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Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
Magee, Thomas, W.		1875 DE

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: 1957

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 (DE/NJ/PA) 4th District	
From: 1905	To: 1913
(Agency & Location)	
From:	To:
(Agency & Location)	
From:	To:

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

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Appointment Time and Date:

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Thos. W. Magee

Thomas W. Magee

WHERE BORN	WHENCE APPOINTED		
	STATE	COUNTY	CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
a Delaware.	Delaware		

INACTIVE

STATUS

DESIGNATION	CLASS	SALARY	OFFICE, BUREAU, OR DIVISION	DATE APPOINTED	DATE OF OATH
(Prob) 2d Asst. Kpr. Fourteen Foot Bank, Del.		$500pa	Light-House	2-1-05 or eod	
1st A.K., Brandywine Shoal, Del.		550	"	March 1, 06, or eod	
				Aug. 15, 06	
(Prob Apptr.) 2nd Asst. Kpr. Brandywine Shoal L.S. Del		$37.50	L. H.	Dec. 27, 1909	
2nd Asst. Kpr. Harbor of Refuge Lewes Del (Suspended from duty and pay June 18, 1912 not exc 90 days)		450	"	June 24, 1910	

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the probationary appointment of Mr. Thomas W. Magee of Delaware, as Second Assistant Keeper of Fourteen Foot Bank, Del., Light-Station, to date from 1 Feb'y '05, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty, with pay at the rate of $500 a year, in the place of Mr. Irvin S. Lynch, whose promotion has been asked. 1/1/05

Mr. Magee has passed the required Civil Service examination, and obtained a rating of 65 percent in Class Four.

Respectfully,

3d on list
4th Inspector
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Captain, U.S.N.,
Naval Secretary.

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PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

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January 24, 1905.

Mr. Thomas W. Magee, of Delaware,

having been examined and found qualified, as shown by Certificate

No. of the Civil Service Commission, is hereby appointed

Second Assistant Keeper of the Fourteen Foot Bank Light-Station, Delaware,

in the Light-House Service,

at a salary of Five Hundred dollars

per annum, for a probationary period of six months, to take effect

on February 1, 1905, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty at his official station, vice Mr. Irvin S. Lynch, promoted. Mr. Magee's retention in the service at the expiration of probationary period shall be equivalent to his absolute appointment.

Secretary.

Date of oath: , 190

The Light-House Board.

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OATH OF OFFICE.

Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes.

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I, Thomas W. Magee do solemnly swear 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.

Thomas W. Magee

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of March A. D. 1905

Ferdinand McBrewer
Notary Public

Light House Board.
Entered upon duty.
Date Feb. 1, 1905.
O B Johnson
Chief Clerk.

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Second Assistant Keeper	Fourteen Foot Bank Lt Station, Del.	Delaware	Delaware

This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, a Judge, a 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. *The oath should be taken on or after the date of the appointment.*

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PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

NOTE.—This sheet is to be used only in cases of persons appointed in the Department of Commerce and Labor after June 30, 1903.

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

May 10, 1904.

To the Heads of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce and Labor:

For the purpose of enabling the Department to obtain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are hereby requested to furnish the information called for by the questions in Part II of this form, relative to each person appointed or employed in your Bureau after June 30, 1903, now serving or hereafter appointed or employed, and to have every such person answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. Officers in charge, subordinate to heads of Bureaus, are expected to review this sheet, after it has been executed, to see that all questions have been answered, and, after doing so, to forward it immediately to the head of the Bureau for transmission to the Department.

Geo. B. Cortelyou

Secretary.

PART I.

CARDED.

(Blanks in Part I are to be filled 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 is to 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.)

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.)

Mr Thomas Washington Magee

2. How do you write your name on the pay roll? Thomas W. Magee

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

Lewes	Delaware	Sussex	Delaware A. L.
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? near Dagsboro Del

6. When were you born?

February	Eleventh	1875
Month.	Day.	Year.

7. Are you pensioned by the U. S. Government? (Answer "Yes" or "No.") No

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8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below their names, relationship, 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: "Appointed before position was classified;" "by reinstatement;" or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position and salary, if known.)

Civil Service Examination Nov 17 1904

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

none

11. Have you ever held any position in the civil service of the United States prior to the time of your present appointment? (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.)

None

12. 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.)

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X

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

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X

14. 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 for the Government, indicated in your answers to questions 11, 12, and 13.)

Oiler on Steamers

15. 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.)

Public School

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

Marine Engineer

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

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

Nov 17. 1904

18. 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

19. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled March First, 1905

Witness:

(Signature) Thomas H. Magee

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Lewes
City or town.

Number and street.

Delaware
State or Territory.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded March, 1905

(Signature) J. P. Foeckly

(Official title) Commander U.S.N. ~~Inspector~~

PART II.

(Blanks in Part II are to be filled 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 above questions is employed.

L.H. Service (Bureau or Service.) Fourteen Ft. Bank L.H. (Place (city, town, or station).) 4th (District.)

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

3. State the date of appointment. Jan. 24. 1905

4. State the date the appointee or employee entered on duty. Feb. 1. 1905

5. What is his salary? $500 per annum

6. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries of Keepers of Light Houses

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

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

9. In what manner did the appointee or employee enter the service? (Examples: "Appointed before position was classified;" or "by reinstatement;" or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau, or Service, position and salary, if known.)

Examination Nov. 17. 1904

10. Is the appointee or employee required to give bond? No.

(Signature) J. P. Foeckly

(Official title) Commander U.S.N. Inspector

Date: ——, 190

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LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD
Washington

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the transfer and promotion of Mr. Thomas W. Magee, of Delaware, from the position of Second Assistant Keeper of Fourteen-Foot Bank, Del., Light-Station, with pay at the rate of $500 a year, to that of First Assistant Keeper at Brandywine Shoal, Del., Light-Station, with pay at the rate of $550 a year, to date from 1 March, '06, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty, in the place of Mr. James D. Wilson, whose promotion has been asked.

Respectfully,

W W Northwood

Lieut.Col.,Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.,
Engineer Secretary.

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DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
Resignation Accepted
FEB 24 1906
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—WITHOUT FIXED DATE.

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

February 24, 1906.

Mr. Thomas F. James, of Delaware, is hereby appointed

First Assistant Engineer in the Public Lighthouse Service,

in the Third Lighthouse District,

with compensation at the rate of Five Hundred and Fifty

dollars per annum, effective beginning March 1, 1906,

or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is subject to the oath of office being taken.

By promotion and transfer from Second Assistant Engineer of the Twelfth Lighthouse District, Delaware, at $600 per annum.

Secretary.

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OATH OF OFFICE.

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES.)

I, Thomas H. Mages, do solemnly[a] swear 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.**

Thomas H. Mages

Sworn to[b] and subscribed before me, this 8th day of March, A. D. 1906

Name: Ferdinand K. Brewer

Official title: Notary Public

{Affix official seal.}

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date March 14 1906.

E B Johnson
Chief Clerk.

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
1st Assistant Keeper.	Brandywine Shoal Lt. Station, Del.	Delaware	Delaware.

[a] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.
[c] 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. *The oath should be taken on or after the date of the appointment.*
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.

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LIGHT HOUSE INSPECTOR,
FOURTH DISTRICT.
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Brandywine Shoal L. Hs.
Aug 8 1906

C. Thomae Commander U.S.N.
Inspector 4 Light House Dist
Sir

Please except this as my resignation to take effect Aug 15 1906

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Resignation Accepted
AUG 13 1906
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Yours Respectably
Thomae H. Magee
1st Asst Keeper
Brandywine Shoal
Light Station
Del.

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Office Light House Board.

10 Aug. 1906.

Respectfully forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, approved, to take effect 15 Aug. '06 inclusive.

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Captain, U. S. N.,
Naval Secretary.

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Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

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August 13, 1906.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the Board's indorsement of the 10th instant, the Department accepts the resignation of Thomas W. Magee of Delaware, as first assistant keeper of the Brandywine Shoal light-station, Delaware, at a salary of $650 per annum, to take effect at the close of August 15, 1906.

Respectfully,

Asst. Secretary.

The Light-House Board.

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

Office of the Inspector Fourth L. H. Dist.,

Philadelphia, Pa.,

The Light-House Board,

December 3, 1909.
(Date)

Washington, D. C.

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) probationary appointment
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)

of (2) Thomas W. Magee of (3) Delaware
(Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) (State of legal residence)

from (4) ———
(Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)

at (5) ———
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)

at (6) $ ——— to (7) Second Assistant Keeper
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)

at (8) Brandywine Shoal Light-Station, Delaware at
(Was 500)
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)

(9) $ 37.50 p.m., effective beginning (10) December 16, 1909. (~~the date of his entrance on duty~~) (or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty)
(Salary recommended) (Strike out the clause not appropriate)

in the place of (11) Alvin F. Wilgus
(State name of *last* person holding position) Nov 25, 1909 or EOD

who (12) was promoted on (13) November 24, 1909.
(Died, transferred, resigned, dismissed, etc.) (Last day of service)

Mr. (14) Magee stands No. (15) II in list of eligibles,

Class (16) I, with an average of (17) 95 per cent, and

was considered with (18) Messrs. Stanton and Dick

(19) letters of declination of whom are now in the hands of the Light-House Board. ~~herewith.~~

Respectfully,

H H Bispham

Commander, U.S.Navy, Inspector.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

December 9, 1909.

Approved, and respectfully forwarded to the Honorable the Secretary of Commerce and Labor. Attention is invited to Mr. Stanton's request for the suspension of his eligibility to January 1, 1910. The name of Mr. Dick will be removed from the eligible register of this Office.

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W W Kimball

Captain, U. S. N.,
Naval Secretary.

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PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT—WITHOUT FIXED DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

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December 13, 1909.

Mr. Thomas W. Magee, of Delaware, having qualified under the civil-service regulations, is hereby appointed Second Assistant Keeper of Brandywine Shoal Light-Station, Delaware, in the Light-House Service, with compensation at the rate of Thirty-seven and 50/100 dollars per ~~annum~~ month, for a probationary period of six months, effective beginning December 16, 1909, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty. (Vice Alvin P. Wilgus.)

Retention in the service after the expiration of probationary period shall be equivalent to absolute appointment.

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is subject to the oath of office being taken.

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Recommended

Acting Secretary.

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The Light-House Board.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

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Office of Inspector, 4th District,

#422
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Philadelphia, Pa.

Subject: Appointment of
Thomas W. Magee.

December 15, 1909.

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C.

Sirs:

I have the honor to return herewith the appointment of Mr. Thomas W. Magee, dated December 13, 1909, for correction to the rate of pay.

Respectfully,

Commander, U.S.Navy,
Inspector.

Returned informally

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT—WITHOUT FIXED DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

8142

December 13, 1909.

Mr. Thomas W. Magee, of Delaware, having qualified under the civil-service regulations, is hereby appointed Second Assistant Keeper of Brandywine Shoal Light, Del. Bay, Delaware, in the Light-House Service, with compensation at the rate of Thirty-seven and 50/100 dollars per month, for a probationary period of six months, effective beginning December 16, 1909, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty. (Vice Alvin F. Tilgus.)

Retention in the service after the expiration of probationary period shall be equivalent to absolute appointment.

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is subject to the oath of office being taken.

CHANGE REPORTED
DEC 23 1909
U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

+ amended

Acting Secretary.

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The Light-House Board.

Not necessary to report to Civil Service Comm.

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LIGHT HOUSE BOARD JAN 5 1910 NO. 8142

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, Thomas H Magee

do solemnly Swear 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.

Thomas H. Magee

[b] Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of December, A. D. 1909

(Affix official seal here.)

[c](Name:) Roman Jaumann

(Official title:) Notary Public

OFFICIAL TITLE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Second Assistant Keeper	Brandywine Shoal Lt. Station, Del	Delaware	Delaware

#3:50 P.M.

OFFICE OF THE Inspector, 4th LIGHT-HOUSE DISTRICT,

Philadelphia, Jan. 4, 1910.
(Address.) (Date.)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on Dec. 27, 1909.
(Date.)

H. H. Bingham
(Signed:) Commander, U. S. Navy,
Inspector.

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

[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.

[c] 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.

NOTE CAREFULLY.

The oath may be executed at any time subsequent to the actual issuance of the appointment certificate, but no compensation should be paid until the oath is executed in proper form. Whenever possible the oath should be executed upon the date of actual entrance upon duty.

A letter of transmittal (use Form 95) should accompany Oath, stating the **exact** date of the entrance on duty of the appointee and the above blank also filled out and properly signed by the district officer.

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

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED JUN 13 1910 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Office of the Inspector, Fourth L. H. Dist.,
Philadelphia, Pa., June 10, 1910.
(Date)

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED JUN 13 1910 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

The Light-House Board,
Washington, D. C.

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) transfer and appointment
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)
of (2) Thomas W. Magee Ef- not reported of (3) Delaware
(Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) (State of legal residence)
from (4) Second Assistant Keeper
(Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (5) Brandywine Shoal Light-Station, Del.,
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
at (6) $37.50 p.m. to (7) Second Assistant Keeper
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (8) Harbor of Refuge Light-Station and Harbor of Refuge North End Light, Del., at
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
(9) $450.00 p.a., effective beginning (10) June 20, 1910. ~~(the date of his entrance on duty)~~ (or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty)
(Salary recommended) (Strike out the clause not appropriate)
in the place of (11) Orrie B. Magee
(State name of *last* person holding position)
who (12) resigned on (13) June 6, 1910.
(Died, transferred, resigned, dismissed, etc.) (Last day of service)
Mr. (14) ——— stands No. (15) —— in list of eligibles,
Class (16) ——, with an average of (17) —— per cent, and
was considered with (18) ———
(19) letters of declination of ——— herewith.

Respectfully,

The above recommendation is made with the written consent of Mr. Thomas W. Magee.

H. A. Bispham
Commander, U. S. Navy, Inspector.

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Approved, and respectfully forwarded to the Honorable the Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

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DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS APPOINTMENT WRITTEN JUN 15 1910 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

W. P. Potter
Captain, U. S. N.,
Naval Secretary.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
Washington

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June 16, 1910.

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper of Harbor of Refuge Light-Station and Harbor of Refuge North End Light, Delaware,

in the Light-House Service

at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty dollars per annum,

effective beginning June 20, 1910, or as soon thereafter

as you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(vice Orrie D. Magee.)

(By transfer from Second Assistant Keeper of Brandywine Shoal Light-Station, Delaware, at $37.50 per month.)

CARDED.

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JUN 1910
C. S. COMMISSION

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

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TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Chief Clerk.

Mr. Thomas W. Magee.

Through the Light-House Board.

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LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 27 1910
NO. 401

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

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I, Thomas W. Magee

do solemnly[a] swear 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.

Thomas W. Magee

[b] Sworn and subscribed before me, this 24th day of June, A. D. 1910

(Affix official seal here.)

[c](Name:) Duncan Jamieson

(Official title:) Notary Public

OFFICIAL TITLE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Second Assistant Keeper	Harbor of Refuge Light-Station & Harbor of Refuge North End Light-Delaware	Delaware	Delaware

$450 P.a.

OFFICE OF THE Inspector, 4th LIGHT-HOUSE DISTRICT,
Philadelphia Pa, June 25, 1910
(Address.) (Date.)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on June 21. 1910
(Date.)

(Signed:) J. A. Murphy
Commander, U. S. Navy,
Inspector.

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CARDED.

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

[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.

[c] 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.

NOTE CAREFULLY.

The oath may be executed at any time subsequent to the actual issuance of the appointment certificate, but no compensation should be paid until the oath is executed in proper form. Whenever possible the oath should be executed upon the date of actual entrance upon duty.

A letter of transmittal (use Form 95) should accompany Oath, stating the **exact** date of the entrance on duty of the appointee and the above blank also filled out and properly signed by the district officer.

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

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT MAY 1 - 1911

(The parenthetical letters refer to instructions on page 3, which instructions should be read and understood before attempting to fill out the form.)

1. Name Magee, Thomas W. 2. Age 36 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau Light-Houses 4. Position Second Asst. Keeper

5. Compensation $450.p.a. 6. Where employed Harbor of Refuge L.H., Del.

7. When appointed (*a*) Dec.13, 1909 8. How appointed (*b*) Through C.S.Examination

9. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified competitive

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No

11. Does the employee receive a pension? No If so, state the amount —

12. Other Government service Asst.Keeper of light-house, Feb.1905 to Aug. 1906.

13. Duties (describe fully) Exhibition of lights, care of apparatus, dwelling and site, minor repairs, under supervision of Keeper.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? Yes If so, state them Well qualified as an operator of explosive engines.

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.	
Quantity of work	90	2	180	
Quality of work	85	3	255	
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	85	3	255	
Attendance	—	xxx	—	
Total		8 ~~xxx~~	690	
Average percentage			86	25

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16. In the following form state the number of days of annual leave, sick leave, and leave without pay taken in each of the years 1908, 1909, and 1910:

1908.			1909.			1910.		
Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.
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17. Is this employee a purely routine employee, or does he manifest interest, not only in his own work but also in the work of the office or bureau as a whole, to the extent of overtime work or voluntary efforts by suggestion or otherwise to add to its efficiency? (Answer fully.) Interest and efficiency normal.

18. On the basis of efficiency alone, is this employee overpaid or underpaid as compared with others in your office engaged on the same grade of work, or is his salary a fair equivalent for the service rendered? (Answer fully.) Salary is fair equivalent. If the present salary is above or below a fair equivalent, state what, in your opinion, it should be.

19. Is this employee superannuated? No If so, what percentage of salary is unearned?

20. Remarks: (e)

The official who is primarily responsible for the statements herein submitted will sign here—

H. O. Stickney

Commander U. S. Navy, Inspector 4th L. H. District.

The official who approves the statements thus submitted will sign here—

G. R. Putnam
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H. O. Stickney
Commander, U. S. N.
Chief of Bureau or Office.
Inspector 4th L. H. District.

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

June 26, 1912

The action proposed in the attached communication, if approved, will create one TEMPORARY additional position Laborer

Salary, $ 456 per annum

Chief of Appointment Division.

Harbor of Refuge — Det.

(Copy)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR
Lighthouse Service.

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Office of Inspector, 4th District,
Philadelphia, Pa.

June 24, 1912.

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COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

I have the honor to inform the Bureau that in consequence of the abandonment of duty by Mr. Thomas W. Magee, Second Assistant Keeper at Harbor of Refuge Lightstation, Del., the work of installing the new fog signal engine is severely handicapped. $450 f.a.

June 18 incl.

I have suspended Mr. Magee from duty and requested Departmental approval in letter of June 21st, 1912. It is my intention as soon as Magee's case is settled to recommend the transfer of Mr. Archibald W. Lynch, now Second Assistant Keeper at Fourteen Foot Bank Lightstation, Del., with pay at practically the same rate. It appears that this transfer cannot be made while Mr. Magee remains technically in the service and I therefore request that if practicable the Bureau authorize the employment of a local temporary laborer at $456 per annum to perform duty during the time that shall elapse until an actual vacancy is created at this station.

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In view of the urgent necessity for the services of an additional keeper, the Bureau's instructions as to what will be permitted in this case are requested. It will probably take a week or ten days to find an eligible willing to take this temporary duty and to get him to the station. A competent local man can probably be obtained on very short notice and in view of the short service required it is not deemed advisable to utilize the register.

Please wire instructions as soon as practicable.

(Signed) ROUT.

HRW

Bureau of Lighthouses,
Washington
June 25, 1912.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce and Labor for his information and with the recommendation that the temporary position of laborer, with pay at the rate of $456 per annum, be authorized at the Harbor of Refuge Lightstation, Del., beginning with the entrance on duty of the person to be appointed thereto and to continue until the case against Magee is disposed of or until the position of second assistant keeper is again filled.

G. R. Putnam

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 4TH DISTRICT
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Thomas W. Magee, suspension.

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June 21, 1912.

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COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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I have the honor to inform the Bureau that I have this day suspended from duty, Mr. Thomas W. Magee, Second Assistant Keeper at Harbor of Refuge Lightstation, 8450.Pa such suspension to date from June 18, 1912 inclusive, he having left the station on June 17, 1912 after refusing to perform duty.

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The facts in the case are about as follows:

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A force of workmen under lampist J. H. Neal are now at the station installing the new fog signal engine. On account of the extra work involved it was deemed necessary to retain all three keepers on the station allowing only short absence over Sunday, when circumstances would permit.

Mr. Magee returned from his regular liberty on June 17, 1912 and upon discovering that his next regular leave would be curtailed from seven days to about two days, he left the station in a hired launch and upon reaching the shore tendered his resignation unless the regular liberty period should be restored.

Charges against Magee are being prepared in this office recommending his dismissal from the service for refusal to perform duty and abandoning the station to the embarrassment of

the service. After the usual formalities including the opportunity given to Magee to reply, they will be forwarded to the Bureau for its consideration.

Approval of the suspension reported herein is respectfully requested.

Department of Commerce and Labor
Bureau of Light-Houses
Washington
June 24, 1912.

Respectfully submitted to
the Honorable the Secretary of
Commerce and Labor recommended
for approval.

J S Conway
Commissioner.

June 25, 1912.

Sir:

In view of the report that you have abandoned your station to the embarrassment of the service, and upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, you are hereby suspended from duty and pay for a period not to exceed ninety days effective beginning June 18, 1912, pending action on the charges which will be preferred against you.

Respectfully,

CARDED

(Signed) Charles Earl.

Acting Secretary.

Mr. Thomas W. Magee,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

July 6, 1912.

The Acting Secretary:

On June 21, 1912, the Inspector of the Fourth Lighthouse District charged Thomas W. Magee, second assistant keeper of the Harbor of Refuge Light Station, Delaware, with--

(a) Conduct prejudicial to good discipline;

(b) Disobedience to orders; and

(c) Abandonment of duty and resigning without notice, to the embarrassment of the service.

It appears from the papers submitted that upon returning from one week's liberty on June 17, 1912, and learning that his next full liberty two weeks later would not be granted in full, Mr. Magee immediately left the station and, upon arriving on shore, refused (in writing) to accept orders issued by the Inspector's office temporarily curtailing the liberty of the keepers, and tendered his resignation to be effective unless the office r e c e d e d f r o m its orders. It further appears that on June 20, in response to a communication from the Inspector to the effect that his action was improper and that if he desired to tender his resignation he should return to the station and remain on duty for a reasonable time in order to give the Inspector an opportunity to fill his position, Mr. Magee replied that as the Inspector did not state that his contention of June 17 that he be allowed the usual leave was accepted, the Inspector could dismiss him from the service.

Thereupon the Inspector charged him as above stated. Up to June 29, 1912, Mr. Magee had made no reply to the charges.

It seems that the Inspector issued his orders relative to the temporary curtailment of leave for the reason that the lampist and four workmen were to arrive at the station on June 17 for the purpose of installing the new fog-signal machine and that therefore it would be necessary for the three keepers to remain at the station and assist the lampist in every way possible. Permission was, however, given for one keeper to go ashore each Saturday night and remain until Monday morning, until further notice, which had the effect of requiring all the keepers to temporarily take liberty on the third instead of on the second Saturday as heretofore. The other keepers have apparently made no complaint of this temporary curtailment of their liberty.

Mr. Magee's action in precipitately leaving the station after learning that he would be required to give the same amount of service as his fellow keepers and refusing to return to duty unless his demands were complied with, establishes the Inspector's charges in a degree sufficient to warrant his dismissal. It is therefore suggested that the Inspector's recommendation (which is concurred in by the Bureau) that Mr. Magee be dismissed from the service effective at the close of June 17, 1912, be approved.

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Approved

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In duplicate.

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Thomas W. Magee; charges and correspondence relative thereto.

Enclosures.

Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 4TH DISTRICT
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Rec Ok for disch. KB

June 29, 1912.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of charges dated 21 June 1912 preferred against Mr. Thomas W. Magee, Second Assistant Keeper at Harbor of Refuge and Harbor of Refuge North End Light 45 U Lightstation, Delaware, (now under suspension) also communications relating to and bearing upon these charges as referred to in the last paragraph of this letter. June 18 not ack 90 days.

Department of Commerce and Labor
Bureau of Light-Houses
Washington July 1, 1912

Respectfully submitted to the Honorable the Secretary of Commerce and Labor recommended for approval.

E. P. Bullmer
Commissioner.

The charges brought were as follows:

(a) Conduct prejudicial to good discipline.

(b) Disobedience to orders.

(c) Abandonment of duty and resigning without notice, to the embarrassment of the service.

The registry receipt furnished by the Post-Office Department shows that Mr. Magee received a copy of the charges on Monday, 24 June, 1912 but at this writing no reply has been received thereto and the legal time having elapsed it is assumed that Mr. Magee will not make answer to the charges. It appears that the written records submitted

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herewith fully substantiate the charges made by this office and in my opinion the only course open to the Inspector is to recommend the dismissal of Mr. Magee from the position of Second Assistant Keeper of Harbor of Refuge Lightstation, Delaware, effective on 17 June, 1912 the date on which he left the station.

Attached hereto and forming a part of this record are copies of outgoing letters and original incoming letters labelled exhibit "A" to "H" inclusive.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR 4TH L.H. DIST. JUN 18 1912 PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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Lewes, Delaware: June 17th. 1912

Mr. T. J. Route,

U. S. Inspector,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

JUL 1 1912

As my leave of absence was up to-day , I reported back to the station and was very much surprised to find orders fromyou to the Keeper that all of us would be compelled to stay on duty to assist in repairing the machinery or installing new engine. And only allowing us the Light House men to come ashore everthird Sunday for each oneof the Keepers. If this is the orders, please accept my resignation, as I will not be deprived of my liberty that long atime an for only a day. I am willing to take my position if the liberty leave is cut off, and will do my work the best that I can Kindly advise me if these orders are correct, if such bethe case, please accept my resignation of 2nd Assist ance of the Harbor Of Refuge Light House.

Yours very respcty.

Thos. H. Hagee
2nd Asst Keeper

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR 4TH L.H. DIST. JUN 18 1912 PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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Harbar of Refuge Light Station Delaware Bay

June 17th 1912

Light House Inspector Philadelphia P.a Sir

I have the honar to report that Mr Thomas. W. Mages 2nd asst. at this Station says he is going to resign he Came out here this morning and said he Was going to get out Which is very agreable With me and Mr Schellenger Mr Mages got in the Boat and Went home again the same day and of Course I Could not stope him

I Would like if it is agreeable With you to Suggest Mr archie Lynch the man that is now 2nd asst. at Fourteen Foot Bank to take Mr Mages Place. I think he Will be agreeable and that is What We Want very Respectfully

Joseph M. Harrison

Keeper

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The attached extract is from a general report by Mr. J. H. Neal, Lampist, dated 23 June 1912 on the work of installing fog signal engine at Harbor of Refuge Lightstation. It is sent as corroborative of the keeper's statement relative to the circumstances under which Magee left the station. The remainder of the report is not relevant to this matter.

JUL 1 1912

On arriving at the station Monday June 17 I found Magee was packed up and coming ashore I said nothing to detain him or advise him either way and allowed him free action absolutely.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR 4TH L. H. DIST. JUN 21 1912 PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Lewes, Delaware: June 20th 1912

Mr. T. J. Rout, Inspector,
4th Light House District,
Philadelphia, Pa.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JUL 1 1912 LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 18th inst at hand and in reply will state. You state in your letter that the Keeper reported that I had take the station boat and gone ashore. This is abslutely false, as the boat has been on the station since the 9th inst, I went in a launch and return in a launch.

I note also that you request me to return to the service at once but my concessions that I wrote about you didnt state that they would be complied with, and that being the case you can dismiss me from the service, as I do not propose to be cut off from my liberty leave. The last letter that I wrote you, I tendered you my resignation and I dont think that it is necessary that I should write another.

Yours very respcty.

Thomas H. Magee
2nd Asst Keeper
Harbor of Refuge

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 4TH DISTRICT
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

June 21, 1912.

JUL 1 1912

Mr. Thomas W. Magee,

Lewes, Del.

Replying to that portion of your letter of 20 June 12 which refers to the station boat, the Keeper's letter to this office stated that you "Got in the boat and went home again the same day."

This reference to the boat was understood to mean the boat belonging to the station, hence the statement in the letter to you.

This letter is sent in order to straighten out the affair and put Mr. Harrison, the Keeper, in the proper light.

T. J. ROUT.

Inspector.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 4TH DISTRICT
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

June 21, 1912.

Mr. Thomas W. Magee,
Lewes, Del.

JUL 1 1912

You are hereby charged with,

(a) Conduct prejudicial to good discipline.

(b) Disobedience to orders.

(c) Abandonment of duty and resigning without notice, to the embarrasment of the service.

The Facts are briefly as follows:

On June 10, 1912 this office informed the keeper of Harbor of Refuge Lightstation that in view of the fact that the lampist with four workmen would reach the station on the 17th inst. for the purpose of installing the new fog signal engine it would be necessary for the three keepers to remain on the station, assisting the lampist in every possible way. Permission was given to allow one keeper to go ashore each Saturday night and remain until Monday morning until further notice.

From the keepers letter of 17 June 12 and your own communication of the same date it appears that upon arriving on the station and learning that your next liberty, two weeks later, would not be granted you in full, you immediately left the station and upon arriving on shore refused in writing, to

accept the orders issued by this office temporarily curtailing the liberty of the keepers and tendering a resignation effective unless this office receded from its written orders.

Under date of June 18, 1912, this office informed you that your action was improper and that if you desired to tender your resignation you should return to the station and remain on duty for a reasonable time in order to give this office an opportunity to fill your place. You were further informed that in consequence of your leaving the station on the 17th inst. without permission, you were considered as absent without leave.

In your letter of June 20, 1912 you declined to return to the station stating that you do not propose to be cut off from your liberty leave and are willing to be dismissed from the service.

On June 17, 1912 you returned from one weeks liberty and your next leave of absence could not have occurred until a period of two weeks had elapsed. Your action in refusing duty and returning to the shore after having enjoyed your own turn of liberty, depriving the keepers on the station of the assistance of your services was arbitrary and inequitable and contrary to good discipline and could not under any circumstances be passed over by this office without punishment. In leaving, your act was further in disobedience of the orders from this office, referred to above, which directed all the keepers to remain on station until further orders, and you having just re-

turned from leave were the person under the greatest moral obligation to obey this order.

Your resignation dated June 17, 1912 written after having left the station giving this office no previous notice of your intention, consists of an abandonment of the duty which you have sworn to perform properly and a resignation tendered under these circumstances and at such a time is an embarrassment to the service, such as should preclude its acceptance.

You are required by law to make such answer as you desire to make, within three days from the date of the receipt of this communication, as shown by the registry card representing this communication. You will be guided by this instruction should you wish to reply to the charges herein contained.

T. J. ROUT.

Inspector.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 4TH DISTRICT
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Thomas W. Magee, suspension.

JUL 1 1912

June 21, 1912.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

I have the honor to inform the Bureau that I have this day suspended from duty, Mr. Thomas W. Magee, Second Assistant Keeper at Harbor of Refuge Lightstation, such suspension to date from June 18, 1912 inclusive, he having left the station on June 17, 1912 after refusing to perform duty.

The facts in the case are about as follows:

A force of workmen under lampist J. H. Neal are now at the station installing the new fog signal engine. On account of the extra work involved it was deemed necessary to retain all three keepers on the station allowing only short absence over Sunday, when circumstances would permit.

Mr. Magee returned from his regular liberty on June 17, 1912 and upon discovering that his next regular leave would be curtailed from seven days to about two days, he left the station in a hired launch and upon reaching the shore tendered his resignation unless the regular liberty period should be restored.

Charges against Magee are being prepared in this office recommending his dismissal from the service for refusal to perform duty and abandoning the station to the embarrassment of

the service. After the usual formalities including the opportunity given to Magee to reply, they will be forwarded to the Bureau for its consideration.

Approval of the suspension reported herein is respectfully requested.

T. J. ROUT.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

To be registered.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 4TH DISTRICT
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

June 21, 1912.

Mr. Thomas W. Magee,
Lewes, Del.

JUL 1 1912

Youare hereby suspended from duty as Second Asst. Keeper at Harbor of Refuge Lightstation, Delaware, with pay at the rate of $456 per annum to date from June 18, 1912 inclusive, having refused to perform duty and left the station on June 17, 1912.

T. J. ROUT.

Inspector.

July 8, 1912.

Sir:

Having been charged with conduct prejudicial to good discipline, disobedience to orders, abandonment of duty, and resigning without notice to the embarrassment of the service, and the charges having been sustained in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, you have been dismissed from the position of second assistant keeper of the Harbor of Refuge Light Station and Harbor of Refuge North End Light, Delaware, at $450 per annum, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, effective at the close of June 17, 1912.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) R. C. SHELSE

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

CHANGE REPORTED JUL 1912 O. S. COMMISSION.

CARDED

Mr. Thomas W. Magee,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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MAGEE, THOMAS W.

MAGEE, THOMAS W.

(Cross Reference)

Commendation of Sergeant Stanton

For ~~basis of this action~~ see

letter dated June 12, 1917

in file of J. J. Holz

Thos. A. Mager

June 25, 1912.

Sir:

In view of the report that you have abandoned your station to the embarrassment of the service, and upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, you are hereby suspended from duty and pay for a period not to exceed ninety days effective beginning June 16, 1912, pending action on the charges which will be preferred against you.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Charles Earl.

Acting Secretary.

Mr. Thomas W. Magee,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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July 8, 1912.

Sir:

Having been charged with conduct prejudicial to good discipline, disobedience to orders, abandonment of duty, and resigning without notice to the embarrassment of the service, and the charges having been sustained in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, you have been dismissed from the position of second assistant keeper of the Harbor of Refuge Light Station and Harbor of Refuge North End Light, Delaware, at $450 per annum, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, effective at the close of June 17, 1912.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) R. C. SHELSE

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Thomas W. Magee,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Form 56

TELEGRAM

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

IDENTIFICATION CA[illegible]O. .....

RECEIVER'S NO.	TIME FILED	CHECK
		PAID, GOVERNMENT RATE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

July 11, 1912. (Place and date), 191

SEND TO Lighthouse Commissioner,
Washington, D. C.

MAGEE'S DISMISSAL RECEIVED CANCEL NOMINATION OF EVERETT PLACE WILL BE PERMANENTLY FILLED BY TRANSFER.

ROUT.

Confirmation of Telegram.

CHARGE BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, WASHINGTON, D. C.
APPROPRIATION FOR "GENERAL EXPENSES, LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE."

ATTEST:

T J Rout
(Name)
Inspector, 4th L. H. District,
(Title)

11—4649

READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT MAY 1 - 1911

(The parenthetical letters refer to instructions on page 3, which instructions should be read and understood before attempting to fill out the form.)

1. Name Magee, Thomas W. 2. Age 36 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau Light-Houses 4. Position Second Asst. Keeper

5. Compensation $450.p.a. 6. Where employed Harbor of Refuge L.H., Del.

7. When appointed (*a*) Dec.13, 1909 8. How appointed (*b*) Through C.S.Examination

9. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified competitive

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No

11. Does the employee receive a pension? No If so, state the amount —

12. Other Government service Asst.Keeper of light-house, Feb.1905 to Aug. 1906.

13. Duties (describe fully) Exhibition of lights, care of apparatus, dwelling and site, minor repairs, under supervision of Keeper.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? Yes If so, state them Well qualified as an operator of explosive engines.

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.	
Quantity of work	90	2	180	
Quality of work	85	3	255	
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	85	3	255	
Attendance	—	~~xxx~~	—	
Total		8 ~~xxx~~ 10	690	
Average percentage			86	25

11—4259

16. In the following form state the number of days of annual leave, sick leave, and leave without pay taken in each of the years 1908, 1909, and 1910:

1908.			1909.			1910.		
Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.
———	———	———	———	———	———	———	———	———

17. Is this employee a purely routine employee, or does he manifest interest, not only in his own work but also in the work of the office or bureau as a whole, to the extent of overtime work or voluntary efforts by suggestion or otherwise to add to its efficiency? (Answer fully.) Interest and efficiency normal.

18. On the basis of efficiency alone, is this employee overpaid or underpaid as compared with others in your office engaged on the same grade of work, or is his salary a fair equivalent for the service rendered? (Answer fully.) Salary is fair equivalent.

If the present salary is above or below a fair equivalent, state what, in your opinion, it should be.

19. Is this employee superannuated? No If so, what percentage of salary is unearned?

20. Remarks: (e)

The official who is primarily responsible for the statements herein submitted will sign here—

Commander, U. S. Navy, Inspector.

The official who approves the statements thus submitted will sign here—

Commander, U.S.N.
Inspector 4th & 11th Districts
Chief of Bureau or Office.

11—4253

January 23, 1914.

The Medical Officer in Charge,
Public Health Service,
Delaware Breakwater Quarantine,
Lewes, Delaware.

Sir:

By direction of the Secretary, and referring to your letter of the 16th instant, the services of the following-named temporary Attendants in the Public Health Service, at the station under your charge, are hereby discontinued, without prejudice, to take effect January 16, 1914, their employment being no longer required:

Archie Taylor,
Thomas W. Magee,
Walter E. Wyatt,
Warner Carson,
Elizabeth Frame,
George W. Hurd,
Eugene R. Farrow.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Byron R. Newton.

Assistant Secretary.

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January 13, 1914.

The Medical Officer in Charge,
Public Health Service,
Delaware Breakwater Quarantine,
Lewes, Delaware.

Sir:

By direction of the Secretary, and as recommended in your letter of the 30th ultimo, the appointment, under the provisions of Section 3, Civil Service Rule II, of the following-named persons as temporary Attendants in the Public Health Service, at the station under your charge, with compensation at the rate of two dollars ($2.00) per diem, each, is hereby approved, for a period of not to exceed thirty days, each, beginning on the date set opposite their respective names:

Archie Taylor,	December 27, 1913.
Thomas W. Magee,	" 27, "
William T. Wilson,	" 27, "
Walter E. Wyatt,	" 27, "
Warner Carson,	" 27, "
Elizabeth Frame,	" 28, "
George W. Hurd,	" 28, "
Eugene R. Farrow,	" 28, "
Anton Westerdahl,	" 28, "
Orrie B. Magee,	" 28, "

Respectfully,

(Signed) Byron R. Newton.

Assistant Secretary.

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(For letter of authority see papers of Archie Taylor)