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REQUESTER INFORMATION

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

INFORMATION NEEDED TO LOCATE RECORDS (Furnish as much as possible)

Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
Lavinghousez, Joseph, E.		

MILITARY SERVICE

Branch of Service:
- ☐ Air Force
- ☐ Army Air Corps
- ☐ Army Air Force
- ☐ Army
- ☐ Marine Corps
- ☐ Navy
- ☐ Coast Guard
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Rank:
- ☐ Enlisted
- ☐ Officer
- ☐ Unknown

Service Period (Check all that apply):
- ☐ 1939 & Prior
- ☐ 1940 - 1950
- ☐ 1950 & After

Date & Place of Death:

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)	
Lighthouse Service (LA) 8th District	
From: 1918	To: 1919
(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

CMRS Service Request Number: C-00078425S0

Attendant Signature:

CMRS Search Request Number(s):

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SCREENING NOTES

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

Hold Requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Requests:

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Time Out:

Final Return:

Mr. Joseph E. Lavinghousez.

LEGAL RESIDENCE
Ala

INACTIVE

Mr. Joseph E. Lavinghouse

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
Temp. (Pendelej) Keeper South Pass & Jetty etc.	$780	L.H.	Feb. 14, 1919
Last day served Feb. 24, 1919.			

INACTIVE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

OFFICE OF ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Eighth DISTRICT.

LIGHT HOUSES FEB 20 1919

New Orleans, La., February 17, 1919.
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of establishment of a register of eligibles for permanent appointment.

Name, **Joseph E. Lavinghousez**

Legal residence, **Alabama.**

Position, **Keeper (Additional) in the Lighthouse Service.**

Salary, **$780 per annum.**

CHIEF CLERK

Location, **South Pass East Jetty L.S., South Pass West Jetty Range, and South Pass Range Front Lights, Louisiana.**

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

Effective **February 14, 1919,** {'the actual date of entrance on duty, xx ~~xxxx

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

February 24, 1919.

Mr. Joseph E. Lavinghouse,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service, at a salary of Seven Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum, effective February 14, 1919.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED FEB 24 1919 DEPT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

Your appointment will continue for a period not to exceed thirty days from date of receipt of a certification of eligibles for probational appointment in the above-mentioned position.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

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(Signed) Clifford Hastings
Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice DELTA Elza Reed.

U. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

Legal Residence: Alabama.

Eighth District.

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Form 111

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OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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I, Joseph E. Lavinghousez,

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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Joseph E Lavinghouz
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Fidelis Sperl

(Official title) Notary Public
Mobile Co. Ala.

My commission expires Oct. 3, 1921

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present: Keeper (Addl.) in the Lighthouse Service	$780 p.a.	South Pass East Jetty Light Station, South Pass West Jetty Range, and South Pass Rge. Front Lights, La.
Former [5]: Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of receipt of certification of eligibles for probational appointment in above-mentioned position.		

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

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Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th District

New Orleans, La., March 7, 1919.
(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on February 14, 1919.
(Date)

CARDED

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Superintendent of Lighthouses.

[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, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector 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 lighthouse inspectors 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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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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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. Joseph Eugene Lanighoury

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

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

Lighthouse Service (Bureau or Service.) | So. Pass E. Jetty L.S., etc., La. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) | Eighth (District.)

4. Position to which appointed: Addl. Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.

5. Compensation: $780 per annum.

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

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.)

Without examination--temporary appointment.

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

Mobile (City or town.) | Ala (State or Territory.) | Mobile County (County.) | First (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.

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

11. Where were you born? Mobile Ala

12. When were you born? Oct (Month.) | 17 (Day.) | 1878 (Year.)

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

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 Adolie B. Lanighoury (Name.) | 766 S. Quarter (Number and street.)

Mobile (City or town.) | Ala (State or Territory.)

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16. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? ...Yes.....

(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.
Frank P Shultz	Pascagoula Miss	Position Light House Keeper Department or office	Brother-in-law	Married
		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.)

Operation caused from Stomach troubles

Yes

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.
No			

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)... No

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service ... None

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
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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, and 21.)

Ship Caulker

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.)

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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.")

Ship Caulker

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

No

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.)

Myself

Date, March 8, 1919

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) J. E. Langsdale

P. O. Address: Mobile Ala
City or town.
216 South Jackson st
Number and street.
Ala
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.)

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Reviewed, approved, and forwarded March 13, 1919

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(Signature)

(Official title) Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th District

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MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

(To be filled in immediately after the last day temporary employee serves, signed by the proper official and forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce.)

CHIEF CLERK 1919 MAR 23 PM 4 APPOINTMENTS

Name of employee Joseph E. Lavinghousez.

Designation Keeper (Addl.) in the Lighthouse Service. *Compensation* $780 p.a.

Place of employment South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., La.

Date of appointment: FEB. 24,1919,effective Feb.14,1919, for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of certification of eligibles for probational appointment.

Last day served February 24, 1919.

C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

CARDED

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Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th Dist.
(*Official title.*)

Date March 7, 1919.

Lighthouse Service.
(*Bureau or service.*)

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT HOUSES FEB 24 1919

February 24, 1919.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES FEB 28 1919 NEW ORLEANS

Mr. Joseph E. Lavinghousez,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Seven Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum effective February 14, 1919.

Your appointment will continue for a period not to exceed thirty days from date of receipt of a certification of eligibles for probational appointment in the above-mentioned position.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,
(Signed) Clifford Hastings

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Elza Reed.

Legal Residence: Alabama.

Eighth District.

So. Pass East Jetty L.H., etc. La.

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MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

(To be filled in immediately after the last day temporary employee serves, signed by the proper official and forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce.)

Name of employee Joseph E. Lavinghouses.

Designation Keeper (Add'l.) in the Lighthouse Service. *Compensation* $720 p.a.

Place of employment South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., La.

Date of appointment: Feb. 24,1919,effective Feb.14,1919, for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of certification of eligibles for probational appointment.

Last day served February 24, 1919.

Copy furnished Secretary, Tenth Civil-Service District, Room 330, Customhouse Building, New Orleans, La., for his information.

(Signed) DORRY

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th Dist.

(*Official title.*)

Date March 7, 1919.

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Lighthouse Service.

(*Bureau or service.*)

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COPY (MCC) Recd., 9 a.m., March 7, 1919. D. Supt., of Lighthouses.

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Joseph E. Lavinghousez,

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.

(Sgd.) JOSEPH E. LAVINGHOUSEZ
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 6th day of March, A. D. 191 9.

(Affix official seal here)

S(Fidelis Yeend
E(Notary Public
A(Mobile County,
L(Alabama.

[4] (*Name*) Fidelis Yeend

(*Official title*) Notary Public Mobile Co., Ala.

My commission expires Oct.3,1921

	Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present	Keeper(Addl.)in the Lighthouse Service	$780 p.a.	South Pass East Jetty Light Station, South Pass West Jetty Range, and South Pass Rge. Front Lights, La.
Former [5]	Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of receipt of certification of eligibles for probational appointment in above-mentioned position.		

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

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Office of Lighthouse Inspector, Superintendent of Lighthouses 8th District

New Orleans, La., March 7, 1919.
(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on February 14, 1919.
(Date)

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
(Signature, followed by title)

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

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

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

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector 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 lighthouse inspectors 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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March 26, 1919.

J. E. Lavinghouser,
211 So. Jackson St.,
Mobile, Ala.

Sir:-

1. Transmitted herewith is check drawn to your order for $28.78, same being salary for services rendered by you as Additional Keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, February 14 to 24th 1919.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

Respectfully,

AGNEW LANDRIER
First Assistant Superintendent.

Copy for Richard Steen, Keeper, South Pass East Jetty Light Station.

FIRST ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT



Mobile Ala March 24 1919

Supt. intendent of Light houses.

8th. Distric, New Orleans. La.

Dear Sir:

I hereby beg to inform you that I received a letter of March 18th from Mr Richard Starr that he has informed the office to send me my check so I can send him his money as he intends to go on leave soon If you intend to send me my check send it if not please inform me at once

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Respectfully

P. C. Lasinghouse

211. South. Jackson. St

Mobile Ala

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

South Pass East Jetty Light Station, La.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 18th, 1919,

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

8th, District, New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir;

I hereby beg to inform you, that i have received a letter from Mr, J.E. Lavinghousez requesting me to ask the Office, to forward him his check, as he has no mony to pay me my $9,00, unlest he get the check, and therefor respectfully beg you to send him same, as i will have to take his word for that he will pay me on receipt of check,

Respectfully Yours.

Richard Sleen
Keeper.

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March 22, 1919.

Mr. Alex D. Pitts,
U. S. Attorney,
Mobile, Ala.

Sir:-

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of March 20, 1919, relative to Mr. J. E. Lavinghousez of 211 So. Jackson St., Mobile, and beg to advise you that pay for services rendered by Lavinghousez while Additional Keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, will be sent him in a few days.

Respectfully,

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

TIMES AND PLACES OF HOLDING COURT.

At Mobile—Fourth Mondays in May and November.
At Selma—First Mondays in May and November.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

OFFICE OF UNITED STATES ATTORNEY,

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA,

THIRD FLOOR CUSTOM-HOUSE.



MOBILE, ALA., Mar. 20, 1919.

Lighthouse Inspector,

New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. J. E. Lavinghousez, of 211 S. Jackson St., is in my office, and has requested me to write you in reference to some money due him by the Lighthouse Department, for services performed at South Pass, East Jetty, Light station, Port Eads, La. He states that he is badly in need of funds, and would like very much for you to forward his check to him.

Yours truly,

Alex D. Pitts

U. S. Attorney.

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March 14, 1919.

Joseph E. Lavinghouse,
211 South Jackson Street,
Mobile, Ala.

1. Your memorandum regarding your indebtedness to Mr. Richard Steen, Keeper of South Pass East Jetty Light Station, has been received and duly noted.

2. In reply to same, you are informed that this office will not pay any money on your salary to Mr. Steen. You will have to settle the account with Mr. Steen yourself direct. When you have done so, inform this office.

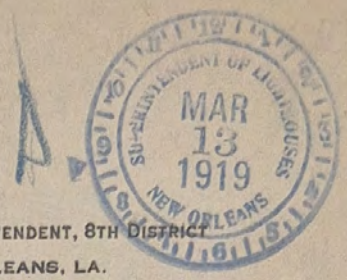
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

March 11, 1919.

Joseph E. Lavinghousez,
211 South Jackson St.,
Mobile, Ala.

Sir:-

1. Upon receipt of advice from Mr. Richard Steen, Keeper, South Pass East Jetty Light Station, that you have settled your indebtedness with him, check in payment of salary due you for services at South Pass East Jetty Light Station will be forwarded.

Respectfully,

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Paid To order of Mr Richard Steen, Keeper, South Pass East Jetty Light Station, And no charge to Mr. J E Lavinghouse.

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March 11, 1919.

Joseph E. Lavinghousez,
211 South Jackson St.,
Mobile, Ala.

Sir:-

1. Upon receipt of advice from Mr. Richard Steen, Keeper, South Pass East Jetty Light Station, that you have settled your indebtedness with him, check in payment of salary due you for services at South Pass East Jetty Light Station will be forwarded.

Respectfully,

B. B. DORRY
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Copy to Richard Steen, Keeper South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Port Eads, La., with request that he advise this office when amount of $9.00 due from Lavinghousez on account of provisions furnished has been paid.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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3 inclosures

March 3, 1919.

Mr. Joseph E. Lavinghousez,
211 South Jackson St.,
Mobile, Alabama.

1. Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated February 24, 1919, appointing you temporary additional keeper in the Lighthouse Service, for duty at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., Louisiana, at a salary of $780 per annum and a daily ration allowance of 45¢, effective commencing February 14, 1919.

2. Subscribe to inclosed Oath of Office before a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths and return same as soon as practicable. No compensation can be paid you under this appointment until the oath is received in proper form.

3. Personal Question Sheet should be completed in detail and promptly returned.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Hold pay until he advises oath & P.Q. have been received

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February 27, 1919.

Richard Steen, Keeper,
South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. Referring to your letter of February 25th, reporting the discontinuance of the services of J. E. Lavinghousez on the morning of February 25th.

2. It is noted that this employee is indebted to you for food, etc., to the extent of $9.00. In this connection you are informed that salary check can not be sent Lavinghousez until his appointment arrives and the Oath of Office is executed and returned by him. The papers in question have not yet been received from Washington. Upon their receipt he will be advised that before salary check will be sent him, the money due to you must be paid.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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EIGHTH DISTRICT

South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

February 25th., 1919

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir;

I beg to report, that Mr, Lavinghousez Performed duty untill 8, oclok, this Morning, and are leaving this Station to day,

with me

Please have Mr, Lavinghousez pay $9.00, Wich he ows me for food and casch mony,

Respectfully Yours

Richard Kleen

Keeper.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATION TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES.
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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3 inclosures

March 3, 1919.

Mr. Joseph E. Lavinghousez,
211 South Jackson St.,
Mobile, Alabama.

1. Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated February 24, 1919, appointing you temporary additional keeper in the Lighthouse Service, for duty at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., Louisiana, at a salary of $760 per annum and a daily ration allowance of 45¢, effective commencing February 14, 1919.

2. Subscribe to inclosed Oath of Office before a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths and return same as soon as practicable. No compensation can be paid you under this appointment until the oath is received in proper form.

3. Personal Question Sheet should be completed in detail and promptly returned.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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February 20, 1919

J. E. Lavinghousez, Add'l Keeper,
South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
Port Eads, La.
(Through the Keeper)

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of February 18, 1919, and it is noted that you tender your resignation. In reply you are informed that your resignation is accepted, same to take effect March 1, 1919.

(Signed) DORRY

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Copy furnished Richard Steen, Keeper, South Pass East Jetty Light Station, for his information:

It is requested that you report to this office, at the proper time, the last day served by Mr. J. E. Lavinghousez.

Superintendent of Lighthouses

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
FEB 20 1919
NEW ORLEANS

EIGHTH DISTRICT

(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

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South Pass East Jetty Light Station.
February 16th 1919

Superintendent of Lighthouse New Orleans, La.
Sir I hereby wish to inquire if I poisibly could be transfured to a station close to mobile where their is not so much pulling against a stong currant as I have been adviced by the Doctor not to lift or strane to much as a result of a operation wich is liable to have a fatal result to me. And also be closer to my family as my wife is very sickly liabal to drop of at any time in wich case I would like to be close at home in regards to family quarters to be rented at Port Eads, I wish to in form you their is none to be had, and the transportation from this station and Orleans is such no one can depend on it, and I understan that most of the time there is no groceries to be had at the the store at Port, Eads
I further wish to state that the condition of this Station. comadation from the station to the Beacons is dangerus and very unfavorable a person is libel to brake a leg or fall ourboard and get drowned

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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EIGHTH DISTRICT

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(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

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at any time I have been informed by the Keeper that a plank walk is to be erected in the future but as the conditions here does not agree with me I would perfure to be transferred from here.

If my request can not be granted I wish you please to accept my resignation and same to take effect on march 1. 1919

And Oblige

Assistant Keeper

J E Fairgoury

Forwarded through.

Richard Steen

Keeper.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

February 18th, 1919

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

New Orleans,La.

Dear Sir;

In reply to Office letter,Dated February 15th, Beg to state that,Mr,Joseph Eugene Lavinghousez,reported for duty 9pm,February 14th, a report mailed to that effect Feb,15,

John E, Lavinghousez is thes name of thise mans brother, and i do not know any thing abouth him,

Respectfully Yours,

Richard Keen
Keeper,

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~ Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., February 17, 1919.
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of establishment of a register of eligibles for permanent appointment.

Name, **Joseph E. Lavinghousez** Legal residence, **Alabama.**

Position, **Keeper (Additional) in the Lighthouse Service.** Salary, **$780 per annum.**

Location, **South Pass East Jetty L.S., South Pass West Jetty Range, and South Pass Range Front Lights, Louisiana.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Effective **February 14, 1919,** {[1] the actual date of entrance on duty, ~~or from thereafter as he enters on duty~~}

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

Location, -

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

No eligibles available.

Previous incumbent, **Elza Reed** Services terminated **February 6, 1919.**

Reason, **Resigned.**

Members of family in Government Service, **None.**

Remarks: **Due to the necessity for maintaining the full authorized complement of keepers at above station, Joseph E. Lavinghousez was assigned to duty on February 14, 1919. He has never been employed under any branch of the Department of Commerce. This nomination is made to fill the lowest-rated position at above station, in accordance with Department authority of June 5, 1918.**

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

Through Secretary 2-17-19

For and in the absence of the Superintendent
E.S.K.
First Assistant Superintendent.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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February 17, 1919.

Richard F. Steen, Keeper,
South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
c/o Louisiana Bar Pilots,
Port Eads, Louisiana.

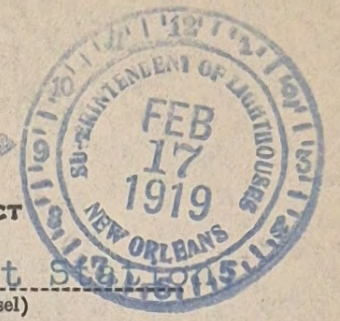
1. Referring to your letter of February 15th, you are informed that Joseph E. Lavinghouse has been nominated for the position of temporary additional keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., at a salary of $780 per annum and the usual ration allowance of 45¢ a day, effective commencing February 14, 1919.

2. For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

First Assistant Superintendent.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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EIGHTH DISTRICT

Soth Pass East Jetty Light Sta. La.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

February 15th, 1919

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

New Orleans La.

Dear Sir;

Beg to inform you that Mr, Lavinghousez reported for duty, at 9pm February 14th, 1919,

Respectfully Yours,

Richard Keen

Keeper.

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February 15, 1919.

Richard Steene, Keeper,
South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. You are requested to inform this officeby return mail if John E. Lavinghousez, the newly appointed Assistant Keeper at your station has reported for duty, and if so on what date.

Joseph

Superintendent of Lighthouses.



Mobile Ala 2-7-19

Light House Inspector

Sir

In answer to your letter of Feb 5th to say that I will be in New Orleans on Thursday Feb 13th to be ready to leave for Port Eads Friday without fail

Respectfully

J. E. Lovinghouse

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January 23, 1919.

Richard F. Steen, Keeper,
South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
c/o Louisiana Bar Pilots,
Port Eads, Louisiana.

1. Referring to your letter of December 31st stating that Elza Reed desired to be relieved from duty on January 29, 1919, you are informed that Mr. Reed will be expected to remain until another person is found to relieve him.

2. You are directed to look up a suitable person to take Mr. Reed's place as temporary additional keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station at salary of $780 per annum and rations. The person selected must be a citizen of the United States and at least 18 years of age. You are authorized to place him on duty effective commencing the day after Mr. Reed leaves the station. Have him complete and return inclosed "Personal Question Sheet" and slip relative to former employment.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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February 5, 1919

J. E. Lavinghouse,
211 South Jackson Street,
Mobile, Ala.

Sir:

1. Your letter of February 4th has been received, and it is noted that you can not leave Mobile in time to catch the boat leaving New Orleans for Port Eads on February 7th.

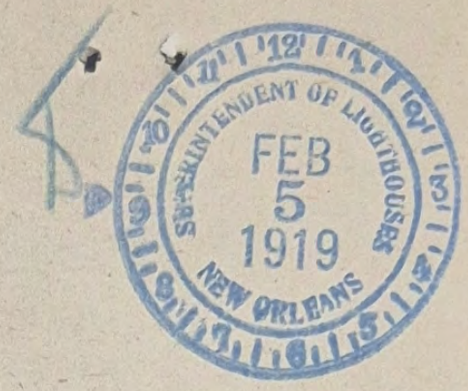
2. In reply you are informed that the next boat for Port Eads, after February 7th, will leave from the foot of Bienville Street at 6:00 A.M., February 14th, and you should arrange to arrive in New Orleans on the evening of February 13th at the latest in order to be on hand at sailing time.

Respectfully,

(Signed) B. B. Dorry
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Copy furnished Richard Steen, keeper, South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Port Eads, La., for his information and station files.

Superintendent of Lighthouses



Mobile Ala 2-4-19

Light House Inspector

Sir

In answer to your letter of Feb 3 notifying me to report for duty on Friday Feb 7 will be impossible to reach there on the 7 but can reach New Orleans on the 10 as it will be impossible for me to get my money before Saturday after noon please notify me when I can catch the next boat for port Eads

I am Respectfully

J. E. Lavinghouse

211 So Jackson St Mobile

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February 3, 1919

J. E. Lavinghousez,
211 South Jackson Street,
Mobile, Ala.

Sir:

1. Referring to your letter of February 2nd accepting the position of temporary additional keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, La., at $780.00 per annum, with a daily ration allowance of 45¢:

2. You are informed that your name has been favorably considered for this position, and it is requested that you proceed to the station at Port Eads and report to the keeper for duty, in accordance with instructions given you below.

3. In order to reach the light station from Mobile, it will be necessary for you to proceed via New Orleans, and it is desired that you arrange to reach New Orleans not later than Thursday, February 6th, as the Spicuzza Bros. Transportation Company's boat leaves New Orleans for Port Eads on Friday morning, February 7th.

4. Advise this office immediately upon receipt of this letter that you understand its contents and will proceed as instructed at the time specified.

(Signed) Dorry

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Copy furnished Richard F. Steen, Keeper, South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Port Eads, La., for his information and files. Advise this office promptly the date Mr. Lavinghousez enters on duty at the station. Elza Reed should not perform duty after the arrival of Lavinghousez.

Superintendent of Lighthouses



Mobile Ala 2/2-19

Light house Inspector

Sir

Your Letter of Jan 20 To hand I will accept appointment as temporary additional keeper at Mout Pas please inform me how to get this and when I must report for duity

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Respectfully

J.E. Jennings

211 South Jackson

Mobile Ala

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January 30, 1919.

Mr. Joseph E. Lavinghouse,
211 South Jackson St.,
Mobile, Ala.

Sir:

1. Referring to your application for the position of Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service:

2. You are requested to advise this office, by return mail, whether or not you will accept appointment as temporary additional keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., Louisiana, at a salary of $780 per annum and an allowance of 45¢ per day in cash instead of rations.

3. The above lights are located near the outer end of the East Jetty at mouth of Mississippi River, La. Two keepers are authorized to care for same. Quarters are provided for the keepers at the Light Station, but not for their families. Family quarters may be rented at Port Eads, Louisiana, a distance of about 2 miles from the station.

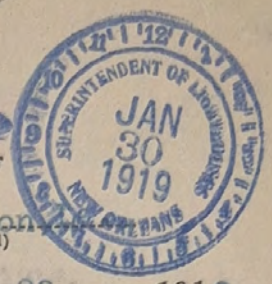
Respectfully,

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

EIGHTH DISTRICT



South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

January 28, 1919

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir;

In recepit of Office letter dated 1/23/19, with order to select a suitable person, as temporary additional Keeper, at this Station, i have posted 2 notisces at Port Eads, but do not belive that there is any one to be had,

Respectfully,

Richard Keen

Keeper.

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March 11, 1919.

Mr. Joseph E. Lavinghousez,
211 South Jackson St.,
Mobile, Alabama.

1. "Personal Question Sheet" executed by you in connection with your temporary employment at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, is herewith returned for answers to Questions 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26.

Respectfully,

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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March 7, 1919.

Mr. J. E. Lavinghousez,
211 South Jackson St.,
Mobile, Ala.

Sir:-

1. Personal Question Sheet received from you in this morning's mail, is herewith returned with request that you date, sign and indicate your address in the spaces required thereon.

Respectfully,

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

COPY (MCC) RECD., 9 a.m., March 7, 1919. D.
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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. Joseph Eugene Lavinghousez

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

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

Lighthouse	So.Pass E. Jetty L.S., etc., La.	Eighth
Bureau or Service.	Place (city, town, station, or vessel).	District.

4. Position to which appointed: Additional Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.

5. Compensation: $780 per annum.

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

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.)

Without examination--temporary appointment.

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

Mobile	Alabama	Mobile County	First
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.

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

11. Where were you born? Mobile, Alabama

12. When were you born?

October	17	1878
Month.	Day.	Year.

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

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. Addie A. Lavinghousez,	211 South Jackson St.,
Name.	Number and street.
Mobile	Alabama.
City or town.	State or Territory.

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16. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? ....Yes.....

(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.
Frank P. Spratley	Pascagoula, Miss.	Position Lighthouse Keeper Department or office Commerce	Brother-in-Law	Married
		Position Horn Island L.S. 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.)

Operation caused from stomach troubles....Yes.

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.
No			

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) No

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service ..None.....

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, and 21.)

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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.)

Private School - 8th Grade

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.")

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

No

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.)

Yes

Date, March 8, 1919

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) J. E. LAVINGHOUSEZ

P. O. Address: Mobile, Ala.,
City or town.
211 South Jackson St.,
Number and street.
Alabama.
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.)

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Reviewed, approved, and forwarded March 13, 1919.

(Signature) S

(Official title) Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th District.

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