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REQUESTER INFORMATION

Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Flynn, Kylie	
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
knfgbb@umsl.edu	217-440-1332

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
Olson, Anton		

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: Kylie

CIVILIAN SERVICE

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Lighthouse Service (MA)		
From: 1925	To: 1927	
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(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	

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

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FWO-JHG

Anton Olson,
97 Third Street,
Newport, Rhode Island

Nov. 21, 1929

SUBJECT: Employment as Keeper or Asst. Keeper.
REFERENCE: Your letter Nov. 19, 1929.

1. You are advised that your application for examination for position of Keeper or Assistant Lighthouse Keeper, filed during September, 1928, was considered at an examination held in January, 1929, and you were given a rating of 62%, which is not a passing rating at least 70% being required. Your physical condition and also your previous record of employment in the Lighthouse Service was not such as to justify a higher rating. There are no vacancies in any position at this time for which you could be considered for employment.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

See Application No. 4059, also Service cards showing employment on Brenton Reef Lightship No. 39, and also correspondence (File 285---1929---) re his illness while on L.S. 39.

JHG

97 Third St.,
Newport, R.I.

November 19, 1929.

Superintendent,
Third Lighthouse Dist.,
Staten Island, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

On September 11, 1928, I filed application papers for the position of Assistant Lighthouse Keeper, Third Lighthouse District. Up to the present time I have not heard as to the status of my application. Will you please be kind enough to advise me what my standing is and if there is any prospect of securing employment.

If no vacancy exist at a Light, could I secure employment on a tender, or other position that might be open.

Thanking you for giving my request consideration
I am,

Yours respectfully,

Anton Olson

Anton Olson.

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STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

THIRD DISTRICT

MAR 28 27 1929 RECEIVED

Brenton Reef L.S.S.39
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 23rd, 1929.

Superintendent of Lighthouses
Staten Island. N. Y.

Subject: Salary for February. Anton Olson. Seaman.
Reference: Letter March 9th 1929.

Sir.

I respectfully state that there is no further payment due Anton Olson for Month of February 1929.
my statement February 14. 1929. in regard to Olson being ashore ill and February pay roll is carrect.
Anton Olson have nathin further to say in regard to letter of March 9th 1929.

Respectfully
Theodor Anderson Master

WJL:GL

March 18, 1929.

Anton Olson,
97 Third Street,
Newport, R. I.

SUBJECT: Salary for February.

REFERENCE: Your letter of March 9, 1929.

This, and future similar matters, should be taken up with the Master and not direct with this office.

J. T. YATES

WJL

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses,
3d District, S.I., N.Y., March 18, 1929.

Copy forwarded to Master Brention Reef Lightship.

Attached is copy of letter of March 9th from Mr. Olson. Payment has been made to him in the amount of $37.50 for the period from February 13th to the end of February, as per your letter of Feb. 14, 1929 and your monthly pay roll. Furnish the information desired by him, and submit report as to whether any further payment is due.

J. T. YATES

97 Third St.,
Newport, R.I.

March 9, 1929.

Superintendent,
Third Lighthouse District,
Tompkinsville, Staten Island,
New York.

Dear Sir:

I have just received my pay check for the month of February when I came on liberty, in the amount of $37.50. I am at a loss to understand why $25.00 should be deducted from my pay. I went on regular liberty the 1st of February and becoming ill, consulted Dr. Murphy, the Public Health Surgeon, who advised me to stay ashore for about one more week, which I did. It appears that salary was deducted from my monthly pay for the time that I was on regular liberty, which I had earned and was entitled to, plus the time I stayed over on account of illness.

May I also inquire if I am entitled to additional pay after six months service. I first reported on board Brenton Reef Lightvessel, April 14, 1928 and was with her until we went to Staten Island where I became ill and was admitted to the Staten Island Hospital. July 4, 1928, Rejoined the vessel on 15 September 1928 and have been continuously attached since that date.

Please send reply to me on Brenton Reef Lightship as I will be back on duty the 14th.

Very respectfully,

Anton Olson

Anton Olson.
Brenton Reef Lightship,
Newport, R.I.

On leave 1 to 9
Ill at his home

(75)

memo

anton Olson was discharged as Smn L & 39 on July 4, 1928

Reemployed on "39 as Smn Sept 8

was absent 2/1-12 and pay was deducted for that period

monthly Hdq report shows leave from 2/1-9

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Brenton Reef L.S. 39.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

February 14th, 1929.

Superintendent of Lighthouses
Staten Island. N. Y.

Sir.

I respectfully state that Anton Olson. Seaman was absent on account of Illness from February 1st to February 13th 1929.

Anton Olson reported for duty February 13th 1929.

Respectfully.

Theodor Anderson. Master.

FWC-JHG

Anton Olsen, Asst.Keeper,
Butler's Flat Light,
Through Supt., 2nd L.H.District,
37 Marginal St., Chelsea, Mass.

March 8,1927

SUBJECT: Transfer.
REFERENCE: Your letter March 1,1927.

1. Your letter dated March 1,1927 requesting transfer to a light station on Narragansett Bay, has been received and placed on file.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. H. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

Supt.
1st Asst. Supt.
Chief Clerk
Asst. Supt.
Draftsman
Junior Engr.
1st Clerk
2nd Clerk
3rd Clerk
4th Clerk
5th Clerk
Messenger
Depot Kpr.

Butler's Flat Light,
New Bedford,
Mass.

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES MAR 7 1927 2nd DIST. CHELSEA, MASS.

March 1, 1927.

To: Superintendent, Third Lighthouse District, Staten Island, N.Y.
Via:Superintendent, Second Lighthouse District, Chelsea, Mass.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES MAR 8 1927 RECEIVED

Dear Sir:

I respectfully request that if a vacancy exists at some Light in Narragansett Bay, R.I. consideration be given to my transfer to that locality. I desire to be nearer my permanent home which is Newport, R.I.

I have been in the service since 1923 and have served on the following lights; Duxbury Pier, Graves Light, Deer Island Light and the one to which I am at present attached.

Very respectfully,

Anton Olson

Anton Olson,
Assistant Keeper.

GEE-EJC

Chelsea, Mass., March 7th, 1927.

Forwarded to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N. Y., with the information that the above transfer is not recommended as this man has given trouble to practically every keeper he has been associated with.

Fred E Gates

Superintendent.

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7/19/28
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WCB/EAB

U. S. MARINE HOSPITAL No. 21

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

UNITED STATES
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

STAPLETON, N. Y.

July 17, 1928.

Mr. J. T. Yates,
Office of Superintendent of
Lighthouses,
3d District,
Staten Island, N. Y.

Sir: Re:-Anton Olsen - L.H. - Reg. #26159

In reply to your letter of July 16,1928 in regard to the illness of Anton Olson, seaman, Lightship #39, would inform you that he was admitted to this hospital on July 4,1928 with a diagnosis of Chronic Prostatitis, and external hemorrhoids. He will require approximately two months further hospital treatment, and it would not be advisable for him to return to duty before the latter part of September, 1928.

By direction of the Medical Officer In Charge.

Respectfully,

Wm. C. Brann

Wm. C. Brann,
Assistant Surgeon,
Executive Officer.

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FWO-JHG

U. S. Public Health Service,
Marine Hospital No.21,
Stapleton, S. I., N. Y.

July 16,1928

SUBJECT: Anton Olsen, Seaman, Lightship No.39.

1. Under date of July 11,1928 this office wrote you as follows:-

> "Anton Olsen who is employed as a Seaman on Brenton Reef Lightship No.39 was admitted to the Marine Hospital No.21 on July 5,1928. Will you have the kindness to advise this office of the nature of his illness, and the probable date on which he will be able to return to duty."

2. It would be appreciated if you would furnish this office with the information requested at the earliest practicable date.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

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FWO-JHG

U. S. Public Health Service,
Marine Hospital No.21,
Stapleton, S.I., N. Y.

July 11,1928

SUBJECT: Anton Olsen, Seaman, Lightship No.39.

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J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

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PORTLAND CEMENT

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TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

THIRD DISTRICT

Brenton Reef L.S. 39.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

June 19th, 1928

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
Tompkinsville. N.Y.

Subject: Anton Olson

Reference: Letter of June 13th 1928.

Sir.

I respectfully state that on June 1st Anton Olson seaman reported to me that he was sick. and needed medical attention I promptly had him taken to our Public Health Officer who ordered Anton Olson to the Hospital for treatment and observation. Anton Olson remained in the Hospital to June 7th 1928.

On June 9th 1928. Olson again became sick he told me that everything before him was turning black. and requested me to se the Doctor I promptly send him ashore again the second time to our Public Health Officer whom again ordered Anton Olson to the Hospital Newport. R. I. for further treatment and observation where Anton Olson remained to June 19th 1928.

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TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



THIRD DISTRICT

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(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

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I called at the Public Health Officer and requested him to give me the nature of Anton Olsons sickness which Doctor Murphy willingly done by writing it down I am attaching it to this report on Anton Olson Seaman

Anton Olson has this day again reported for duty

6/19/28

Respectfully
Theodor Anderson Master

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

UNITED STATES
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

OFFICE OF
MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE

First admission to hospital was for digestive troubles which was probably due to adhesion following laparotomy.

Second admission complained of pain in side & chest. Sent to hospital for observation. Has been in hospital since June 9 with no definite diagnosis possible except Myalgia.

Edw. J. Murphy a.a.s.

WJL:HR

June 15, 1928

[redacted],
Brenton Reef Lightship #39,
Newport, R. I.

SUBJECT: Anton Olson.

REFERENCE: Your letter of June 13, 1928.

Your letter of June 13th is the first information this office has received regarding the absence of Anton Olson. It is requested that you furnish full information, giving the date he left the ship and the nature of his illness.

J. T. YATES

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STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

THIRD DISTRICT

Brenton Reef L.S. 39.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

June 13th, 1928.

S. 6/14/28

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
Tompkinsville N. Y.

Sir.

I respectfully request for permission to hire one more Seaman as Anton Olson Seaman is sick and is in Hospital Newport. R. I. an uncertain as to length of time before he will be able to return to duty.

I wrote a letter inquiring from Markus Johnsen Seaman in regards to what time he would be able to return this letter I wrote to him was about two weeks ago but I have received no reply from Markus Johnsen.

Respectfully
Theodor Anderson. Master.

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Employee Name: OLSON, ANTON **DOB:** _____

Records checked:

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

AND

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

If Negative:

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

If Negative:

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 2D DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
BOSTON, MASS. November 8, 1924

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11/18/24 copy to Asst. in Charge

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Anton Olson

Subject: First Asst. Keeper, The Graves Light Station, warning.

1. Forwarded herewith is copy of correspondence with the Keeper and 1st Asst. Keeper of The Graves Light Station, in regard to failure of the 1st Asst. Keeper to have the light in operation at sunset on the evening of October 29.

2. It is considered that the 1st Asst. was delinquent in this matter, but in view of the Keeper's statement recommendation for dismissal will not be made. It is, however, recommended that he be given further trial and a warning from the Bureau.

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Please do, copy to keeper to be sent to Asst in charge of light

Superintendent

RG-EK
Inclosure

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
November 17, 1924.

Returned to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Boston, Mass., with copy of Bureau caution to Keeper Anton Olson inclosed, and with request that when you recommend any form of disciplinary action or commendation in the case of employees, you [redacted] give their full name as well as their designation and station.

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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BOSTON, MASS.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 2D DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
BOSTON, MASS.

October 31, 1924

First Asst. Keeper,
The Graves Light Station,
(Through the Keeper)

1. On the evening of October 29, it was noted that the light at your station was not put in operation until after 6.00 p.m., when it should have been started before 4.00 p.m. and made ready to function at sunset.

2. Article 113, page 39 Instructions to Employees, directs that lights must be exhibited punctually at sunset. In order that this may be done without fail keepers having vapor oil lights are instructed to start them a sufficient time in advance of sunset to insure the light being in operation at the proper time, and if you did this it is not understood why the light should not have been functioning at sunset on the night in question. If the lamp, vaporizer, etc., have been properly cleaned, from one half to one hour has usually been found a sufficient time in which to get a 55 mm. vapor oil lamp in operation. The keepers at a station are supposed to know how much time is required to get their lamp in operation and to start their preparations in ample time accordingly.

3. The Graves light is one of the most important lights on the New England coast, and it is imperative that the light and the fog signal be in operation at all times as required by the regulations, and failure on the part of keepers to have them operating when required, unless their delinquency can be satisfactorily explained, would indicate unfitness for their positions. When an important light is not really started until two hours after it should be such delay indicates either inefficiency or gross neglect to properly care for the apparatus.

4. You are instructed to mail to this office as soon as possible a full and detailed statement why the light was not in operation at sunset on the evening of October 29, and submit any reasons you have to offer why recommendation should not be made to the Bureau that you be dismissed for failure to have it operating at the proper time.

/s/ Eaton
Superintendent.

Copy for Keeper, Graves Light Station:

Report as to the efficiency and aptitude for service of the First Asst. Keeper and if you recommend his continuance in the Service.

/s/ Eaton,
Superintendent.

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BOSTON, MASS.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SECOND DISTRICT

The Graves Light Station,
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

November 4, 1924

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Boston, Mass.

In regard to inquiry about efficiency of Mr. Olson, 1st Asst. Keeper, will say that he is efficient in his work and is very neat about his home work and has been a great help to me in getting this station in shape since I came over here. He is handy about machinery and I consider him a good all around man.

I do not recommend his dismissal at this time as I think that most of the trouble with lamp on the 29th was not heating it up enough and being over anxious to get started.

/s/ Reamy,

Keeper.

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SECOND DISTRICT

The Graves Light Station,
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

November 4, 1924

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Boston, Mass.

Below is report of the trouble with vapor lamp on the night of the 29th as well as I can explain it.

I cleaned the vaporizer on the morning of the 29th as I alway cleaned it. Started to heat the lamp at 3.45 and the lamp lighted all right but could not keep the pilots going so shifted to one of the spare lamps and pilots acted the same at first but after getting thoroughly heated went all right and was in operation from 6.00 p.m. to morning by occasionally heating up.

The next night the lamp and vaporizer used the night before went all right and has been all right every night since.

We had a small hand lamp in the lens from sunset to the time we got the vapor lamp in operation.

/s/ Olson

1st Asst. Keeper.

RG-EK

November 17, 1924.

Mr. Anton Olson, First Assistant Keeper,
The Graves Light Station, Mass.
(Through Superintendent of Lighthouses, Boston, Mass.).

1. The Bureau is in receipt of report from the Superintendent relative to your light not being in operation at sunset on the evening of October 29, and also your letter of November 4 in explanation of the matter.

2. It is considered that you were delinquent in this instance; and you are cautioned that paragraph 113 of the Instructions to Employees with regard to punctuality in the exhibition of lights must be observed with the utmost strictness and fidelity.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

LIGHTHOUSES---Appointment Division's files

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 2D DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
BOSTON, MASS.

EWS-HL

April 14, 1926

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Subject: Anton Olson, Assistant Keeper of Deer Island Light Station, leave without pay.

The Bureau is advised that Anton Olson, Assistant Keeper of Deer Island Light Station, who was placed on leave without pay on February 4, 1926, returned to duty on April 12, 1926.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
APR 14 1926

Superintendent.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 2D DISTRICT
CHELSEA, MASS.
March 30, 1927

LIGHTHOUSES
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Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Subject: Charges preferred against Anton Olson under date of March 9, 1927.

1. The following charges were preferred against Anton Olson, assistant keeper Butler Flats Light Station, under date of March 9, 1927. Charges, answers and findings are below:

Charge 1. Neglect of Duty - On January 17, 1927, you started a fire in basement stove, leaving drafts open and neglecting to give it proper attention, thereby causing the paint on the wooden door frame of the coal bins to be blistered and causing damage to Lighthouse property.

Answer - Upon orders from the Keeper, I made a fire in the basement stove. I opened the drafts as the fire was slow in coming up and left it while I went above to complete a small task I was doing. After a short period of time, when I thought the fire was coming up, I went below to attend to it. The condition of the stove was hot. It was far from a condition which might be termed dangerous, in fact not any hotter than when a kitchen range is used for baking. I did not wilfully leave the stove and neglect my duty as during my absence I had it in mind and returned after a short interval to give it attention. Even to this date I am not aware of the fact that any paint was blistered and as I am not on the Station I am unable to verify it. This is the first intimation I have received that the incident was to be made the basis of a charge against me. At that time I brought it to the Keeper's attention that the fire came up very quick and stove got hot. He said nothing and didnot bring it to my attention that any damage had been done. I request that the log be examined to see if entry was entered of this fact and why the Keeper did not immediately apprise me of it. I considered it perfectly safe to leave the fire unattended for a short period of time as there was no apparent reason to expect danger, everything being steel in the basement except the wooden strip on the door frame of the coal bin. I should like to examine the door frame upon my return to station and if damage was done by blistering some paint on the coal bin frame as the result of my action I am perfectly willing to take the responsibility.

Finding - Guilty.

Charge 2. Disobedience - On February 16, 1927, you were ordered by the keeper to fill wood box with fire wood and to put two new sheaves in the boat fall block.. This order was carried out by you in this respect: a very small amount of wood was put in the box and the sheaves were not inserted in the block as ordered, although you had four hours to do this work.

Answer - On February 16, 1927, I informed the Keeper of my desire to go liberty. He requested that I put him ashore first and that I go later on in the day when he returned. I put him ashore about 10:00 A.M. and he requested me to put wood in the box and place two new sheaves in the boat fall block. Upon returning to the Light after putting the Keeper on shore, I cleaned and swept the entire light, cooked my dinner and made everything shipshape and ready for operation so that when the Keeper returned he would find nothing left undone. I took up all the wood from the basement that was chopped and placed it in the box which made it a little more than half filled. He did not specifically state he wanted the box filled to the top and had he said so I should have chopped more and filled it up and let the other work go for him to do when he returned. I also attempted to place the new sheaves in the boat fall block. The old pins would not fit the new sheaves and in my attempt to place them in, I lacerated my finger, the blood spots probably being still there. About 2:00 P.M. the Keeper appeared on the opposite shore near the Light waiting for me to come ashore with the boat. I packed up my things as quickly as possible and rowed ashore so he could return to the light. Upon reaching the shore, I for got to mention that I could not get the new sheaves in the block. However, upon my return to the light, I did mention the fact that I could not fit the old pins to the new sheaves and consequently put the old sheaves back. He remarked - "I thought you did not try to put them in." I could have filed the pins down but I do not make any changes without the Keeper's consent or advice. I therefore absolutely point that in spirit and action, I done my best, and moreover I done all the work I possibly could in the period of time to have the Station first class when the Keeper returned.

Finding - Guilty.

Charge 3. Incfficiency and Lack of Cooperation - The keeper has explained to you at several times recently that he wanted work done in a particular way and you attempted to overrule and dictate the way the work should be done, thereby causing lack of cooperation and tending to reduce the efficiency of the station.

Answer - The charge is indefinite, lacking in detail the specific instances as to my inefficiency and lack of cooperation. I request that the Keeper refrain from ambiguity in his charges and be more specific. I have alwgys obeyed his orders and have not attempted to overrule or dictate to him. On a few occasions I attempted to correct what was wrong and he immediately showed an imperious manner. On one occasion we were hoisting up the boat. The boat fall tackle had not been previously coiled right which caused turns in it. I attempted to rectify it but he immediately snatched the rope from my hands and coiled it as before. His attitude being, right or wrong, MIGHT is right. He said, "No matter if turns are in the rope, if I want it that way, do it that way." Everybody should do things right when they how and that is only what I considered proper. Cooperation implies joint action. I have tried hard to faithfully and efficiently do my duty. Every order or assignment of work the Keeper has given me, I have carried it out to the best of my ability and so far as I know, satisfactory and I demand that he cite the specific cases of my dereliction of duty. He never allows me to exercise the least initiative, no

...ter what I am doing and at every available instance he has taken advantage to exercise his prerogatives over me in a most overbearing attitude. He is unfriendly toward me. This was evinced shortly after my arrival at the light and he has repeatedly stated- "One of us must get off this light." He has not assisted me or corrected my errors, but on the other hand, antagonized, discouraged and has been watching for every opportunity for me to make some breach of the Regulations or discipline in order that he could press for my removal. As a consequence of his actions, I had, previous to any knowledge of these charges, placed a request for transfer. More detailed information of his lack of cooperation is contained in my counter charges against him which are attached hereto. I therefore deny the allegations set forth in this charge.

Finding - Guilty.

Charge 4. Use of Profane Language - That you have repeatedly and continuously used profane language to the keeper, also stating to the keeper when he remonstrated that you would continue to use such language and he would have to stand it, and at one time stating "I ought to sock you between the eyes."

Answer - I have not used profane language to the Keeper. Not once have I called or insinuated any vile, profane or abusive remarks to him. I do admit having used profane language, that is, common swear words. Once the Keeper remonstrated with me for it and I said, "It is a bad habit of mine and I cannot help it." Every light I have been attached to, the personnel with two exceptions to my knowledge have used profanity - the keeper of Butler Flats Light Station being no exception. Mine appears to be a singular case to be made the subject of a charge, particularly so, because the profanity was uttered in an unoffensive spirit towards no one. I also deny the allegation set forth in this charge, to wit, - "I ought to sock you between the eyes." I did not say it so no remarks or explanation can be made. The charge is not only erroneous but a falsehood. It is also absurd. The Keeper is a man of large physical proportions, weighing well over two hundred pounds, younger in years and apparently in a very healthy condition. Aside from the large disparity in our physical makeup, I am still under a doctor's care, convalescing from two major operations on my stomach. I am not looking for any physical encounters with him nor have I invited them. I have better judgment to know that the ends of justice are not metered out in that manner.

Finding - Guilty.

Charge 5. Disregard of Regulations - On February 16, upon return from liberty, you failed to make the proper entry in the Record of Absences. On this particular day you left at 2.00 p.m., and your report as to return has not as yet been inserted. This also happened on February 22. That you disobeyed orders from the Superintendent of Lighthouses, forwarded to you under date of February 7, as to your conduct while at Butler Flats Light Station.

Answer - This charge is not clearly understood as it states - "On February 16, upon return from liberty, you failed....". To the best of my knowledge, I departed on liberty that day and returned on the 22nd. As the records are not available, owing to my absence from the Station on liberty, I am unable to

state whether I have or have not made entries in the book of Absences. I will promptly verify it when I return. Since I have been at Butler Flats Light, the Keeper, on his own initiative and not at my request, has made out my leave report. He keeps the log and other records in his bedroom. When I go on liberty I usually ask him for the book in order to sign it. I do not go in his room for various reasons. I remember distinctly on February 16, 1927 asking for the book and in error he brought down the Fog Signal Book. He shortly after appeared with the Absence book and to the best of my knowledge I made an entry. As he has assumed the entire responsibility for the keeping of logs, records, absences, etc. and as they are kept in his room where I do not trespass without his approval, he could have at least called my attention to my failure to record this entry. This is another instance of his wilful intent to allow me to commit an irregularlity of ommision. If he keeps the books in his room not accessible to me, except when he goes on liberty, he should at least turn them over to me when I am required to make entries in them. Since the receipt of the Superintendent's letter of February 7, 1927, outlining instructions to me, I can conscientiously and truthfully say that I have done all that could be expected of a human being. I strive to please, to be compatible and I have not given the Keeper any occasion to consider my conduct otherwise. On the other hand, he is surly, overbearing and is continually remarking - "One of us has got to get off this light."

Finding - Guilty.

2. The evidence, as adduced, has been carefully and maturely considered and findingsarrived at as stated. This employee has given considerable trouble to the district in several previous cases and it has been necessary to call his attentio to infractions at various times. (See copy of letter of district office to Olson, dated Febmmmyy 7, 1927). As to Charge 5. See Abstract of Records as of March 4, 1927, herewith.

3. As to charge 3, it appears that it is his desire to refrain from doing anything ordered and utterly fails to comprehend the value to the Service of efficiency and cooperation.

4. As to charge 4, it is a well recognized fact in this district that Mr. Olson's tongue knows no bounds, disregards all authority in the use of profane language.

5. It is recommended that he be dismissed from the Service, effective at the close of April 15, 1927. The approval of this recommendation will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule I relative to political or religious opinions or affiliations.

6. Mr. Olson has not been granted leave in access of the accrued rate.

7. The answers to these charges were not forwarded through the keeper in accordance with regulations.

Superintendent.

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 2D DISTRICT
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CHELSEA, MASS.

March 30, 1927

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Subject: Countercharges by Anton Olson against Keeper Charles A. Baker.

1. The following charges have been preferred against Charles A. Baker, Keeper Butler Flats Light Station, on statements made by Assistant Keeper Anton Olson and in the nature of countercharges to charges preferred against him under date of March 9, 1927:

Charge 1. Neglect of Duty - On or about January 16, 1927, Charles A. Baker, Keeper, Butler Flats Light, having the first watch until midnight, did leave his post of duty without having been regularly relieved causing the light to be unattended. He also neglected to call me to duty, thereby permitting me to sleep over for a period of 30 minutes. When I awoke, I immediately asked him why he had not called me to duty. His answer was - "I thought you would wake up sometime."

Since I have been on duty at the Light, the Keeper has not cleaned up on his watch, leaving all the work for me. He does clean up his own room; has swept the kitchen three times, helped once to wash the kitchen ceiling and painted the window sash. That comprises the amount of his labor, the rest I do daily with him bossing. I asked him once if he was supposed to do anything, he replied "Yes" and since then he does sweep other parts of the light than his own room.

Answer - Not true.

Finding - Not guilty.

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Charge 2. Maladministration and Usurpation of Authority. - Upon arrival at the Light January 1, 1927, the Keeper informed me that practically everything in the line of furnishings were his personal property including the bed I sleep in, bed clothing, dishes, pans, stove, etc. All these I use of necessity and he has often humbled me by letting me know I am using his belongings. On one occasion when using the dishpan to wash vegetables I was preparing to eat, he came over, dumped the water and placed some dirty chimneys in it. I told him I was using the pan for my vegetables, he retorted, "A little kerosene will not hurt you." On another occasion after I had put in considerable time cleaning the stove, he placed an empty water kettle on the stove and attempted to fill it with water from a dishpan. He either delibertately or unintentionally put half the water over the stove. He did not clean it up but just gave me a surly look and left it for me to do over again. He could have just as easily filled the kettle at the pump. At other times when I have had food cooking on his stove, in his kettles, he has come down in the morning with a chamber mug, dumped it

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go over to the stove holding it in close proximity to my food and pour hot water in it, causing the vapor to pass over the food. It is all his property so I have no kick with him, but I do have a moral right which he must respect. I have washed the kitchen paint three times in two and one half months, he soils it by removing the stove lids and smoking up. My labor goes for naught and by his tactics he reduces my morale, thereby causing lack of harmony and cooperation.

On another occasion about the middle of January, he asked me to put him ashore as he was going for a boat which was being repaired. His instructionsto me were, "If I do not return with the boat, keep your eye on the shore." I waited and watched. Finally I had to light up. It was cold and getting dark when I saw a man on the shore which I took to be him. I immediately put out for him but on reaching the shore it proved to be somebody else. I returned to the Light and a short time later the Keeper came with the boat. I told him of my going to the beach. This caused me to leave my station in violation of rules, which he has failed to mention or press because it was done under his orders. I told him that hereafter he would make other arrangements as I would break no rules for him. This was the starting point of differences and he has shown anger, animosity and repeatedly stated, "One of us must get off this Light." Why has he not made it known in the book of absences of this departure from the Light without proper entry?

Answer - Not true. I did not ask Mr. Olson to go to the shore for me after sunset.

Finding - Not guilty.

Charge 3. Falsehood. He has caused to be placed against me charges which he knew well were malicious and false.

As this occasion permits me, I will make further reply to the Superintendent's letter of February 7, 1927. I had trouble at another Light it is true, but the basis for all that was just because I have stood up and done my duty. The Keeper at that Light was called by me at midnight to turn out and take his watch. I waited a reasonable time and again called him. He told me to "Go to H---, who do you think you are to be coming around here giving me orders. You have been but three years in the service and I have twice as much. Mind your own damn business and turn in if you want to." I insisted he get up and take his watch and he could do whatever he wanted to after that. The result was inevitable, bad feelings. For this stand to duty I have been called troublesome. I know the responsibility of watches, having sailed the seas for approximately forty years. I do not propose to give way to personal feelings when it comes to duty regardless of the consequences and so long as I have done that I will not and cannot be charged with neglect and inefficiency.

Answer - Not true. I have not made any false charges against him.

Finding - Not guilty.

2. As to charge 3, contact was made with Mr. Olson as to the name of the keeper who replied to him in a profane manner and in his letter of March 18 he stated that Mr. M. B. King, Keeper of Deer Island Light Station, was the man

who refused to turn out and replied to him in a profane manner. Communication was made with Mr. King, as per copy of letter of March 23, and in his reply thereto of March 24 he makes absolute denial of the statement and copy of denial is herewith. In view of the nature of the charges and source, it is a paper of pure fabrication and recommendation is made that no further action be taken.

3. These charges were not forwarded by Mr. Olsen through the keeper in accordance with regulations.

Fred C. Scobie

Superintendent.

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Incls.

April 4, 1927.

SUBJECT: 2nd Superintendent's letters of March 30, charges against Anton Olson, assistant Keeper, Butler Flats Light Station.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval as recommended by the Superintendent in paragraph 5, attention being also invited to subsequent charge preferred against keeper Olson also submitted herewith. Keeper Anton Olson originally entered the Service on September 25, 1923, and the records indicate that he was cautioned by the Bureau on November 17, 1924 for violation of the Regulations in not having the light in operation at sunset on the evening of October 29, 1924. It does not appear from the records that he has performed any special services or been commended. With reference to the countercharges against keeper Charles A. Baker also submitted herewith, the Bureau concurs in the Superintendent's views and recommendation and recommends approval.

reference in file

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

approved close 4/15/27
Dept. letter 4/11/27 to 2d 4/13/27

COPY to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Chelsea, Mass., for his information. You will be duly advised of Department action.

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 2D DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
CHELSEA, MASS.
April 21, 1927.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Subject: Anton Olson, dismissal.

Reference: Bureau's endorsement dated April 13, on letter of Appointment Division dated April 11, 1927, to Anton Olson.

The Bureau is advised that the effective date of dismissal of Anton Olson, should be changed from April 15 to April 16, as notice of dismissal was not received at this office until April 15 and as Mr. Olson was at the light station, it was impossible to deliver it to him before April 16. Copies on file in this office will be changed on receipt of authority.

Superintendent.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
April 26, 1927

Submitted the Secretary of Commerce with recommendation that the effective date be changed as indicated, or, if this is not practicable, that Olson's employment on April 16 be authorized.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

CLARK BURDICK
1ST DIST. RHODE ISLAND

COMMITTEE ON NAVAL AFFAIRS

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The Commissioner of Lighthouses,

Department of Commerce,

Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir:-

Friends have interested me in the dismissal of Anton Olson, formerly assistant keeper of Butler Flats Light Station, near New Bedford, from the service, as a result of a series of charges brought against him since the first of the year.

Ordinarily, I am not inclined to interfere in departmental routine matters such as this, but I have just finished reading copies of the charges and the replies of Olson, and if these replies are anywhere near the truth, Olson was certainly more sinned against than sinning while at Butler Flats Light Station.

I do not know the routine taken by your Bureau in such a case, but it is apparent that Olson was given no opportunity to state his case directly to the district superintendent, nor was the keeper questioned, that I can find out. It would appear to me that Olson has been unjustly treated; that the word of the keeper has been taken as the truth in each instance and the word of Olson not even considered.

To mention only one incident, the keeper charged Olson with not entering his departure from the Light on February 16, 1927, whereas the book shows Olson did make the entry, if this instance were investigated.

If the charges against Olson are true, based on the word of the keeper, I should think that some sort of investigation should be made into the charges made by Olson against the keeper, for if the conduct of the keeper is as Olson alleges, the keeper does not seem to me to be a type of man the government should continue in charge of a light station.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

As Olson is a constituent of mine, and I feel that his side of the case should be thoroughly looked into, I will appreciate it if you will advise me if he has any appeal from the summary dismissal which was accorded him this month.

Very truly yours,

Clark Burdick

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

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To Superintendent of Lighthouses, Chelsea, Mass.

for remark and return,

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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May 2, 1927.

Hon. Clark Burdick,
Member of Congress,
Newport, Rhode Island.

Dear Sir:

1. In reference to your letter of April 28, in behalf of Anton Olson, formerly an assistant keeper at Butler Flats Light Station:

2. You are respectfully informed that this matter is under consideration and you will be further advised in regard thereto at an early date.

Very truly yours,

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Subject: Anton Olson, dismissal.

Reference: Bureau's endorsement May 1 on letter Representative Burdick April 28, 1927.

1. The decision to dismiss Anton Olson, assistant keeper Butler Flats Light Station, was not arrived at in a haphazard manner, but only after long and careful deliberation. It certainly would appear from the replies to charges preferred against him that Olson was more sinned against than sinning while at Butler Flats, as stated by Representative Burdick in his letter of April 28, but this office has absolute facts which tendto discredit practically any statement which Olson may have made and especially so as to the inference noted in the fourth paragraph of the above letter:

> "To mention only one incident, the keeper charged Olson with not entering his departure from the Light on February 16, 1927, whereas the book shows Olson did make the entry, if this instance were investigated."

2.- The charge made against Olson covering this particular phase is as follows: "On February 16, upon return from liberty you failed to make the proper entry in the Record of Absences. On this particular day you left at 2.00 p.m., and your report as to return has not as yet been inserted." His answer to this charge follows in part: "To the best of my knowledge I departed on liberty that day and returned on the 22nd. As the records are not available, owing to my absence from the station on liberty, I am unable to state whether I have or have not made entries in the book of absences." This particular incident was investigated by the First Assistant Superintendent and abstract of his report is quoted: "A. Olson left station 2.00 p.m., 16th - returned - - - --." This is just one instant or attempt at prevarication.

3. As to the routine taken by the Bureau and to reason why the Keeper and Assistant Keeper were not called in for examination, Article 413, Lighthouse Regulations, covering this phase is quoted:

> "No person in the classified civil service of the United States shall be removed therefrom except for such cause as will promote the efficiency of such service and for reasons given in writing; and the person whose removal is sought shall have notice of the same and of any charges preferred against him and be fur-

nished with a copy thereof, and also be allowed a reasonable time for personally answering the same in writing and affidavits in support thereof, but no examination of witnesses nor any trial or hearing shall be required except in the discretion of the officer making the removal."

This office did not deem it necessary to call witnesses.

4. The charges entering into Olson's dismissal were not due to infractions occuring for the first time, but ever since Mr. Olson entered the Service he has caused more or less trouble to this office. It was necessary, in order to promote efficiency, to transfer him two previous times. On February 3 the Keeper made written complaint as to his inability to get along with his Assistant and from investigation it was found necessary to call Olson's attention to the requirements of an Assistant Keeper. District's letter of February 7 quoted in part:

"The Keeper at the station is responsible for the care, management and efficiency of the station as well as the cleanliness thereof and for the proper conduct of his Assistant. You are required to execute with promtitude and zeal his orders, as you are well aware that compatibility and faithfulness to duty are synonymous of efficiency and failing to carry out your duty in this respect it will be sufficient evidence to prefer charges against you which may lead to your dismissal from the Service. You have had previous trouble of this nature while in the Service and you will understand that this is the last time I expect it to happen."

5. Matters apparently went from bad to worse and it was finally necessary to prefer charges which led to Olson's dismissal. The gravest offense, which he denied in part and which the Lighthouse Service cannot tolerate, occured on the morning of March 18. The charge covering same is quoted:

"Neglect of duty - That you were not on duty at 3.40 a.m. on the morning of March 18, when you were supposed to be standing your regular watch; that a heavy fog enshrouded your locality; that the fog signal at Butler Flats Light Station, which was in your direct charge, was not sounding, due to the fact that you were asleep during the period stated; that it was necessary for the principal keeper to awaken, start the fog signal and call you from your bed. By this action you were neglectful of your duty and endangered the lives of mariners who may have been plying the waters adjacent to the Butler Flats Light Station."

His answer to this charge is quoted in part:

"On the 18th of March I had the watch from midnight, March 17 until daylight March 18, 1927. I was standing my watch during the period in question. At 3.10 a.m. I made an observation

noted that the range lights, that is, the lights at Fairhaven and Clark's Point were shining bright and visibility good. I did not observe any indication of fog. I was sitting in my room writing a letter and was not laying in my bed nor was I asleep. The keeper did not awaken me nor did he call me from my bed. I heard him down below and I promptly answered him when he asked me 'Why is the fog signal not going.' To which I replied, 'I did not know it was foggy as I looked out a short time ago.'"

6. The Keeper, awakened by the fog signal sounding at Dumpling Rocks, a light station in the near vicinity, turned out of his bed, started the fog signal and then called Olson. Though Olson's answer may appear truthful, the fact remains that the fog signal was not operating at the proper time, and as fog signals are maintained for the safety of lives and property, Olson was derelict in his duty thereby endangering lives and property, which in itself constitutes sufficient evidence to discharge him from any service.

Superintendent.

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May 10, 1927

Hon. Clark Burdick,
Member of Congress,
Newport, Rhode Island.

Dear Sir:

1. In further reference to your letter of April 28th relative to the dismissal on April 16th of Mr. Anton Olson, Assistant Keeper of Butler Flats Light Station:

2. You are respectfully informed that the action in this case appears to have been duly in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations, in that Mr. Olson was furnished with a written statement of the charges against him and given an opportunity to reply in writing. His reply was carefully considered in connection with his previous record in taking final action upon his case.

3. With regard to the charge that Mr. Olson did not enter his departure from the station on February 16, 1927, this matter was especially investigated by the Superintendent and the charge substantiated by the station records. Mr. Olson had also had difficulty at other stations and on two occasions it was necessary to transfer him, and on February 7, 1927, he was especially cautioned in the matter of performing his duties as prescribed by the Regulations.

4. The most serious charge leading to his dismissal, however, was that of neglect of duty, in that, during his watch on the morning of March 18th, he failed to sound the fog signal and thus endangered life and property which it was his special duty to safeguard. Mr. Olson denies that he was asleep or neglectful in this instance, but the fact remains that the signal was not started until the principal keeper at the station started it, he having been awakened by the sounding of the signal at another station in the vicinity. In view of all of the circumstances surrounding the case, it is considered that Mr. Olson's dismissal was warranted and in the interest of the Service.

Very truly yours,

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES. Second DISTRICT.

Chelsea, Mass., May 19, 1927

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Washington, D. C.

No reply has been received from the Bureau to communication (letter)
from this office dated April 21, 1927 on the subject of changing of effective date of dismissal of Anton Olson to April 16, 1927.

Superintendent.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
May 24, 1927.

Returned to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Chelsea, Mass., with advice that the Department informally advises the Bureau that it has amended the effective date of Olson's dismissal from April 15 to April 16, 1927, and approval will be sent you in due time.

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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WASHINGTON

May 27, 1927.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of April 26, 1927, the Department has authorized the employment for one day (April 16, 1927), of Anton Olson as Keeper at $1320 per annum at Butler Flats Light Station, Massachusetts.

By direction of the Secretary:

Clifford Hazen
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 2d Supt.

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Anton Olson (Name) — Mass. (Legal Residence)

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 2D DISTRICT
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CHELSEA, MASS.
April 21, 1927.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
April 26, 1927

Submitted the Secretary of Commerce with recommendation that the effective date be changed as indicated, or, if this is not practicable, that Olson's employment on April 16 be authorized.

EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZED:
E. W. Tilbury
ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

H. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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2. You are respectfully informed that the action in this case appears to have been duly in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations, in that Mr. Olson was furnished with a written statement of the charges against him and given an opportunity to reply in writing. His reply was carefully considered in connection with his previous record in taking final action upon his case.

3. With regard to the charge that Mr. Olson did not enter his departure from the station on February 16, 1927, this matter was especially investigated by the Superintendent and the charge substantiated by the station records. Mr. Olson had also had difficulty at other stations and on two occasions it was necessary to transfer him, and on February 7, 1927, he was especially cautioned in the matter of performing his duties as prescribed by the Regulations.

4. The most serious charge leading to his dismissal, however, was that of neglect of duty, in that, during his watch on the morning of March 18th, he failed to sound the fog signal and thus endangered life and property which it was his special duty to safeguard. Mr. Olson denies that he was asleep or neglectful in this instance, but the fact remains that the signal was not started until the principal keeper at the station started it, he having been awakened by the sounding of the signal at another station in the vicinity. In view of all of the circumstances surrounding the case, it is considered that Mr. Olson's dismissal was warranted and in the interest of the Service.

Very truly yours,

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, [illegible]

MAY 10 1927

[illegible] to Secretary of Commerce for his information

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

April 11, 1927.

Mr. Anton Olson,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

Charges of neglect of duty, disobedience, inefficiency, lack of cooperation, use of profane language, etc. having been preferred against you and substantiated in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses has dismissed you from the position as Keeper (assistant), $1320 per annum at Butler Flats Light Station, Massachusetts, effective at the close of business April 15, 1927.

By direction of the Secretary:

APR 12 1927

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION APR 12 1927 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JOURNAL

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Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 21, 1926.

Mr. Anton Olson,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $1380 per annum to $1320 per annum, effective January 1, 1927, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

DEC 27 1926
(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT.

Chelsea, Mass., (City.) December 17th (Date.) 1926.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DEC 21 1926 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DEC 23 1926 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer, with reduction in salary.

Name, Anton Olson — By request

Legal residence, Massachusetts.

Position, (Assistant) Keeper

Salary, $1320 per annum (1260-1620) — same step as in old range.

Location, Butler Flats Light Station, Mass.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses. — Such

Effective January 1, 1927 — {~~the actual date of entrance on duty, or~~ as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, (Assistant) Keeper

Former salary, $1380 per annum (1320-1680)

Location, Deer Island Light Station, Mass.

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

Previous incumbent, Judson Small 1380 Services terminated, December 31, 1926.

Reason, Transferred. (mutual trans. vice Anton Olson to Butler Flats.)

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Date of birth, August 9, 1869.

Remarks: Mr. Olson verbally expressed by telephone, his willingness to accept above transfer; his being at the tower at the present time made it impossible to submit written request. Although the transfer involves a reduction in salary, the action recommended is not in violation of Section 2, Civil Service Rule I. This transfer is also considered for the good of the Service. Quarters are not provided for families of keepers at this station.

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

F. W. Keator
Superintendent.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, Approved. DEC 20 1926

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN DEC 24 1926 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

12-22-26

APPROVED: [signature]
ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

[signature]
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1 Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D #1

NAME Olson, Anton POSITION Keeper.

BUREAU BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES STATION 2nd Dist.

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

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances			As Classified for estimate purposes			Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates		
			Items	Value	Aggregate	Service	Grade	Pay	Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Amt. per annum to be Subtracted
720	240	960	CR	164. 25	1224. 25	LHS	3	1440	yes	60	

CIRCULAR #13----11/13/23

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GRADE RECOMMENDED 6

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1320 TO $1560

DUPLICATE

...IFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 4.
...t in accordance with detailed
...in P. C. B. Form No. 2, and
Circular No. 7).

To Accompany Report of { ☒ New Appointments ☐ Changes in Duties for Sept. 3, 192

Olson (Surname.) Anton (Given name.) - (Initial.)

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE		
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(a) Previous incumbent Harold B. Johnson
2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field Service Lighthouse Service
5. (a) Field Station Second Lighthouse District
(b) Subdivision Duxbury Pier Light Station
(c) City or town Plymouth State Mass.
6. Pay-roll title Keeper
7. Customary office title Asst. Keeper.

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day 15; per week 105
(b) If this is not a full-time position, state percentage of time employed per day --; or per week --
(c) If night work, wholly or in part, state the hours: From ½ of time from sunset to sunrise m. to -- m.
9. If this is not an all-year-round position, state approximate number of days employed each year --
During what months
10. If the employee receives compensation from any other branch of the Federal Government, or from any city, county, or State government, state the position held and the compensation --
11. Present rate of pay, exclusive of bonus $720 per annum; bonus, $240 per annum.
12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $None per --; bonus, $-- per annum.
13. If the employee receives overtime pay, state the rate --
14. Title of appropriation or fund from which basic compensation is paid Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
15. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box any of the following allowances received, in addition to salary or wages: ☐ Quarters; ☐ 3 meals per day; ☐ 2 meals per day; ☐ 1 meal per day; ☐ Subsistence or rations in kind; ☐ Uniform; ☐ Laundry; ☒ Fuel; ☒ Light; ☐ Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum 45 cents per diem commutation of rations, $164.25
16. Indicate what special equipment, if any, the employee is required by law or regulation to furnish at his own expense, and the approximate annual maintenance cost to the employee:
Kind of equipment Uniform; annual cost, $20.00
17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)
(a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☒ 8
(b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
(c) Business school; years ☐ ½ ☐ 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐ 2½ ☐ 3
(d) College: Name --; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
(e) Post-graduate work: Kind --; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
(f) Correspondence courses: Kind ...; number of lessons ...; number completed ...

18. Description of work. (Describe the various tasks performed, making the description of each as detailed as space will permit. Use a paragraph for each task and number the paragraphs. In the column at the right state the estimated percentage of the total time—in the course of a day, month, or year—given to each task.) 2—12965

	Percentage of total time given to each task
1. Operating the light every night from sunset to sunrise; operating fog signal during thick or foggy weather.	50
2. Cleaning and caring for tower and light and fog signal apparatus.	25
3. Painting tower and making minor repairs as necessary.	15
4. Preparing meals and going for mail and supplies.	10

19. Does employee work under immediate supervision, or to a large extent upon his own responsibility? (Describe fully.) Name the employee's *immediate* or close superior. If not a civilian, give the superior's title or rank.

Works under the immediate supervision of the Keeper, and follows detailed instructions in regard to his work. The employee's immediate superior is the Keeper.

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

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? Since September 25, 1923.

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

October 6, 192 3 — Geo. E. Eaton — Superintendent.
(Date) (Signature of Preparing Officer) (Title)

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

(Signature of Employee)

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

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

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

EDUCATIONAL TRAINING		
	Essential	Desirable But Not Essential
College		
High School		X
Common School	X	

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent

Experience: If essential, kind and extent

25. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made are accurate and complete. In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ 900 to $ 1140

October 6, 192 3 — Geo. E. Eaton — Superintendent.
(Date) (Signature of head of field office or station) (Title)

THE FOLLOWING TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE HEAD OF THE BUREAU OR SIMILAR OFFICIAL

26. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made are accurate and complete, except as follows: (If necessary, attach a sheet.)

In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ to $

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(Date) (Signature of chief of bureau) (Title)

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Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

Mr. Anton Olsen, July 10, 1925.

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1500 per annum to $ 1380 per annum, effective July 20, 1925.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully, EDW. J. GARDNER,

JUL 14 1925

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 14 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

June 25, 1925.

M r. Anton Olson,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1440 per annum to $ 1500 per annum, effective July 1, 1925.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER.

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
BOSTON, MASS.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SECOND DISTRICT

LIGHTHOUSES
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SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 12 1925
2nd DIST. BOSTON, MASS.

(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

June 11, 1925. , 192

Superintendent,
2nd Lighthouse District,
Boston, Mass.

1. Replying to your letter of June 2nd, 1925, I wish to inform you that I am willing to accept the position of Assistant Keeper at Deer Island Light. At present I am on leave to expire on the 20th. My address while on leave is, 6 Bayside Ave., Newport, R.I.

Respectfully,

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CHIEF CLERK

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT.

Boston, Mass. (City.) July 8th (Date.), 1925.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JUL 10 1925 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Action recommended, Transfer, with reduction in salary.

Name, Anton Olson — Legal residence, Massachusetts

Position, (Assistant) Keeper — Salary, ~~$1320~~ 1380 per annum (1320-1560)

Location, Deer Island Light Station, Mass. — Appropriation, (Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.)

Effective July 20, 1925. — {the actual date of entrance on duty, ~~or~~ ~~xx xxx thereafter as he enters on duty.~~ such date

Former position, (1st Assistant) Keeper — Former salary, ~~$1440~~ 1500 per annum.

Location, The Graves Light Station, Mass.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JUL 14 1925 APPOINTMENT DIVISION INTERDEPARTMENTAL ACTION TAKEN

Previous incumbent, W. C. Daggett — Services terminated, June 26, 1925.

Reason, Resigned.

Members of family in Government Service, None

Date of birth, August 9, 1869.

Remarks: A letter from Mr. Olson indicating his desire for transfer to this position, which involves a reduction in pay, is enclosed. Action recommended is not in violation of Section 2, Civil Service Rule I. Quarters are not provided at this station for keeper's family.

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

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

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E. W. Sawyer
Chief Clerk.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

J. Burbank

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Inclosure

JUL 9 - 1925

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

Mr. Anton Olson,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED FEB 4 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Position: Keeper.

Salary: $1440.

Appropriations: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
General Expenses, Lighthouse Service.

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(CROSS REFERENCE)

Olson Anton In accordance with authority of the Director of the Budget dated June 27, 1924, the salary is re-adjusted to $ 1140, effective July 1, 1924.

For authorization see letter dated JUL 15 1924 File No. 1095/21.

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

NOV 17 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

November 17, 1924.

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Mr. Anton Olson, First Assistant Keeper,
The Graves Light Station, Mass.
(Through Superintendent of Lighthouses, Boston, Mass.).

1. The Bureau is in receipt of report from the Superintendent relative to your light not being in operation at sunset on the evening of October 29, and also your letter of November 4 in explanation of the matter.

2. It is considered that you were delinquent in this instance; and you are cautioned that paragraph 113 of the Instructions to Employees with regard to punctuality in the exhibition of lights must be observed with the utmost strictness and fidelity.

(Signed)

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Exact copy as signed by.....

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Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 9, 1924.

Mr. Anton Olson,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 720 per annum to $ 900 per annum, effective May 1, 1924.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APR 11 1924

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT.

CHIEF CLERK

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Boston, Mass. April 7 1924.
(City.) (Date.)

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COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APR 9 1924
DIVISION.

Action recommended, Transfer and promotion.

Name, Anton Olson — Legal residence, Massachusetts

Position, Keeper — Salary, $900 per annum

Location, The Graves Light Station, Mass. — Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective May 1, 1924. — {the actual date of entrance on duty, ~~or as soon thereafter as he enters duty~~

Former position, Keeper — Former salary, $720 per annum.

Location, Duxbury Pier Light Station, Mass.

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

Previous incumbent, Richard F. Grassie Services terminated, April 30, 1924.

Reason, Resignation.

Members of family in Government Service, One.

Date of birth, August 9, 1869.

Remarks: Mr. Olson is a capable employee and deserving of this promotion.

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

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Secretary, Civil Service District.

Geo E Eaton
Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APR 8 - 1924

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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LIGHTHOUSES

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

This form shall be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty.

The information called for in Part I shall be filled in by the Bureau or Office to which the employee is assigned, after which the form shall be transmitted to the employee for answers to the questions in Part II. The completed form shall be indorsed by the proper Bureau officer and forwarded to the Department for file.

PART I.

1. Name of employee Anton Olson

2. Position to which appointed Keeper

3. Bureau or Service Lighthouse Service, District Second

4. Place of duty Duxbury Pier Light Station, Mass. (City, town, station, or vessel.)

5. Salary $720.00 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses

7. Manner of appointment. (Examples: "From stenographer and typewriter examination, ———, 19—;" "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known).

From Assistant Keeper examination, June 30, 1923.

PART II.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY THE EMPLOYEE:

The statement should be signed by the employee, or, 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, so state.)

Mr Anton Olson

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

Anton Olson

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

Mass (State or Territory.) Essex (County.) Gloucester (City or town.) 6 ~~Mass~~ (Congressional district.)

4. If the legal residence given in answer to question 3 is not the same as that stated in the certificate of appointment, the difference should be explained.

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

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6. Where were you born? Sweden

7. When were you born? august (Month.) 9 (Day.) 1869 (Year.)

8. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out Oct 11 1900 Gloucester

9. What is your marital condition? (Answer "single," "married," "widowed," or "divorced.") Single

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

Benjamin L Olson (Name.) c Bayside ave (Number and street.)

Newport (City or town.) R.I. (State or Territory.)

11. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") ..... If so, state 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.
Benjamin L Olson	c Bayside ave Newport	Position Clerk; Department or office navy	nephew	Married
		Position; Department or office		
		Position; Department or office		

12. Have you any physical disabilities? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes If so, describe fully. (If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.) Hernia

13. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (Answer "yes" or "no.") no If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.

14. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during any war? (Answer "yes" or "no.") no If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

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

15. 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			

16. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") no If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.

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17. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (Answer "yes" or "no.") no If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service.	Relationship to you.

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

18. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States 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 13, 14, 15, and 16.)

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19. What education have you received? (State the grades of schools you have attended, and, if 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., 1910; Columbia University, LL. B., 1913.)

Public School Sweden

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

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

assistant Lt Keeper June 30 1923

22. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (Answer "yes" or "no.") yes If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.

Date, Sept 24, 1923

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) anton Olson

(Present address) 43 main St
(Number and street.)

Gloucester mass
(City or town.) (State or Territory.)

INDORSEMENT.

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded October 3, 1923

(Signature) Fred E Eaton

(Official title) Superintendent, 2nd District

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

CHIEF CLERK
1923 OCT 5 PM 3
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OCT 5
APPOINTMENT DIVISION.
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I, Anton Olson

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.

Anton Olson
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 25th day of September, A. D. 1923

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Harry R. Talbot

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires Sept. 24, 1930

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$720. per annum	Duxbury Pier Light Station, Mass.
Former [5] --	--	--

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

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, Second District

Boston, Mass., (Address), October 3, 1923. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on September 25, 1923. (Date)

U. S. REPORT DATE ENTERED

Fred E. Eaton
Superintendent. (Signature and official 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 on or after the effective date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.
[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a superintendent of lighthouses or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of superintendent of lighthouses and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.
[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.
Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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NOT TO BE ACCEPTED AS A[illegible]RITY FOR INVESTIGATION OPERATIONS UNLESS ACCO[illegible]IED BY OFFICIAL CREDENTIALS

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

September 29, 1923.

M. Anton Olson,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Seven Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you entered (September 25, 1923) upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. ____) issued by the Acting Secretary, First Civil Service District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTING
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Harold B. Johnson.

Legal Residence: Massachusetts.

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Second DISTRICT,

Boston, Mass. (City.), September 25 (Date.), 1923.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE SEP 29 1923 APPOINTMENT

Action recommended, Probationary appointment

Name, Anton Olson — Legal residence, Massachusetts

Position, Keeper — Salary, $720 per annum

Location, Duxbury Pier Light Station Mass — Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective September 25, 1923. — {'the actual date of entrance on duty, ~~or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty~~.

Former position, -- — Former salary, --

Location, --

Rank on eligible list, 3 — Rating, Assistant Keeper — Percentage, 83.2 , Other eligibles considered: John P. Mannion-Smith D, Ernest G. Nelson C , William C. Burleigh C,

Previous incumbent, Harold B. Johnson — Services terminated, August 16, 1923.

Reason, Transfer and promotion.

Members of family in Government Service, One

Date of birth, August 9, 1869

Remarks: Mr. Olson entered on duty prior to receipt of Department's authority, as this case was considered an emergency involving the protection of life and property. He has had no previous government civil service. He appeared at this office and showed clear record in previous employment. Quarters are not provided for families of keepers at this station.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, SEP 26 1923, 19

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

E. L. Reynolds. — Acting Secretary, 1st Civil Service District.

F. J. Marce — 1st Asst. Superintendent.

9/24/23.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved. SEP 28 1923

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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1 Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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