloosa	Third
City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.

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

5. Where were you born? New york

6. When were you born? October 13 1869

Month. Day. Year.

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LIGHT
JUN 12 1916
HOUSES

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

Mrs. John J Irwin — Name. — [redacted] — Number and street.

Dorsin Fla — City or town. — State or Territory.

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

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
no				

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

Light House civil Service at new orleans Feb. 29, 1916.

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

no

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

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

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

no

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

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
Co H. First Fla.	in June	Dec 7th	Mustered out
Spanish-American	1898	1898.	

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

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

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

Name under which service was rendered My father, J. J. Irwin served as Civil war

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
Co. I 12th New York Inf.	1860's.	1864's.	Mustered out

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16. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 11, 12, 13, and 14.)

Fishing and Boating

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

very limited

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

Carpenter

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

Clerical Exm. L-A. xxxxxxxx February 29, 1916.

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

Wm Marler.

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. May 4, 1916

(Signature) John J Dennis

Witness:

Wm Marler
In case signature is by mark.

S. E. Lancaster

P. O. Address: Dentsville
City or town.

Number and street.

Fla
State or Territory.

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded May 16, 1916., 19

(Signature) B B Dorry.

(Official title) Inspector.

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PART II.

(Part II should be executed by the executive officers of the various Bureaus of the Department, or, at their direction, by some official who can give the information desired. If unable to answer any question, indicate that fact.)

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

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel.)) Eighth (District.)

2. To what position has he been appointed? 3d. Asst. Keeper.

3. State the date of appointment. April 27, 1916.

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

Date of entrance on duty.

5. State the date of the oath. May 4, 1916.

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. May 10, 1916.

7. What is his salary? $456 pa.

8. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

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

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

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

Examination Asst. Lighthouse Keeper, February 29, 1916.

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

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

Destin, Fla.

14. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out. No.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) B B Darry

(Official title) Inspector.

Date: May 16, 1916., 19

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES JUN 12 1916

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
June 10, 1916.

CHIEF CLERK JUN 17 1916

Second endorsement.

SUBJECT: Personal question sheet of John J. Irwin, 3d Asst. Kpr., Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas.

APPOINTMENTS JUN 17 1916 12

Returned to the Commissioner of Lighthouses, questions Nos. 13 and 15 having been completed by Third Assistant Keeper Irwin.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

Lanphier.
Superintendent.

CARDED.

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

JEL
One inclosure.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
JUN 16 1916

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information. Corrected personal question sheet of John J. Irwin, is inclosed.

Irwin
Acting Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
WASHINGTON

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
~~Personal~~
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Commr.
Commr.

May 23, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Returned herewith is the personal question sheet executed, under date of May 4, 1916, by John J. Irwin, under his appointment as third assistant keeper of Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas, attention being invited to the fact that the answers to questions Nos. 13 and 15 are imcomplete.

By direction of the Secretary:

E. C. Stevens

CARDED.

JEL
Inclosure.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
MAY 24 1916

To Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans, La.
for completion and return.

Acting Commissioner

Enclosure 4592.
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LIGHT
MAY 24 1916
HOUSES

MAY 29 1916
Lighthouse Inspector
New Orleans

LIGHT
JUN 12 1916
HOUSES

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By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) GEO. E. HAVENNER

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
OCT 21 1916
HOUSES

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
October 19, 1916.

Services John J. Irwin,
Discontinuance.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Referring to the probationary services of John J. Irwin, who entered on duty as Third Assistant Keeper at Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas, May 10, 1916:

The Bureau is advised that this employee has absented himself from the light station without authority since September 1st, when the period of 18 days' shore liberty expired. On September 1, 1916, he advised this office that owing to the illness of his wife he would be unable to return to the light station for some time and inclosed a medical certificate in support of his statement. On September 13th, in reply to letter from this office of September 7th for some definite statement as to when he would return to the light station, he informed this office that he was unable to say just how long he would be absent from the station, since which time nothing further has been heard from him, although another letter was written him on October 6, 1916, requesting information in this regard.

As the Keeper of Sabine Bank Light Station has informed this office that when the Third Assistant Keeper went on leave in August he disposed of all his personal belongings at the light station and indicated that he did not intend to return, and in view of this employee's attitude in the matter, it is the opinion of this office that his conduct and capacity during the probationary period have not been satisfactory and it is therefore recommended that his services be discontinued effective at the close of August 31, 1916.

HB-NDW

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY
ACTION TAKEN
OCT 28 1916
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CHIEF CLERK
OCT 28 1916
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October 26, 1916.

APPOINTMENTS
OCT 28 1916
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Eighth Inspector's letter Oct. 19, 1916, re discontinuance services John J. Irwin, 3d Asst. Kpr. Sabine Bank L. S., Texas.
$ 456. p.a.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce with recommendation for approval.

10-28-16

October 28, 1916.

APPROVED:

Acting Secretary.

CL

October 20, 1916

Sir:

In view of the fact that your conduct during the probationary period has not proved satisfactory, the Inspector of the Eighth Lighthouse District having reported that you have been absent from your station without authority since September 1, 1916, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has discontinued your services as third assistant keeper of Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas, at $456 per annum, effective at the close of August 31, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 28 1916 DEPT OF COMMERCE

CARDED. (SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. John J. Irwin,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

CHANGE REPORTED OCT 1916

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USE TYPEWRITER—SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

UNITED STATES
BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY.
FORM 8.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS.
8—4789-2

MAKE NO ENTRIES IN THIS COLUMN.
LIGHT
DEC 26 191
HOUSES

RECORD OF CIVIL EMPLOYEE.

JULY 1, 1916.

1. Name: (Surname first. Given name in full. For women write Miss or Mrs. before given name.)
Irwin, John J.

2. Department:
Commerce

3. Bureau, office, or service:
Lighthouse

4. Designation of position:
3d Assistant Keeper

5. Occupation (if not clearly shown by answer to question 4):
Care of light and govt. property

6. Annual earnings:
$456

7. Kind of appropriation:
LS

8. Present rate of pay:
$ AS

9. Initial rate of pay:
$ 456 PA

10. Total length of service (give the total of ALL U. S. GOVT. SERVICE with the exceptions stated on the back of this card)—

Substitute— Years:	Months:	Regular— Years:	Months:
		No	2

11. State, Territory, or foreign country of birth (do not give town):
New York

12. Race:
W

13. Sex:
M

14. Date of birth—
Month: October
Year: 1869

15. Kinds of schools attended, years attended, and degrees taken:
E (No. of years unknown.)

16. Marital condition:
M

17. War veteran?
Spanish

18. Appointed from—
Congressional district and State: 3 Florida
County: Okaloosa

19. Civil service status:
C

20. Method by which classified status was obtained:
CE

21. Place of employment—
City: Sabine
State: Texas

DO NOT FOLD THIS CARD.

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June 22,1931

Chief Clerk

Voucher Clerk

John J. Irwin was employed as Ass t.Lamplighter of Goat Island Shoal Lt. & Newport Harbor Lt., with pay at the rate of $180.00 per annum, from May 11th,1931 to June 21st,1931, inclusive. He did not sign contract of employment. Pay him for services rendered.

Asst.Supt.

Address
a/c Lamplighter
Goat Is. & Newport Harbor Lts

June 22,1931

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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THIRD DISTRICT

Newport Harbor T. Goat Island
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

June 20th, 1931

Sir:-

I respectfully beg to inform you that the appointment of J. J. Irwin as Policeman at this Station has been revoked to take effect as of June 21st, and R. J. Foley has been designated to fill the vacancy taking over the duties as of June 22nd, as Irwin has not signed his appointment papers I am returning them to your office.

Am also enclosing copies in duplicate of survey of used lamps under date of June 17th.

Very Respectfully,
Allan E. Hurley
Lamplighter.

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FWO-JHG

John J. Irwin, Asst.Lamplighter, June 17,1931
Through the Lamplighter,
Goat Island Shoal Light,
Newport, Rhode Island.

SUBJECT: Contract of Employment.
REFERENCE: Letter from this office June 8,1931.

1. Referring to letter from this office dated June 8th relative to your employment as Lamplighter (Asst.) of Goat Island Shoal Light, and enclosing two copies of Form 205 - Contract of Employment - for your signature and return to this office; the two copies of Form 205 have not yet been received by this office. You are directed to sign same and return them to this office by return mail, and submit explanation as to why you failed to sign and return same promptly. In this connection your attention is called to the fact that all official communications of the Light-house Service must be answered promptly.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

THIRD DISTRICT

Newport Harbor Light.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

June 9th, 1931.

Superintendent 3rd L. H. Dist:

Sir:-

In reply to your letters of May 25th & June 6 respectively concerning the employment of J. J. Irwin as asst lamplighter I will state that I took the matter up with him & he states that he filled out the form which had been sent him & mailed them in last week.

I called his attention to the fact that your office expected those papers to be filled out & mailed in at once, but his only excuse for being delinquent was, he had not got around to it yet.

Evidently his papers were received by your office about the time I received the second notice.

Trusting this straightens the matter out I am

Very Respectfully
Allan E Hurley
Lamplighter
Newport Harbor & Goat Island Shoal

Form 205 — CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT IN REGISTERED POSITION

(45)

Fites

FWO-JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Staten Is., N.Y., June 8, 1931, 192
(Place and date)

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Employment has been given to John J. Irwin

as Asst. Lamplighter of Goat Island Shoal and Newport Harbor Lights, R.I., in connection with work

in the 3rd Lighthouse District, at the rate of $180.00 p.a. per ~~day~~

or ~~month~~, beginning May 11, 1931, 192 , under the civil service regulations

for the Lighthouse Service. This contract of employment supersedes all previous certificates of appointment.

Employed from May 11th to June 21st, inclusive, but no Contract signed.

See attached memo

Supt. 3rd Lighthouse Dist.

I accept the above conditions and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Lighthouse Service.

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20 21 41.50 20.50

Paid 6/23/31
Vo. 6026
Check No
Amt $20.50

X

INSTRUCTIONS—To be prepared in duplicate, one copy to be handed to employee and the other kept on file in the District Office.

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 11—4360

DEPARTMENT

FWO-JHG

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U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 4360

FWO-JHG

John J. Irwin,
C/O Lamplighter,
Goat Island Shoal Light,
Newport, Rhode Island

June 8,1931

SUBJECT: Employment as Asst.Lamplighter.
REFERENCE: Letter from this office May 18,1931.

1. Referring to your application filed in this office for the position of Assistant Lamplighter of Goat Island Shoal Light Station and Newport Harbor Light, R.I.; you are advised you have been selected for this position, and in accordance therewith you will be taken up as having entered on duty in that position on May 11,1931. Two copies of Form 205 - Contract of Employment - are enclosed. Sign both copies where marked "X" and return the two copies to this office.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

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FWO-JHG

June 6,1931

Allen E. Hurley, Lamplighter,
Goat Island Shoal Light,
Naval Torpedo Station,
Newport, Rhode Island.

SUBJECT: Employment of J.J.Irwin as Asst.Lamplighter.
REFERENCE: Your letter May 15th and letter from this office May. 25th.

1. Your attention is called to the fact that no reply has as yet been received to letter from this office to you dated May 25th,1931 relative to employment of J. J. Irwin as Assistant Lamplighter. You are directed to submit reply by return mail.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

Form 1025
June, 1929

United States Civil Service Commission

(73)

APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
FOR KEEPERS AND ASSISTANT KEEPERS

Any false statement in an application, or the alteration of a certificate, or the presentation to the Commission of a paper containing such false statement or alteration, is a violation of the law and is punishable as such.

All answers must be in ink and in the handwriting of the applicant.

Appointments are usually made to the position of assistant keeper. Appointments to first assistant keeper and principal keeper are usually made by promotion. Keepers and assistants are provided with free quarters for themselves, and at many of the stations free quarters with fuel and light are provided for their families. The Government furnishes cooking and heating stoves. Keepers and assistant keepers are eligible for retirement under the Lighthouse Service retirement law, and are also entitled under certain conditions to free medical treatment and to compensation for injuries.

To the UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,
Washington, D. C.

I, the undersigned, hereby make application for examination for the position of keeper or assistant keeper in the Lighthouse Service, intending to accept the position for which examined if selected for appointment.

1. Are you a citizen of the United States?	Place of birth? (Foreign-born citizens must prove citizenship. If native, show State or Territory; if foreign-born, show country)	Date of birth (give month, day, and year)? Applicants can not be examined unless U. S. citizens and within proper age limits. The answers to these two questions must be consistent. In case of appointment, you may by required to furnish record evidence of the date of your birth.	Age on LAST birthday?
Yes	Vermont	July 17, 1898	31 years.

2 (a) Were you ever in the U. S. military or naval service? (Answer "Yes" or "No.")	State rank or rating, serial number, if any, and company and regiment, or vessel, where you served. (Do not give service in Reserve Officers' Training Corps, or in the militia, or national guard, unless mustered into the Federal service.)	Give exact name under which enlisted and discharged.
Yes	U.S. Marine Corps. Corporal U.S.S. Camden	John James Sowin

2 (b) Give dates of each enlistment and discharge from U. S. military or naval service.		Was enlistment in each case terminated by honorable discharge? (If answer is "No," state how.)	Were you retired? (Answer "Yes" or "No.") If retired, give date thereof and reason therefor.	If retired, give amount of retirement pay.
Enlisted Nov. 18 1923	Enlisted —,	Yes	No	No
Discharged Nov 17 1927	Discharged —,			

An honorably discharged soldier, sailor, or marine should submit with his application his certificate of honorable discharge, or a photographic or certified copy thereof, or an official statement from the War or Navy Department showing service record, unless he has already been allowed preference by the Commission or its representive because of military or naval service, in which event he should attach to the application the report notifying him of the allowance of preference.

3. Do you receive a pension or disability compensation? No **Have you ever received a pension or disability compensation?** No

If you do, or have, for what disability and what per cent? No **Have you ever received vocational training?** No

If awarded compensation or training, give address of Regional Office which handled your case No

If the applicant has been awarded a pension, or compensation or training under the Veterans Bureau, he should submit with his application, in addition to the evidence required in the foregoing, his pension certificate, or a photographic or certified copy thereof, or a certificate from the Veterans Bureau showing that he is entitled to compensation or training under that bureau. Papers submitted will be returned to the applicant.

4. Have you ever been barred from examination by this Commission? No

5. Have you ever been discharged or have you ever resigned any position under compulsion No

If so, state when and where you were employed and give the name and address of your employer and the reasons for your discharge or compulsory resignation in each case None

6. In answer to the following inquiries give full statement of your employment in the Government service.

Were you ever in Government service?	In what Department or service were you employed?	For what period?	Did you voluntarily resign?	Were you discharged?
Yes	U.S. Marine Corps	From Nov. 18, 1923, to Nov. 17, 1927	Yes	Yes

7. (a) Are any members of your family or relatives (either blood or by marriage) in any part of the U. S. Government service whatsoever? (Answer "Yes" or "No.") No

If so, furnish the information required below in regard to all such relatives.

Name	Post office address	Position and department or office in which employed	Relationship	Married or single
	Street and No	Position		
	City or town	Department or office		
	Street and No	Position		
	City or town	Department or office		
	Street and No	Position		
	City or town	Department or office		

(b) Does your answer above cover all your relatives in the U. S. Government service?

(c) Indicate here which, if any, of the persons named above are temporarily employed

(d) Indicate here which, if any, of the persons named above live in the same house with you

(e) Indicate here which, if any, of the persons named above are less than 21 years of age

8. Are you now married? Yes **8a. If a married man, would you accept a position at a station where no quarters are provided for the families of keepers?** Yes

9. Will you accept employment in any part of the lighthouse district in which you file this application? (Answer "Yes" or "No.") Yes

If not, state the particular locality or localities for which you wish to be considered

10. (a) Do you drink whisky, wine, beer, or any other intoxicating beverage? No.

(b) If so, state *definitely* whether you use them occasionally or habitually No

(c) Do you use opium, morphine, cocaine, heroin, or any other narcotic drug? No

(d) Did you ever use intoxicating liquor or narcotic drugs? No

(e) If so, state *definitely* which, to what extent, and when you discontinued the use in each case No

11. Have you ever been arrested, summoned into court as a defendant, convicted, fined, imprisoned, or placed on probation, or have you ever forfeited collateral, for breach or violation of (a) Any law? (Answer "Yes" or "No") No (b) Any ordinance or police or traffic regulation? (Answer "Yes" or "No") No (c) Do your answers to (a) and (b) cover all cases therein referred to? (Answer "Yes" or "No") Yes

If your answer to (a) or (b) is "Yes," list all the cases on a separate sheet securely attached to this application, giving the date in each case, your age at the time, the name of the court, the nature of the offense, and the penalty, if any, imposed, or the amount of collateral forfeited.

NOTE.—Both trivial and serious offenses must be listed in answer to (a) and (b) of this question. The commission does not usually reject an application because of trivial offenses. When the offense is a serious one, acceptance of the application will depend upon the facts in the case and the conduct of the applicant since the offense was committed. However, untruthful answers to this question which conceal either trivial or serious offenses may result in rejection of the application and debarment of the applicant from future examinations. This question applies to any and all proceedings instituted against you after you reached the age of 17, and also to any and all proceedings instituted against you in a court before you were seventeen.

STATEMENT OF EXPERIENCE

Special instructions.—This application will not be considered unless the applicant can furnish satisfactory evidence of his ability as waterman and boatman, accustomed to handling both pulling and sail boats in all weathers. THIS REQUIREMENT SHALL NOT APPLY IN THE EIGHTEENTH LIGHTHOUSE DISTRICT, HEADQUARTERS, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

The rating for experience will be based upon the information contained in the answers to Questions 12 to 19, inclusive, as corroborated by the references named in answer to Question 20. If complete and accurate information is not given by the applicant, a reduction in rating will be likely to result.

In the answers to Questions 12 to 19 the applicant must state all the practical experience he has had in the classes of work specified, giving in each case, so far as is practicable, (a) the dates, the length of time in years and months, and whether or not the employment was continuous; (b) the place of employment; (c) the name of the employer; (d) the salary or wages received; and (e) the specific nature of the duties performed. If more space is required for the answers, as much additional paper as necessary may be used, the answers to be numbered to correspond with the numbers of the questions in the application blank and the sheets to be attached to the application.

12. (a) State fully your experience in handling pulling and sail boats in all weathers. (See special instructions above.) None

(b) Can you swim? Yes

13. Where was the boating experience gained? (Name bodies of water.) none

14. State fully your experience in operating motor boats. (See special instructions above.) None

15. State fully your experience as mariner (seaman, quartermaster, pilot, mate, master, etc.). (See special instructions above.) Specify the kind of craft on which the experience was gained, and state what part of the time, if any, was served on truck or oyster craft

None

16. State fully your experience on steam vessels as fireman, water tender, assistant engineer, or engineer, and give type, tonnage, etc. (See special instructions above.) None

17. State fully your experience in operating oil, gasoline, or steam engines, air compressors, or other machinery. None

18. State fully your experience in *any* mechanical trade or occupation, on land or on the water, not covered by your answers to Questions 12 to 17, inclusive; such as machinist, carpenter, plumber, pipe fitter, steam fitter, etc. (See special instructions above.)

None

19. State fully your experience, if any, as keeper or assistant keeper in the Lighthouse Service, and give approximate dates, etc.

None

20. Give the names and complete addresses of five persons now living in the United States who are *competent* to judge your experience and ability in the classes of work specified in Questions 12 to 19, inclusive. The following are considered competent: Any person who has employed you, or any officer or member of a firm or corporation by which you have been employed; a foreman, overseer, or superintendent under whom you have worked; a fellow workman; a person engaged in the same trade or occupation as that in which you claim experience. Names of employers are preferred. In any case, if the person named as reference states in answer to inquiry that he knows nothing of your work, such person must be considered incompetent. If no replies are received from persons competent to testify as to your experience and ability, your application will be disapproved.

NAMES	ADDRESSES
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	

21. Are each and all of the answers to the foregoing questions in your own handwriting?

I solemnly swear that the answers I have made to each and all of the foregoing questions are in my own handwriting and are full and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. So HELP ME GOD.

(*Signature of applicant*)
(Sign your first name in full, your middle initial or initials, if you have any, and your surname in full)

(*Post office address. Give number, street, city, and State.*)
(Make exact duplicate of this signature and address on back of application)

DO NOT OMIT JURAT OR MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

JURAT

[Under the provisions of the civil service act and rules, an application for examination must be made under oath, in such form and manner, and accompanied by such certificates as the Commission may prescribe. The following oath must be taken before any NOTARY PUBLIC, or other officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes, to whom the applicant is personally known, and *before whom the applicant must appear in person.* The OFFICER'S SIGNATURE MUST BE AUTHENTICATED BY OFFICIAL (IMPRESSION) SEAL. If the oath be taken before a justice of the peace or other officer who has not such seal, his official character must be certified by the clerk of court, secretary of state, or other proper officer, under official seal.]

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this _____ day of _____, 19____, at city [or town] of _____, county [or parish] of _____, and State [or Territory or District] of _____

[OFFICIAL IMPRESSION SEAL] (*Signature of officer*)

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

This medical certificate is required of all applicants.

N. B.—The examining physician is requested to read this certificate carefully before beginning the examination and to note the applicant's answers to questions 3 and 10 of the application. All entries must be made in ink. Physician himself must weigh and measure applicant. ***All physical defects*** **must be** ***fully described*** **opposite the question or under heading 10.**

1. Weight without clothing _____ pounds; **clothed** _____ pounds. (Male applicants with and without clothing; female without overcoat and hat)

2. Exact height _____ inches. (Without boots or shoes)

3. Girth (in inches): Thorax at level of fourth rib—At rest _____ At full inspiration_____ At full expiration_____ Waist at level of umbilicus_____

4. Vision: Distant—(Use Snellen's test types. Consider 20 feet as normal and report all vision with 20 as "numerator." Record as "denominator" the number of smallest type read at 20 feet).

	20	20		20	20
Without glasses____	R.—	L.—	With glasses, if used____	R.—	L.—

Near—

What is the longest and the shortest distance from the eye at which this question can be read by the applicant?

Without glasses__R.___in. to___in. With glasses, if used__R.___in. to___in.

L.___in. to___in. L.___in. to___in.

Is the applicant color blind? _____ If so, what colors does he confuse?

_____ Method of testing color sense?_____

5. Hearing: (Consider "denominators" indicated here as normal. Record as "numerators" the actual distance heard.)

Ticking of loud watch_____	R.____ 40 in.	L.____ 40 in.	Ordinary conversation_____	R.____ 20 ft.	L.____ 20 ft.

Is hearing defective? R.____ L.____ If so, describe fully_____

_____

6. Has he been successfully vaccinated within the past five years? _____

7. Has the applicant now, or has he ever had, any of the following defects? (Answer "Yes" or "No" to each inquiry. **In case answer is "Yes," describe fully under Question 10 below.)**

Imperfect speech? _____
Insanity? _____
Hemorrhoids? _____
Epilepsy? _____
Asthma? _____
Venereal disease? _____
Any evidence of having had venereal disease? _____
Bright's disease? _____
Diabetes? _____
Cancer? _____
Spinal disease, curvature, etc.? _____
Rheumatism? _____
Hunchback? _____
Tuberculosis? _____
If arrested, how long? _____
Hernia (rupture)? _____
If hernia, is it retained by well-fitting truss? _____
Locomotor ataxia? _____
Loss of hand or foot? _____
Loss of arm or leg? _____
Loss of both legs or arms? _____
Deformed or crippled arms, hands, feet, or legs? _____
Varicose veins, ulcers, etc.? _____
Paralysis? _____

Gout? _____
Fistula in ano? _____
Varicocele, sarcocele, hydrocele? _____
Chronic catarrh of any organ? _____
Disease or defect of any of the organs of special sense? _____
Enlarged lymphatic glands or other tumor? _____
Any genito-urinary disease? _____
Any cutaneous disease? _____
Any deficiency or weakness of abdominal wall due to wound or operation, or congenital? _____
Indications of disease of the heart or of blood vessels? _____
If valvular disease of heart, is it fully compensated? _____
Indications of disease or of derangement of function of the organs of respiration or their appendages? _____
Evidences of disease of the digestive system or of any of the abdominal organs? _____
Evidence of disease, or of abnormal functions, of the cerebrospinal or sympathetic system? _____
Any defect not referred to herein? _____

8. Has the applicant any predisposition, either he[illegible] required, to any constitutional disease, or any tendency to disease or disability which is likely to unfit him for the performance of the work of the position which he seeks? _____

9. Has the applicant fallen or misplaced arch of foot? If so, state extent of disability caused thereby. (The applicant should be required to raise his weight several times on his toes and to jump as far as possible, alighting on his toes.) _____

10. Give here a supplemental and complete description of every abnormality, disease, or physical defect, past or present, describing fully any defects which may be noted under Question 7, as well as any others which may exist. (If applicant has valvular disease of the heart, state whether the disease is compensated, and if arrested tuberculosis, how long arrested.)

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11. Does the applicant receive a pension, or does he receive compensation or training under Veterans Bureau? If so, what are character and extent of disability? _____

This space to be filled in by the applicant in his own handwriting in the presence of the physician.

(Signature of Applicant) _____

I certify that I have made a thorough examination of and *personally weighed and measured* the above-named applicant, that each and all of the above answers are in my own handwriting and are true, and that the applicant wrote his signature, just above, in my presence.

(Signature of physician) _____

Date, _____, 19____ *(P. O. Address of physician)* _____

Asst. Dampligher of
1931 Coast Gd Sta. Shoal &
Newport Hbr. Lts.

Form 1025
June, 1929

APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
FOR KEEPERS AND ASSISTANT KEEPERS

General average, 1

Application No._____
(Applications should be numbered in order of receipt)

(The address given below will be treated as the applicant's post office address until notice, in writing, of any change is received.)

(PRINT first name in full, middle initial or initials, if any, and surname in full. Use same name EXACTLY as signed at the end of this application, inside.)

Name, John J. Sawyer

Number and street, 10½ Third Street

City or town, Newport

State or Territory, Rhode Island

Lighthouse District No._____

Applicant will not fill the following blanks:

Application examined and approved _____, 19____

Notified of standing _____, 19____

Entered register _____, 19____

Final certificate of naturalization of _____

(Name of person naturalized)

issued by the _____ Court of

on _____, _____, _____,
(City) (State)

_____, I _____, was filed with this application by the applicant, and was found by me to be in due form in all respects. The certificate was returned to the applicant on _____, 19____

(Initials) _____

Subjects	MARKS		
	Marks	Weights	Products of marks multiplied by weights
Physical ability		30	
Training and experience		70	
TOTAL		100	

General average, _____

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1929 6—415

FWO-JHG

Allen E. Hurley, Lamplighter,
Goat Island Shoal Light,
Naval Torpedo Station,
Newport, Rhode Island

May 25,1931

SUBJECT: Employment of J.J.Irwin as Asst.Lamplighter.
REFERENCE: Your letter May 15,1931.

1. Referring to your letter of May 15,1931 relative to the employment of J. J. Irwin as Assis t-ant Lamplighter of the Goat Island Shoal Light; under date of May 18,1931 this office wrote Mr.Irwin as follows:-

"This office has been advised you are desirous of being considered for the position of Assistant Lamp-lighter of the Goat Island Shoal and Newport Harbor Lights, with pay at the rate of $180 per annum. If so, advise this office by letter to that effect, and execute and return with your reply the enclosed modified applic-ation blank."

2. No reply has been received from Mr.Irwin to our letter, and you are directed to have Mr.Irwin for-waad a reply and return the application blank.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

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FWO-JHG

May 18,1931

J. J. Irwin, Policeman,
Noval Torpedo Station,
Newport, Rhode Is.

SUBJECT: Position of Asst.Lamplighter of Goat Is.
Shoal & Newport Hbr.Lts.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

THIRD DISTRICT

Goat Island Shoal.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

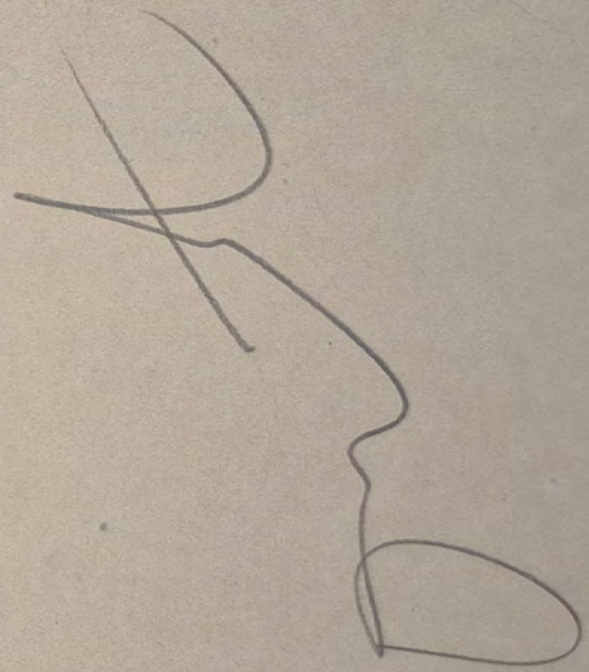
May 15th, 1931

Sir:-

This is to advise your office that J Nicholson was relieved from Police duties as of May 9th & his place was taken by J. J. Irwin who assumed the duties of Policeman & Asst Lamplighter as of May 11th Irwin was transferred from the After Assembly to Maintainence dept under which the Police are classed & his transfer approved by the Navy Dept.
He is to be given the regular examination the coming week & in the interim he is performing the above mentioned duties.

Very Respectfully
Allan E Hurley.
Lamplighter.

JOHN J. IRWIN JOHN J.



JOHN J. IRWIN JOHN J.

Form 73
GWV-MCC

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., April 22, 1916, 191
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, **John J. Irwin.** Legal residence, **Florida.**

Position, **Third Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.** Salary, **$456 per annum.**

Location, **Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas.** Appropriation, **Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses, 1916.**

Effective **May 10, 1916,** ~~the date he reports for duty,~~ or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Former salary, - - - - - - - - - - -

Location, -

Rank on eligible list, First. Rating **Assistant Keeper.** Percentage, **92.4** , Other eligibles considered: **Charles W. Parrish, FR., Thomas F. Beckham, D., John H. Reddick, C., Claude A. Cohran, C.**

Previous incumbent, Harry Brouwer. Services ~~terminated~~, **not to be terminated.**

Reason, **Promoted to Second Assistant Keeper of Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas.**

Relatives in Government Service, None.

Remarks: John J. Irwin has never been employed under any branch of the Department of Commerce. Quarters are not provided at Sabine Bank Light Station for the families of the keepers.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. April 24, 1916

E. H. Fleming
Secretary, 10 Civil Service District.

Inspector.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON
APR 26 1916

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

LIGHT
APR 29 1916
HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 27, 1916.

Mr. John J. Irwin,

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

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Harry Brouwer.

Last Residence: Florida.

Entd May 10, 1916

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
October 19, 1916.

Services John J. Irwin,
Discontinuance.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses,

Referring to the probationary services of John J. Irwin, who entered on duty as Third Assistant Keeper at Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas, May 10, 1916:

The Bureau is advised that this employee has absented himself from the light station without authority since September 1st, when the period of 18 days' shore liberty expired. On September 1, 1916, he advised this office that owing to the illness of his wife he would be unable to return to the light station for some time and inclosed a medical certificate in support of his statement. On September 13th, in reply to letter from this office of September 7th for some definite statement as to when he would return to the light station, he informed this office that he was unable to say just how long he would be absent from the station, since which time nothing further has been heard from him, although another letter was written him on October 6, 1916, requesting information in this regard.

As the Keeper of Sabine Bank Light Station has informed this office that when the Third Assistant Keeper went on leave in August he disposed of all his personal belongings at the light station and indicated that he did not intend to return, and in view of this employee's attitude in the matter, it is the opinion of this office that his conduct and capacity during the probationary period have not been satisfactory and it is therefore recommended that his services be discontinued effective at the close

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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Inspector.

HB-NDW

October 26, 1916.

Eighth Inspector's letter Oct. 19, 1916, re discontinuance services John J. Irwin, 3d Asst. Kpr. Sabine Bank L. S., Texas.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce with recommendation for approval.

LIGHT
OCT 31 1916
HOUSES

October 28, 1916.

Sir:

In view of the fact that your conduct during the probationary period has not proved satisfactory, the Inspector of the Eighth Lighthouse District having reported that you have been absent from your station without authority since September 1, 1916, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has discontinued your services as third assistant keeper of Sabine Bank Light Station, Texas, at $456 per annum, effective at the close of August 31, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. John J. Irwin,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Mailed Oct 31-1916

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